

CHURCH IN REGINA

Local Announcements

1. Prayer Meeting—
Feb.18 Grp 1 in person,
Grp 2 by Zoom
2. Church Pursuit—Feb.17
at 4pm
3. Brothers' Mtg—Feb.23
4. Children's Fun Day—
Mar.1
5. Chinese-Speaking
Conference Schedule

Time/Date	15-Feb	16-Feb	17-Feb
11:00AM	Msg 1		Msg 4
8:00PM	Msg 2	Msg 3	Msg 5

Conferences & Training

1. Chinese-Speaking
Blending Conference—
Feb.14-16, Anaheim,
CA
2. International Training
for Elders &
Responsible Ones—
Apr.4-6, Anaheim, CA
3. Memorial Day Blending
Conference—May 23-
26, Phoenix, AZ
4. Summer Training—June
30-July 5, Anaheim, CA
5. International Training
for Elders &
Responsible Ones—TBD
6. Thanksgiving Blending
Conference—Nov.27-
30, Indianapolis, IN
7. Winter Training—
Dec.22-27, Anaheim,
CA

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Experiencing, Enjoying, and Expressing Christ (1) - Week 5

We will see four very practical points from Luke 10:39, which says, "She had a sister called Mary, who also sat at the Lord's feet and was listening to His word." The crucial matters in the following four points are: (1) *the Lord Jesus*, (2) *at the feet*, (3) *sitting down*, and (4) *listening to the Lord's word*. These points together are *the way to enjoy the jubilee every day*. This is *the way to return to our portion* to enjoy the freedom in Christ throughout the day.

She was at the feet of the Lord Jesus and not at the feet of anyone else; she was drawing near to the Lord; *no method is better than coming to Him* moment by moment, loving Him, worshipping Him, unceasingly fellowshiping with Him, and remaining in His presence. This is *the quickest way to grow in life*. Come to Him all the time. Be drawn to Him. We can pray, "Lord Jesus, You are my goal. You are my focus."

She sat at the feet of the Lord, meaning that she put herself in a humble position in order to receive the Lord as grace; *humility is not belittling ourselves; humility is ignoring ourselves, negating ourselves, and considering ourselves as nothing*. Humility is to forget the things behind, because we have not yet obtained. There is more for us today. We can pray, "Lord, I want You today. I am not satisfied with the measure of enjoyment that I have. I want sufficient enjoyment. Lord, take me on according to the lines in Hymns #554 that say, 'And He speaks to me and reveals to me / All His riches for me today.' Lord, I want the today Christ. I have not yet obtained. I am nothing and I have nothing. I need You today." This attitude will invite the Lord's grace.

She was sitting down; *quietness before the Lord is often the source of spiritual strength*; man's eyes and thoughts often are distracted to the outside world; those who are busy with a wandering mind and vacillating thoughts cannot receive revelation easily. *The greatest challenge that we face is being quiet before the Lord*. Who does not struggle with vacillating thoughts when spending time with the Lord each morning? Why is this? One practical matter we should consider is where our mind was the day before. What was our mind set on? What are the things that have been occupying us? Very often when we are having a time with the Lord, our mind goes to those things, the things that our heart has been set on throughout the day. It could be our children, our education, or our future. It could be a person, a thing, or even our work for the Lord. Even our service can take us away from beholding the Lord absolutely and purely. We may thus pray, "O Lord, we want the simplicity and the purity that is in Christ. Lord, we want You."

Psalm 27:4 says, "One thing I have asked from Jehovah; / That do I seek: / To dwell in the house of Jehovah / All the days of my life, / To behold the beauty of Jehovah, / And to inquire in His temple." *Every day we should say, "Lord, I want only one thing. I want to be with You in Your house, in Your church, and in my spirit. Lord, I want to be here not beholding other people but beholding You. Lord, I want to behold Your beauty. Show me Your beauty. Capture me by Your beauty."* It could be that in a short time with some honest prayer like this, we will be beside ourselves. We may say, "Lord, You are so lovely. I do not deserve this. Thank You for Your blood. I have never done anything to deserve this, but I am still here in front of You. I am accepted by You. I am one with You. How can I not love You!" Surely, we can give the Lord a simple prayer, a little opening.

Psalm 27:8 says, "When You say, Seek My face, / To You my heart says, Your face, O Jehovah, will I seek." There are times when the Lord says, "*Seek My face. Do not pray about your children. Do not pray about your health. Seek My face. You can pray about those things later. Seek My face. Do not be occupied with any of those things. Seek My face.*" It would be very good if our heart would be free to say, "Your face, O Jehovah, will I seek." He says, "Seek My face," and each of us would say, "I seek Your face. I am available. I am not preoccupied. I do not have any vacillating thoughts."

Mary was listening to the Lord's word; the words that the Lord speaks are spirit and life (John 6:63) in order to dispense Himself into men; *her listening to the Lord's word afforded the Lord the opportunity to communicate Himself to her* so that she would continually receive the Lord and gain Him. Through His words, He communicates all His benefits (Excerpts from the Ministry of the Word, vol. 28, no. 07, p. 120-123).

PRAYER BURDENS

1. Thank You, Lord for fulfilling the year of jubilee. We have been released from all bondage and have returned to the church, our divine family. Be the real jubilee in us that we may truly be free and enjoy You as our inheritance.
2. Lord, You are our real jubilee. We receive You into us. We allow You to live in us and we live by You. Bring us into the practical living in the jubilee.
3. Lord, we return to You as repentant sons. Everything in Your house is pleasant and satisfying. Thank You for clothing us with the best robe and feeding us with the fattened calf.
4. You are the reality of true freedom and blessings of the New Testament jubilee. Cause us to be like Mary who sat at Your feet, sat in quietness, and listened to Your words. May we continually enjoy You as our true possession.
5. Lord, we were once captives, oppressed by Satan but now has been freed. How we treasure the law of the Spirit of life in our spirit, freeing us from the bondage of sin. Teach us to constantly contact You and enjoy You.
6. Lord, without You, everything is a suffering. Fill us, gain us, and possess us no matter what the outward situation is. In everything and in all things, be magnified in us.

North America/Europe/Other Burdens

1. Please pray for the translation work of the New Testament Recovery Version into Czech and Slovak. Pray for the translation team in their learning of Greek and in their uninterrupted work of translating the NT text and footnotes.

Church in Regina

1. Pray for the propagation work in Saskatchewan. Strengthen the saints in Foam Lake, Yorkton and Stenen. Encourage them and supply them that there would be a lampstand in Yorkton for Your testimony. Remember Bro. Isaac, Bro. Charles, and Bro. William.
2. Pray for the college students who are joining the College Conference in Edmonton. May You gain these young ones for Your testimony in Regina. Open each one that they may see Christ and the church through blending with other saints.
3. Pray for the continuing of the Chinese-Speaking Bible Reading. Remember Bro. Nathan, Sis. Cassie and our new ones: Doris Di, Julie Cao, Wendy Wang, and Tina Huang.
4. Pray for positive and immediate approval of all the permanent resident immigration papers:
 - > Alforte Family (Radam and Rosalina)
 - > Orolfo Family (Wilson and Jenny and their three children)
 - > Jerome Family (Pravin and Abinaya and their two children)
 - > Temonio Family (William and Melanie and their two children)

WEEKLY SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS:

- Lord's Table & Prophesying—Lord's Day 10:00-12:00PM
- Prayer Meeting—Tuesdays 7:00-8:00PM
- Home Meeting—Wednesdays 6:00-7:00PM
- Chinese-Speaking Bible Reading—Wednesdays 8:00-9:00PM
- College Meetings—Fridays 7:30-8:30PM
- YP Meetings—Sundays 3:00-4:30 PM
- Children's Meeting—Saturdays 10:00-11:00AM
- Small Group Meetings—Fridays/Saturdays 7:00-9:00PM