

WEEKLY FELLOWSHIP November 1, 2015

The Weekly Newsletter of the Church in Irvine

Prayer Items

- ☉ Follow-up with university students in the UK
- ☉ The Lord's move in India
For additional details regarding the above prayer items, please refer to Detailed Prayer Burdens.

Truth Pursuit

Life-Study of 1&2 Timothy, Titus, and Philemon, Messages 15 & 16

Bible Reading

	OT Pages	NT Page
Monday	1249-1250	421
Tuesday	1251-1252	422
Wednesday	1253-1254	423
Thursday	1255-1256	424
Friday	1257-1258	425
Saturday	1259-1260	426

Morning Revival

The Need for a New Revival (Memorial Day Conference 2015), Week 3

Oak Glen Project

Deadline	Goal	%
10/1/2015	\$205,000	2.5%
12/31/2015	\$410,000	5.0%
12/31/2016	\$820,000	10.0%
Actual Contributions		
As Of	Amount	
10/31/2015	\$275,905.70	

DETAILED PRAYER BURDENS

International: Follow-up from contact with university students in the UK

More than 7,000 Gospel of John booklets were distributed, more than 1,700 students requested further contact, and more than 300 of these are currently meeting with the saints.

- ☉ Please pray for the shepherding of the students into the church life so that they will become part of a nucleus for the establishing and strengthening of the churches all over Europe.
- ☉ Pray for the Autumn University Conference at Bower House on November 20-22 on the subject "The Spirit with our spirit."
- ☉ Pray that the Lord will gain a young generation in Europe who exercise and know their mingled spirit so that He may have a new start in Europe.

- ☉ Pray for the perfecting of the university students to be "fishers of men" and "feeders of lambs" for the priesthood of the gospel on the campuses.

The Lord's Move in India

- ☉ Pray for the campus propagation in major cities that the number of college students would increase in the churches in India that the Lord would gain many young useful vessels who would be perfected for His move in India.
- ☉ Pray for the constitution of the saints in India in the experience of Christ as life and in the knowledge of the truth that the churches would be built up as the Lord's testimony in life and truth.

TESTIMONIES FROM THE FULL-TIME TRAINING IN ANAHEIM

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.

Hello everyone :)

[The other] morning our house had brother Paul and sister Christina Deng over for breakfast before the table meeting. One of my housemates asked them to share from their experience moving to Russia to serve the Lord full time. Even after knowing them for many years, I really appreciated being able to hear about their life experiences in following the Lord's leading.

[That] evening Jessica and I had the privilege of having dinner with a sister we both grew up with here in Anaheim. She's currently in medical school across the country - so we never get to see her. It was great being able to catch up with her and share our experiences from the training. Since she graduated from the training already we were able to hear about her past experiences too - it was quite encouraging to the both of us :)

[The following] Monday morning the full timers from Irvine came to cherish and nourish us (Irvine sent and related trainees) with breakfast (and care packages from the saints in Irvine - thank you all! :)). We began by singing hymn #812: I come to Thee, dear Lord, My heart doth thirst for Thee; Of Thee I'd eat, of Thee I'd drink, Enjoy Thee thoroughly. and followed it with sharing a short testimony of our time here in the training. I appreciated a brother's fellowship with us about hymn #812. We realize that in the training there are many

aspects to being in the training. We take classes in the morning to be constituted with the truth, are put on gospel teams to learn how to preach the gospel and coordinate with others, and many other things.

But...we mustn't forget to come to the Lord. In between our packed schedule and outward situations/environments we should remember to come to the Lord for everything. No matter what we are going through whether we are in a good mood or bad mood it doesn't matter. Especially in difficult situations, we should learn to break through to touch the Lord in our spirit. There are spiritual forces around us all the time operating to stop us from enjoying the Lord and coming to Him. So it definitely requires much exercise and a firm decision on our part to choose the Lord over all things and to come to Him. For myself this is definitely something I struggle with. Being so wrapped up in the things around me and the things I must accomplish each day, I forget that I need to exercise to come to Him, to be before Him. It's not just going to happen spontaneously. It's definitely an exercise (and I haven't been exercising very much recently...that definitely needs to change).

After our breakfast...Tina and I went to go visit a sister in Irvine whom we both haven't seen since ... I don't even remember when. Had some sweet time of fellowship with her (which we didn't do much of in our college years together, so that was a huge encouragement to me to see her going on and really loving the Lord).

—Ruby Chen

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Upcoming Events

☼ Mon, Dec. 21—Sat, Dec. 26
Winter Training

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

1ST Lord's Day	☼ 9:30am-12:00pm Lord's table and prophesying meetings by districts
3RD Tuesday	☼ 7:30-8:30pm Prayer meeting by districts
4TH Wednesday	☼ 7:30-9:00pm Ministry meeting at MCC and simulcast at Hall 3
5TH Thursday	☼ 10:00-11:00am Sisters prayer meeting at Hall 3
6TH Friday	☼ <i>Evening</i> Small groups in the homes
7TH Saturday	☼ 6:30-9:00pm Young people's meeting at Hall 1
8TH Lord's Day	☼ 9:30am-12:00pm Lord's table and prophesying meetings by districts

This Week's Truth Pursuit—Life-Study of 2 Timothy

<i>Message #:</i>	Message 15	Message 16
<i>Title:</i>	The Inoculator	The Spread of the Decline
<i>Scriptures:</i>	2 Tim. 2:1-15	2 Tim. 2:16-26
<i>Verses to Pray-Read:</i>	2 Tim. 2:6—"The laboring farmer must be the first to partake of the fruit."	2 Tim. 2:22—"But flee youthful lusts, and pursue righteousness, faith, love, peace with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart."
<i>Radio Msg:</i>	15	16

LSM Radio Broadcasts can be found at: www.lsmradio.com/audio/1and2timothy.html

TESTIMONIES FROM THE FULL-TIME TRAINING IN ANAHEIM (CONT'D)

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Hi dearest saints!

I hope you're all doing well and pressing on in the Lord! As for me, the training has been getting increasingly more enjoyable! I am really enjoying my second-year classes, especially our New Jerusalem class. I have never ever seen the New Jerusalem quite like this before, and I'm SO thankful for the brothers who speak to us concerning these truths and help unveil us. The New Jerusalem is not something we're waiting for, it's what we're becoming! Right now, TODAY, we're being made more and more into precious stones! One sentence I have especially been enjoying from our reading is this: Precious stones are not created, but transformed from things created. Sometimes, I get really discouraged at not being enough of this or enough of that or too much of that, etc. But we are not born precious stones, we become precious stones. Our God has already imparted His nature and element into us, now we just need to let Him operate in us to transform us. Every thing in our day was arranged by Triune God to transform us more into these precious stones. What a great God we have. :) May we be open to be made a little bit more precious stone this week.

—Your sister, Diana

Dear Family and Friends,

I am currently about half way through my third term...and I have been enjoying it very much. I was filled with a feeling of apprehension at the beginning of the term

because I had been saddled with many more responsibilities than last term, as a result I expected that this term would be filled with tears, struggling, and crying out to the Lord in desperation. I have therefore been very pleasantly surprised to find that this has not been the case! I suppose this is in line with a theme that has been expressed in this term thus far. Whereas my first year in the FTTA was characterized by a feeling of desperation to find my own personal time and space, I feel that I have become a little less individualistic this term and more Body-conscious. Even more so, I have found that I need and want to be with the other members of the Body of Christ. For example, just last night I came back to the house and fixed myself a nice dinner, as I was about to sit down to eat I had the sudden realization that I didn't want to eat alone. The result was a sweet time with my housemate, during which we shared a meal, and also shared our current conditions and situations with each other. She even opened up a little about her family, whom we prayed for afterwards. I have really come to treasure spending time with the other sisters. So this term I have really enjoyed experiencing Romans 12:5, "So we who are many are one Body in Christ, and individually members one of another". . . And my prayer as I have been reading through the Bible and ministry books this past week has been, "Lord, reveal Your Person to me as I am reading. I don't want to just know about You, I want to know You!"

—Sincerely, Phillis

INDIA BLENDING TRIP

The church in Irvine has the opportunity in early 2016 to visit and blend with some of the churches and saints in India. Saints from Irvine in the past have participated in blending trips to India and the times have been richly rewarding with the enjoyment of Christ in His one Body and mutually beneficial both to us and the saints in India.

The current proposed itinerary would allow us to visit saints and churches in New Delhi, Mumbai, Hyderabad and Chennai. The

current proposed dates for the trip are Feb. 3-16, 2016 (Dates include total travel times). The estimated cost of the trip is \$2,400 which includes airfare, visa, hotel, meals and transportation costs in India.

Any saints who have an interest to participate in this blending trip should contact either Dave Beckman (davidbeckman@yahoo.com, 949-300-7451) or Tony Barba (tbarba7@gmail.com, 949-350-5797) **no later than November 15, 2015.**