

The Church in New York City

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Regional Conference (Oct. 23-25)**

We will have a regional conference over the weekend of **October 23-25**. The meetings will be held at the Jamaica Estates meeting hall (Hall 1) located **at 87-60 Chevy Chase Street, Jamaica Estates, NY 11432**. Translation will be provided in Spanish, Korean and Chinese. A simple lunch will be provided on both Saturday and Lord's Day. Saints can stay to eat and fellowship after the meeting.

Conference schedule:

Message 1: Friday, Oct. 23, 7:30pm

Message 2: Saturday, Oct. 24, 10am

Message 3: Saturday, Oct. 24, 4pm

Lord's Table & Message 4: Lord's Day,
Oct. 25, 10am

(Please note there is no meeting on Saturday evening)

Hospitality Service:

There are a limited number of hospitality spaces available upon request. A list of nearby hotels can also be provided upon request. Please submit your requests to serviceoffice@churchinnyc.org.

We are offering hospitality for out-of-town saints who will attend this Regional Conference. If you are available to provide hospitality, please contact Brother Frank Hong (mobile: 917-881-5332).

Child care:

Child care will be provided during the Saturday morning and Lord's Day morning conference sessions. Less formal arrangements will be made for the Saturday afternoon session. Details will be provided later. Child care will not be provided for the Friday evening session.

- **2026 December Semiannual Training Registration**

Registration for the 2026 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, 2026**.

- **2026-2027 Church in NYC College Scholarship/Financial Aid Application**

Over the years, a number of generous donations from some elderly saints were given to award scholarships/financial aids 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 funds available for the **2026-2027 Academic Year Church in New York City Scholarships for Academic Excellence or Financial Aid**. For the scholarship application requirements and application form, please use the URL: <https://forms.gle/CXp4FnvKMAsWBuZUA>. The deadline for submitting your application is **Monday, November 2, 2026**.

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.

- **2026 International Thanksgiving Blending Conference (Nov. 26 – 29)**

The 2026 International Thanksgiving Blending Conference will be held **in Denver, CO** from **Thursday, Nov. 26 through Lord's Day, Nov. 29**,

2026. Living Stream Ministry is looking for volunteers to serve with child care during the conference. If you are planning to attend this conference in Denver, CO and are willing to serve, please **contact Brother Frank Hong (mobile: 917-881-5332)**. For more details, please visit: <https://www.lsm.org/pdfs/2027-tgconf/tgconf-info-en.pdf>.

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 follow-up of the gospel meeting held in Hall 1 yesterday, October 17
- The churches in Upstate NY and the blending conference which concludes today in Syracuse, NY
- The regional conference which will be held over the weekend of October 23-25 in Hall 1
- The churches on the east coast—The various needs related to the construction, renovation or acquisition of meeting halls in Virginia Beach, Pittsburgh, and Orlando

MORNING WATCH

HWMR: 2026 JUNE SEMIANNUAL TRAINING – The Believers (1)

WEEK 2: The Eternal Life—the Life of God with the Divine Nature, the Triune God Being the Structure of the Bible, and the Hidden God, a God Who Hides Himself

Portion from Days 5 & 6:

If you study the Scriptures carefully, you will see that God has the kind of temperament that dislikes ostentation. He likes to work secretly rather than openly. He created the universe and

then hid Himself in it, until we do not know where to find Him. He took up His abode in a man, but that man was almost unknowable. Even His disciples, during their three and a half years in His company, did not arrive at a true knowledge of Him. All of this tells us that He was continually hiding Himself. He would manifest Himself for a moment and then would conceal Himself again. (CWWL, 1956, vol. 2, "A God Who Hides Himself," pp. 6-7)

The Triune God is for man's enjoyment. Nevertheless, the fallen human race has no concept of this whatever; it has no sense concerning it at all. Therefore, in His long journey from Galilee to Jerusalem, the Lord touched this matter a few times. For example, in chapter 14 He told His disciples that they must hate the things of this generation. They even need to hate their own soul-life, for they should hate anything that distracts them from the enjoyment of Christ. In chapter 17 the Lord came to this point again when He spoke about the stupefied generation, which keeps God's people away from their enjoyment of the divine inheritance. Before He touched this matter again in chapter 18, He unveiled something else that concerns our enjoyment of the jubilee, and this is the persecution that comes from our opponent.

MINISTRY READINGS

EATING CHRIST TO BE TRANSFORMED INTO PRECIOUS MATERIALS FOR GOD'S BUILDING

The Lord Jesus became the life-giving Spirit (1 Cor. 15:45b). He is the Spirit who gives life (2 Cor. 3:6; John 6:63). We can receive this life by feeding on Him in the spirit. We have to learn how to exercise our spirit to contact the Lord. This is why the departing word of the apostle Paul in 2 Timothy 4:22 says, "The Lord be with your spirit." The Lord Jesus is the life-giving Spirit with our spirit. We have to learn how to exercise our spirit to feed on Him, to feast on Him, to eat of Him. If we enjoy Him by the way of eating, this will turn us from outside the Lord's house to the inside, and this will transform us from pieces of clay into precious stones good for God's building.

Excerpts from "The Tree of Life", Chapter 6: The Tree of Life for Transformation (part 6)