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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 28

Level 1—Sequential Life-study Reading

Scripture Reading and Copying: Gen. 26:1-14 Assigned Reading: Life-study of Genesis, msg(s). 57-58

Level 2—Topical Study

Crucial Point: God as Abraham's Shield and

Exceedingly Great Reward Scripture: Gen. 15:1

Assigned Reading: Truth Lessons, Level 4, Vol. 2,

ch. 22

Supplemental Reading: CWWN, Set 2, Vol. 45, "Conferences, Messages, and Fellowship (5)", ch.

130 "The Way to Discern"

Questions: See the church website at

churchinnyc.org/bible-study

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 <u>www.pursuewiththose.org</u>. The registration deadline is September 28th, 2025.

Registration for the 2025 December Semiannual Training

Registration for the 2025 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**, 2025.

2025 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 demonstrated to us through His Body. This year, the Board of Trustees has made available funds for awarding the 2025 Academic Year Church in New York City Scholarship for Academic Excellence and for Financial Need. For the scholarship application requirements and application form, please use the URL: https://forms.gle/wnzTcboHLnbKoQKZA. The deadline for submitting your application is Sunday, November 2, 2025.

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. If you have any questions, please feel free to send an email to churchnycscholarship@gmail.com.

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.

Service Office Hours

Due to the many activities in the church life, Service Office Hour will be suspended until further notice.

PRAYER BURDENS

- Thanksgiving to the Lord for blessing the Young Working Saints and Young Families Conference held two weekends ago and prayer for the operation of the Word and the Spirit in all of these saints, and for their going on; the general subject of the conference was Our Running of the Christian Race
- Prayer for the raising up of the next generation in the church life and for the citywide fellowship for the parents and serving ones of the children, middle school, high school, and college age young people held yesterday in Hall 1
- Prayer for all the responsible brothers in all of the churches throughout the earth and for the International Training for Elders and Responsible Ones (ITERO) being held in Malaysia on September 25-27
- The Northeast High School Juniors/Seniors Retreat which will be held over the weekend of October 3-5 at Camp Penuel
- The churches in Upstate NY and the blending conference which will be held over the weekend of October 4-5 in Syracuse, NY

- Gospel meeting in Hall 1 on Saturday, October 18
- 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 10: The Creator of the One New Man as the Masterpiece of God

Portion from Days 2, 4 and 5:

Christ abolished in His flesh the law of the commandments in ordinances, but He did not create the new man in His flesh...The negative things were terminated in Christ's flesh, whereas the new man, which, of course, is positive, was germinated in Christ Himself. We need to pay careful attention to two phrases in Ephesians 2:15: in His flesh and in Himself. If I were to ask you where you are today, you should say, "First, I was in Christ's flesh; now I am in Christ Himself. In His flesh I was terminated on the cross, but in Christ Himself I was created as part of the one new man." (Life-study of Ephesians, p. 201)

Because ordinances create enmity and division, we must deal with them very seriously. It is possible for ordinances to become a cause of hatred even among those who have been close to one another...Therefore, we must repudiate all ordinances and go along with the practices of the saints, as long as these practices do not involve anything sinful, immoral, or idolatrous. Although we may not approve of certain practices, we should go along with them in order to give no ground for ordinances.

If we stay under the ruling of the enthroned peace of Christ, we will not offend others or damage them. Rather, by the Lord's grace and with His peace, we will minister life to others. The oneness in a local church and among the churches is...maintained only by the arbitrating peace of Christ. The management and maintenance of the Lord's recovery are not our responsibility. All the churches and the recovery as a whole are under the arbitrating peace of Christ. (Lifestudy of Colossians, pp. 242-243, 245, 555)