# The Church in New York City WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

• 2022 International Memorial Day Blending Conference (cont., May 29-30)

The 2022 International Memorial Day blending conference continues to be held from May 29-30 in Anaheim, CA. Live webcast and broadcast will also be provided. For those who are not able to attend the in-person conference, the church plans to broadcast the conference messages via Zoom. Translation will be available in Chinese, Spanish and Korea via Zoom translation function. For conference outlines, please visit the church website <u>www.churchinnyc.org</u> and church App.

# Subject: Taking the Way of Enjoying Christ as the Tree of Life

#### Join via Zoom:

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86768465895?pwd =T2FTTTdhY0tmVk1jaTBPamdES0dXdz09#succe <u>ss</u>

Meeting ID: 867 6846 5895 Passcode: 2022 Tel:+19294362866,,86768465895#

#### The church broadcast schedule (Cont.):

Message 3: May 29, L.D. 1:00 PM (Live Webcast) Message 4: May 29, L.D. 4:00 PM Message 5: May 30, Mon. 10:00 AM Message 6: May 30, Mon. 1:00 PM

Note: There will not be a conference meeting on Lord's Day morning. Saints can follow the usual Lord's Day schedule in their district and join the conference sessions 3 and 4 at 1:00 PM and 4:00 PM, respectively.

• The 2022 Northeast Summer School of Truth Teachers' Training (June 4)

The 2022 Northeast Summer School of Truth (SST) Teachers' Training will be held at **Camp Penuel (KPCC)** on **Saturday, June 4.** We encourage the parents and serving ones of the young people, as well as any college students and graduating high school seniors, to attend. Please **register by May 29 (today)** at <u>tinyurl.com/sstteacherstraining</u>.

The saints will have the option to arrive at KPCC on Friday, June 3, to spend the night. The training will conclude with dinner on Saturday.

#### • 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 Z21aaGV5dTFob3AwQIBodz09 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**

- The international Memorial Day weekend blending conference being held live in Anaheim, CA and via video in NYC
- The salvation of all the children in grade 5:
  - a. The ongoing preparation of the hearts of all the fifth graders
  - b. The gospel meeting scheduled for Saturday, June 11
- The Northeast Summer School of Truth serving ones' training at Camp Penuel on Saturday, June 4
- The strengthening of the church life throughout the coming months and all the summer activities:

- a. The Summer College Training
- b. The July semiannual training
- c. The Family Bible Camp
- d. The Chinese-speaking Perfecting Training
- e. The Summer School of Truth
- The strengthening and spread of the Lord's testimony throughout the United States
  - a. In the Tri-State area, including New Jersey and Connecticut
  - b. In Upstate New York
  - c. In the rest of the United States, especially in the Southeast and the Midwest
- 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: Crystallization-Study of 1&2 Samuel Week 4: The History of the Ark and the Tabernacle

#### Portion from the Outlines and Days 1 & 3:

The Ark as the embodiment of God's testimony typifies Christ as the embodiment of God. All that God is, is embodied in Christ. Colossians 2:9 says that the fullness of the Godhead dwells in Christ bodily. Our use of the word embodiment is based on this verse. Because God is embodied in Christ, He is portrayed, defined, and explained by Christ. Christ is God's definition, His explanation. As God's testimony, Christ is typified by the Ark of the Testimony.

Because the Holy of Holies is in the inmost part of the tabernacle, it is the center of the tabernacle. It is the focus of the tabernacle and signifies the center of God's dwelling place. God dwelt in the tabernacle but not in the outer court or in the Holy Place. He dwelt in the Holy of Holies. The Ark in the Holy of Holies signifies the center of God's dwelling place, the church (Eph. 2:21-22). The cover of the Ark is equal to the throne of grace in Hebrews 4:16. It was upon the cover of the Ark, the throne of grace, that God dwelt. This was the exact place where God was. In the Old Testament this place was in the Tabernacle of the Testimony. But in the New Testament this place is in the church. The church today is God's tabernacle, His dwelling place.

The Ark of God was usurped by the elders of the people of Israel, who were degraded from the line of God's economy (1 Sam. 4:1-8). .....They trusted in the system ordained by God, but they did not trust in God directly. They should have repented to God of

their failure and inquired of Him as to what He wanted them to do. Before bringing the Ark of God out of the tabernacle, they should have checked with God as Joshua did at Jericho (Josh. 6:2-4).

After Solomon finished the building of the temple in Jerusalem, the Ark was moved into the Holy of Holies in the temple for a full recovery of the normal situation; today in His recovery the Lord is working to restore the normal condition of Christ within the proper church as the reality of the Body of Christ for His expression.

**Corporate Reading:** *"The Orthodoxy of the Church" Ch. 7: Philadelphia* 

#### **MINISTRY PORTIONS**

### The Fourth Step—Becoming the Spirit in Resurrection

In the fourth step, after our Lord was crucified on the cross, He resurrected from the dead and became the Spirit. .....We need to see that in resurrection He became the Spirit. In so doing, He brought the perfect man into God. .....If there were only incarnation, the mingling of God and man would be only half accomplished. God entered into man, but man had not yet entered into God. However, after the Lord Jesus' resurrection the mingling of God and man was complete; God had entered into man, and man had entered into God.

Our Savior today is the Spirit. He is beyond time and space. He is everywhere. No matter where we are, as long as we open our heart and our spirit, and we touch Him, His Spirit will come into us, and we will have "spirit-to-spirit" fellowship. His Spirit will touch our spirit, and our spirit will receive His Spirit. The Spirit does not only include divinity; there is also incarnation, the effectiveness of the blood shed on the cross to deal with man's sins, the killing of the cross that solves the problem of the flesh and the self, and resurrection that brings man into God. This Spirit includes so much. When we believe into Him and open our spirit to contact Him, He enters into us. When He enters into us, we enjoy and absorb God. Excerpts from "How to Enjoy God and How to Practice the Enjoyment of God", Chapter 3: God's Accomplishments for Man (Section 4)