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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **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** (Thursday to Lord's Day). We will provide zoom meetings for those who would like to watch the conference messages via Zoom in English, Spanish, or Chinese.

  Viewing Schedule via Zoom:
  Message 1: 10:00AM Friday, Nov. 27, 2026
  Message 2: 12:00PM Friday, Nov. 27, 2026
  Message 3: 10:00AM Saturday, Nov. 28, 2006
  Message 4: 12:00PM Saturday, Nov. 28, 2026
  Message 5: 2:00PM Lord's Day, Nov. 29, 2026
  Message 6: 4:00PM Lord's Day, Nov. 29, 2026

  Zoom Meeting Link:
  https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83734147651?pwd=hadOq1sIKPVMYVQQOFbPs4tdUsKkh4.1
  Meeting ID: 837 3414 7651 Passcode: 2026
  One tap mobile
  +19294362866,,83734147651# US

  Alternatively, you can watch the conference at LSM Webcast site, www.lsmwebcast.com. Login credentials are not required to access the site. The videos of the messages will be available for free for a period of 30 days after the conference. Conference outlines will be accessible to download from lsmwebcast.com, beginning Thursday, November 19, 2026.

- **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.

- **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

- That all the saints, from the youngest to the oldest, would be strengthened in their personal fellowship with the Lord through His Word and in their daily reading and enjoyment of the Word **2 Timothy 3:16-17** — All Scripture is God-breathed and profitable for teaching, for conviction, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, fully equipped for every good work.
- The follow-prayer for the Citywide Senior Saints' Conference which was held this past 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 advance of the Lord's move in the U.S. through the preaching of the gospel and the raising up of more golden lampstands
- The Lord's move in Europe:
  a. The strengthening of all the local churches throughout Europe and the shepherding of all the new ones, particularly in Italy and in France
  b. The need for meeting halls in Lisbon (Portugal) and Turin (Italy) and prayer for the

renovation of meeting halls in Stuttgart (Germany) and Riga (Latvia)

- 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 7: Vessels of Mercy unto Honor and Glory, Grains of Wheat, and Branches of the Vine

Portion from Days 1 & 5:

As vessels of mercy unto honor and glory, we were chosen by God according to His sovereign mercy (vv. 11-16). ……Being a vessel of mercy is not the result of our choice; it originates with God's sovereignty. ……His sovereignty is the basis of His selection.

In Romans 9:15 Paul quotes the Lord's words, "I will have mercy on whomever I will have mercy." Because of God's mercy we responded to the gospel when others did not respond, we received a word about Christ as life when others refused to receive it, and we took the way of the Lord's recovery when others drew back from taking this way. Concerning the gospel, the ministry of life, and the church life, God, in His sovereignty, has had the completing stage He is our glory. At present we are enjoying our God as mercy and somewhat as honor. When the Lord Jesus comes back, we shall be fully brought into honor and also into glory. Then we shall be filled with the Triune God not only as our mercy but also as our honor and glory.

Only when the branches abide in the vine can the vine be everything to them. This is the reason the Lord Jesus said concerning Himself as the vine and us as the branches, "Abide in Me and I in you" [John 15:4]. Our life and enjoyment are to abide in the vine. Our destiny as branches is to remain in the vine. ……A branch of a vine cannot live by itself, for it will wither and die apart from the vine. The relationship between the branches and the vine portrays the relationship between us and the Lord Jesus. We are nothing, we have nothing, and we can do nothing apart from Him. What we are, what we have, and what we do must be in the Lord and by the Lord in us. ……We should not do anything in ourselves; we should do everything by abiding in the vine. ……Because we are branches to the Lord and the Lord is the vine to us, we must abide in Him and let Him abide in us. Then in our experience Christ will be everything to us for our enjoyment.

Any insulation will separate us from the rich supply of the vine. A little disobedience, a sin, or even a sinful thought can be the insulation that separates us from the riches of the vine. First, we must see that we are branches. Then we need to maintain the fellowship between us and the Lord. Nothing should be between Him and us. ……Hence, we need to pray, "Lord Jesus, let there be nothing between You and me separating me from Your rich supply."

MINISTRY READINGS

THE IMPORTANCE OF EATING

Eating transforms us into precious material for God's building. With the tabernacle are the wooden boards overlaid with gold based upon the silver sockets (Exo. 26:15-25, 29-30). This means that by eating Christ, based upon His redemption signified by the silver sockets, we will be transformed, overlaid with the divine nature, which is the gold. By eating Christ based upon His redemption, something divine will be wrought into us and upon us. Eventually, there will be a tabernacle built up with wood and gold mingled together. This mingling is accomplished by eating. Wood signifies us, and gold signifies God. How could God become a part of us? How could we be in the nature of God? How could the nature of God overlay us? It is by our eating Him.

The entire Bible reveals to us one central thing—God's intention is to work Himself into us. First Corinthians 6:17 says, "He who is joined to the Lord is one spirit." God's intention is to make Himself one with us. This is something so marvelous. No human mind could ever imagine that such a thing could happen in the universe, that is, that the Creator and almighty God intends to make Himself one with us. There is only one way that God can be one with us. God can work Himself into us to be one with us by the way of eating. God presented Himself to man as the tree of life immediately after man's creation. God as the tree of life is for eating. Not only in Genesis 2 but also in Revelation 2, we are told to eat of the tree of life. *Excerpts from "The Tree of Life", Chapter 8: How the Body, the Army, and the Dwelling Place of God Came into Being (part 1)*