

## Prayer Items

- ❖ Winter gospel trips to Europe
- ❖ Mass distribution of Gospel and ministry materials

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

## Truth Pursuit

Life-Study of 1 Corinthians, Messages 5 & 6

## Bible Reading

	OT Pages	NT Page
Monday	1357-1358	475
Tuesday	1359-1360	476
Wednesday	1361-1362	477
Thursday	1363-1364	478
Friday	1365-1366	479
Saturday	1367-1368	480

## Morning Revival

The Crucial Points of the Major Items of the Lord's Recovery Today, Week 7 (Fall ITERO 2015)

## 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	
1/23/2016	\$401,797.32	

## DETAILED PRAYER BURDENS

### International: Winter Gospel Trips to Europe

Approximately 250 saints are participating in the FTTA gospel trip to Germany from Jan. 21 through Feb. 4. They will visit the four cities of Dusseldorf, Berlin, Stuttgart, and Frankfurt. This will be a critical step in the labor in Germany to reach the refugees (more than a million have migrated to Germany). We are looking to the Lord to have the wisdom and prudence to bring the high gospel, the gospel of the kingdom, to the refugees. This gospel trip will pave the way for seven more gospel trips that will be a follow-up of further labor through June.

One of the major goals is to gain regular contacts among the refugees to both learn German and pursue the truth. Because most of the saints who are participating on these trips speak only English, there is a desperate need for translators in German, Farsi, and especially Arabic. Further information concerning the follow-up trips and an application to participate can be obtained by visiting [germany2016.amanatrust.org.uk](http://germany2016.amanatrust.org.uk).

- ❖ Please pray that the Lord will gain key persons for His move in Europe and the Middle East.
- ❖ Please pray that the Lord will be able to obtain translators for the follow-up trips.
- ❖ Please pray that the Lord will bless our "five loaves and two fish" for the FTTA gospel trip to Germany.

- ❖ Please pray that the Lord will protect His move from the attack of the evil one, Satan.

### Mass Distribution of Gospel and Ministry Materials

Plans are being made to have continuous two-week distributions of gospel and ministry materials in January and February among the refugees as they enter Europe. A small number of the FTTA trainees who travel to Europe will participate in these distributions.

- ❖ Please pray that the word of God will spread among the seeking ones and will lead them to salvation and open them be shepherded into the church life.

## FELLOWSHIP REGARDING FINANCIAL NEED FOR A BRAZIL FACILITY

To all the saints and churches in the Lord's recovery,

We would like to give you an update concerning obtaining the land for a future building to meet the need of the Lord's interests in Brazil and South America. This matter was first presented to the recovery at the ITERO in October of 2015 in Brazil.

We have located an 8,600 square foot plot of land near a major bus station and the intersection of two major highway arteries in Sao Paulo, Brazil. The sellers have agreed to hold this land for us until January 31, 2016. At this present stage, we feel it is highly expedient for us to move quickly to secure this land so that we can build a proper facility.

Due to the current financial crisis in Brazil, the price of real estate in Brazil is very much to the advantage of the buyer. In addition the Brazilian currency has fallen 33% against the dollar in the past year.

The cost for the land is US \$1.25 million. At the present time, the saints from Brazil have offered a total of US \$300,000 and, from outside of Brazil, there have been total offerings of an additional US \$200,000. This gives us a total of US \$500,000 toward this need. So we are in need of an additional US \$750,000.

For the saints in the church in Irvine burdened to give for this, you can write a check to the church in Irvine with a designation of "Brazil Facility."

## Upcoming Events

☉ Fri. Feb 12 - Lord's Day, Feb 14  
International Chinese-speaking  
Conference, Anaheim, CA

## 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

24<sup>TH</sup> ☉ 9:30am-12:00pm Lord's  
Lord's Day table and prophesying  
meetings by districts

26<sup>TH</sup> ☉ 7:30-8:30pm Prayer meet-  
Tuesday ing by districts

28<sup>TH</sup> ☉ 10:00-11:00am Sisters  
Thursday prayer meeting at Hall 3

29<sup>TH</sup> ☉ Evening Small groups in  
Friday the homes

30<sup>TH</sup> ☉ 6:30-9:00pm Young  
Saturday people's meeting at Hall 1

31<sup>ST</sup> ☉ 9:30am-12:00pm Lord's  
Lord's Day table and prophesying  
meetings by districts

## This Week's Truth Pursuit—Life-Study of 1 Corinthians

Message #:	Message 5	Message 6
Title:	Christ and His Cross the Unique Solution to All Problems in the Church (2)	Christ Not Divided
Scriptures:	1 Cor. 1:10-13	1 Cor. 1:10-17
Verses to Pray-Read:	Col. 3:11—"Where there cannot be Greek and Jew, circumcision and uncircumcision, barbarian, Scythian, slave, freeman, but Christ is all and in all."	1 Cor. 1:10—"Now I beseech you, brothers, through the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be attuned in the same mind and in the same opinion."
Radio Msg:	4	5

LSM Radio Broadcasts can be found at: <http://www.lsmradio.com/audio/1corinthians.html>

## CHURCH IN IRVINE DECEMBER 2015 FINANCIAL REPORT

	Current Month	Year to Date
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$325,181</b>	<b>\$1,332,284</b>
<b>Expense:</b>		
General and Admin Expenses	\$17,887	\$219,338
Fulltime Support	\$51,661	\$705,552
Fellowship unto Gospel	\$26,035	\$420,154
Gifts to Needy Saints	\$400	\$20,400
Other	\$6,832	\$82,337
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$102,816</b>	<b>\$1,447,780</b>
<b>Net Revenue / (Expense)</b>	<b><u>\$222,366</u></b>	<b><u>(\$115,496)</u></b>

## MINISTRY PORTION

### SPEAKING THE SAME THING

In verse 10 Paul urges the believers to speak the same thing so that there be no divisions among them. In this Epistle Paul deals with eleven problems among the believers in Corinth. The first is the matter of division. Division is nearly always the leading problem, bringing in all other problems among the believers. It may be considered the root of the problems among believers. Hence, in dealing with all the problems in the church at Corinth, the apostle's ax first touches the root, that is, the divisions among them. The first virtue of the walk worthy of God's calling is the keeping of the oneness of the Spirit in the Body of Christ (Eph. 4:1-6).

In verse 12 Paul goes on to say, "Now I mean this, that each of you says, I am of Paul, and I of Apollos, and I of Cephas, and I of Christ." In principle this is just the same as saying I am a Lutheran, I am a Wesleyan, I am a Presbyterian, I am an Episcopalian, I am a Baptist. All such designations should be condemned and rejected. They can only be terminated and eliminated by taking Christ as the

unique center among all the believers.

To say "I am of Christ" in the way of excluding the apostles and their teachings or of excluding other believers is as divisive as to say "I am of" this or of that.

These verses indicate that divisions among Christians always result from placing another name above the name of the Lord Jesus. When certain of the Corinthians said, "I am of Apollos," they automatically uplifted the name of Apollos above the name of Christ. Throughout the centuries, divisions among Christians have been caused by this practice. Today believers commonly designate themselves as Lutherans, Presbyterians, or Baptists without any sense of shame. Actually it is a shame for a Christian to call himself a Lutheran, for this means that he places the name of Luther above the name of Christ. No believer should do such a thing.

—Message 6, *Life-Study of 1 Corinthians*