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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Young Working Saints and Young Families' Conference (Cont.)**

The Young Working Saints and Young Families Conference for the churches in the Northeast concludes today **at Camp Penuel (KPCC)**.

- **Parents and Serving Ones Fellowship (Saturday, Sept. 20)**

There will be a special session of fellowship for the parents and serving ones of the children, the middle school age, high school age, and college age young people on **Saturday, September 20, 2025 from 10am to 12 noon at the Jamaica Estates meeting hall (Hall 1)**. We hope the parents and serving saints in all the nine districts and Rosendale can come together for this special time of fellowship being held at the beginning of this new school year. There will be translation into Chinese and Spanish. Lunch will not be provided, but we hope that after the fellowship, saints would take this opportunity to spend time together either in the homes or through other arrangements.

- **2025 Northeast High School Juniors and Seniors Retreat (Oct. 3-5)**

This year's Northeast High School Juniors and Seniors Retreat will be held on the weekend of **October 3-5 at Camp Penuel (KPCC)**.

Since 1999 we have been having a special gathering for our high school juniors and seniors with the burden to further equip them as they transition out of high school and into the college years. We believe that this fellowship (including many practical matters) can be a great benefit to these high school students. We also encourage the attendance of any of the college-aged saints who can strengthen and support the time with their recent personal experiences. This weekend

is an unique opportunity for our young people to spend time and fellowship with the college-aged and community saints in such an environment.

For more details and registration, please visit www.pursuewiththose.org. The registration deadline is **September 28th, 2025**.

- **2025 International Thanksgiving Blending Conference (Nov. 28 – Dec. 1)**

The 2025 International Thanksgiving Blending Conference will be held **in Indianapolis, IN from Thursday, Nov. 27 through Lord's Day, Nov. 30**. For more details, please visit LSM website at: <https://www.lsm.org/pdfs/2025-Thanksgiving-conf/2025ThanksgivingConferenceInformation.en.pdf>.

- **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 27

Level 1—Sequential Life-study Reading

Scripture Reading and Copying: Gen. 25:19-34
Assigned Reading: Life-study of Genesis, msg(s). 55-56

Level 2—Topical Study

Crucial Point: Melchizedek
Scripture: Gen. 14:18-20
Assigned Reading: The Priesthood, ch. 5

Supplemental Reading: Truth Lessons, Level Three, Vol. 1, ch. 5

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

- **Service Office Hours**

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

PRAYER BURDENS

- Thanksgiving to the Lord for blessing the Spanish-speaking conference two weeks ago and prayer for the going on of all these saints and the strengthening of all the churches in the Northeast
- The Young Working Saints and Young Families Conference concludes at Camp Penuel today
- Citywide fellowship for the parents and serving ones of the children, middle school, high school, and college age young people on Saturday, September 20 (in Hall 1 at 10am)
- The International Training for Elders and Responsible Ones (ITERO) being held in Malaysia on September 25-27
- Gospel meeting in Hall 1 on Saturday, October 18
- The Lord's move in Europe:
 - a. The strengthening of the churches in France, the ongoing migration of saints to France, the shepherding of the new ones gained over the past year, and the Chinese-speaking conference in Paris this upcoming weekend
 - b. The preparations for the gospel trips to German-speaking countries which will take place in October
 - c. The preparations for the gospel outreach which will take place in Italy during the upcoming Winter Olympic games in February 2026
- 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 9: The Mystery of the Church

Portion from Day 5:

The God who created all things came into the midst of men through His incarnation. This One who came was Jesus Christ. This Jesus Christ needed to be enlarged, and His enlargement is the church. The church shining brightly on the earth today is the golden lampstand. This golden lampstand has God as its substance, Christ as its form, and the Holy Spirit shining for its expression. In eternity the ultimate manifestation of this church is the New Jerusalem, the beloved bride of Christ. Revelation 22:17 says, "The Spirit and the bride say, Come!" The Spirit and the bride, having become one, speak together as one. God and man will become an eternal couple. Therefore, the New Jerusalem is the ultimate expression of God's entering into man. This is the story of the universe, the ultimate manifestation of the universe. God obtains an eternal and full expression in the man whom He created. This is the ultimate mystery in the universe—the mystery of the church. (CWWL, 1983, vol. 1, "The Five Great Mysteries in the Bible," pp. 197-199)

MINISTRY READINGS

THE ULTIMATE CONSUMMATION OF THE TWO TREES

All the positive things come out of the experience of the tree of life, out of the mingling of Christ as life with our spirit. The church, the kingdom, the New Jerusalem, and all the positive spiritual heavenly things come out of the mingling of God with our spirit, that is, out of the experience of the tree of life. The ultimate consummation of the tree of knowledge is the lake of fire (**Rev. 20:10, 14-15**), and the ultimate consummation of the tree of life is the city of water, the New Jerusalem (**21:2**). This city is characterized by a pure river of water of life with the tree of life in its flow (**22:1-2**). All the things of man related to the tree of knowledge, related to Satan, will go into the lake of fire, and the things of man related to God, to the tree of life, will go into the city of living water. We need to spend our time to read the New Testament once more with this point of view, the point of view in the spirit.

Excerpts from "The Tree of Life", Chapter 2: The Source and Consummation of the Two Trees (part 4)