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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Citywide Senior Saints' Conference (Nov. 21)**

  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. Lunch, translation and transportation will be provided.

  Time: Saturday, November 21, 2026, 10am
  Place: Hall 1 (Jamaica Estates, Queens)

- **2026 December Semiannual Training Registration**

  Registration for the 2026 December Semiannual Training is still open. Please submit your registration for the Video Training by filling out the online form: http://bit.ly/nycregistration.

- **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 still looking for volunteers to serve with childcare 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.

- **2027 International Chinese-speaking Blending Conference (ICSC) (Feb. 20-21, in Taipei)**

  The 2027 International Chinese-speaking Blending Conference (ICSC) will be held in Taipei from Saturday, Feb. 20, 2027, through Lord's Day, Feb. 21, 2027. All conference meetings will be held at the Taipei Dome. For registration and more information, please see https://bit.ly/icsc2027nyc.

- **2027 Gospel Calendar for Purchase**

  The 2027 Gospel Calendar is available for purchase at Hall 1 Book Room. Each copy is US$15.

PRAYER BURDENS

- Thanksgiving to the Lord for this nation and prayer that the Lord would exercise His sovereignty over all the elections took place in the U.S. last week at the local and state levels and that His will would be done for the sake of His testimony in this city, in this nation, and in all the earth
  Daniel 4:25b, 26b — …the Most High is Ruler over the kingdom of men and gives it to whomever He wills…the heavens do rule.
  1 Timothy 2:1-2 — I exhort therefore, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercessions, thanksgivings be made on behalf of all men; on behalf of kings and all who are in high position, that we may lead a quiet and tranquil life in all godliness and gravity.
- The citywide young people's meeting which held last Saturday in Hall 1 beginning at 5pm Saturday in Hall 1 beginning at 5pm
- The citywide Senior Saints' Conference which will be held on Saturday, November 21, in Hall 1
- The International Thanksgiving Blending Conference to be held in Denver, CO over the weekend of November 26-29
- The Lord's move in Europe:
  a. The first Lord's table of the church in Turin, Italy concludes today
  b. The 2026 Autumn University Students Conference concludes today in Wales
  c. The need for a meeting hall in Lisbon, Portugal–The saints in Lisbon have found a very suitable property which could serve as a

meeting hall for the church; let us pray that the Lord would supply the finances for the purchase of this property
- 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: 2026 JUNE SEMIANNUAL TRAINING – The Believers (1)

WEEK 5: Living Stones and Sheep

Portion from Days 2, 3 & 5:

Do you know what the Lord Jesus is today? He is the stone. He is the Lamb and the Lion in order to be the stone. Having removed the iniquity and having defeated all the enemies, He is now building...Now we can understand why, in His last visit to Jerusalem, the Lord Jesus indicated to the Jewish builders that they were rejecting not only the Lamb, the Redeemer, and the Lion, the Overcomer, but also the stone, the cornerstone. After His death and resurrection, the age became the age of the church, which is God's building. For the building of the church, Christ is the rock. As He Himself told Peter, "You are a stone, and upon this rock I will build My church" (Matt. 16:18). After the crucifixion and the resurrection, the age became the age of the rock, the age of the stone. This is the age of building.

The Bible reveals that Christ is a stone in three aspects. First, to the believers Christ is the foundation stone in whom they trust. Concerning this aspect of Christ as a stone, Isaiah 28:16 says, "Indeed I lay a stone in Zion as a foundation, / A tested stone, / A precious cornerstone as a foundation firmly established." Second, to the unbelieving Jews Christ is the stumbling stone (8:14; Rom. 9:33). Regarding this aspect, Matthew 21:44a says, "He who falls on this stone shall be broken to pieces." Third, to the nations Christ will be the smiting stone. "On whomever it falls, it shall crush him to powder and scatter him like chaff " (v. 44b). Daniel 2 reveals Christ as the smiting stone crushing the great human image and causing it to become like chaff carried away by the wind. (Life-study of Daniel, p. 17)

The Lord promised not only that His people would receive His blessing but also that He would make them a blessing [v. 26a]. If there is the peace that is the peace of the covenant, the Lord's blessing will follow. First, we ourselves will enjoy the Lord's blessing, and then He will cause us to become a source of blessing to others so that they may be supplied.

God will cause the showers of blessing to come down in their season [v. 26b]. ……There will be timely rain. As we are abiding in Christ, the rain, the Holy Spirit, will often come upon us.

MINISTRY READINGS

HOW CHRIST BECAME A LIFE-GIVING SPIRIT

The book of John is concluded at the end of chapter 20 with the Lord breathing Himself into the disciples as the Holy Spirit. Chapter 21 is the "PS" to the Gospel of John……, proving and confirming that this life-giving Spirit was not only with but also within the disciples. Wherever they were, there the life-giving Spirit was. Even when they were fallen and backsliding, He was still there. No matter what you do, He is always with you. If you go to a movie theater, He will go with you but not happily. When the disciples backslid in John 21 by going back to the sea to take care of their living, the Lord was present with them the whole time. …… But even on the land where the fish were not, the Lord could provide fish for them. Where the Lord is, our needs are taken care of. We need to learn the lesson to be one with Him. John 21 is a proof, a confirmation, that this wonderful One is now within His redeemed ones. He is with them all the time as the life-giving Spirit.

THE SPIRIT BEING AN ALL-INCLUSIVE DOSE

This Spirit is an all-inclusive dose. With this Spirit there is redemption, the released life, and the overcoming resurrection of Christ. Within this all-inclusive dose is the cleansing element, which cleanses away all our sins, cleanses away the world, and cleanses [137] away even Satan. To deal with the negative side, the cleansing, redeeming element is within the Spirit. On the positive side, the life-imparting element, the nourishing element, the supplying element, is within this Spirit. Whenever someone opens himself to the Lord Jesus to receive Him as his Savior, this Spirit immediately comes into him with the redeeming power and with the imparting power, redeeming him from all the

negative things and imparting into him all the positive things.

Excerpts from "The Tree of Life", Chapter 7: How the Last Adam Becomes the Tree of Life in Us (part 3)