

The church in Odessa

Announcements and Fellowship for the Week of April 18 – 24, 2016

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This Week's Meetings:

Tuesday Prayer Meeting 7:30pm: Danny & Wanda's Home (Midland)
Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7:00pm: David & Nora's Home (English)
Oscar & Idelia's Home (Spanish)

Saturday YP Meeting 7:00pm: David & Nora's Home

Lord's Day 10:00am-11:00am: Prophecy Meeting
11:00am-12:00pm: New Believer's Meeting
4:00pm: Lord's Table Meeting

Announcements:

1. The blending conference in Odessa is approaching. The dates are May 6th-8th. We need everyone to open their home and to serve during the conference.
2. The registration for the 2016 summer training in Anaheim is now open. Registration is due by May 1st. The cost is \$155.
3. The registration for the summer YP conference in Poland is now open. Junior and seniors in high school are invited to go. The dates are July 29th through August 4th. There are a limited number of spots for the young people in North America so please sign up ASAP. The cost is \$300.

Prayer Burdens:

1. Europe – Pray for the gospel trips going on from Jan 21st - Feb 4th and all the follow up gospel trips from Feb 14th - July 1st.
2. Children & Young People – Pray that many saints would gain a vision for the care of the children and young people.
3. Campus Work – Please pray for our upcoming spring semester. That the Lord would gain more ground in the ones we have and also that more students would be added.
4. FTTA – Please remember to pray for the Medinas in Boston, Nereida in Anaheim and all the trainees.
5. All the saints in Midland, Andrews and Fort Stockton.
6. Spanish Speaking Radio Program – The ministry would reach many Spanish speakers in this area.
7. Remember to pray for those who are sick and in need among us.
8. Meeting hall improvements and expansion.

Upcoming Events:

1. May 6th–8th: Blending Conference, Odessa, TX.
2. May 27th–30th: Memorial Day Conference, Washington, D.C.
3. July 4th–July 9th: Summer Training, Anaheim, CA.

Practical Service Schedule:

Meeting Hall Cleanup, Saturday Apr 23rd: **Group 1**

Reading Schedule:

- 📖 Morning Revival: Wk 31, Cry-study of Exo. Vol 6
- 📖 New Testament: Romans 1–11
- 📖 Old Testament: Leviticus 26–Numbers 5
- 📖 LS of Exodus: Messages 135 – 136

Verses for the Week

Exo. 30:18 You shall also make a laver of bronze, with its base of bronze, for washing. And you shall put it between the Tent of Meeting and the altar, and you shall put water in it.

Exo. 38:8 And he made the laver of bronze and its base of bronze from the mirrors of the serving women who served at the entrance of the Tent of Meeting.

Exo. 30:20 When they go into the Tent of Meeting, they shall wash with water, that they may not die;

John 13:14 If I then, the Lord and the Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet.

Titus 3:5 ...through the washing of regeneration and the renewing of the Holy Spirit.

Eph. 5:26-27 That He might sanctify her, cleansing her by the washing of the water in the word, that He might present the church to Himself glorious, not having spot or wrinkle or any such things, but that she would be holy and without blemish.

Excerpts from the Ministry

The laver typifies the washing power of the life-giving Spirit issuing from the death of Christ.

The washing at the laver signifies not the washing away of sin by the blood of Christ but the washing away of the defilement that comes from contacting earthly things, by the life-giving Spirit. The priests were required to wash in the laver before serving, lest they die. This indicates that if we try to serve God without washing away our earthly defilement by the life-giving Spirit, we will suffer spiritual death.

Without the washing in the laver, no one is qualified to serve in the tabernacle. The problem of sin is dealt with at the altar, and the problem of filthiness is dealt with at the laver.

One cannot enter the Holy Place and the Holy of Holies without spending time at the altar and the laver.

Foot-washing is to wash from the feet all the dirt that frustrates the fellowship of the relationship between God and man. The Lord washes us spiritually by the working of the Holy Spirit, by the enlightening of the Word, and by the operating of the inner law of life.

In His heavenly ministry the ascended Christ is cleansing the church "by the washing of the water in the word." We are now in such a washing process so that Christ may "present the church to Himself glorious, not having spot or wrinkle or any such things, but that she would be holy and without blemish".

(Excerpts from msg 31 of the 2015 Winter Training)