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ANNOUNCEMENTS

• Young Working Saints and Young Couples Conference (Mar. 11-13)

We would like to announce the Young Working Saints and Young Families Conference for the churches in the Northeast, which will be held March 11-13, 2022, at KPCC. The conference will be held entirely in person, that is, no online component will be provided during the conference; however, recordings will be made available after the conference. We encourage the young working saints, young couples, and families with young children to attend. Please register by March 6 at the following link: https://tinyurl.com/youngworkingsaints

Additional details, including the schedule, are available on the church app and church website at

<u>https://churchinnyc.org/announcements/yws-</u> <u>conference-spring2022</u>. Any questions can be directed to <u>northeastyws@gmail.com</u>.

• 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 link:**

https://zoom.us/j/3785123114?pwd=dEpzN2ZG 221aaGV5dTFob3AwQlBodz09 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

- To me for you (Eph. 3:2):
 - a. That all the saints would enjoy the dispensing of the Lord's grace daily through their personal time with the Lord, their reading of the Word and their abiding in the Lord throughout the day
 - b. That all the saints would allow the Lord to flow out by shepherding others, by preaching the gospel and by sharing their portion in the church meetings
- The young people--That the word released in the Young People's Winter Retreat on Living a Life of Loving the Lord would not return to the Lord void but rather would accomplish in each of the young people what He sent it forth to do (Isa. 55:10-11)
- Northeast College Conference held in Ivoryton, CT the past weekend
- The church life in Brooklyn (Hall 4) and on the Upper West Side (Hall 6):
 - a. The refreshment of the vision and the burden for the practical services
 - b. The shepherding of all the saints and of those who have not been in the meetings for some time
 - c. The strengthening of the small group meetings and church meetings
- The spring term of the Full-Time Training in Anaheim (FTTA)--This term there are seven trainees from NYC in the FTTA (Benjamin Cooley, Dean Deng, Christyn Hung, JZ Hung, Lesly Ramirez, Libby Sun, Iris Wang) and one in the FTTA-XB in Boston (Caleb Hong)
- The advancement of the Lord's move throughout all of Europe, particularly the migration of burdened saints to Barcelona, Brussels, Dublin, Lisbon, Rome, and Zurich
- The various needs of the saints both locally and in other localities (e.g. physical and emotional, health-related, job-related, family-related, etc.)

HWMR: The Holy Word for Morning Revival on Colossians

Week 2: Christ, the Preeminent One and the Mystery of God's Economy

Portions from Days 1 & 5:

All things came into being in Christ, through Christ, and unto Christ. Nothing should be regarded as separate from Him. All things were made in the intrinsic power of Christ's person, through Him as the active instrument, and unto Him as the consummate goal. Furthermore, all things cohere, are held together, in Him as the hub. Because all things were created in Christ, through Christ, and unto Christ and because all things cohere in Christ, God can be expressed in creation through Christ who is the image of the invisible God.

Today we focus our attention upon Christ as the mystery of God and upon the church as the mystery of Christ. As the mystery of God, the all-inclusive Christ is the embodiment of God and also the lifegiving Spirit. As the mystery of Christ, the church is the Body of Christ, His fullness, and the new man to be the full expression of Christ as well. This is the mystery that has been made manifest to the saints.

Although we were sinners, enemies, and rebels, we have become sons of God. We are also heirs of God, joint partakers of Christ, and even the members of Christ. Furthermore, the New Testament reveals that we are priests and kings. As heirs of God, we shall inherit not only God himself, but all things. We are sons of God, heirs of God, partners of Christ, and priests and kings. What a glory this is!

As believers in Christ, we know the riches of the glory of this mystery. We cannot exhaust the items of the riches of such a glory. All the blessings in the Bible are included in the riches of this glory, which is our portion. This glory is the glory of the mystery among the nations, and this mystery is Christ in us. The Christ who dwells within us is the mystery full of glory, with countless riches. This is the key point in the book of Colossians. (*Life-study of Colossians, pp. 115-116, 117*)

Corporate Reading: *"How to Enjoy God and How to Practice the Enjoyment of God" Ch. 14: How To Enjoy God By Matching Reading With Praying.*

MINISTRY PORTIONS

God's Leading Many Sons into Glory

The Triune God is still working today to bring His many sons into glory (v. 10). We are sons of God, but we are not in glory yet. ...Hallelujah, we are on the way! One day we will all be there in glory as the many sons of God. ...That glory will be the freedom of the glory of the children of God, which is our full redemption (v. 23). Our body has not yet been redeemed, but one day it will be transfigured into a glorious body (Phil. 3:21). This full redemption of our body is the full sonship. Our spirit has already been born of God, but our body has not yet been brought into sonship. The entire universe is eagerly expecting the final part of our redemption. The creation wants to see all the sons of God brought into glory to enjoy their full sonship.

Sons, Brothers, and Members

Before His resurrection Christ was God's only Begotten, but through death and resurrection He became the Firstborn, followed by the many sons who were produced through His death and resurrection. Now to God we are the many sons, to Christ we are the many brothers, and to His Body we are the members. This is why we call ourselves brothers. We are brothers to each other because we are the brothers of Christ and the sons of God. This is sonship. It is a corporate entity.

Total Sonship

The New Jerusalem is the aggregate of the divine sonship. There is only one divine sonship; we are all in this one sonship. In resurrection we will all be males, including the sisters. ...The total sonship will be completed through the coming rapture and resurrection. When we are there in the New Jerusalem, that will be an aggregate of the divine sonship. This sonship is for the corporate expression of the great God who is triune—the Father, the Son, and the Spirit.

Excerpts from "The Basic Revelation in the Holy Scriptures", Chapter 11: The New Jerusalem – The Ultimate Consummation (4) (Section 3.)