

Weekly Announcements for the churches in McKinney, Plano & Richardson

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• **The Holy Word for Morning Revival**

Crystallization-Study Outlines Exodus (3)

Message Four The Intrinsic Significance, Subjective Experience,
and Organic Maintenance of the Golden Lampstand for a New Revival

• **Bible One-Year Reading Schedule:**

	Lord's Day	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
O.T. One-year reading schedule	Psa. 50: 1~ 52: 9	53: 1~ 58: 11	59: 1~ 64: 10	65: 1~ 68: 35	69: 1~ 72: 20	73: 1~ 77: 20	78: 1~ 81: 16
N.T. One-year reading schedule	Gal. 1: 1~ 14	1: 15~ 2: 13	2: 14~ 21	3: 1~ 14	3: 15~ 4: 7	4: 8~ 31	5: 1~ 23

• **Announcements**

- The 2016 Spring Regional Chinese speaking Conference will be held in Houston, TX 3/11-3/13.
- The 2016 Spring Regional Spanish Speaking Conference will be held in Irving on 3/11-3/13. Please sign up at service office if you can help in children or ushering services.
- The 2016 Spring Young People's Conference will be held on 3/25-3/27 at Oklahoma City, Arlington and Huntsville, respectively. Please register through the YP serving ones.
- The church in Plano annual business meeting will take place on Sunday, March 27th, 2016 at 11:40 AM at the Plano hall main meeting room.
- The saints in Plano District Three are scheduled to clean up the Plano meeting hall after lunch today.

• **Regular Meetings**

Date	Time	Meeting	Place
Lord's Day	04:00PM	McKinney English Speaking PSRP	McKinney meeting hall
	04:00PM	Chinese Speaking PSRP Preview	Plano meeting hall
Wednesday	10:00AM	Chinese Speaking Sisters	Plano meeting hall
	11:30AM	McKinney Sisters' Prayer Meeting	McKinney meeting hall
	07:30PM	Prayer and Service (McKinney)	McKinney meeting hall
	07:30PM	Prayer and Service	Plano meeting hall
	07:30PM	Prayer and Service (Richardson)	Plano meeting hall
Thursday	10:00AM	English Speaking Sisters	Plano meeting hall
	10:00AM	Chinese Speaking Sisters (Richardson)	Sister Shu-Fen Liao's house
Saturday	09:30AM	English Speaking PSRP	Plano meeting hall
	06:30PM	Young People	Plano meeting hall

• **Upcoming Events**

Date	Meeting	Location
04/08 – 04/10	2016 Spring International Elders and Responsible Ones Training	Anaheim, CA
05/27 – 05/30	2016 Memorial Day Conference	Washington, D.C.
07/04 – 07/09	2016 Summer Training	Anaheim, CA
10/06 – 10/08	2016 Fall International Training for Elders and Responsible Ones	Gold Coast, Australia
11/24 – 11/27	2016 Thanksgiving Conference	San Jose, CA
12/26 – 12/31	2016 Winter Training	Anaheim, CA

• **Offerings Received for Richardson Meeting Hall (RMH):**

	Estimated Cost	Received as of 2/28/2016
Richardson Meeting Hall	\$ 1,700,000	\$ 1,693,034.04

• **Prayer**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pray for the UTD and CC campus work and RSG with the new students at UTD. • Pray for saints to enter into and enjoy of the word of God and to function at the Lord's Day meeting. • Pray for the need of the YP serving saints. • Pray for more saints (particularly working saints) to be released to attend the prayer meeting. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pray for saints to be formed into prayer, Bible study, and gospel vital groups. • Pray for the specific needs for individual, group or district saints. • Pray that the Lord would supply the saints and the full-timers to carry out the overwhelming task of following-up the Recovery Version recipients through phone calls, seminars, and personal visits. • Pray for financial needs of building Richardson meeting hall. |
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• **Home Meeting and Lord's Day Attendance Record of Last Week**

Group	1	2	4	5	6	7	8	3	9	10	Senior	E1	E2	E3	E4	E5	K1	Total	UTD	Wed. Prayer	LD Children	Lord's Day											
Richardson		16	17					7			27	15	15					295	0	27		100											
Plano	8		11	9	8		11		16	11		86						295	69	47		210											
McKinney	FE1		30		ME1						MS1	8		AE1						22		54											
LD Dist.	P1	45	P2	32	P3	39	P4	74	ME	54	RC	50	RE	40	NB				Pray Dist.	P1	17	P2	8	P3	14	P4	30	ME	22	RC	17	RE	10

Lord's Day ≠ the day of the Lord

“Lord's Day” = “the first day of the week”, “the day of the Lord” = “the day of Jehovah”

In Bible: “Lord's Day” (Rev 1:10),
“the first day of the week” (Mark 16:2,9, John 20:1, 19, Acts 20:7, 1 Cor 16:2),
“the day of the Lord” (Acts 2:20, 1 Cor 5:5, 1 Thes 5:2, 2 Thes 2:2, 2 Pet 3:10),
the day of Jehovah (Isa 2:12, 13:6, 9, Ezek 30:3, Joel 1:15, 2:1, 11, 31, 3:14, Amos 5:18, 20, Obad. 15; Zeph. 1:7, 14, 18; 2:2-3; Zech. 14:1; Mal. 4:1, 5)

John 20:1¹ **The first day of the week**, or the day after the Sabbath, signifies a new beginning, a new age. In Lev. 23:10-11, 15, a sheaf of the firstfruits of the harvest was offered to the Lord as a wave offering on the day after the Sabbath. That sheaf of the firstfruits was a type of Christ as the firstfruits in resurrection (1 Cor. 15:20, 23). Christ resurrected on precisely the day after the Sabbath. By His all-inclusive death He terminated the old creation, which had been completed in six days, after which was the Sabbath day. In His resurrection He germinated the new creation with the divine life. Hence, the day of His resurrection was the beginning of a new week—a new age. This day of His resurrection was appointed by God (Psa. 118:24), was prophesied as “today” in Psa. 2:7, was predicted by Himself as the third day (Matt. 16:21; John 2:19, 22), **and later was called by the early Christians “the Lord's Day”** (Rev. 1:10). On this day Christ was born in resurrection as the firstborn Son of God (Acts 13:33; Heb. 1:5) and the Firstborn from the dead to be the Head of the Body, the church (Col. 1:18).

Act 20:7¹ The Lord's Day (Rev. 1:10). Paul stayed in Troas for seven days (v. 6), but it was only **on the first day of the week that they gathered together to break bread in remembrance of the Lord**. This indicates that at that time the apostle and the church considered the first day of the week a day to meet together for the Lord.

Joe 1:15¹ **The day of Jehovah is the day of the Lord in the New Testament** (Acts 2:20; 1 Cor. 5:5; 1 Thes. 5:2; 2 Thes. 2:2; 2 Pet. 3:10), which is also the day of God (2 Pet. 3:12). The final day of Jehovah will begin at the sixth seal (Rev. 6:12-17) and end at the judgment of the great white throne (Rev. 20:11-15). It will comprise various calamities, plagues, and woes for the Lord's punishing judgments and governmental dealings on the heavens, the sun, the moon, the stars, the earth, men, Satan, and the demons to clear up the earth and the entire universe for the coming of the new heaven and new earth (Rev. 21:1) for His eternal kingdom. The time from the sixth seal to the beginning of the thousand-year kingdom will be a little more than three and a half years. The main part of that time will be the great tribulation (Matt. 24:21). The judgment at the great white throne will take place after the thousand-year kingdom. Thus, **the day of the Lord will last for about one thousand three and a half years**. See note 12³ in 2 Pet. 3.

2Pe 3:12³ The day of God is the day of the Lord (v. 10), and to the children of Israel in the Old Testament, **the day of the Lord is the day of Jehovah** (Isa. 2:12; Joel 1:15; 2:11, 31; 3:14; Amos 5:18, 20; Obad. 15; Zeph. 1:7, 14, 18; 2:2-3; Zech. 14:1; Mal. 4:1, 5). In such expressions, day is used mainly in the sense of judgment for governmental dealing. Before the Lord comes, it is “man's day,” in which man judges until the Lord comes (1 Cor. 4:3-5). Then, it will be “the day of the Lord,” which will begin with the Lord's parousia (presence—Matt. 24:3 and note 3) with all its judgments and will end with the judgment upon men and the demons at the great white throne (Rev. 20:11-15 and notes). The Lord's parousia (presence) will begin when the overcoming saints are raptured to the throne of God in the heavens before the great tribulation of three and a half years (Rev. 12:5-6; 14:1). Then, all the supernatural calamities of the sixth seal and the first four trumpets will be meted out to smite the earth with the things on it and the heavens with their heavenly bodies (Rev. 6:12-17; 8:7-12). This will be the beginning of the great tribulation. The great tribulation, which will consist mainly of the woes of the last three trumpets, including the plagues of the seven bowls, will last for three and a half years (Matt. 24:21-22, 29; Rev. 8:13—9:21; 11:14; 15:5—16:21). That will be a time of trial for the inhabitants of the whole earth (Rev. 3:10), including the Jews (Isa. 2:12; Zech. 14:1-2; Mal. 4:1, 5; Joel 1:15-20; 2:1, 11, 31) and the believers in Christ who are left in the tribulation (Rev. 12:17). At the end of the great tribulation, Christ's parousia (presence), with the overcomers, will come to the air (Rev. 10:1), and the dead saints will be resurrected and raptured together with the majority of the living believers, who will have passed through the great tribulation, to meet with the Lord in the air (1 Cor. 15:52; 1 Thes. 4:16-17; Rev. 14:14-16). After this, all the believers will be judged by the Lord at His judgment seat in the air (2 Cor. 5:10). Then the Lord will have His wedding feast with the overcoming saints (Rev. 19:7-8). Immediately after this, the Lord with His bride, composed of the overcoming saints as His army, will come to the earth (Zech. 14:4-5; Jude 14; 1 Thes. 3:13) to fight and defeat Antichrist and his army; they will seize Antichrist and his false prophet and cast them alive into the lake of fire (Rev. 19:11-21). At approximately that time, Babylon the Great will be destroyed (Rev. 17:1—19:3). At the same time, the Lord will deliver, gather, and restore the children of Israel (Zech. 12:2-14; Rom. 11:26; Matt. 24:31; Acts 1:6). Following this, Satan will be bound and cast into the abyss, the bottomless pit (Rev. 20:1-3). Then the Lord will judge the nations (the living—Matt. 25:31-46; Joel 3:2). After this, the millennial kingdom will come (Rev. 20:4-6). After the thousand years, Satan will be loosed from the abyss and will instigate certain of the nations, Gog and Magog in the north of the eastern hemisphere, to carry out the last rebellion against God. They will be subdued and burned, and the deceiving devil will be cast into the lake of fire (Rev. 20:7-10). Following this, the heavens and the earth will be fully cleared up by being burned up (vv. 7, 10). Then will come the final judgment upon men (the dead) and the demons, and probably also upon the fallen angels (2:4 and note 4), at the great white throne (Rev. 20:11-15). That will be God's consummate dealing with His old creation in His universal government and will be in addition to so many judgments and dealings executed within the day of the Lord to clear up the old universe. Then a new universe will begin with the new heaven and new earth for eternity (Rev. 21:1), in which there will be no more judgment related to God's governmental dealing, for no unrighteousness will dwell there. Therefore, not counting the one thousand years, the day of the Lord will be very short, probably not more than seven years. This will be the main part of the last week (seven years) of the seventy weeks in Dan. 9:24-27. It is unscriptural to consider the day of God and the day of the Lord two different days: the day of the Lord ends with the millennial kingdom, and the day of God begins with the burning of the heavens and the earth, followed by the judgment of the great white throne. Actually, since the judgment of the great white throne will be executed by the Lord Jesus (Acts 10:42; 17:31; 2 Tim. 4:1), it too will be in the day of the Lord. God does not judge anyone; He has given all judgment to the Lord (John 5:22).