

WEEKLY FELLOWSHIP

June 21, 2015

The Weekly Newsletter of the Church in Irvine

Prayer Items

- ☉ Summer Training
- ☉ Full-time Training Graduates

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

Truth Pursuit

Life-Study of Philippians, Messages 47 & 48

Bible Reading

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Morning Revival

The Recovery of the Priesthood for God's Building, Week 6 (Spring ITERO)

DETAILED PRAYER BURDENS

International: International Summer Training in Anaheim (June 29 - July 4)

- ☉ Pray for the full release of the Lord's word to the churches that would minister to the current need of the churches for the advancement of the Lord's move in His recovery.
- ☉ Pray that the grace of Christ would supply and empower the speaking brothers to speak forth the word and that the power of Christ would tabernacle over them as their covering.
- ☉ Pray that the saints attending would be empty, open, and seeking to receive a fresh speaking from the Lord.

- ☉ Pray that this training would be a real feast, full of the participation and enjoyment of the riches of Christ and that there would be a rich, life-imparting fellowship among all those participating in the training that would build up the Body.

Full-Time Training Graduates

- ☉ Pray for those graduating from the full-time trainings this month that they would be kept by the Lord to live a life uniquely unto Him for His satisfaction and His purpose.

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.

Praise the Lord Saints! I apologize for not sending any updates recently. I am here because of your prayers and support so you all deserve to know how I am doing.

As the term has been coming to a close, these last few weeks have been the hardest. Energy wise I have been fine, but there has been one factor as to why I have been having a difficult time recently.

As I previously mentioned, the theme for this term has been learning to spend time with the Lord and be in His presence throughout the day. In the last few weeks, this has been something that I have been extremely inconsistent with. If there is no consistent time spent with the Lord, throughout the day, death just comes seeping in, and lately I have been feeling the effects. That is why hymn #947 says that "God's Kingdom today is a real exercise." To spend time with the Lord moment by moment is to exercise the spirit, and we can live the kingdom life if we stay in our spirit. To stay in our spirit is the exercise. If we practice to exercise consistently, it is possible to live a kingdom life.

I thank the Lord that this is why I am in the training—to learn to exercise my spirit and be in constant fellowship with the Lord throughout the day. I by no means have attained this nor am I close to it either. But I am learning, and I will be learning for as long as the Lord has mercy on me to seek after Him. This has been my second term—simply learning to spend time with the Lord.

I have barely begun the learning process, and even though at times it can be excruciating, it is absolutely necessary for my growth in life that I learn to exercise now. That way, in time, I can be a useful member in the building up of the Lord's Body and contribute to His coming back.

Please pray for me that I would continue to press on in exercising my spirit, that I would gain the most from the training in the remaining time of the term, and that my health would not be affected as well. Thank you saints for all your prayer and support this term. I look forward to seeing you all soon.

In Christ, Orlando Ramirez

MINISTRY PORTION

ENJOYING CONSTANT SALVATION IN CHRIST

Many of us have been Christians for years, but we have never heard anything about this constant salvation. We knew, of course, about eternal salvation. That kind of salvation is objective. I wish to make it very clear that I certainly do not belittle eternal salvation in any

way. I treasure it and deeply appreciate it. In His eternal salvation God has rescued us from hell and from His righteous judgment. But day by day we need to go on to experience a constant salvation in our practical life. When Paul was in prison, what he enjoyed was not simply

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Upcoming Events

- ❖ Monday, June 29 - Saturday, July 4
Summer Training, Anaheim
- ❖ Lord's Day, July 12 - Saturday, July 18
National College Training, Urbana-Champaign, IL
- ❖ Monday, July 20 - Saturday, July 25
Summer Bible Camp, Irvine
- ❖ Monday, July 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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| 21ST
<small>Lord's Day</small> | ❖ 9:30am-12:00pm Lord's table and prophesying meetings by districts |
| 23RD
<small>Tuesday</small> | ❖ 7:30-8:30pm Prayer meeting by districts |
| 24TH
<small>Wednesday</small> | ❖ 7:30-9:30pm Ministry meeting at the MCC in Anaheim and simulcast at Hall 3 |
| 25TH
<small>Thursday</small> | ❖ 10:00-11:00am Sisters prayer meeting at Hall 3 |
| 26TH
<small>Friday</small> | ❖ Evening Small groups in the homes |
| 28TH
<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 47	Message 48
<i>Title:</i>	The Constant Salvation in our Practical Life	Constant Salvation through the Bountiful Supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ and the Inward Operation of the Indwelling God
<i>Scriptures:</i>	Phil. 1:19-21; 2:12-16	Phil. 1:19-21; 2:12-16
<i>Verses to Pray-Read:</i>	Phil. 1:19—“For I know that for me this will turn out to salvation through your petition and the bountiful supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ”	Phil. 2:12b-13—“[W]ork out your own salvation with fear and trembling; [f]or it is God who operates in you both the willing and the working for His good pleasure.”
<i>Radio Msg:</i>	46	46

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MINISTRY PORTION (CONT'D)

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God's eternal salvation with the hope it afforded him; he also enjoyed a constant salvation hour by hour. To enjoy this salvation is to live Christ. Actually to live Christ is to enjoy constant salvation in our daily life.

Every aspect of God's salvation brings us out of something on the negative side and ushers us into something on the positive side. Negatively, Paul was saved from being put to shame; positively, Christ was magnified in him. What a wonderful salvation!

SAVED FROM ORDINARY THINGS

In 2:12 Paul tells the saints in Philippi, “Work out your own salvation with fear and trembling.” The constant salvation in 1:19 is for a particular person in a particular situation, whereas the constant salvation in 2:12 is for all believers in common situations. We have seen that the salvation in 1:19 saved Paul in the particular situation of his imprisonment in such a way that he would not be put to shame, but instead would magnify Christ. Now we need to see that, according to the context of 2:12, constant salvation is also for the believers to be saved from ordinary things in their daily living.

From verses 14 and 15 we see that these things include murmurings, reasonings, blame, guile, blemishes, crookedness, perverseness, and darkness. These are general characteristics of the condition of fallen man everywhere. No matter where we may be, there

will be murmuring, reasoning, blame, guile, blemishes, crookedness, perverseness, and darkness. These may be found not only in society generally, but even in the family life of believers. It is common for wives to murmur, and for husbands to reason. A wife may complain about something, and her husband may vindicate himself. Then neither the wife nor the husband is blameless, and both may also have guile and blemishes. At times, a husband and wife are also crooked and perverted in their dealings with each other. Who can say that he has never been crooked in his relationships with others? Children may even be crooked in relation to their own parents. Although we have received God's eternal salvation, to a certain extent we may still be crooked, not altogether honest and straightforward in certain matters. Thus, we need a constant salvation with respect to all the negative things in verses 14 and 15.

Paul tells us that we need to work out our own salvation. By working out this salvation we shall be saved from murmurings, reasonings, blame, guile, blemishes, crookedness, perverseness, and darkness. To be sure, it is not easy to be saved from such things. Paul deliberately used these words to indicate the fallen condition common to all.

—Message 47, *Life Study of Philippians*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

❖ 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.

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.