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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Churchwide Truth Pursuit on Genesis**

The churchwide truth pursuit on the book of Genesis began on February 3. The reading schedule, study questions, and other information are available on the church website churchinnyc.org/bible-study.

Join us for the weekly truth pursuit ministry meeting every Friday night at 7:30 PM. We welcome the saints to invite their family and friends. Translation to Spanish and Chinese is available. Please check the church website for more details.

Week 23

Level 1—Sequential Life-study Reading

Scripture Reading and Copying: Gen. 22

Assigned Reading: *Life-study of Genesis*, msg(s). 45-46

Level 2—Topical Study

Crucial Point: God's Calling of Abraham in Genesis 12

Scripture: Gen. 12:1-5

Assigned Reading: *Life-study of Genesis*, msg(s). 37-40

Supplemental Reading: *The History of God in His Union with Man*, ch. 7; *The Gospel of God (1)*, ch. 10; *Truth Lessons, Level Two, Vol. 1*, ch. 9; *Revelations in Genesis: Seeing God's Calling in the Experiences of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob*, chs. 4, 7; *Crystallization Study of Genesis (2)*, msg. 2

Questions: See the church website at churchinnyc.org/bible-study

- **2025 Church in NYC's Family Bible Camp (Aug. 14-16)**

This year the Family Bible Camp will be held in - person from **August 14-16, Thur. to Sat, in KPCC**. The Family Bible Camp is open to all families in

the church in NYC who attend the gatherings in Halls 1-9 and Rosendale with at least one entering Kindergarten to 6th grade and their families.

Please register at:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeOlroS-imYB1-sMA7Ki3eBqZ8eEzblFu2RyzXBMQAUpBQoSQ/viawform> by Lord's Day, August 10 (Today).

For more details or questions, please contact the coordinators in your district.

- **Young Working Saints and Young Families' Conference (Sept. 12-14)**

The registration has opened for the upcoming Young Working Saints and Young Families Conference for the churches in the Northeast. The conference will be held **at Camp Penuel (KPCC) on September 12-14, 2025**. The registration deadline is **September 1, 2025**. We strongly encourage the saints who will stay overnight to register as soon as possible to secure accommodation onsite at the camp.

Please see the registration link and more information on the conference: <https://tinyurl.com/2025fallyws>.

If you have any questions, please email northeastyws@gmail.com.

- **Service Office Hours**

Due to the many activities in the coming summer months, Service Office Hour will be suspended until September.

PRAYER BURDENS

- The strengthening of the prayer of the saints: personally, by 2s & 3s, between the couples, in the families, in the brothers' houses and sisters'

houses, in the small groups, in the sisters' prayer groups, in the service groups, and in the weekly church prayer meetings

Ephesians 6:18 — By means of all prayer and petition, praying at every time in spirit and watching unto this in all perseverance and petition concerning all the saints.

1 Timothy 2:1 — I exhort therefore, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercessions, thanksgivings be made on behalf of all men.

- The middle school section of the Northeast Summer School of Truth concluded last week at Camp Penuel (KPCC) on Thursday (The topic of the lessons this year was *The Bible—The Word of God*)—Let us offer thanksgiving to the Lord for richly blessing the high school and middle school sections of the truth school over the past two weeks; let us continue to pray for the hearts of all the young people, their continual enjoyment of the word, and their going on in their schools, in their homes and in the church life during the upcoming new school year.
- The Family Bible Camp which will be held August 14-16 at Camp Penuel
- The burden for the gospel—That all the saints would have the burden for the gospel and seize every opportunity for the speaking of the gospel “in season and out of season” (**2 Tim. 4:2**)
- That the Lord would supply the churches in Atlanta, GA and in Dublin, Ireland with the funds necessary to build or purchase a proper meeting hall for the strengthening of the church life in these localities and the surrounding regions
- 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: 2024 DECEMBER SEMIANNUAL TRAINING - Experiencing, Enjoying, and Expressing Christ (2)

WEEK 4: Our Spiritual Food, Our Spiritual Rock, and the Contents of the Lord's Table

Portion from Days 1 & 2:

The Holy of Holies was in the tabernacle, and the tabernacle was surrounded by the fence of the outer court. Within the outer court was the tabernacle, within the tabernacle was the Holy of Holies, within the Holy of Holies was the Ark, within

the Ark was the pot, and within the golden pot was an omer of manna. Apparently the Ark was the focal point of the tabernacle. Actually, the manna.....was the central point. [It] was hidden under five layers of coverings. The actual focal point, therefore, was the manna in the golden pot.

What is the focal point of our Christian life? Just as the manna in the golden pot was the focal point of God's dwelling place, so Christ as the manna eaten by us should be the focal point of our being. The tabernacle was God's dwelling place in the Old Testament, and we are God's dwelling place today. From the standpoint of experience, we may consider ourselves as identical to the tabernacle, for the tabernacle was God's building, and we are also His building. The church is God's tabernacle today. We are corporately identical to the tabernacle because we are part of the church. As part of the church, the focal point of our being should be manna. To describe this manna in a fuller way, we may say that this manna is the Christ we have eaten, digested, and assimilated. Hence, the focal point of God's building today is the Christ eaten, digested, and assimilated by His people. (Life-study of Exodus, pp. 451-452, 447-448)

The heavenly manna is to be the unique food for God's people. The children of Israel could even say, “There is nothing at all but this manna to look at” (Num. 11:6b).

In Christianity today,there are hundreds of sources; there are also hundreds of so-called ministries. However, in the Bible, especially in the New Testament, there is just one ministry. The twelve apostles all shared in the same ministry.Speaking of Judas, Peter said that he “was numbered among us and was allotted his portion of this ministry” (Acts 1:17). This proves that the twelve apostles were all in “this ministry.” This indicates that there is one unique ministry in the New Testament.

In the Lord's recovery we cannot accept any ministry that is not part of the ministry. To accept other kinds of ministry would be to take in some food that is different from the heavenly manna. We thank the Lord that from the very beginning He showed us what is the ministry of Christ, the ministry of life. We have one tree of life, one manna.I have given thousands of messages. But all these messages have conveyed one food, one diet: Christ as the unique food for God's people. (Life-study of Exodus, pp. 421-423)

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