

# The Church in New York City

# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Citywide Gathering of the Church in NYC (Lord's Day, February 5)**

There will be a citywide gathering of the church in NYC on February 5, beginning at 10am with the Lord's Table meeting. The saints will gather mostly in Hall 1 (Jamaica Estates) and Hall 3 (Flushing); the meeting in Hall 3 will be in Chinese. There will also be a Zoom meeting for those who cannot attend in person. Translation will be provided into Chinese, Spanish, and Korean both in Hall 1 and in the Zoom meeting.

### Schedule

10am-11am	Lord's Table
11am-12:30pm	Special Fellowship and Presentations
12:30pm	Lunch

### Location

Hall 1 - Jamaica Estates  
87-60 Chevy Chase Street  
Jamaica Estates, NY 11432

Hall 3 - Flushing  
157-17 Rose Avenue  
Flushing, NY 11355

### Zoom Information

Meeting ID: 886 8999 3699  
Passcode: 2023  
One tap mobile  
+19294362866,,88689993699# US (New York)

### Children and Young People

Children's Service (Pre-K and grades K to 5) will begin at 10am in Hall 1. The young people will not have a separate meeting and will stay in the main meeting after the Lord's Table.

- **NYC Young People's Winter Retreat (Feb. 19-21)**

This year's NYC Young People's Winter Retreat will be held at **Camp Penuel** from **February 19 to 21** (Lord's Day afternoon to Tuesday afternoon). We encourage the young people in grades 6 through 12 and their families to attend. Please register at [www.tinyurl.com/2023ypretreat](http://www.tinyurl.com/2023ypretreat) by **February 5**.

- **Young People's Serving Ones Fellowship (Feb. 11)**

There will be a citywide young people's serving ones fellowship on **Saturday, February 11, from 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. (location TBD)**. We encourage all those saints currently serving with the young people to attend, as well as all the parents of the young people.

- **Service Office Hours**

Service Office hours are available for saints to call in to fellowship or to pray with some serving ones.

**Day & Time:** Monday through Saturday (except Wednesday), 10:30AM-11:30AM.

**Zoom Meeting ID:** 378 512 3114

**Passcode:** 3131

**One tap mobile:** +19294362866,, 3785123114#

The burden for holding these office hours is that the hearts of the saints can be comforted and that their souls would be restored.

## PRAYER BURDENS

- That the saints of all ages and all language backgrounds would have a renewed and sustained burden for the gospel

**Romans 1:9** – For God is my witness, whom I serve in my spirit in the gospel of His Son.....

**Romans 1:15** – So, for my part, I am ready to announce the gospel to you also who are in Rome.

**Romans 1:16** – For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone who believes.....

- Thanksgiving to the Lord for all the young people, college age saints and young adults; let us pray that none would be “carried off as spoil” through the philosophies of this age or the temptations of the world (Col. 2:8; Matt. 6:13) but that they all would “shine as luminaries in the world” “in the midst of a crooked and perverted generation” (Phil. 2:15)
- The FTTA gospel trips taking place in Europe and North America this month; a total of 233 saints will participate in these trips:
  - a. The gospel trips in Europe will consist of 16 teams and will reach 20 countries in Europe, and will take place between January 26-February 9
  - b. The gospel trips in North America will consist of 20 teams in various locations throughout Canada and the United States, and will take place for the most part between January 27-February 11
  - c. Pray specifically for the two teams which will come to New York this week; one team (6 saints) will serve in NYC and New Jersey; the other team (7 saints) will visit the churches in Upstate NY
- The Lord’s move in the United States–That the Lord would preserve this nation for the preaching of the gospel and the spread of His testimony
- Thanksgiving to the Lord for His faithful and loving care for the church in NYC and prayer for the citywide gathering of the church on Lord’s Day, February 5
- The Lord’s move in Brazil:
  - a. The summer school of truth for the churches in Brazil being carried out the past week
  - b. That the Lord would supply all the needs for the purchase and renovation of the new hall in São Paulo
- The International Chinese-speaking Conference (ICSC) to be held in Anaheim, CA over the weekend of February 17-19

## MORNING WATCH

### HWMR: LOVING THE LORD AND LOVING ONE ANOTHER FOR THE ORGANIC BUILDING UP OF THE CHURCH AS THE BODY OF CHRIST

#### *Week 4: The Organic Body of Christ Building Itself Up in Love*

#### Portions from Days 3 & 5:

The gifted persons perfect the saints in the divine dispensing in order that all the saints may be able to do the work of the New Testament ministry, that is, to build up the Body of Christ. The gifted persons perfect the saints by nourishing them according to the tree of life with the life supply for their growth in life (Gen. 2:9; 1 Cor. 3:2, 6). The gifted persons perfect the saints to do what they do for the direct building up of the Body of Christ.

All of us members have to hold to truth in love that we may grow up into the Head, Christ, in all things (Eph. 4:15). Through the love of Christ within us, we love Christ and the members of His Body. In this love we hold to the reality, which is to hold to Christ with His Body. In this way we will have Christ increase in us in all things, and we will grow into the Head, Christ. The word Head here indicates that our growth in Christ should be a growth as members in the Body under the Head. Hence, our growth is not only in Christ but also in His Body.

When we grow into the Head in this way, we can produce out from the Head many functions for the building up of His Body. Verse 16 tells us that out from the Head the whole Body is being joined together through every joint of the rich supply and is being knit together through the operation in the measure of each one part to grow together and to build up itself in love so that Christ may have a full expression. Every one of us as members of the Body of Christ has a measure through the growth in life and can function for the growth and building up of the Body of Christ.

**Corporate Reading:** *“The Economy of God and the Mystery of the Transmission of the Divine Trinity” Ch. 8: The Mystery of the Divine Trinity in the Gospel of Matthew*