



# The Church in 皮斯卡特维 *Piscataway* 召会周讯 Weekly News

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**Excerpt from Ministry Reading (The LS of Deuteronomy chapter 9):**

## **LOVE GOD AND SERVE GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART AND SOUL**

### **1. Being Strong and Going In to Possess the Promised Land**

"Therefore you shall keep the whole commandment which I am commanding you today so that you may be strong and that you may go in and possess the land into which you are crossing over to possess it" (v. 8). If the children of Israel would keep the commandment, they would receive the blessing of being strong and of going in to possess the promised land. If we today keep Christ and hold fast to Christ, we will be strengthened and encouraged to go on to possess Christ. In Paul's words, we will be strengthened to "gain Christ" (Phil. 3:8). To possess Christ is to gain Him. The more we contact the Lord and enjoy Him, the more we are strengthened and encouraged to press on to gain Him.

### **2. Extending Their Days upon the Promised Land**

If the children of Israel were willing to keep Moses' words, they would extend their days upon the promised land, a land flowing with milk and honey, a land which God cares for and upon which His eyes are from the beginning of the year even unto the end of the year (Deut. 11:9-12). For us today, the promised land is Christ, and our days may be extended not upon Christ but in Christ and with Christ.

Deuteronomy 11:12 says, "It is a land which Jehovah your God cares for; always the eyes of Jehovah your God are upon it, from the beginning of the year unto the end of the year." Literally, the Hebrew word translated "cares for" means "seeks after" (i.e., with interest and care). This verse speaks not merely of God's affection but of His care. For God's eyes to be upon us means that we are the object of His care. The reason that God puts His eyes upon us is so that we will hold fast to Christ and enjoy Christ.

First, God sets His affection upon us (7:7), and then He puts His eyes upon us. Since His eyes are upon us all the time, from the beginning of the year unto the end of the year, we can see His eyes and thereby enjoy His presence. How dear and precious is this blessing!

## **Prayer Burdens:**

### **1. 2020 Piscataway Church Wide Burdens and Common Practices-**

Pray for the corporate goal of this year. May the Lord gain our full cooperation with Him in all the daily practices and bless our church life in 2020.

(Please see the back page for more detail)

### **2. Wuhan Coronavirus -**

- Pray for the Lord's protection so that the epidemic does not spread further.
- Pray that the Lord will remember the saints and local churches in Hubei Province, protect them from the virus, and strengthen their faith in this difficult time.
- Pray that the Lord will preserve the church life here in Piscataway from the interruption of the epidemic.

(Please see the back page for more detail)

### **3. GTCA -**

GTCA activities, including FTTA gospel team trips, continue this week in at least 23 North American cities and in Ethiopia. Please pray for the Lord to gain the genuine seekers for His testimony through the laboring of the participating saints.

## **Announcement:**

- The corporate prayer meeting this coming Tuesday 2/4 begins 8:00 PM at Piscataway meeting hall. We encourage the saints to separate time to attend.
- Corporate book pursuit this week:  
Life Study of Deuteronomy (Chapter 9~10).
- 2020 International Chinese-speaking Spring conference is canceled due to the latest progress of the Coronavirus outbreak. We apologize for this cancellation.
- The receipts of the 2019 offering are ready according to your designated ID number. They are placed on the offering box for saints to pick up.
- There will be a one-day Sisters Blending Conference on Saturday, February 29, 2020 from 9:00am to 5:30pm in Hall 1 of the church in NYC located at 87-60 Chevy Chase Street, Jamaica Estates, NY 11432. Registration will be handled online. The deadline for registration is February 17.
- Service schedule:

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Food	P1, P8	Dist. C
Cleaning	P7, HP	P1, P8

## **Meeting Attendance:**

Lord's Table (1/26): 117

Prayer Meeting (1/28): 33

# 2020 Church Wide Burdens and Common Practices

**1. Begetting goal - 50: gospel living, quarterly church wide gospel harvest (Q1: March 7)**

**2. Shepherding and perfecting**

- Recover saints not in church life for a while
- Serving one's perfecting
- Young working saints/young couple
- Sisters
- Next generation and Godman family living

**3. Pursuing the Word**

- Bible reading
- Ministry books (Jan-April The Life Study of Deuteronomy)

**4. Spiritual companion: prayer, pursuing, gospel preaching, shepherding**

**5. Blending bringing in genuine fellowship in life for the practical existence of the One New Man**

**6. Every member participating in at least one practical service**

***“Remembering unceasingly your work of faith  
and labor of love and endurance of hope  
in our Lord Jesus Christ, before our God and Father.”  
(1 Thess. 1:3)***

## Special Annoucement Concerning The Coronavirus

Most of us have heard recent reports of an outbreak of a new coronavirus (2019-nCoV) and fatalities in Wuhan City, Hubei Province, China and cases of infections have been reported in other cities and countries as well. So far a few cases have been confirmed in Seattle, Chicago and other places, where the patients traveled from Wuhan. Although there is currently no known coronavirus exposure in our community, we would like everyone to stay vigilante and take heed in protecting yourself, your family and the whole congregation against the coronavirus and the seasonal flu to prevent infection and further spread of the epidemic.

If you have symptoms of flu or respiratory infections such as, fever, fatigue, cough or shortness of breath, we strongly urge you to:

- Stay home, avoid go to public places;
- Cover your mouth when coughing (or wear masks);
- Seek medical attention immediately.

According to State Department, this new coronavirus has been declared public health emergency in US. If you have traveled to Hubei Province in China in the past 14 days, there is a mandatory quarantine of 14 days. If you travel to other areas in China in the past 14 days, we urge you to stay at home and avoid contacts with other people for 2 weeks which is the longest incubation period known so far. For more information on 2019-nCov, please visit the Center for Disease Control (CDC) website:

**<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>.**

For gathering in meeting hall, there are many ways to show our care, love and attendtion, please refrain from handshaking or giving small kids a hug at this time. Mask and gloves are required for food service saints.

We would like you to join the prayers that the Lord will protect His people and the chosen ones in our communi-ty and throughout the world, that He will sovereignly stop the spread of the virus and heal the sick, that He will turn the hearts of the rulers and people in China, to fear God, to believe in His Son, Jesus Christ, as their savior, and receive eternal salvation!