

# The Church in New York City

# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **2024 International Thanksgiving Blending Conference (Nov. 28 – Dec. 1)**

The conference will be held in person in Atlanta, GA from Nov. 28 to Dec. 1 (Thursday to Lord's Day). We will provide zoom meetings for those who would like to watch the conference messages via Zoom in English, Spanish, or Chinese.

### Viewing Schedule:

Message 1: 10:00 AM Friday, Nov. 29, 2024  
Message 2: 4:00 PM Friday, Nov. 29, 2024  
Message 3: 7:30 PM Friday, Nov. 29, 2024  
Message 4: 10:00 AM Saturday, Nov. 30, 2024  
Message 5: 7:30 PM Saturday, Nov. 30, 2024  
Message 6: 4:00 PM Lord's Day, Dec. 1, 2024

### Zoom Meeting Link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84105535198?pwd=sZQvadDNSBiAGQ3PDU4cBSEH48jaRt.1>

**Meeting ID:** 841 0553 5198 **Passcode:** 2024  
One tap mobile:+19294362866,,84105535198#

Alternatively, you can watch the conference at LSM Webcast site, [www.lsmwebcast.com](http://www.lsmwebcast.com). Login credentials are not required to access the site. The videos of the messages will be available for free for a period of 30 days after the conference.

- **The 2024 December Semiannual Video Training Registration**

Registration for the 2024 December Semiannual Video Training still accepts registrations. Please submit your registration for the video training by filling out the online form:

<http://bit.ly/nycregistration>.

- **Service Office Hours**

Service Office hours are 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  
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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

- That all the saints would have a life of always rejoicing, unceasingly praying and giving thanks in everything  
**1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 — Always rejoice, unceasingly pray, in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.**
- The citywide young people's meeting held yesterday in Hall 1
- The International Thanksgiving Blending Conference to be held in Atlanta, GA (November 28-December 1)
- The strengthening of the churches in Upstate NY, New Jersey and the rest of the Northeast
- The Lord's move in Europe:
  - a. That a number of saints will receive the Lord's burden to serve in French-speaking Europe for one to three months to meet the urgent need for continued shepherding of the new ones contacted over the past several months
  - b. The migration of burdened saints to nine cities throughout Europe in 2025 and 2026 — Paris, Geneva, Brussels, Belfast, Dublin, Vienna, Prague, Rome, and Athens
- 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: 2024 SPRING INTERNATIONAL TRAINING FOR ELDERS AND RESPONSIBLE ONES - Being A Vessel Unto Honor, A Fully Equipped Man Of God, By Being Empowered In The Grace Which Is In Christ Jesus To Fully Accomplish Our Ministry In The Unique Ministry Of God's Economy**

### WEEK 8: "Fully Accomplish Your Ministry"

#### Portions from Days 1, 2 & 5:

During the New Testament age God's unique intention is to build up the Body. God created the universe, formed man, and accomplished redemption all for this. For this one purpose, God has one ministry. God does not have two operations in this New Testament age; He has one operation with one ministry. (CWWL, 1978, vol. 3, "Truth Messages," pp. 317-318)

The work of the New Testament ministry is to accomplish God's New Testament economy concerning the church (Eph. 3:9-10) in the building up of the Body of Christ. Ephesians 4:12 says that all the saints need to be perfected "unto the work of the ministry." This means that hundreds and even thousands of saints can be perfected unto the work of the ministry. In this verse the term the ministry is used. No doubt this refers to the unique ministry of the New Testament to carry out God's eternal purpose, which is contained in the new covenant. God's new covenant contains God's economy. To carry out this economy requires much work, and that work is the ministry...[Ephesians 4:12] indicates clearly that to do the work of the ministry is to build up the Body of Christ.

The New Testament ministry is uniquely one and corporate. But because this ministry is the service of the Body of Christ and because the Body has many members, every member has its own ministry. Thus, according to the members, there are many ministries; however, according to the Body as a whole, there is just one ministry. Your ministry should not be separate from the corporate ministry. The Body has a corporate ministry, and all the members of the Body have their individual ministries. As we have seen, all the ministries of the members added together equal the corporate ministry. (CWWL, 1978, vol. 3, "Truth Messages," p. 319)

I hope that in the coming years many of the young people will speak of Christ for the building up of the Body. I have no intention of being the only one to minister. On the contrary, I expect the Lord to raise up many more to carry on the unique ministry. We all have a part in this ministry, which is one ministry with different functions, different angles, and different aspects. You have your part, and I have mine. When we have all the functions and aspects, we have the ministry of the Body.

## MINISTRY READINGS

### Praying in the Holy Spirit Being to Pray in the Mutual Fellowship of the Two Spirits

We often say that prayer brings us God's presence. But what does this mean? Our prayers bring us God's presence when we pray in the Spirit. Then every sentence of our prayer is solid and touches God. When we pray in this way, our prayer has touched God's presence.

When we pray, we may sometimes feel that the words are lost in the air. They do not hit the mark. None of the words seem to touch God, and it seems as if God is not present. This means that our prayer is not solid. This is an indication that we are not praying in the Spirit. It also shows that we are not abiding in the Spirit. Because we are praying apart from the Spirit, our prayer seems to hit only the air; it is not solid, and it does not touch God. However, when we pray in the Spirit, we feel that the more we pray, the more we touch God, and our words touch God. We feel as if we are filled with God. Our God is not only in heaven; He has also entered into us. This is wonderful. The more we pray in this way, the more we are inwardly enlightened, comforted, satisfied, nourished, joyful, and anointed. These feelings indicate that we have received God in our prayer; we have breathed in God. Only this type of prayer is genuine, spiritual, and of value. Only this kind of prayer should be offered up in the universe. All other prayers are religious, formal, and outward, having no value.

*Excerpts from "How to Enjoy God and How to Practice the Enjoyment of God", Chapter 19: Exercising to Pray in the Holy Spirit (part 4)*