

WEEKLY FELLOWSHIP

April 29, 2018

The Weekly Newsletter of the Church in Irvine

Morning Revival

HWMR—The Crystallization-Study of Leviticus (Vol. 1), Week 6

Bible Reading Schedule

(text and footnotes)

	OT Pages	NT Page
Monday	868-869	158
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Truth Pursuit

Life-Study of 1 Peter
Messages 31-32

Oak Glen Project

Due Date	Goal	%
12/31/2017	\$820,000	100%
Actual Contributions		
As Of	Amount	
4/28/2018	\$754,507.28	

DETAILED PRAYER BURDENS

International: Living Christ in and for the Church Life

- Continue to pray that the word released in the recent ITERO training would be effectual in the churches that there would be an intrinsic advance of the Lord's move in the churches by the Lord's occupying and making home in our hearts and our walking according to the spirit to live Christ for the church life.

The Lord's Move in India

Please see report below

- Pray for the ministry to continue to feed and supply believers in the northern state of Jharkhand in India.
- Pray that the Lord's testimony will be raised up in all the cities where the minis-

try has gone and that the ministry would continue to spread and become the rich pasture to feed God's people and shepherd them into the one flock in this part of India.

Conference for the Nations, Washington D.C. (May 4-6)

- This conference has the specific burden to reach those among the African American descent in North America.
- Pray for the attendance and for the word being released and being received that this time would be profitable in a further opening of the door into the Lord's recovery for those of this descent in North America.

REPORT ON FOLLOW-UP SHEPHERDING VISIT IN NORTHERN INDIA

In fellowship and coordination, brothers in India traveled for follow-up shepherding in select cities where the ministry of the word had already been distributed and the Lord has manifested some genuine seeking ones.

Below are just a couple reports of cities in the northern state of Jharkhand and the effect the ministry is having on believers in this part of India

Raipur-Chhattisgarh

An elderly brother who is in his mid-seventies has been studying and enjoying the ministry books which he got through a Christian festival in a nearby town, first the Rhema free books, and later they ordered books from Amana Literature. Since then he has been teaching all the believers under his care what he learned from the books. In fact, he studied and translated "The Economy of God" into his local language and taught all "his sheep" from house to house for one full year. He and the believers with him have been practicing the church life according to the vision they have seen. We just came to witness and confirm what the Lord has been doing in this city Raipur.

In fact, the believers have been meeting as "the church in Raipur" according to what they have read from the ministry books and are

breaking the bread every Lord's day. We were the first "Christian group" to visit them and also the first they ever received as they have been very cautious not to be a part of any denomination or organization.

In addition, we also met with a pastor who invited us to minister the word of God one Lord's day morning in his congregation. We ministered on how the Lord shepherds us for the church life. A few days later he invited us for lunch when we fellowshipped with him on the truth concerning the Body of Christ and gifted him a ministry book for his pursuit. May the Lord gain him too through the reading of the ministry books.

Khariar Road-Odisha

In 2014, a seeking brother who received free Rhema books and the New Testament-Recovery Version, was visited by Amana serving ones. Since then, the Lord has been faithfully supplying a group of brothers with the life supply through the ministry of the word. They left the denomination, and according to them, they are now meeting regularly as "the church in Khariar-Road" though without breaking the bread yet. We fellowshipped with the three main brothers and encouraged them to go on in their practice of the church life and pursue the ministry faithfully.

6TH GRADE CONFERENCE

On the weekend of May 11-13, ten of our sixth graders will attend the 6th Grade Conference. We pray that each one of them will have a definite experience of salvation and consecrate their lives wholly unto our Savior the Lord Jesus Christ. Here are their names for your prayers.

Tony Yu	May Riley
Samuel Qu	Grace Hsia
Ava Jacobson	Olivia James
Ashley Niu	Charlene Wang
Zoe Jaramillo	Jasmine Mafi

Upcoming Events

- ⊗ Friday, May 11—Lord's Day, May 13
6th Grade Conference, Oak Glen
- ⊗ Friday, May 25—Monday, May 28
Int'l Memorial Day Conference,
Kansas City, MO

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

29TH Lord's Day	⊗ 9:30am-12:00pm Lord's table and prophesying meetings by districts
30TH Tuesday	⊗ 7:30-8:30pm Prayer meeting by districts
1ST Wednesday	⊗ 7:30-9:00pm Ministry meeting at MCC with simulcast at Hall 3
2ND Thursday	⊗ 10:00-11:00am Sisters prayer meeting at Hall 3
3RD Friday	⊗ Evening Small groups in the homes
4TH Saturday	⊗ 6:30-9:00pm Young people's meeting
5TH Lord's Day	⊗ 9:30am-12:00pm Lord's table and prophesying meetings by districts

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

Message #:	Message 31	Message 32
Title:	God's Governmental Judgment (2)	The Elder's Shepherding and Its Reward
Scriptures:	1 Peter 1:17; 2:23; 4:5-7, 12, 17-19	1 Pet. 5:1
Verses to Pray-read:	1 Pet. 4:17—"For it is time for the judgment to begin from the house of God; and if first from us, what will be the end of those who disobey the gospel of God?"	1 Pet. 5:1—"Therefore the elders among you I exhort, who am a fellow elder and witness of the sufferings of Christ, who am also a partaker of the glory to be revealed:"
Radio Msg:	N/A	24 & 25

LSM Radio Broadcasts: <http://www.lsmradio.com/audio/1peter.html>

SUMMER TRAINING 2018

Place:
Ministry Conference Center

Dates:
Mon, July 2, 4pm—Sat, July 7, 9:30pm

Donation:
Live Training in Anaheim: \$210 per trainee
Webcast in Irvine: \$110 per trainee

LAST DAY to register: April 25, 2018
A \$50 late fee applies for late registration for the Live Training in Anaheim. A Webcast late fee of \$25 may apply.

The following brothers are responsible for registration in their respective districts:

HALL 1
District 1—Kevin Kwan
District 2—Sae Lee
District 3—Bruce Li
HALL 2
District 4/5—Francesco Prano / Wayne Kusumo / Leon Wang
District 6—Haixuan Shi
HALL 3
District 7/8—Lazarus Sun / Han Chen / Alan Chung
District 9—James Jin

MINISTRY PORTION

SHEPHERDING THE FLOCK OF GOD

In 5:2 Peter says, "Shepherd the flock of God among you, overseeing not by way of compulsion, but willingly, according to God; not seeking gain by base means, but eagerly." To shepherd the flock of God requires suffering for the Body of Christ, as Christ suffered (Col. 1:24). This will be rewarded with the unfading crown of glory (1 Pet. 5:4).

....According to this verse, elders are not rulers; they are shepherds. Sometimes a shepherd may have to rule the flock, but that is not the ruling of a king. It is a ruling of someone who cares for the flock. Shepherding is a proper care exercised over the flock. The flock needs to be cared for, protected, and led in the right direction. They need to be brought to a place where they can eat and drink. This is shepherding.

In 5:2 Peter does not tell the elders to shepherd their own flock. He charges them to shepherd the flock of God. The flock is not the elders' possession, but God's possession. In a

sense, the elders are employed by God to shepherd His flock.

The elders should not regard the church in which they are taking the lead as belonging to them. In the New Testament we are told that the church is of Christ, is of God, and is of the saints. The church is called the church of Christ, the church of God, and the church of the saints (Rom. 16:16; 1 Cor. 1:2; 14:33). But the church is not the church of the apostles or the church of the elders. The church definitely does not belong either to the apostles or to the elders. But because the church is composed of the saints, it is the church of the saints. Because the church has been redeemed by Christ, it is the church of Christ. Because the church has been regenerated by God, it is the church of God...Peter makes it clear that the elders are to shepherd the flock of God, not their own flock.

—Message 32, *Life-Study of 1 Peter*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ⊗ **Young People's Parent's Meeting** Join us for coffee, snacks, and fellowship regarding this year's Summer School of Truth.
TODAY, Lord's Day April 29, there will be a Parent's Fellowship and Coordination at Hall 3 in Irvine (620 Roosevelt) from 3:30-5pm.