

The Church in New York City

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Regional Conference (Mar. 31-Apr. 2)**

There will be a regional conference with Brother Ed Marks over the weekend of March 31 to April 2 in Franklin, NJ. The meetings will be held at the meeting hall of the church in Franklin.

The conference schedule is as follows:

Message 1: Friday, Mar. 31, 7:30pm

Message 2: Saturday, Apr. 1, 10am

Message 3: Saturday, Apr. 1, 4pm

Lord's Table: Lord's Day, Apr. 2, 10am

& Message 4

Details will be posted on the church website:
www.churchinnyc.org and on the church App.

- **Northeast Spring High School Conference (April 7-9)**

There will be a conference for the young people in grades 9-12 from April 7-9 at Camp Penuel. Please register by March 27 at www.pursuewiththose.org. The saints can check in starting at 1 p.m. on Friday, April 7. The first activity of the conference will begin at 3 p.m.

- **Northeast Young Working Saints and Young Families Conference (April 21-23)**

The Young Working Saints and Young Families Conference for the saints in the Northeast will be held at Camp Penuel on April 21-23. Please register by April 2 at www.tinyurl.com/2023youngworkingsaints.

Importantly, the saints who will stay overnight should register as soon as possible to secure accommodation at the camp, as onsite housing capacity is limited.

We encourage the saints to arrive on Friday night, April 21. Dinner will not be provided and there

will be no formal meeting on Friday evening, but saints who arrive early can get settled in, spend time together, and fellowship before the conference starts. The conference concludes with lunch on Lord's Day, April 23.

- **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

- The strengthening of the prayer ministry of the church:
 - a. That the church would pray with the Lord's authority and from the position of ascension, and release "binding" and "loosing" prayers that bring in and spread the Lord's kingdom on the earth (Matt. 16:19; Matt. 6:10)
 - b. The strengthening of all the prayer meetings in the church
- **Matthew 16:19** – I will give to you the keys of the kingdom of the heavens, and whatever you bind on the earth shall have been bound in the heavens, and whatever you loose on the earth shall have been loosed in the heavens.
- **Matthew 6:10** – Your kingdom come; Your will be done, as in heaven, so also on earth.
- The Citywide Senior Saints' Conference held in Hall 1 this past Saturday

- The International Training for Elders and Responsible Ones (ITERO) being held in Anaheim, CA over the weekend of March 24-26
- The regional conference with Brother Ed Marks which will be held in Franklin, NJ over the weekend of March 31-April 2
- The Northeast Spring Highschoolers' Conference to be held at Camp Penuel over the weekend of April 7-9
- 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: THE DIVINE DISPENSING OF THE DIVINE TRINITY FOR THE DIVINE ECONOMY

Week 4: Experiencing the Divine Dispensing of the Divine Trinity by Breathing the Spirit, Drinking the Water of Life, and Eating the Bread of God

Portions from Days 3, 5, & 6:

Today we are drinking the living water in resurrection. This water has passed through incarnation, human living, and death. Because this water is in resurrection, the more we drink it, the more we are out of our natural condition and are triumphant over hardships and difficulties. This living water delivers us from the world and from every kind of negative thing. Because the water of life is resurrection, we enjoy resurrection by partaking of it. The life-giving Spirit as the water of life flows out of God on the throne (Rev. 22:1). On the one hand, the One sitting on the throne is God; on the other hand, the water of life proceeding out of the throne is also God. The water which flows from God on the throne brings God's authority. When we drink of this water, we receive authority as well as power. We are subdued by the living water flowing within us.

Chapter 6 of the Gospel of John is unique in giving many details concerning the Lord Jesus as the bread of life. The Lord clearly said, "I am the bread of life" (vv. 35, 48). As the bread of life, He is the bread that came down out of heaven (vv. 41, 50, 51, 58), He is the bread of God (v. 33), He is the living bread (v. 51), and He is the true bread (v. 32)... As the bread that came down out of heaven, He is the heavenly bread. As the bread of God, He is of God, He was sent by God, and He was with God. As the bread of life,

He is the bread with eternal life, with zoe... The bread of life refers to the nature of the bread, which is life; the living bread refers to the condition of the bread, which is living. As the true bread, Christ is the bread of truth, or reality. Christ is true, real...The physical food that we take in every day is a shadow of Christ. The reality of the food we eat daily is Jesus Christ. Christ is the true bread of life sent by God to bring us eternal life. We all need Christ to be the bread of life to us.

The Lord desires to recover the eating of the proper food, the food ordained by God and typified by the tree of life, the manna, and the produce of the good land, all of which are types of Christ as food to us. Although this revelation was lost among the early Christians, the Lord came in to make a call for the overcomers, those who would overcome religious doctrines by returning to eat Him... We need to be recovered back to the beginning—the matter of eating the Lord as our food supply. (CWWL, 1971, vol. 4, pp. 434-435)

Corporate Reading: *"The Life-study of Romans", message 3-4*

MINISTRY READINGS

The Meaning of Eating and Drinking God

First, eating and drinking denote a union. Brother Hwang and I are two persons. We can never be fully united. Although we can join hands, embrace each other, or even be bound together by chains, we still cannot be fully united. His breathing is his breathing, and my breathing is my breathing; there is no perfect union. The best and most thorough way for us to have a union is for me to eat him so that he can enter into me. If it were possible, I would demonstrate this. I would get a knife, cut up Brother Hwang, cook him in a pot, and eat him. Then tomorrow morning Brother Hwang and I would be fully one; we would be united and joined to such an extent that we would no longer be two persons. My breathing would be his breathing, and he would breathe within me. This shows you that the best way to be united is through eating and drinking.

Excerpts from "How to Enjoy God and How to Practice the Enjoyment of God", Chapter 11: How God Becomes Man's Enjoyment (part 2)