

The Church in New York City

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Citywide Gathering of the Church in NYC (today, February 5)**

There will be a citywide gathering of the church in NYC today, 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
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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.

- **2023 International Chinese-Speaking Conference (Feb. 18-19)**

We will watch the 2023 International Chinese-Speaking Conference via Zoom. The meeting schedule is as follows:

Message 1: 9:00am Sat., February 18, 2023
Message 2: 11:00am Sat, February 18, 2023
Message 3: 7:30pm Sat., February 18, 2023
Message 4: 11:00am L.D., February 19, 2023
Message 5: 7:30pm L.D., February 19, 2023

Meeting ID: 841 8744 5644

Passcode: 2023

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84187445644?pwd=d0d5UXBhMEZUS3duREt1TjBTEwwUT09>

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- **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. **The registration remains open.**

- **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.** in **Hall 4 in Brooklyn** (located at 75 Buckingham Rd., Brooklyn, NY 11226). 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

<https://zoom.us/j/3785123114?pwd=dEpzN2ZGZ21aaGV5dTFob3AwQlBodz09>

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

- The citywide gathering of the church in NYC today—Let us pray that all the saints will be able to attend, for all the practical services related to this gathering, and for the release of the Lord’s speaking to supply all the saints and to take the church on this year
- The strengthening of the churches in Upstate NY and the ongoing FTTA gospel trip—The team of 6 FTTA trainees and other burdened saints visited Rosendale and Albany this past week and went out with local saints to preach the gospel on college campuses in and around these localities
- The strengthening of the churches in New Jersey and the ongoing gospel trip—Another team of 6 FTTA trainees and other burdened saints visited the churches in NJ this past week and went out with local saints to preach the gospel on college campuses, such as Rutgers University and Princeton University, and in various communities (this team will visit NYC this week)
- All the other FTTA gospel trips taking place this past week and this week in Europe (in 20 different countries) and North America (in the U.S. and Canada)
- The International Chinese-speaking Conference (ICSC) to be held in Anaheim, CA over the weekend of February 17-19

- The churches in New Zealand—This weekend there is a conference for all the churches in New Zealand with brother Ed Marks

MORNING WATCH

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

Week 5: Life’s Washing in Love to Maintain Fellowship

Portions from Days 2 & 3:

Today the world is dirty, and we, the saints, are easily contaminated. For us to maintain pleasant fellowship with the Lord and with one another we need spiritual foot-washing. (*Life-study of John, pp. 331-332*)

You need to spend time in the Lord’s presence. Remain in the Lord’s presence, and the Lord will come to you and wash you, not with the blood but with the Spirit, the living word, and the inner life... Sometimes it takes only a few minutes to wash the dirt away; at other times it may take half a day. Whenever you are in need of such a washing, just open yourself up to the Lord as you spend time in His presence, and allow the inner life to flow within you. Spontaneously, something living will flow, water, and wash you, and you will become clean again. Your spirit will be uplifted, and your whole being will be so pleasant in the Lord’s presence. (*Life-study of John, p. 333*)

We need not only the foot-washing that is exercised directly by the Lord Himself but also the mutual foot-washing of one another. The Lord told us to wash one another’s feet...We must wash one another’s feet by ministering the work of the Holy Spirit, by ministering the enlightenment of the Word, and by ministering the operation of the inner life. In this way, I help you, you help me, and we help one another to be washed in the work of the Holy Spirit, in the light of the Word, or in the operation of the inner life. Whenever we brothers come together for fellowship and prayer, we need to minister the spiritual foot-washing to one another.

Corporate Reading: *“The Economy of God and the Mystery of the Transmission of the Divine Trinity” Ch. 9: Learning Our Spiritual Experiences in the Dispensing of the Divine Trinity*