# The Church in New York City WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

### • Registration for the July 2024 Semiannual Training (Video Training)

Registration for the July 2024 Semiannual Training has closed. However, the video training registration is still open. Please submit your registration for the video training by filling out the online form: <u>http://bit.ly/nycregistration</u>.

2024 July Video Training Session		
Date	Time	Message
Mon, July 1	7:00 PM	Message 1
		(Live Webcast,
		Open Meeting)
Wed, July 3	7:00 PM	Message 2
Thu, July 4	9:30 AM	Message 3
Fri, July 5	7:00 PM	Message 4
Sat, July 6	10:00 AM	Message 5
	7:00 PM	Message 6
Sun, July 7	10:00 AM	LORD'S TABLE
	11:00 AM	Message 7
		(Open Meeting)
Wed, July 10	7:00 PM	Message 8
Thu, July 11	7:00 PM	Message 9
Fri, July 12	7:00 PM	Message 10
Sat, July 13	10:00 AM	Message 11
	7:00 PM	Message 12

Review/Study Session			
Date	Time	Message	
Sun, July 7	7:30 PM	Messages 1, 2	
Mon, July 8	7:30 PM	Messages 3, 4	
Mon, July 15	7:30 PM	Messages 5, 6	
Wed, July 17	7:30 PM	Messages 7, 8	
Thu, July 18	7:30 PM	Messages 9, 10	

• June 23 (Lord's Day): Citywide Church Gathering (Hall 1, Jamaica Estates)

We will have a citywide church gathering at Hall 1 (Jamaica Estates meeting hall) on Lord's Day, June 23. More details about the arrangement will be available in the coming weeks.

- Upcoming Church Events: details to follow
  - 1. July 12 to 16: Northeast College Training (KPCC)
  - July 28 to August 8: Summer School of Truth (KPCC)
- Service Office Hours

Service Office hours are available for saints to call in to fellowship or to pray with some serving ones.

Day & Time: Monday through Saturday (except Wednesday), 10:30AM-11:30AM Zoom Meeting ID: 378 512 3114 Passcode: 3131 One tap mobile: +19294362866,, 3785123114#

The burden for holding these office hours is that the hearts of the saints can be comforted and that their souls would be restored.

#### **PRAYER BURDENS**

- Thanksgiving to the Lord for the word released in the Memorial Day Blending Conference last past weekend regarding the topic *The Christian Life*; let us pray that the Spirit of reality would guide all the saints into the reality of everything that was spoken, and let us also pray for the viewing of these messages this past weekend in many localities throughout Europe, Africa, the Far East and Australasia
- The Summer School of Truth Teachers' Training for the churches in the Northeast which was held on past Saturday, in Hall 1 (Jamaica Estates)
- The salvation of the children in grade 5–Let us pray for the gospel meeting which will be held on Saturday, June 8, at Hall 3 (Flushing); during this

time, the serving ones will share the gospel with the children and invite them to open their hearts and pray to receive the Lord

- Thanksgiving to the Lord for all the children, young people, and college age saints—Let us pray that each one would be preserved and perfected to bear the Lord's testimony "in the midst of a crooked and perverted generation" and "shine as luminaries in the world" (*Phil. 2:15*) as they face the attack of the enemy in this dark age
- Gospel outreach and Bible distribution at the 2024 Summer Olympic Games in Paris– Distribution during the Torch Relay began on May 6 and will continue until July 17; after this, distribution will take place in French-speaking Europe during the Olympic and Paralympic Games until September 9; let us pray for the follow up with those who have already been contacted and that the Lord would prepare and bring the saints into contact with many "sons of peace" (Luke 10:6)
- Thanksgiving to the Lord for His care for the church in NYC and prayer for the church's further going on:
  - a. The shepherding of all the saints and all the new ones
  - b. The strengthening of the church meetings and small group meetings this week
  - c. The strengthening of the service groups in all nine halls
- The various needs of the saints both locally and in other localities (e.g. physical and emotional, health-related, job-related, family-related, etc.)

## **MORNING WATCH**

HWMR: 2023 DECEMBER SEMIANNUAL TRAINING: Laboring on the All-inclusive Christ Typified by the Good Land for the building up of the Church as the Body of Christ, for the Reality and the Manifestation of the Kingdom, and for the Bride to Make Herself Ready for the Lord's Coming

# Week 6: Christ as Our Sabbath Rest, Typified by the Good Land of Canaan

#### Portions from Days 5 and 6:

According to the Bible, man is a tripartite being—spirit, soul, and body (1 Thes. 5:23). [In Hebrews 4:12] are the joints and marrow—which are parts of the body—and the soul and spirit.

With [the children of Israel] there were three places: (1) Egypt, from which they were delivered; (2) the wilderness, in which they wandered; and (3) Canaan, into which they entered. Their history in these three places signifies the three stages of their participation in God's full salvation. This is a type of us, the New Testament believers, in our participation in the full salvation of God. (Heb. 4:12, footnote 2)

In the first stage we receive Christ and are redeemed and delivered from the world. In the second stage we become wanderers in following the Lord; our wandering always takes place in our soul. In the third stage we partake of and enjoy Christ in a full way; this is experienced in our spirit. When we pursue the pleasures of material and sinful things, we are in the world, typified by Egypt. When we wander in our soul, we are in the wilderness. When we enjoy Christ in our spirit, we are in Canaan...The receivers of [the book of Hebrews], the Hebrew believers, were wondering what they should do with their old Hebrew religion. This wondering in their mind was a wandering in their soul, not an experience of Christ in their spirit...The dividing of the marrow from the joints (4:12) requires mainly the breaking of the joints. In the same principle, the dividing of the spirit from the soul requires the breaking of the soul. The Hebrew believers' soul, with its wondering mind, its doubting concerning God's way of salvation, and its considering of its own interests, had to be broken by the living, operative, and piercing word of God that their spirit might be divided from their soul.

The living word of God must pierce into our being and separate all the mixture of soul and spirit...Only the word of God can divide our soul from our spirit. Our soul, like flypaper, is sticky. Thus, it is easy for our spirit to be stuck to our soul. Because of this, we need the piercing and dividing of God's living word...Only when the merciful and faithful God comes in with the piercing of the living word of God do we find deliverance from our wandering mind. This is why we need the Bible. If the Bible is not living and energizing whenever we read it, something is wrong. Although many Christians take the Bible only as a printed book, day by day we must take it in a living way. (Life-study of Hebrews, second edition, pp. 263-265)

Corporate Reading: Life-study of Hebrews, msg. 27-28