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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Northeast College Conference, Feb. 21-23, 2020, Connecticut
- Regional Sisters' Blending, Feb. 29, 2020, Hall 1
- Regional Spanish-speaking Conference, Mar. 13-15, 2020, KPCC
- Young Working Saints and Young Families Blending, Mar. 20-21, 2020, KPCC

PRAYER BURDENS

- Young people--That the word released in the young people's retreat concerning being today's Joshuas and Calebs would operate in all the young people and accomplish what the Lord sent it forth to do (Isa. 55:10-11)
- FTTA--The beginning of the spring semester of the Full-Time Training in Anaheim this week; there are seven trainees from NYC in the FTTA this semester (Sam Chiou, Matt Hamner, Caleb Hong, Crystal Hong, Serena Liu, Bethany Mo, Andrew Yeung)
- Sisters--Sisters' blending conference to be held on Saturday, February 29, in Hall 1
- Gospel--The strengthening of the burden for the gospel among the saints of all ages and of all languages, particularly on all the campuses for the new semester
- The Lord's move in Europe:
 1. Hamburg--The first Lord's table meeting in Hamburg, Germany this upcoming Lord's Day, February 23
 2. Berlin and Stuttgart--The need for meeting halls in Berlin and Stuttgart, Germany
 3. London--The beginning of the spring semester of the FTTL and the work on the university campuses in London

UPCOMING EVENTS

- International Training for Elders & Responsible Ones, Mar. 27-29, 2020, Anaheim, CA
- NY/NJ Regional Conference, Apr. 3-5, 2020, Franklin, NJ

- Northeast Spring Young People's Conference, Apr. 9-12, 2020, KPCC
- Gospel to All the Nations Conference, Apr. 17-19, 2020, Atlanta, GA

REGIONAL SISTERS CONFERENCE

There will be a one-day Regional Sisters' Blending Conference on **Saturday, Feb. 29, 2020 in Hall 1.**

Gathering Schedule:

- 8:15-9:00am: Light breakfast
- 9:00-10:30am: Session 1
- 10:30-11:00am: Break
- 11:00am-12:30pm: Session 2
- 12:30-2:00pm: Lunch and blending
- 2:00-3:30pm: Session 3
- 3:30-4:00pm: Break
- 4:00-5:30pm: Session 4
- 5:30pm: Dinner

Feel free to contact us with any questions and concerns via email: serviceofficenyc@gmail.com

Ministry foretaste for the preparation of the upcoming Regional Sisters' Blending Conference:

We must not consider Romans 16 merely a chapter of greetings. It is a chapter of the practical church life. From this chapter we can see that the proper church life, first of all, depends on the sisters.

Under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, Paul put his recommendation and his greetings in this way with the purpose of showing that the sisters occupy the first place in the practical church life.

To serve others with something also includes the matter of praying for others. A sister may realize that there are four younger sisters who need someone to serve them by praying for them, without talking to them, without letting them know she is praying for them. She simply needs to serve them with her prayer, with her intercession, even interceding for them desperately. That prayer is also a kind of serving.

In Shanghai the elderly sisters served in this way. They prayed very much not only for the young sisters but also for so many brothers. For example, a number of times one of the brothers stood up in the meeting and said something that he should not have said. Those serving sisters did not talk, but they picked up the burden to go home and pray for that brother, to serve that brother with their prayer. After a certain period of time, that brother testified how the Lord had turned him. The prayer of the sisters was a serving of the brother that gave the Lord a way to do something.

In order to serve, first you have to stop talking. You have to learn what not to talk about, or to be simple, learn not to talk. Yet you need to fellowship one with another with a serving spirit. If you have such a serving spirit with such a burden, you will be more than occupied. So many brothers need your serving. They need you to pray for them. So many sisters need your serving. And the elders need your serving. The work, the ministry, needs your serving.

The best way to serve is to pray. In the home of Mary in Acts 12 there was a prayer meeting to pray for Peter, who was imprisoned. The Scripture does not mention other homes. The prayer meeting in Mary's home was a serving. When you sisters see a need in the church life, you must not talk but bear the burden to pray. When you see that there is a need for a real broken life, you must not talk... When you see that a brother becomes a problem to the church or that a sister has some problem in her life, do not talk. Pick up the burden to pray with two or three others to serve this purpose. If you would be like this, many of you would be today's Phoebes. Then the church will have the best serving.

We all have to learn to serve the church and serve the saints like the sister Phoebe whom Paul recommended in Romans 16. This should be the burden of the sisters, and they have the position to serve in this way. What the sisters can do if they pick up this burden and are faithful to the

Lord in it is something that the brothers cannot do. The need is so great with the sisters. May the Holy Spirit interpret these words to us.

--Excerpts from *Serving Sisters in the Church Life*

MORNING WATCH

HWMR: *Crystallization- Study of Deuteronomy: The Intrinsic Significance of Deuteronomy— a Book concerning Christ*

Portion from Week 1 - Day 6:

In the universe today there is a wonderful scene unveiling Christ to us... First, in this scene we see Christ as the embodiment of God standing before us with His demands and requirements according to what He is. Second, we see the altar, which signifies the cross of Christ. Because we cannot fulfill His requirements, He came to be our Redeemer, to be the One cursed for us on the cross (Gal. 3:13). The requiring One is thus the fulfilling One. When this One was crucified, He was consumed by fire as the sacrifice to satisfy God and to fulfill His requirements.

This scene reveals that it is through the monument, the altar, and the offerings—through the requiring God, the cross of Christ, and Christ Himself as the offerings—that we enter into the good land. It is also through the monument, the altar, and the offerings that we receive all the blessings which God would give us in Christ. All these blessings are actually the processed Triune God Himself embodied in Christ.

Corporate Reading:

"The Christian Life" Chapter 7

LORD'S DAY ATTENDANCE – FEB. 16

HALL 1	Jamaica Estates, Queens	305/36
HALL 2	Midtown Manhattan	81/9
HALL 3	Flushing, Queens	121/20
HALL 4	Downtown Brooklyn	31/7
HALL 5	The Bronx	57/15
HALL 6	UWS, Manhattan	53/9
HALL 7	South Brooklyn	75/23
HALL 8	Elmhurst, Queens	96/18
HALL 9	Staten Island	31/7
	TOTAL	850/144 (994)

**Adults including YP/ Children and Infants*