CHURCH NEWS

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The church in Richardson

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Forgetting the things which are behind and stretching forward to the things which are before, I pursue toward the goal

(Phil. 3:13-14)

Announcements

- 1. **Video training** The last training message, open to all, is <u>scheduled at 1 this afternoon</u>. This message is a timely speaking and critical to our practice in the church life today *Enjoying Christ as the Reality of the Peace Offering at the Lord's Table to Present the Total Picture of God's Economy.*
- 2. No **PSRP** this afternoon.
- 3. **Monthly Sisters' meeting** January 13 (Saturday), 10am 12pm.
- 4. Schedule for the next 3 Lord's days Next Lord's Day is the 2nd of the month, as normally scheduled, we will have <u>corporate Table</u> followed by <u>separate prophesying meetings by language</u>. LDs 1/21 & 1/28 we will meet corporately for the entire time.
- 5. God Ordained Way/Small Groups perfecting, Saturdays 1/20 and 1/27 The schedule is as follows:

8:30 – 9:00 Corporate enjoyment of the Word

9:00 – 9:30 Breakfast

9:30-11:00 Perfecting meeting

Please sign up at service counter. All the saints are encouraged to attend both sessions if all possible.

6. Cleaning - Chinese-speaking District

Nourishment

• Holy Word for Morning Revival:

THE GENUINE CHURCH LIFE Week 2 - The Church Life - a Life of Being Headed Up in Christ

- Ministry book reading: The Economy of God Chapter 9 Dealing with the Soul Questions:
- 1. How do we deal with the mind? (Hint: EG, pages 85-86, paragraph 5—"There should be a change..." and pages 86-87, paragraph 1—"Because our mind...")
- 2. How do we deal with our will (Hint: page 88, paragraphs 2"For example..." and 3"God created us...")
- 3. How do we deal with our emotion? (Hint: page 89, paragraphs 1-3—"Many have heard...")

• Scripture Reading

	L.D.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
OT	2 Kgs. 8:1-9:37	10:1-12:21	13:1-15:38	16:1-17:41	18:1-19:37	20:1-22:20	23:1-25:30
NT	Acts 21:1-26	21:27-22:21	22:22-23:15	23:16-24:27	25:1-26:32	27:1-44	28:1-31

Prayer Burden

- 1. Remember the 4,000 homes in Richardson, in your prayers, who received the ministry booklet and the free Recovery Version Bible cards last October/November. Also <u>pray for the 3</u> who requested to receive the Bible. May the Lord keep their heart open and hungry and thirst for the Word.
- 2. Pray for our practice of the God Ordained Way in Richardson. May the Lord release many saints to attend the perfecting time on 1/20 and 1/27.
- 3. Please continue to remember and pray for our <u>next generation</u>, both children, YP, College age and young working ones, and the respective services and service coordination.
- 4. Please pray for God's move in Europe. Pray that the Lord will release the finance so that the building of the training facilities in London will be done in a timely way to meet the urgent need of perfecting saints for the strengthening and spreading of the church life in Europe.

Attendance LastWeek

Group	E1	E2	E3	E4	C1	C2	C3	C4	Total	Wed. Prayer (E)	Wed. Prayer (C)	Young People	LD Children	Joint Lord's Table	Total
#	14	13	NA	19	11	NA	13	10	80	12	9	8	12	70	80

Shepherd, receive man

- Shepherd, receive man,
 Come near and eat with them,
 Publicans and sinners.
 Go out to carry them home
 On Your shoulders, rejoicing.
 Lord, carry them home.
- Spirit, dear Spirit, Where is the one lost coin? Yes, You have the nine, But the one You must find. Dear Spirit, You're sweeping All over the earth.
- 3 Father, dear Father, Have mercy on mankind! He's fallen to the pigs' pen. When will he return? Dear Father, just kiss them, Your sons coming home.
- 4 Father of mercy,
 Clothe him with the best robe
 And kill the fatted calf
 And eat and be merry —
 He was lost, but found,
 Was dead, but now he lives.

Brief Background of the Hymn

- **Luke 15:4-7** Which man of you, who has a hundred sheep and has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one which is lost until he finds it? And when he finds it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. And when he comes into his house, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saving to them, Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost. I tell you that in the same way there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner repenting than over ninety-nine righteous persons who have no need of repentance.
- **8-10** Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one silver coin, does not light a lamp and sweep the house and seek carefully until she finds it? And when she finds it. she calls together her friends and neighbors. saving. Rejoice with me. for I have found the coin which I lost. In the same way, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner repenting.
- **17-18. 20** But when he came to himself, he said.... I will rise up and go to my father....And he rose up and came to his own father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was moved with compassion, and he ran and fell on his neck and kissed him affectionately.
- **22-23** But the father said to his slaves, Bring out quickly the best robe and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand and sandals on his feet. And bring the fattened calf; slaughter it, and let us eat and be merry,