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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **2026 Northeast Middle School Spring Conference (May 15-17)**

The 2026 Northeast Middle School Spring Conference will be **held at Camp Penuel from May 15-17**. Please contact the district serving ones or visit pursuewiththose.org for registration and more details. The first session begins at **7:00pm on May 15**. The deadline for registration is **Lord's Day, May 10**.

- **Citywide Senior Saints' Conference (May. 16)**

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. More details to follow.

- **2026 International Memorial Day Blending Conference (May 22-25)**

The 2026 International Memorial Day Blending Conference will be held in **Sheraton Dallas Hotel** in Dallas, TX from **Friday, May 22 through Monday, May 25**. For more details, please visit LSM website at: <https://www.lsm.org/pdfs/2026-mdconf/mdconf-info-en.pdf>

There is a special group rate of \$129.00 USD per night plus tax (currently 18.36%) for single, double, triple, and quadruple occupancy rooms. For room reservations, please call 888-627-8191 and request the Living Stream Ministry group rate. To make online reservations at the special group rate, please go to the following website: <https://book.passkey.com/go/LivingStreamMinistry2026>. Reservations must be made **on or before midnight (CDT) on April 27, 2026** in order to get this reduced rate.

- **2026 June Semiannual Training Registration**

Registration for the 2026 June 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:

<https://bit.ly/nycregistration>. The due date for registration is **May 1, 2026**.

- **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 below:

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 58

Level 1—Sequential Life-study Reading

Scripture Reading and Copying: Gen. 48

Assigned Reading: *Life-study of Genesis*, msg(s). 115-116

Level 2—Topical Study

Crucial Point: The Titles of God in Genesis

Scripture: N/A

Assigned Reading: *The Central Line of the Divine Revelation*, ch. 1

Supplemental Reading: The Central Line of the Divine Revelation, ch. 2

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

PRAYER BURDENS

- Thanksgiving to the Lord for answering the prayers of the churches in blessing the Young Working Saints and Young Families Conference last weekend; let us pray for the strengthening of the church life in all the churches throughout the Northeast and Eastern Canada through the going on of all these dear saints
- Increase and spread—Let us pray that all the saints would be burdened for the preaching of the gospel and the spread of the truth wherever the Lord has placed them and to those whom the Lord has placed around them **Ezekiel 36:37** — *Thus says the Lord Jehovah, Moreover for this I will be inquired of by the house of Israel to do it for them; I will increase them with men like a flock*
- The salvation of the children in grade 5—The next Gospel Activity Day for the children in grade 5 held this past Saturday in Hall 9 in Staten Island
- Thanksgiving to the Lord for His constant and all-inclusive care for the church in NYC and prayer for the church’s further going on:
 - a. The shepherding of all the saints and all the new ones
 - b. The strengthening of the church meetings and small group meetings last week
 - c. The strengthening of the all the service groups, that there would be genuine building up in all the service groups
- Prayer for the Lord to exercise His sovereignty over the world situation, especially in the Middle East, and for His will to be done to prepare the way for His return; let us also pray that all the saints would have the realization and assurance that “the heavens do rule” (**Dan. 4:26**)
- 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: 2025 December Semiannual Training - Experiencing, Enjoying, and Expressing Christ (4)

WEEK 2: Christ Having the Keys of Death and Hades

Portion from Days 2:

Acts 2:24 says that it was not possible for the Lord to be held by death. The Lord is both God and resurrection (John 1:1; 11:25), possessing the indestructible life (Heb. 7:16). Since He is such an ever-living One, death is not able to hold Him. He delivered Himself to death, but death had no way to detain Him; rather, death was defeated by Him, and He rose up from it. (Life-study of Acts, pp. 75-76)

John testifies of Jesus Christ as the One who said that He is the living One and that He became dead but is living forever and ever [Rev. 1:18]. This is a word spoken to the churches. Today He is living in the heavens at the right hand of the throne of God, but this is not the point of emphasis. The importance of His being the living One is that He is living in us. He is living forever and is living in us. He told us that today He is still living. Therefore, He wants us to leave every kind of death and rise up to be the living church. This is the thought in Revelation 1.

How do you live by Him? First, you must realize that formerly you had only your life, but now it is no longer you but the Lord Jesus who is living within you. Therefore, today you are a dual person. Outwardly it is you, and inwardly it is the Lord Jesus; within you there are two lives. Second, God does not want you to live by your original life. God wants you to live by your second life, which is God Himself. Third, this second life is in your spirit. Thus, if you want to live by this life, you need to live by your spirit. The issue of this living is the church. Therefore, for the church life we must all live in our spirit, exercising to live by the Lord. (CWWL, 1983, vol. 3, “A Living of Mutual Abiding with the Lord in Spirit,” pp. 26-28)