

# WEEKLY FELLOWSHIP

June 7, 2015

The Weekly Newsletter of the Church in Irvine

## Prayer Items

- ☉ The Need for a New Revival
- ☉ Churches in Bulgaria and the Balkans
- ☉ Irvine College Students

For additional details regarding the above prayer items, please refer to Detailed Prayer Burdens.

## Truth Pursuit

Life-Study of Philippians, Messages 43 & 44

## Bible Reading

	OT Pages	NT Page
Monday	1057-1058	325
Tuesday	1059-1060	326
Wednesday	1061-1062	327
Thursday	1063-1064	328
Friday	1065-1066	329
Saturday	1067-1068	330

## Morning Revival

The Recovery of the Priesthood for God's Building, Week 4 (Spring ITERO)

## DETAILED PRAYER BURDENS

### International: The Need for a New Revival

- ☉ Pray that the aspiration for a new revival would be intensified within the saints in the churches that would issue in prayer to cooperate with the Lord to bring in the corporate God-man living in the churches that would bring forth the building up of the Body of Christ.

### The Raising up of Churches in Bulgaria and the Balkan Countries

Several groups of seeking ones who are reading the ministry have been contacted in Croatia and Serbia. In addition, the Lord is moving to raise up His testimony in Bulgaria, particularly in Sofia, the capital city.

- ☉ Pray the Lord will raise up churches in Bulgaria and in Croatia, Serbia, and the other countries in the Balkan region of Europe.

### Local: College Students in Irvine

- ☉ Pray for a continued advance of the Lord's work in all the college students in Irvine over this Summer.
- ☉ Pray that each student would continue to pursue the Lord and be brought more into the experience and enjoyment of Christ for the Body life.

## HOSPITALITY NEED FOR SAINTS AND SERVING ONES FROM INDIA

The church in Irvine has the opportunity to provide hospitality for saints and serving ones from India who are coming to attend the upcoming Summer Training. Normally very few from India are able to attend the semi-annual trainings but this summer there are 10 brothers and 2 couples coming to attend the Summer Training.

As many of the saints in Irvine have pre-arranged hospitality for guests who personally contact the saints, we would ask the saints to

be open to this need and receive the grace to accommodate 1 or 2 more saints from India into your home. The fellowship in the Body is a wonderful reality and providing hospitality is a very practical means to enjoy this fellowship.

Please contact Edward Wang (949-572-1383) or Dave Beckman (949-300-7451) by TODAY, Lord's Day, June 7, if you are able to participate and help in this need.

## URGENT FINANCIAL NEED FOR THE EUROPEAN YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONFERENCE

There is a need for some financial help to assist young people from Ukraine, Armenia, and Georgia to be able to attend the European Young People's Conference in Poland this year. You may recall that the financial situation in these countries has been severely affected by the current Russian conflict with Ukraine. Their currency has been devalued over 300% and they have been severely limited in being able to join conferences anywhere. It would be a great thing if these young people

who desire to go would be able to attend. The need is approximately \$20,000 USD. There is also a need from Spain in the amount of \$6,000, as well as Romania who also needs about \$6,000.

The need for this financial support is urgent. If you have a burden to help, please make your offering by the end of June and designate it for "YP Work in Europe."

## TESTIMONIES FROM THE FTTA

We continue to report testimonies written by our Irvine-sent and Irvine-related trainees regarding their enjoyment and experience in the FTTA for the encouragement of all the saints.

Dear Family and Friends,

I am already more than halfway through my second term of the Training, and I am SO VERY SORRY that this is the first update that I have sent this term! I am learning a lot in the

Training, about the Lord, about myself, and about how to serve the Lord; however in this letter I'll have to limit myself to just one thing I enjoyed this week. Matthew 7:6 says, "Do not give that which is holy to the dogs, neither cast your pearls before the hogs, lest they trample them with their feet, and turn and tear you". In this verse, "that which is holy" refers to the objective truths from the Bible, and the "pearls" refer to our subjective experiences of

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## Upcoming Events

- ☉ Monday, Jun 29 — Saturday, Jul 4  
Summer Training, Anaheim
- ☉ Lord's Day, Jul 12 — Saturday, Jul 18  
National College Training, Urbana-Champaign, IL
- ☉ Monday, Jul 20 — Saturday, Jul 25  
Summer Bible Camp, Irvine
- ☉ Monday, Jul 27 — Saturday, Aug 1  
Summer School of Truth, Irvine

## Church-related Websites

General: churchinirvine.org  
 Blog: members.churchinirvine.org  
 Calendar: calendar.churchinirvine.org  
 Offerings: offerings.churchinirvine.org  
 YP: youngpeople.churchinirvine.org  
 Children: children.churchinirvine.org

## This Week

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| <b>7TH</b><br><small>Lord's Day</small>  | ☉ 9:30am-12:00pm Lord's table and prophesying meetings by districts          |
| <b>9TH</b><br><small>Tuesday</small>     | ☉ 7:30-8:30pm Prayer meeting by districts                                    |
| <b>10TH</b><br><small>Wednesday</small>  | ☉ 7:30-9:30pm Ministry meeting at the MCC in Anaheim and simulcast at Hall 3 |
| <b>11TH</b><br><small>Thursday</small>   | ☉ 10:00-11:00am Sisters prayer meeting at Hall 3                             |
| <b>12TH</b><br><small>Friday</small>     | ☉ Evening Small groups in the homes  |
| <b>13TH</b><br><small>Saturday</small>   | ☉ 6:00pm Young People's dinner and meeting                                   |
| <b>14TH</b><br><small>Lord's Day</small> | ☉ 9:30am-12:00pm Lord's table and prophesying meetings by districts          |

## This Week's Truth Pursuit—Life-Study of Philippians

Message #:	Message 43	Message 44
<i>Title:</i>	Christ, Salvation, God and the Word of Life	The Word of God Being the Embodiment of the Living God
<i>Scriptures:</i>	Phil. 2:5-16	Phil 2:13
<i>Verses to Pray-Read:</i>	Phil. 2:5—"Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus."	Phil. 2:13—"For it is God who operates in you both the willing and the working for His good pleasure."
<i>Radio Msg:</i>	43	44

LSM Radio Broadcasts can be found at: [www.lsmradio.com/audio/philippians.html](http://www.lsmradio.com/audio/philippians.html)

### TESTIMONIES FROM THE FTTA (CONT'D)

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the Lord. Describing these as "holy" and depicting them as "pearls" implies that the truths of the Bible and our subjective experiences of the Lord are precious things and we should realize that they are precious, especially when we go to preach the gospel, and share them with others.

From my experience this term, I've found that when you preach the gospel, or share your experiences with others, your attitude regarding what you are sharing makes a big difference in how they receive it. For a little while I fell into a bit of a rut and just repeated the same thing to everyone I met. I would ask them if they knew that they had three parts to them, and that their third part, which was their human spirit, was made to contain God (1 Thessalonians 5:3). And then I would conclude by asking whether or not they wanted to receive God into their spirit by calling on His name (Romans 10:13). No doubt these are absolutely crucial truths that everyone needs to know, which was why I kept giving the same spiel every time. But I believe that the reason my speaking didn't have much impact was because it had lost its freshness to me first of all. I didn't consider it as a precious truth anymore. Instead it had become something common to me; something that I just flung around at anyone within my radius. So this week I had

to repent to the Lord. I realized that the Bible is something very precious to Him and even the experiences I have had with Him are precious to Him; therefore when I take them lightly it displeases Him and He doesn't bless my utterance. Whatever we say to others should not be light, but should be weighty, because the gospel is not something light. We need to realize that what we have is a rich inheritance that needs to be treasured. If we have this view and attitude when we preach the gospel, our speaking will have impact.

I have found that it really helps to sit down and have a time to enjoy the Lord before going out to preach the gospel. If I have a fresh appreciation for how wonderful and sweet the Lord is, it absolutely comes out in my gospel preaching. We need to be serious about God and the rich inheritance that we have received from Him through the Spirit in our spirit!

—Phillis Chang

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ☉ **Meeting for Parents of the Young People**  
The YP serving ones would like to gather with all the parents of the young people to have some mutual fellowship and coordination for our precious young people. We will meet together for dinner at **6:30pm on Saturday, June 20 at Hall 1.**
- ☉ **2015 Summer School of Truth**

We are pleased to announce the 2015 Summer School of Truth. The dates of the SSOT this year will be from July 27 to Aug 1. The young people as well as any burdened parents or saints may register for the SSOT on our website at [www.irvineyp.com](http://www.irvineyp.com).

The purpose of the Summer School of Truth is in accord with our Savior God's desire

that all men would not only be saved but also come to the full knowledge of the truth. Please plan your summer accordingly for this important time. May all our young people be prepared by the Lord to be His useful vessels fully equipped unto every good work.

- ☉ **Summer Bible Camp Coordination**

The Summer Bible Camp will take place the week of July 20-25. In order to carry out this special week, we need much prayer, coordination, preparation, and participation. We encourage all parents of children from K-6 grade, as well as saints who are burdened for the children, to please join our coordination time next Lord's Day, **June 14, from 3:30-4:30** in the house at Hall 1.