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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Banners of The Church in New York City Since
 2015.
 - **1 2015:** Advancing and Enlarging.
 - 2 2016: Trailblazing.
 - **3 2017:** Blending, Relevancy, Truth Pursuing.
 - **4 2018:** Shepherding, Recovering, Growing (in Life and Numbers).
 - **5 2019:** All Ages for the Lord's Testimony with Emphasis on the Next Generation.
 - **6 2020:** Family Life for the Church Life and the Church Life in Every Household; Take root downward and bear fruit upward (Isa. 37:31).
 - **7 2021:** Our Work of Faith, Labor of Love, and Endurance of Hope. Homecoming.
 - **8 2022:** Rekindling; To me for you; Growing (life, function, and number).
- 2022 International Chinese-Speaking Blending Conference (Feb. 18-Feb. 20)

The 2022 International Chinese-Speaking Conference will be held online from February 18, Friday, to February 20, the Lord's Day.

Meeting Schedule

Message One 7:30pm-9:15pm Fri., Feb.18
Message Two 9am-10:30am Sat. Feb. 19
Message Three 11am-12:30pm Sat. Feb. 19
Message Four 7:30pm-9:15pm Sat. Feb. 19
Lord's Table Meeting 10am-11am LD, Feb. 20
Prophesying Meeting 11am-12pm LD, Feb. 20
Message Five 4pm-5:30pm LD, Feb. 20

Join Zoom Meeting (for English, Spanish, and Korean sessions)

https://zoom.us/j/99242536248?pwd=bVllbXdwOE45YUNBREd2STFZZmJMUT09

Meeting ID: 992 4253 6248

Passcode: 2022 One tap mobile

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Note: For those who want to join the Chinese speaking Zoom sessions, please refer to the Chinese newsletter.

Key Statements

- I Receiving Christ as the Spirit of grace in our spirit is a lifelong, continuous matter; day by day a marvelous divine transmission should take place as the Triune God supplies the Spirit of grace bountifully, and we receive the Spirit of grace continually.
- II The New Testament believers' living under the grace of God in the economy of God—a total living of experiencing the processed and consummated Triune God as grace—consummates in the church as the organic Body of Christ.
- **III** Grace is Christ as our Burden-bearer and is multiplied to us through our sufferings, limitations, and weaknesses; the more burdens we have, the more opportunities we have to experience Christ as grace.
- IV The consummate and ultimate product of the grace of God in His economy is the Body of Christ as God's poem to be the New Jerusalem as the consummation of God's righteousness in the new heavens and new earth; the riches of God Himself for our enjoyment surpass every limit and will be publicly displayed for eternity.
- 2022 NYC Young People's Winter Retreat (Feb. 20 -Feb. 22)

This year's NYC Young People's Winter Retreat will be held at KPCC from February 20 to 22 (Lord's Day afternoon to Tuesday afternoon). We encourage the young people in grades 6 through 12 and their families to attend. Registration remains open. Please register at the following link: tinyurl.com/nycypretreat.

2022 Northeast College Retreat

This year's Northeast College Retreat will be held in Ivoryton, CT, over the weekend of **February 26-27**. Registration is due Lord's Day, February 20 and the cost is \$75. For registration and more information, please use the following link: https://tinyurl.com/22springretreat.

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.

Join via Zoom:

https://zoom.us/j/3785123114?pwd=dEpzN2ZG Z21aaGV5dTFob3AwQlBodz09

Dial-in by Phone: +1 929 205 6099

Meeting ID: 378 512 3114 (Password: 3131)

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

- The Rekindling--That all the saints would be rekindled in their first love for the Lord and in their zeal for the church meetings and church services
 - **2 Timothy 1:6** For which cause I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you...
- To me for you--That all the saints would advance in the matter of the daily personal fellowship with the Lord and in their enjoyment of the Lord through His Word, and that this would issue in the ministering of Christ to others
 - **Ephesians 3:2** If indeed you have heard of the stewardship of the grace of God which was given to me for you
- Growing--That this year all the saints would grow in life and in function and that this would result in the increase of the church
 - **Ephesians 4:15** But holding to truth in love, we may <u>grow up</u> into Him in all things, who is the Head, Christ
- The advancement and enlargement of the Lord's testimony on the Upper West Side (Hall 6) and in Brooklyn (Hall 4)
- Upcoming conferences:

- a. The International Chinese-speaking Conference (ICSC) which will be held online over the weekend of **February 18-20**
- b. The Young People's Winter Retreat being held at Camp Penuel (KPCC) from February 20-22 (this conference is for the young people in the church in NYC who are currently in grades 6 through 12)
- Northeast College Conference to be held in Ivoryton, CT over the weekend of February 26-27

MORNING WATCH

HWMR: The Holy Word for Morning Revival on Philippians

Week 6: Taking Christ as our Power and Secret

Portions from Day 2:

Paul's endeavor This portion of Philippians presents the expression of a life that lives Christ—a life that takes Christ as the pattern and counts all things refuse in order to gain more of Christ. The first aspect of the expression of a life that lives Christ is forbearance (v. 5). ... (In verse 6 we) see that a second aspect is the absence of anxiety. In a life that lives Christ there will be forbearance, but no anxiety, no worry. Paul considers forbearance and the lack of anxiety as the first two aspects of the expression of a life that lives Christ.

Compared with what Paul has already covered, forbearance seems to be a secondary matter. However, in a very practical way, forbearance is a test of whether or not we live Christ. ... In verse 6 Paul goes on to say, "In nothing be anxious." Often when we hear bad news, we worry and fall into anxiety. Anxiety undermines the living of Christ. Instead of being anxious, in everything by prayer and petition with thanksgiving we should make our requests known to God. Then the peace of God will guard our hearts and thoughts in Christ Jesus (v. 7). The peace of God saves us from worry and anxiety. Paul's word here proves that our interpretation of these verses according to our experience is correct. Being free from anxiety is for the purpose of keeping us calm and tranquil.

Corporate Reading: "How to Enjoy God and How to Practice the Enjoyment of God" Ch. 12: Enjoying God by Praying at Set Times