

# WEEKLY FELLOWSHIP

June 17, 2018

The Weekly Newsletter of the Church in Irvine

## Morning Revival

*HWMR—Taking Christ as Our Person and Living Him in and for the Church Life, Week 1*

(2018 Spring ITERO)

## Bible Reading Schedule

(text and footnotes)

	OT Pages	NT Page
Monday	952-953	200
Tuesday	954-955	201
Wednesday	956-957	202
Thursday	958-959	203
Friday	960-961	204
Saturday	962-963	205

## Truth Pursuit

*Life-Study of 2 Peter*  
Messages 11-12

## Oak Glen Project

Due Date	Goal	%
12/31/2017	\$820,000	100%
Actual Contributions		
As Of	Amount	
6/9/2018	\$823,516.68	

## DETAILED PRAYER BURDENS

### International: The Lord's Move in Germany Leipzig

In response to the Lord's blessing on the FTTL gospel trip and the students' openness to read the Bible with us, a family has found a home in Leipzig close to the student dorms. Also, a local family beginning to touch the church life has opened their home for Lord's day meetings when needed.

- ☉ Please pray for the family moving to Leipzig and the shepherding of the saints and new students there and that a lampstand would be brought forth in this city.

### Munich

There is a family from Berlin who has recently moved to Munich. Munich has also experienced the Lord's blessing with many students that are open and interested in the Bible and fellowship.

- ☉ Please pray that this family will be blended with the saints and become a blessing to the Lord's move there that the Lord can gain His testimony in this city.

### The Lord's Move in Vietnam

- ☉ Pray that the gospel would go forth to reach the chosen ones for the propagation of the resurrected Christ to bring forth the building up of the church in this country.

- ☉ Pray for the One-week Training for young people in Ho Chi Minh City from 6/18-24.

### Local: The churches in Southern California

- ☉ Pray that the word released in the recent Southern California Blending Conference would operate in the churches to bring in a praying and praising spirit in the churches that the Spirit as the breath would have a way to bring forth a "pneumatized" army filled with the Spirit to fight the spiritual warfare in prayer and display Christ's victory in praise.
- ☉ Pray, also, that the saints in the churches in Southern California would experience the abundance and abounding grace that there would be the giving of material offerings in resurrection for the Oak Glen Conference Center.

## MINISTRY PORTION

In verse 9 Peter says that the Lord is long-suffering toward us. The Lord's heart is set not on the time of the fulfillment of His promise, but on His people, whom He possesses peculiarly as a treasure (1 Pet. 2:9; Titus 2:14), so that none of us, His precious redeemed ones, would be punished by His governmental judgment, but have a prolonged season to repent so that we may be spared from His punishment...

...When the Lord Jesus comes back, He will not only judge the negative things, but will also receive His bride. This means that He will come both as the Judge and as the Bridegroom. Hence, in order for the Lord to come as the Bridegroom, the bride must be prepared for Him. Is the bride ready for the Bridegroom's coming? Is it possible for the Lord to come today as the Bridegroom? Because the bride is not yet ready, we may say that it is possible that the Lord's coming will not be as soon as some figure. The bride can be prepared only through growth in life, and this takes time. Higher forms of life require more time to develop than lower forms do. The

higher a certain life is, the longer it will take to grow. Because the bride must be prepared for the Bridegroom and because this preparation is through the growth in life, a growth that requires time, it is not likely that the Lord Jesus will come back right now.

My point here is that we should not be bothered or surprised by any delay concerning the Lord's coming. Do not blame the Lord and say, "Lord, You said in Revelation 22 that You were coming quickly. Why, then, has it been so long?" Instead of blaming the Lord for delaying His coming, we should be diligent to prepare ourselves to meet Him. We should also minister life to others so that they may grow and be prepared. This is the only way to hasten the Lord's coming back.

—Message 11, *Life-study of 2 Peter*

