# The Church in New York City

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- The December Semiannual Training to be held on Dec. 23-28, 2019 in Anaheim, CA
- Video Trainings at various halls begin as early as Dec. 24, 2019. Please check the schedules in your respective halls.
- The Church-wide Year-end Prayer and Celebration meeting to be held on New Year's Eve, Dec. 31, 2019 in Hall 1
- The Semiannual Celebration to be held on Jan.
  12, 2020 in Queens College

### **PRAYER BURDENS**

- The December Semiannual Training in Anaheim (over 100 saints from NYC will be attending) and the video trainings to be held locally and throughout the earth
- The strengthening of the church life in NYC:
  - That all the saints would "take root downward and bear fruit upward" (Isaiah 37:31)
  - 2. The burden for the gospel to our classmates, coworkers, neighbors and family members
  - 3. The mutual shepherding of all the saints and the visitation of those who have not been meeting regularly
  - 4. The strengthening of all the small group meetings and church meetings in all nine halls
- The covering and raising up of all the children in the church life
- The young people in the church life:
  - That all the young people would experience a rich entrance into the church life through their participation in the church services, the gatherings in the homes and the meetings of the church
  - 2. European Winter Schools of the Truth in the UK, the Netherlands, and Spain to be held December 26-31
  - 3. Truth school in Australia being held December 20-24

- 4. Preparations for the truth schools in South America (Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Paraguay, Peru) to be held in January 2020
- The various needs of the saints both locally and in other localities (e.g. housing, job-related, family-related, health-related)

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Church-wide Parents & Serving Ones Conference, Feb. 1, 2020, Hall 1
- International Chinese-Speaking Conference, Feb. 14-16, 2020, in Anaheim, CA
- NYC Middle School & High School Retreat, Feb. 16-18, 2020, in KPCC
- Regional Sisters' Blending, Feb. 29, 2020, Hall 1
- Regional Spanish-speaking Conference, Mar. 13-15, 2020, in KPCC
- Young Working Saints and Young Families Blending, Mar. 20-21, 2020, in KPCC

#### **MORNING WATCH**

**HWMR: Material Offerings - Week 5:** 

Principles of Material Offerings (3)

#### Portion from Week 5 - Day 4:

Apparently, in this section... the Lord is speaking about the dealing of the kingdom people with material riches. Actually, He is dealing with the matter of anxiety... It may also seem that the Lord is touching our heart, for where our treasure is, there our heart is also... The whole world is involved with anxiety. Anxiety is the gear that makes the world move. It is the incentive for all human culture. If there were no anxiety regarding our living, no one would do anything. Rather, everyone would be idle. Thus, by touching our anxiety, the Lord touches the gear of human life.

#### **Corporate Reading:**

"The Christian Life" Chapter 1

#### LORD'S DAY ATTENDANCE - DEC. 15

HALL 1	Jamaica Estates, Queens	288/50
HALL 2	Midtown Manhattan	99/14
HALL 3	Flushing, Queens	165/43
HALL 4	Downtown Brooklyn	35/4
HALL 5	The Bronx	47/15
HALL 6	UWS, Manhattan	69/11
HALL 7	South Brooklyn	51/20
HALL 8	Elmhurst, Queens	105/29
HALL 9	Staten Island	36/6
	TOTAL	895/192 (1,087)

\*Adults including YP/ Children and Infants

#### THANKSGIVING CONFERENCE REVIEW

The 2019 Thanksgiving conference was held in Houston, TX. Over twenty saints from NYC attended this wonderful conference. The subject of the conference was "Knowing and Experiencing the Allinclusive, Extensive Christ". Through the sharing we have been brought into a particular realization that Christ is not only all-inclusive, He is also allextensive. Christ is more vast than the universe and who is everything to us. The subjects of the messages are:

**Message One:** The Will of God concerning the Allinclusive, Extensive Christ

**Message Two:** Knowing and Experiencing the Allinclusive, Extensive Christ as the Good Land—Our Allotted Portion

**Message Three:** The All-inclusive, Extensive Christ Having the Preeminence in All Things

**Message Four:** Knowing and Experiencing the Allinclusive, Extensive Christ as the Reality of All Positive Things

Message Five: Knowing and Experiencing the Allinclusive, Extensive Christ as the Mystery of God

**Message Six:** Knowing and Experiencing the Allinclusive, Extensive Christ as Our Life and as the Constituent of the New Man

The second message quoted Deut. 8:8-9 and 26:9 concerning Christ as the good land flowing with milk and honey and full of riches. This makes the conference a wonderful preparation for the upcoming Semiannual Training on the book of Deuteronomy. God's will in revealing such a Christ (typified by the good land) to us is that we would know Him, experience Him, enjoy Him, be saturated with Him and have Him to become our life and person.

Praise the Lord, this is the eternal will of God and this is the allotted portion to everyone of us according to His good pleasure. One wonderful picture of the result of our enjoyment of this Christ, typified by the Old Testament good land flowing with milk and honey, is such a seeker has stored so many riches within her that food (milk and honey) is under her tongue (S.S 4:11), and she can dispense the riches of Christ to the needed ones at anytime (Isa. 50:4). This Christ is our living land, we can walk in Him as our living land and absorb Him as our rich soil, in which we have been rooted, so that we may grow with the elements that we absorb from the soil and be made full in Christ in our experience. The saints in the conference were very touched by this point that we come to Him with our little cup and He fills us with His divine riches to the brim and overflowing abundantly. Saints, in Him we are made full! All that He is and all that He has belong to us, and all that He has experienced has become our history. Finally, everything is for God to gain the one new man for the fulfillment of His eternal purpose. However, if we allow the peace of Christ to arbitrate in us and are filled with the word of Christ, we shall have the new man in a practical way; all the saints in all the churches throughout the recovery will be living Christ in the one new man.

-The Serving Brothers of the Church in New York City