

The Church in New York City

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **The 2023 December Semiannual Training Registration**

Registration for the 2023 December Semiannual Training has begun. Please submit your registration for both the live training in Anaheim, CA and the video training by filling out the online form: <http://bit.ly/nycregistration>. The due date for registration is **November 1, 2023**.

- **Citywide Senior Saints' Conference (Oct. 21)**

We are glad to announce that we will have a special in-person gathering for all the senior saints, including all the districts and all languages. The conference is for all nine halls of the church. Lunch and transportation will be provided.

Place: Hall 1 (Jamaica Estates hall)

Time: October 21, 10am

- **The Regional Conference (Oct. 27-29)**

We will have a regional conference with Brother Ed Marks over the weekend of **October 27-29**. The meetings will be held at the Jamaica Estates meeting hall (Hall 1) located at 87-60 Chevy Chase Street, Jamaica Estates, NY 11432.

The conference schedule is as follows:

Message 1: Friday, Oct. 27, 7:30pm

Message 2: Saturday, Oct. 28, 10am

Message 3: Saturday, Oct. 28, 4pm

Lord's Table &

Message 4: Lord's Day, Oct. 29, 10am

Details will be posted on the church website www.churchinnyc.org and on the church App.

- **2023 Church in NYC College Scholarship Application**

A number of generous donations from some elderly saints over the years were given to award scholarships for young people in the church in New York City. We thank the Lord for their generosity and for His practical care demonstrated to us through His Body. This year, the Board of Trustees has made available funds for the award of the 2023 Church in New York City Scholarship for Academic Excellence and for Financial Need.

For the scholarship application requirements and application form, please visit the church webpage: [2023 Church in NYC Scholarship Announcement – The Church in New York City](#).

Scholarships are awarded through an application and review process. The submission of an application does not guarantee that you will be awarded a scholarship, but each application will be given careful consideration. The deadline for submitting your application is **Lord's Day, October 15, 2023**. If you have any questions, please feel free to send an email to churchnycscholarship@gmail.com.

- **2024 International Chinese-speaking Blending Conference Application (the church in New York City)**

Living Stream Ministry will host the 2024 International Chinese-speaking Blending Conference **in Taipei in February 2024**. According to the organizer, brothers and sisters need to register for the conference through their local churches (no individual application is accepted). Below is the registration form for the church in New York City: <https://tinyurl.com/3y8myu9w>. The deadline for registration is November 30. For any questions, please contact the serving brothers who are collecting the registration fees in the corresponding meeting hall.

- **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

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 Training for Elders and Responsible Ones (ITERO) which concluded yesterday in Manila, Philippines—The general subject of the messages was *Living and Serving According to God's Economy concerning the Church*; let us pray for the release of the Lord's speaking during the training, for all the speaking brothers as well as all the attendees, for the health, safety and travel of all the brothers, for the Lord's covering of all the practical services related to the training, particularly the audio and video service, and for the all the trainings being held remotely via video in so many churches throughout the earth, including NYC
- Thanksgiving to the Lord for His blessing and His speaking in the Northeast High School Juniors & Seniors Retreat and in the Fall College Retreat, both held the weekend of September 29 to October 1—Let us pray for the further operation of the Lord's word in the hearts of all the young people and that the Spirit of reality would guide each of the young ones into the reality of all that they heard
- Let us pray for the preservation of all the children in the church in the midst of this dark age and for their preparation to be vessels for the Lord; let us pray for all the parents to have the wisdom to "nurture them in the discipline and admonition of the Lord" (Eph. 6:4) and that there would be an atmosphere of love in every home
- The strengthening of all the church meetings, the small group meetings and the practical services in each hall this week

- Gospel trips in Germany, Switzerland, and Austria (October 8-22)—The saints in the recovery are invited to join the campus labor at the beginning of the university year in Germany, Switzerland, and Austria; let us pray that the Lord will gain many students in these three countries as remaining fruit and for the spread of the Lord's testimony in these countries through the gospel trips

MORNING WATCH

HWMR: 2023 MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND CONFERENCE – KNOWING, EXPERIENCING, AND ENJOYING CHRIST AS REVEALED IN PHILIPPIANS

Week 5: Knowing the Fellowship of Christ's Sufferings and Being Conformed to His Death

Portions from Days 2 & 6:

In suffering opposition we experience Christ and enjoy Christ...The more we pass through death, the more Christ's resurrection power becomes our enjoyment; and the more we have the enjoyment of resurrection power, the more we know Christ by our experience. In other words, the very Christ whose life is recorded in the four Gospels lives His life again in us and in the same way. Therefore, we know Him, the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings...Because He repeats His life in us, we become one with Him in His steps. We follow Him by enjoying Him and by being one with Him. This means that we even follow Him in His suffering life. How wonderful this is! (CWWL, 1978, vol. 1, "The Experience of Christ," pp. 453-455)

God has put us into the mold of Christ's death, and day by day God is molding us to conform us to this death (Rom. 6:3-4). We should be conformed to such a mold by our dying to our human life to live the divine life...In the mold of Christ's death, the natural life is killed, the old man is crucified, and the self is nullified (2 Cor. 4:16; Rom. 6:6; Matt. 16:24). If we allow our circumstances to press us into this mold, our daily life will be molded into the form of Christ's death (Rom. 8:28-29). (*The Conclusion of the New Testament*, p. 3508)

Corporate Reading: "*The Life-study of Romans*", messages 48-49