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ANNOUNCEMENTS

 Online Presentation of Our Churchwide Truth Pursuit (Mar. 5)

We will have a short online presentation via Zoom this Lord's Day at 4pm to introduce more details concerning the churchwide pursuit of the truth in the book of Romans that we have recently begun. We will present again the burden of truth constitution, an overview of the study schedules, the ways to pursue the truth, and available tools for the saints.

Time: 4 pm, Lord's Day, March 5, 2023 **Zoom Meeting ID**: 832 6090 3075

Passcode: 2023

Northeast Spanish-speaking Conference (Mar. 10-12)

The Northeast Spanish-speaking Conference will be held at **Camp Penuel (KPCC)** from **March 10 to 12**. English translation will be provided for all messages.

• Citywide Senior Saints Conference (Mar. 18)

Our next Citywide Senior Saints Conference will be held on Saturday, March 18 at the Jamaica Estates meeting hall (Hall 1). We are so thankful that we are blessed in the church with so many older saints. We hope this gathering will be an encouragement to all our senior saints to be "planted in the house of Jehovah" and to still bring forth fruit in old age, being full of sap and green (Psalm 92).

The conference is for all the nine halls and translation will be provided. A Zoom link will be provided for those who cannot attend in person.

Place: Hall 1 (87-60 Chevy Chase St, Jamaica Estates)

Time: Saturday, March 18, 10am

Schedule:

10:00AM – 12:00PM Fellowship and testimonies

12:00 - 1:30PM Lunch

• 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

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PRAYER BURDENS

- Thanksgiving to the Lord for the gospel meeting held this past Friday (February 24); prayer for the follow up of all those who were saved and all who attended the meeting; and prayer for the burden for the gospel in all the saints, that wherever we are we would "let our light shine before men" (Matt. 5:16)
- The college conference for the churches and campuses in New York and New Jersey held this past Saturday (yesterday) at Camp Penuel
- The Spanish-speaking conference for the churches in the Northeast to be held at Camp Penuel over the weekend of March 10-12
- Thanksgiving to the Lord for all the senior saints in the church; prayer for the upcoming Citywide Senior Saints' Conference to be held in Hall 1 on Saturday, March 18; and prayer for the safety, health and well-being of all the elderly saints in the church
- The international blending conference in Puerto Rico being held this weekend for the all the churches in the Caribbean

MORNING WATCH

HWMR: THE DIVINE DISPENSING OF THE DIVINE TRINITY FOR THE DIVINE ECONOMY

Week 1: The Eternal Blessing of the Triune God through the Divine Dispensing of the Divine Trinity into Us for the Accomplishing of His Divine Economy

Portions from Days 1 and 3:

According to the entire revelation of the sixty-six books of the Bible, the Divine Trinity—the Father, the Son, and the Spirit—is for God's dispensing, that is, for the distribution of God into His chosen people. God's desire with His strong intention is to dispense Himself into His chosen people as their life, as their life supply, and as their everything. To carry out this dispensing, He needs to be triune.

The unique blessing in the whole universe is God Himself. Anything besides God is vanity...The existence of the universe is a great miracle, but without God the miraculous existence of the universe is vanity. Apart from God, everything is "vanity of vanities" (Eccl. 1:2). Only God Himself is real. Only He is the blessing to us. If we gained the entire universe yet missed God, we would be the most pitiful persons...God Himself is our blessing, and this blessing comes to us through the dispensing of the Divine Being into us in His Divine Trinity—in the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Ephesians 1 gives us a record of how the Triune God blesses His chosen, redeemed, and transformed people in His Divine Trinity. This chapter is mainly on the three steps of God's blessing us in His Divine Trinity, that is, on how He blesses us in the Father (vv. 3-6), in the Son (vv. 7-12), and in the Spirit (vv. 13-14). Eventually, because of such a flow of the Divine Trinity as the blessing to God's chosen people, there is an issue, and the issue of this blessed flow is the church as the Body of Christ, the fullness of the One who fills all in all (vv. 22-23). The church as the Body of Christ is the total issue of the Divine Trinity as a flow to dispense all that God is into His chosen people.

In both Numbers 6:23-26 and 2 Corinthians 13:14 the blessing is not outward and material. The blessing here is not a matter of an excellent job, a nice house, a high education, and a good family life. Furthermore, this blessing is not related to having any kind of position in the church. Sometimes when we consider our situation, we may be disappointed

and feel that we do not have anything. It may seem to us that everything under the sun and even everything in the spiritual field is vanity of vanities. We may feel that nothing is real, not even in the church life. What should we do when we feel this way? We should turn to the Triune God. He is our real blessing and portion. What a blessing it is to have Him as the blessing! What a blessing it is to have His face, His presence, and to enjoy Him daily as grace! The more we suffer, the more we enjoy Him as grace. What a blessing it is to have His countenance smiling upon us, assuring us, and confirming us! And what a blessing it is to have peace in Him, by Him, and with Him! This is the Triune God as our blessing. Oh, may the grace of Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all! (Life-study of Numbers, pp. 82-83)

Corporate Reading: "The Life-study of Romans", message 1

MINISTRY READINGS

A person Enjoying God as the Spirit

When the Spirit shines within us, exposing our condition, we should condemn ourselves and confess our sins, breathing them out. ... A person who has never breathed out in this way has never breathed in God; he has never been saturated with God. ... Not only so, whenever we breathe out, we also breathe in. How much we breathe out determines how much we can breathe in. We breathe out our sins, and we breathe in the Spirit. We breathe out the self, and we breathe in Christ. We breathe out corruption, and we breathe in the riches of God....In this breathing out and breathing in, we find comfort, joy, peace, power, light, wisdom, healing, and utterance. We have everything. What we need, we find in Him because He is what we need.

The Spirit has been poured out. He has been "exhaled" and has been sent forth into all the earth. He is everywhere, and He pervades everything. He is even in us, waiting for us to breathe Him in. When we breathe Him in, we eat and drink Him. This is to absorb Him and enjoy Him. When we enjoy Him and possess Him in this way, we will spontaneously live out Christ; we will live out God. This is what it means to enjoy God.

Excerpts from "How to Enjoy God and How to Practice the Enjoyment of God", Chapter 10: How God Becomes Man's Enjoyment in the Spirit (part 5)