

WEEKLY FELLOWSHIP February 24, 2019

The Weekly Newsletter of the Church in Irvine

Morning Revival

HWMR—The Crystallization-study of Numbers, Week 1

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Truth Pursuit

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Community Gospel

Lord's Days, 2-4pm, Hall 3

Oak Glen Project

Due Date	Goal	%
3/31/2019	\$996,000	93%
Actual Contributions		
As Of	Amount	
02/16/19	\$928,575.69	

DETAILED PRAYER BURDENS

International: Community Gospel Labor in Frankfurt

Most of the saints live in Westend, and the adjacent neighborhood is Ginnheim where the meeting hall is located and where a newly migrated couple just began leasing a house. We have passed out over 300 Bibles to our neighbors in Westend, and we continue to go out on Saturday in the Ginnheim neighborhood to knock on doors and distribute Bibles. Nearly 500 Bibles were passed out to the neighbors in Ginnheim among two Bible distribution locations and teams going out to knock on doors.

- ⊗ Pray for the gaining of the young German working professionals and families around the Frankfurt area, especially the neighborhoods of Westend and Ginnheim.
- ⊗ Pray that through the word going out in these communities the Spirit would search in the hearts of the people that the Lord could gain local German families in Frankfurt.

Local: Community Gospel in Irvine

- ⊗ Pray for a breakthrough this year in the gospel in Irvine. May the Lord do a new

thing among us as we present ourselves freshly to Him to allow Him to work on us and produce us as gates into the New Jerusalem. May all the saints live Christ for His magnification among our friends, neighbors, colleagues, and relatives.

- ⊗ Pray also for the outreach into the communities through visitation, book tables, neighborhood children's meetings and other means. May the Lord strengthen the FTTA community team as they begin their labor this term, and may He also raise up many local saints to join them each week. May they all labor in one accord to bear much remaining fruit for the Father's glory.

Digestion of the Crystallization-study of Numbers

- ⊗ Pray that the church's digestion of this study would result in our being further purified, separated and prepared to be formed into an army to fight for the Lord's interest in bearing and spreading His testimony in Irvine, in this country and throughout this earth.

FTTA TRAINEE TESTIMONIES

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:

Dear friends and family,

I want to share with you concerning my trip to Phoenix, AZ. It was exceptional! Five of us trainees went to Arizona State University and labored on that campus for two weeks.

During our first week, the local saints and us mass-distributed flyers for our two Meet and Greet events. We began by printing out 300 flyers, assuming that that would last us the first day. That stack only lasted about 2 hours. Then our goal was to pass out 3,000 flyers that week. We passed out a little over 5,000 flyers. What's more encouraging is that we had about 11 appointments that week. All the appointments were with new contacts.

Additionally, when it came to the "Meet and Greet", we had about 22 new students show up, throughout both Meet and Greets. During the second week, we focused on spending time with the new contacts. We had about 23 appointments that week! All these appointments were with our new contacts.

Moreover, the local saints joined us for the appointments. Through the saints' prayers prior and throughout the trip, the Lord moved greatly at Arizona State University! He answered our prayers of bringing us seeking believers. Even after the gospel trip, we have been updated that several new contacts have continued to join the bible study, and other activities.

Thank you so much for your prayers! The following are prayer burdens we leave with and hope that you would also pray:

- 1) After the trainees leave, at least 5 of our top 10 "warm" students would remain.
- 2) The core students and families would continue to be shepherded by the Lord in order to rise up in shepherding the new ones.
- 3) The Lord would start a full-time team in the Fall 2019.

I will be starting my fourth term!

Much Grace,

S.C.

Upcoming Events

- ☉ Saturday, March 9
YP Progressive Dinner in the homes

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 TH Lord's Day	☉ 9:30am Lord's table and prophesying meetings by districts
26 TH Tuesday	☉ 7:30-8:30pm Prayer meeting by districts
28 TH Thursday	☉ 10:00-11:00am Sisters' prayer meeting at Hall 3
1 ST Friday	☉ Evening Small groups in the homes
2 ND Saturday	☉ 6:30-9:00pm Young people's dinner and meeting
3 RD Lord's Day	☉ 9:30am-12:00pm Lord's table and prophesying meetings by districts

This Week's Truth Pursuit—Life-Study of James

Message #:	3	4
Title:	Practical Virtues of Christian Perfection (3)	Practical Virtues of Christian Perfection (4)
Scriptures:	James 1:13-27	James 1:19-27
Verses to Pray-read:	James 1:16—"Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers."	James 1:19—"You know <i>this</i> , my beloved brothers; but let every man be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath."
Radio Msg:	3	4

LSM Radio Broadcasts: <https://www.lsmradio.com/audio/james.html>

MINISTRY PORTION

The book of James is a balance to those who are unbalanced in their Christian life. Perhaps in your Christian life you are wholly for God's economy. However, in your daily personal life you may be very short in the way you speak and handle matters. Concerning a number of things you may lack wisdom. Although you are a good soldier fighting for God's economy, in your daily life you may not be complete and entire. You may not trust in God very much, and you may not pray to Him concerning your needs. Because you are good in the major things but lacking in certain practical things, you need balance in your Christian life. The first thing the Epistle of James provides us with is this needed balance. As we have indicated, the book of James also serves as a warning. James was outstanding in the matter of practical Christian perfection; he was a godly man who knew God, who loved God, and who prayed to God. But James was hindered by his godliness and veiled by his religion from seeing a thorough vision concerning God's New Testament economy.

In 1:27 James speaks of "pure and undefiled religion before God and the Father." As far as proper human behavior is concerned, we may need to be religious. We may be absolutely for God's economy, and yet we may be wrong in the way we speak to others or deal with them. Suppose a brother says, "Don't you know that I am utterly for God's econo-

my? I have sacrificed everything for this. Day by day, I give my future to the Lord for His economy. Don't you appreciate this?" Yes, such a brother may be for God's economy, but he still needs practical Christian perfection in his daily life. Once again we see that we need to be balanced: we need a clear vision concerning God's economy, and we need practical Christian perfection.

We should be warned from the Epistle of James that we may be very godly, yet still lack a clear view concerning God's economy. Someone may be godly, humble, and meek in his daily life. But he may not be able to fight for God's economy. In order to fight for God's economy, we must learn the proper strategy. Paul was a person who was balanced. On the one hand, he was an excellent fighter; on the other hand, he was a godly person. Paul even encouraged Timothy, his younger co-worker, to exercise himself unto godliness (1 Tim. 4:7). In paying attention to the major things of God's economy, we should not neglect the practical details of our personal daily life.

Life-study of James, Msg 3

ANNOUNCEMENTS

☉ YP Progressive Dinner

Saturday, March 9 is one of the most anticipated events of the year for the young people—the Progressive Dinner. During this night the young people travel to several different homes to enjoy some food and fellowship with the families in Irvine. In order to carry out this event we need a lot of open homes. If you are willing and able to open your home, please fill out the Google form on our website at irvineyp.com. For any questions, please contact Isaac Acosta: Isaac.acosta@gmail.com, or Guy Cao: guycao@gmail.com.

☉ High School Conferences

The Spring High School sisters' and brothers' conferences will be at Oak Glen and the cost of the conference is \$110/person. Please register at irvineyp.com.

Sisters: March 15-17

Deadline to register: **February 24**

Brothers: March 22-24

Deadline to register: **March 3**