

WEEKLY FELLOWSHIP

January 15, 2017

The Weekly Newsletter of the Church in Irvine

Morning Revival

The Direction of the Lord's Move Today,
Week 2 (2016 Thanksgiving Conf.)

NT Reading Challenge

(1 chp. per day / 6 days per week)

The Gospel of John, Chapters 5-10

Bible Reading Schedule

(text and footnotes)

	OT Pages	NT Page
Monday	112-113	751
Tuesday	114-115	752
Wednesday	116-117	753
Thursday	118-119	754
Friday	120-121	755
Saturday	122-123	756

Truth Pursuit

Life-Study of 2 Corinthians,
Messages 3-4

Oak Glen Project

Due Date	Goal	%
6/30/2016	\$512,500	62.5%
12/31/2016	\$615,000	75.0%
6/30/2017	\$717,500	87.5%
12/31/2017	\$820,000	100%
Actual Contributions		
As Of	Amount	
1/15/2017	\$631,943.43	

DETAILED PRAYER BURDENS

International: Blending Trip to India

This month five saints will travel to India and visit the churches in New Delhi and Chennai from Jan. 13 - Jan. 22.

☉ Pray that this trip will afford the Lord a way to bring much mutual benefit to His Body through the circulation of the divine fellowship in the Body and will result in much blessing to the churches in India for the Lord's move in that country.

Local: YP Winter Getaway and the UCI Winter Retreat at Oak Glen from January 20 through January 22

☉ Pray that more YP will sign-up and that God would operate the willing and working for them to come. Pray that the Lord

would will impart a vision into the college students that will control and direct them for the rest of their college years. Pray for the blending with the families for the strengthening of the threefold cord in the YP and campus labor.

2017 SPECIAL CONFERENCE

Dear brothers and sisters in the Lord:

We would like to announce a Special Conference, to be held Friday, February 17 through Lord's Day, February 19, 2017. We would like to extend an invitation to all the churches and individuals to participate in this gathering.

This conference is the first of our seven annual feasts. Brother Lee initiated this feast in 1983, and it has continued until now. This is the only annual feast not held in English for the benefit of the large number of Chinese-speaking saints in the Lord's recovery. This conference is usually held in Anaheim, California, but for the sake of the saints in the Far East, it is held in Taiwan every third year.

In order to shepherd the Chinese-speaking saints, we feel that there is the need to continue such a conference. We thank the Lord that He has used these conferences year after year to meet the need of this language group.

Based on the Lord's present speaking, the co-workers felt the need to expand the scope of this conference in February to address a particular burden from the Lord concerning the world situation and the Lord's move today. We feel that this burden is the Lord's express word to His recovery today, and we pray that it will be "a storm wind from the north" that issues in the moving of the high and awesome wheels (cf. Ezek. 1:3-4, 15-21). As in previous conferences, there will be five messages, but only three will be in Chinese; the other two will be in English. All five messages will follow the same subject, burden, and line consecutively.

Given the special burden and nature of this conference, we would like to encourage all the saints of every language, including those who are not Chinese-speaking, to come to this Special Conference in Anaheim, California.

We consider that the present burden and speaking in this conference is crucial to our going on in His recovery. It is for all the saints regardless of their language. This will be a marvelous time and opportunity to come together for blending and to hear the Lord's up-to-date speaking. Please pray for this time. We pray that the high and awesome wheel will move in response to God's mighty move on this earth for the fulfillment of His economy. The meeting schedule is as follows:

- 1st meeting: Fri., Feb. 17, 7:30pm Message 1
in Chinese
- 2nd meeting: Sat., Feb. 18, 9:00am Message 2
in Chinese
- 3rd meeting: Sat., Feb. 18, 11:00am Message 3
in Chinese
- 4th meeting: Sat., Feb. 18, 7:30pm Message 4
in English
- 5th meeting: Lord's Day, Feb. 19, 9:00am
Lord's Table and Message 5
in English

All the meetings will be held at the Living Stream Ministry, Ministry Conference Center, 2431 W. La Palma Ave., Anaheim, California and will be open to the public. There will be translation into English, Chinese, Korean,

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Upcoming Events

- ❖ Fri, Jan 20 - Lord's Day, Jan 22
YP Winter Getaway
- ❖ Fri, Feb 17 - Lord's Day, Feb 19
Special Conference, Anaheim

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

15TH Lord's Day	9:30am-12:00pm Lord's table and prophesying meetings by districts
17TH Tuesday	7:30-8:30pm Prayer meeting by districts
19TH Thursday	10:00-11:00am Sisters prayer meeting at Hall 3
20TH Friday	<i>Evening</i> Small groups in the homes
22ND Lord's Day	9:30am-12:00pm Lord's table and prophesying meetings by districts

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

Message #:	Message 3	Message 4
<i>Title:</i>	Introduction (3)	Introduction (4)
<i>Scriptures:</i>	2 Cor. 1:15-22	2 Cor. 1:23-2:11
<i>Verses to Pray-read:</i>	2 Cor. 1:20—"For as many promises of God as there are, in Him is the Yes; therefore also through Him is the Amen to God, for glory through us to God."	2 Cor. 2:10—"But whom you forgive anything, I also forgive; for also what I have forgiven, if I have forgiven anything, it is for your sake in the person of Christ;"
<i>Radio Msg:</i>	3	4

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

2017 SPECIAL CONFERENCE (CONT'D)

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Spanish, and Portuguese. All attendees are encouraged to bring their FM radio-enabled devices.

Please pray that the Lord will take more crucial steps in the advancement of His purpose during this gathering.

Children's service:

Children's service will be provided by the church in Anaheim for children from kindergarten through 6th grade during the conference meetings, but only for those who have been registered. Please ask the saints to go to the following conference website: www.specialconf2017.org, to complete and submit the online Children's Registration Form. All questions related to children's service should be directed to 888-388-9958, or

emailed to office@churchinanaheim.org. Mailing address: The church in Anaheim, 2528 W. La Palma Ave., Anaheim, CA 92801. All children must be registered by February 5, 2017.

Children must be signed in at their assigned rooms 15 minutes prior to each meeting.

Young people:

High school and junior high students are expected to attend all conference meetings.

MINISTRY PORTION

CALLING ON GOD AS A WITNESS AGAINST HIS SOUL

According to verse 23, Paul called upon God against his soul. The apostle called on God to be a witness against his soul, that is, against himself, if he was speaking falsely.

To call on God is not only to pray to God or ask Him to do something for us. To say, "O God," or, "O Father," is not just to pray; it is to call upon God. Many Christians today do not have a calling spirit, a strong spirit in which to call upon God. If the circumstances or situation allowed it, I would like to call, "O my Father," or, "O Lord Jesus," continually. There is a difference between calling and praying. For example, someone may pray like this: "Father God, You are faithful. You never change. Help me to be faithful and unchanging also. I ask this in the name of the Lord Jesus. Amen." Although this is a good prayer, it may not be very living. We may also pray to the Lord Jesus in a manner that is not so living. We may say, "Lord Jesus, I thank You that You love me. Lord, I also love You. But, Lord, You know that I am weak. Lord, please help me in my weakness." Many Christians pray like this, but

they may pray with little heart and with no exercise of the spirit. They may not even understand what it means to exercise the spirit in prayer. In John 4:24 the Lord Jesus said, "God is Spirit; and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and reality." Worshipping God includes praying to Him. Since to pray is to worship, and since the Lord Jesus says that our worship of God must be in spirit, then our prayer must be in spirit also. The words we use to express ourselves in prayer are secondary. The primary matter is that we exercise our spirit to contact God. When we pray, we need to call on God, exercise our spirit, and say, "O Father, O my God, my Father." This is to call upon God.

God the Father is happy to hear us calling on Him. According to the Lord's word in John 4, the Father today is seeking those who worship Him in spirit.

—Message 4, Life Study of 2 Corinthians