

Announcements

- No Wednesday ministry webcast until the full time training resumes on March 1st.
- Main Hall cleaning (Korean Saints).
- Second floor cleaning (Eastgate & Redmond).
- International conference (in Chinese and English) February 17th - 19th, Anaheim, CA.
- The parking situation at the meeting hall is very limited; we encourage all saints who park at the meeting hall to carpool. Saints who drive by themselves are encouraged to park offsite (Chevron, residential streets, etc.).
- Please fill out household information sheet. One sheet per household. Particularly note the box for receiving church emails.
- Annual church business meeting will be held on February 12.
- If you would like your 2016 donations documentation for tax purposes, please send an email request to bellevuefinanceservice@googlegroups.com.
- The reading schedule this week for our ministry reading is: All-Inclusive Christ chapters 14, 15, 16.
- We will have overflow prophesying on the All-Inclusive Christ on February 26th.

Schedule

- Morning revival this week, *The Crystallization Study of Ezekiel*, Week 4, “The Coordination of the Four Living Creatures.”
- Sisters prayer meeting, Tuesday, 10:00 am.
- Prayer meeting, Tuesday 7:30 pm.
- **No** breakfast, Saturday morning Feb 18th.
- International conference schedule (webcast at the Bellevue meeting hall, bring radios)
 - Message 1, Friday 7:30 pm (Chinese)
 - Message 2, Saturday 9:00 am (Chinese)
 - Message 3, Saturday 11:00 am (Chinese)
 - Message 4, Saturday 7:30 pm (English)
 - Message 5, Lord’s Day (English) after Lord’s Table meeting 9:30am
- The deadline to sign up for the middle aged training is February 21st. For more information, visit www.fttamidage.org.

Burdens for Prayer

- International conference in Anaheim
- Bible study at Bellevue College
- Building up an atmosphere of reading the ministry
- Gospel to the nations in Europe and North America
- Prayer and petition for all who are in a high position in this country (1 Tim. 2:1-3)

This Week: February 13 – February 19		
Morning Revival: <i>The Crystallization Study of Ezekiel</i> , Week 4		
Hall Cleaning: Downstairs – Korean Saints Upstairs – Eastgate & Redmond		
Tuesday	10:00 am	Sisters' prayer meeting
Tuesday	7:30 pm	Corporate prayer at meeting hall
Lord's Day	9:30 am	Lord's Table

Ministry Reading Portion

Basic Lessons on Service

LESSON TWELVE

THE GRACE-MINISTERING SERVICE

IV. THE SERVICE IN THE CHURCH BEING THE FUNCTION OF THE MEMBERS WITH GRACE

In my hometown of Chefoo, one older brother was a manager of a big insurance company. He was wealthy, but every Saturday he came purposely just to clean five windows of the meeting hall. He told everybody to leave those five windows to him. Those five windows were the five "eyes" of the hall at the front. He kept those windows clean as crystal, and a number of saints were inspired and encouraged by his service.

The meeting hall of the church in Chefoo was greatly used by the Lord. One young man who was passing by the meeting hall on his bicycle read the verse which was posted on the outside of the hall. The verse was Acts 16:31: "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you shall be saved, you and your household." He saw that verse, got off of his bicycle, and prayed and was saved by the Lord. After he came into the church life, he gave us this testimony.

One sister, who became a deaconess among us, was burdened to pray for the salvation of her husband, who was a good businessman

in Shanghai. A brother among us was a friend of his, and he invited him to come to our gospel- preaching meeting on the second day of the new year. Because of his friendship with this brother and because of his wife, he felt that he could not reject this invitation. The night before he came to the meeting, he had a dream. In that dream he saw the meeting hall and a group of people at the entrance ushering people in. In his dream he entered into the meeting hall and walked up a stairway to the second floor. He saw his friend, who was a brother in the church, on the other stairway. He also saw the interior of the meeting hall. When he awoke the next morning, he was wondering about what he had dreamed. There was no need for his friend or his wife to urge him to go to the meeting, because he wanted to go to see if the hall matched what he had seen in his dream. When he went, he observed the meeting hall with the people outside the entrance ushering people in. He went inside the hall, and it was exactly according to what he had seen in his dream. He saw his friend come up the other stairway according to what he had dreamed. The hall was filled with people that day. After I preached the gospel in that meeting, he was the first one to stand up and pray to receive the Lord for his salvation.

My point in sharing this is that the hall in Chefoo was greatly used and blessed by the Lord because of the practical service poured out by so many saints. Every bit of that meeting hall was cleaned and prepared with much love and prayer. While the saints in Chefoo were cleaning the hall, they were praying. As someone cleaned a chair, he would pray, "Lord, I pray that whoever sits on this chair will be saved." They prayed definitely in this way.

In my whole life, I never saw a church life like the one in Chefoo. There were no great giants among us, but there was the service and functioning of all the small members. Even our children were looking for opportunities to serve the saints. While the gospel meetings were going on, some small rooms in the meeting hall were full of saints who were praying. They prayed until the meeting was over. That was a church fully in service. It was brought up and built up by every member functioning spontaneously. We have to let the saints know that the service of the church is the function of all the members with grace. This grace will reach people, nourish people, and even save people.

V. GRACE BEING GOD EMBODIED IN CHRIST AS OUR ENJOYMENT

Grace is God embodied in Christ as our enjoyment (John 1:17b; 1 Cor. 15:10). Every member has to experience Christ as this grace. In whatever we do to serve in a practical way, grace is with us, and this

grace will go out to reach others. This means we minister grace to others in our service.

VI. TO SERVE IN THE CHURCH BEING TO MINISTER CHRIST AS GRACE TO OTHERS

Regardless of what we do to serve practically, if we really do it in spirit, surely grace is with us. Then by our doing we will minister Christ as grace to others. First, we need to experience the grace of Christ in our own circumstances (2 Cor. 12:9). Then we minister grace to others through our service. Here we should stress that in order for us to experience Christ as grace, God always gives us certain kinds of circumstances. Sufferings and trials are often ordained by the Lord for us that we may experience Christ as grace. So when Paul asked the Lord three times to remove his thorn in the flesh, the Lord would not do it. He said that His grace was sufficient for Paul. Under certain God-ordained circumstances, we experience grace and accumulate grace to have a storage of grace in our Christian life. Then when we serve, we have something as grace to minister to others.

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2017 International Conference Schedule		
Friday, Feb. 17 th	Msg. 1	7:30 pm (Chinese)
Saturday, Feb. 18 th	Msg. 2	9:00 am (Chinese)
	Msg. 3	11:00 am (Chinese)
	Msg. 4	7:30 pm (English)
Lord's Day, Feb. 19 th	Msg. 5	Following Lord's Table

Bible Reading Schedule with Footnotes	
Lord's Day, February 12 th	Psa. 16:1 – 17:15
Monday, February 13 th	Psa. 18:1-50
Tuesday, February 14 th	Psa. 19:1 – 21:13
Wednesday, February 15 th	Psa. 22:1-31
Thursday, February 16 th	Psa. 23:1 – 24:10
Friday, February 17 th	Psa. 25:1 – 27:14
Saturday, February 18 th	Psa. 28:1 – 30:12