CHURCH IN REGINA

Local Announcements

- 1. Prayer Meeting— Grp 1 by Zoom; Grp 2 in person
- 2. Sisters' Mtg-May 11
- 3. Edmonton Conference— May 16-18
- 4. Brothers' Mtg-May 18
- 5. Church Pursuit-May 19
- 6. Memorial Day
 Conference (See
 Appendix for Regina
 Schedule)

Conferences & Training

- Chinese-Speaking Blending Conference— Feb.14-16, Anaheim, CA
- 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
- 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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Living A Christian Life and Church Life
Under the Government of God for the Economy of God—Week 5

Good Stewards of the Varied Grace of God

1 Peter 4:10 [says], "Each one, as he has received a gift, ministering it among yourselves as good stewards of the varied grace of God." The varied grace of God, like the "all grace" in 5:10, is the rich supply of life, which is the Triune God ministered into us in many aspects. As good stewards, we should minister such grace, not merely doctrine nor any vain thing, to the church and the saints by the gift we have received...

Being Built Up With Others

In order to properly function in the church meetings, we need to be coordinated and built up with others. We need to be built up with our spouse in the divine life and have a proper married life; otherwise, it will be difficult for us to function in the church service. We should also be built up with other saints with whom we regularly meet.

Offering Up a Sacrifice of Praise to God

The last chapter of [Hebrews] shows the practical experiences of Christ and the practical virtues needed for the church life. [Hebrews 13:15] says, "Through Him then let us offer up a sacrifice of praise continually to God, that is, the fruit of lips confessing His name." We need to open our mouth to confess the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. This is to offer up a sacrifice of praise to God. We should praise God in our daily life and in the church meetings.

Doing Good and Sharing with Others

Hebrews 13:16 also speaks of sharing with others, which is to have fellowship in the needs of the saints. We should not only offer up our praises as spiritual sacrifices to God but also share our material riches with others. We should not excuse ourselves for failing to offer up a sacrifice of praise to God by saying that we lack the riches of Christ with which to praise God. Similarly, we should not excuse ourselves for failing to share with others by saying that we do not have any material riches. We should offer material riches in order to meet the needs of the saints, the church, and the Lord's work.

Girding Ourselves with Humility toward One Another

In order to function in the meetings as stewards of the varied grace of God, we also need to gird ourselves with humility toward one another. 1 Peter 5:5 says, "All of you gird yourselves with humility toward one another..." When the Lord Jesus was about to wash His disciples' feet, He girded Himself with a towel. [This] meant that He was bound and restricted with humility; in humility He served the disciples. Following the Lord's pattern, we need to gird ourselves with humility so that we may serve one another willingly and eagerly (1 Pet. 5:2).

We often find it difficult to function in the church meetings because we lack humility, we may despise our function and fear that by functioning we will lose our face. Such an attitude is not humility but pride. As long as we care for our face, this indicates that we are proud. If we are genuinely humble in Christ, we will not care whether our function is rich or poor. Rather, whether we feel that our function is adequate or inadequate, we will function in order to dispense the grace of God to others.

Submitting to One Another

Hebrews 13:17 says, "Obey the ones leading you and submit to them." We should not only obey the leading ones but also submit to them. Submitting is different from obeying. Obeying is an action, whereas submitting is an attitude. It is possible for us to obey the leading ones without submitting to them. Not obeying is *disobedience*, and not submitting is *rebellion*. In the church life rebellion is more serious than disobedience. We all need to learn the lesson of submission.. Younger men should be subject to elders, and all the saints, including the elders, should be humble toward one another. The saints should submit to the elders, and the elders should submit to the saints. We should all be subject to one another (Eph. 5:21).

We need to go to the Lord to receive grace from Him concerning these five basic factors that enable us to serve as good stewards of the varied grace of God...If the Lord grants us grace to put these five matters into practice, we will be living, functioning members of the Body of Christ. This will uplift our spirit, enrich our inner being, and cause us to function in the meetings so that we may dispense the varied grace of God to one another (Excerpts from the Life-Study of 1 Peter, ch.27 and Basic Factors that Enable Us to Function as Good Stewards of the Varied Grace of God, ch.4).

PRAYER BURDENS

- 1. Thank You for coming to us as grace to be our enjoyment, to be everything to us and to do everything in us, through us, and for us. Day by day grant us the opportunity for this grace to multiply.
- 2. Lord, we open to more application of the Spirit for the salvation of our souls. As those who received Your salvation through the prophets and apostles, encourage us to go forth and speak this grace to others.
- 3. Lord, we set our living hope perfectly on the grace at the time of Your revelation. Continue to unveil us to see and enjoy You more in this age as the foretaste and at Your coming as the full taste of grace.
- 4. Lord, make us Your reproduction amidst suffering. Cause this grace to be our inward motivation and outward expression. May our living be gracious and acceptable in the eyes of both man and God.
- 5. Help us to be humble and to resist being proud. We need Your varied grace in all our situations. May the "all grace" of God perfect, establish, strengthen, and ground us. Cause us to enter and stand on this grace.
- 6. Lord, make our total living a matter of being in the sphere of the processed Triune God that we would display the surpassing riches of Your grace. Grant us the growth in grace and knowledge for Your glory today and unto eternity.

North America/Europe/Other Burdens

1. Please pray for the conference in Budapest, Hungary on May 16-18. Please pray for the blending of the saints in the Lord's Body and the speaking of the Lord for His further move and building up in Europe.

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 purchase of the meeting hall.
- 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-Mondays 7:15-8:15PM
- College Meetings—Fridays 7:30-8:30PM
- YP Meetings—Sundays 4:00-5:30 PM
- Children's Meeting—Saturdays 10:00-11:00AM
- Small Group Meetings—Fridays/Saturdays 7:00-9:00PM

International Memorial Day Conference (Local Schedule)

Subject: The Preparation of the Bride

Date	Message #	Time
May 24 Saturday	Msg 1	9:30am
	Msg 2	7:00pm
May 25 Sunday	Msg 3	3:00pm
	Msg 4	7:00pm
May 26 Monday	Msg 5	7:00pm
May 28 Wednesday	Msg 6	7:00pm

<u>Viewing the messages</u>: Both the live and archived messages of the 2025 International Memorial Day Blending Conference will be available to view at <u>Ismwebcast.com</u>. The messages will be accessible via the "Memorial Day Conf." button on the webcast menu. The LSM Webcast site will not require login credentials to access the site. The archived messages will be available approximately 2-3 hours after the live meeting has concluded and will be accessible for free until June 25, 2025, 30 days after the conference.

<u>Conference outlines</u> will be accessible to download from <u>Ismwebcast.com</u> beginning Friday, May 16, 2025.