

Week of July 8, 2018
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WEEKLY FELLOWSHIP
 of the church in Houston

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Lord's day, 10 a.m. meeting locations are listed below. Please use the contact number listed for each to find more gatherings during the week near you.

Southwest (SW, C1, NW, SpL, CL)
 6357 Windswept, Houston, TX 77057
 (713) 781-1682

South (Pearland/Manvel)
 Dr. James Red Duke Elementary
 2900 County Road 59, Manvel, TX 77578
 (713) 806-4052

Southeast (League City/Clear Lake)
 South Belt- Ellington Chamber of Commerce
 10500 Scarsdale Blvd, Houston, TX 77089
 (972) 741-1159

North (Woodlands/Spring)
 Kids 'R' Kids Learning Academy of the Woodlands
 320 Valley Wood Drive, The Woodlands, TX 77380
 (713) 416-6649

Central (C2, C3)
 UH Main Campus, Student Center South
 Space City Room, #214
 4455 University Drive, Houston, TX 77204
 (713) 201-6282

West (Katy)
 Best Kids Academy
 21915 Royal Montreal Drive, Katy, TX 77450
 (956) 624-3168

JULY 9-14

Holy Word for Morning Revival
Taking Christ as Our Person
and Living Him in and for the Church Life
Week 6

Evening Constitution
 Bible Reading Schedule: **Week 28**

Truth Pursuit
The Genuine Ground of Oneness: Chapter 8, "The Damage and Loss of the Ground of Oneness"

CONFERENCES

Summer 2018 High School Conferences

August 2-5, 2018

Application deadline for workers: Wednesday, July 18
 YP registration deadline: Lord's Day, July 22

Please contact the young people's worker in your district for information and registration.

Houston Area Sisters' Training

Houston, TX
 August 17-18, 2018

Please register for the training online at www.churchinhouston.org, under Events, or at this link: [Sisters' Training](#).

MEETINGS & GATHERINGS

Lord's Day, 7/8:

08:30am, Video training message 6
 10:00am, Corporate Lord's Table
 11:00am, Video training test & prophesying
 01:00pm, Video training message 7 (open meeting)

Wednesday, 7/11:

12:00pm, Topstone Bible study
 07:30pm, Prayer of the church in the districts

Lord's Day, 7/15:

08:30am, Video training message 11
 10:00am, Corporate Lord's Table
 11:00am, Video training test & prophesying
 01:00pm, Video training message 12 (open meeting)

2018 Summer Video Training

Video training in Houston: July 4–15, 2018

Please note that this year's video training will include changes to the schedule and locations from prior years. All trainees and all languages will meet at the Windswept meeting hall.

Please contact the service office brothers in your district for additional information.

Open meetings will be at the following times:

Message 7: 1:00pm, July 8
Message 12: 1:00pm, July 15

SUGGESTED PRAYER BURDENS

For the prayer burden to follow closely the ministry of the age:

2 Tim. 3:10 But you have closely followed my teaching, conduct, ²purpose, faith, long-suffering, love, endurance...

Footnote 2 This Greek word is used in Paul's Epistles in relation to the purpose of God (Rom. 9:11).

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE – JULY 1

Central 1	40	West	70
Central 2	11	North	22
Central 3	15	South	17
Southwest	51	Chinese language Diho	24
Spanish language	21	Chinese language MC	28
Southeast	13	Chinese language SL	39
		Total	351

MINISTRY EXCERPT

BEING A SPIRITUAL MAN

The third main principle in 1 Corinthians is that a believer can be spiritual, soulish, or fleshly, even fleshy. Simply speaking, a spiritual person is one who lives and walks by his spirit, whose soul is always subdued by the spirit, and whose body, the flesh, is always under the control of the strong will of his renewed soul. Such a one lives, walks, and acts by the spirit with his soul subdued and with the flesh controlled.

A soulish person, on the other hand, is neither fleshly nor spiritual but simply natural. This kind of person is one who lives by the soul, that is, by the intellect, by the mind, by the reasonings, by the will, and by the emotion. Whereas there is nothing sinful or fleshly with him, there is neither anything spiritual. He is neutral to being fleshly, and he is neutral to being spiritual. He does things, lives, and acts always by his intellect, by his will, or by his emotion.

Such a person cannot understand the things of God (2:14). There is no potential for him to know the spiritual things because he does not have the spiritual discernment. He simply cannot discern spiritual things because he does not exercise his spirit, which is the spiritual organ to know the spiritual things. For a soulish man to discern spiritual things may be compared to exercising our ears to substantiate color. It is impossible to listen to colors; this is to exercise the wrong organ. There is no potential for our ears to realize colors. If we want to substantiate color, we need to exercise our eyes. In the same way, we cannot know spiritual things if we live by the soul, by our mentality, reasoning, intellect, mind, will, or emotion. No matter how good we may be, we are still not spiritual; we are soulish.

A fleshly person is one fully controlled by the flesh. His soul is controlled by his flesh, and his spirit is covered by his soul. This person acts, lives, and does things by the flesh. The Corinthian believers were not only fleshly but even fleshy. There is a difference between being fleshly and fleshy. The case mentioned in chapters one and three, for example, involves fleshly believers. These persons caused divisions and strife, saying, "I am of Paul, and I of Apollos, and I of Cephas, and I of Christ" (1:12). Those persons with jealousy and strife were fleshly (3:3). The cases in chapters five and six, however, are more serious, involving people who were not only fleshly but fleshy, those who lived, walked, and did things by the fallen flesh. Fleshly denotes a person who does evil things directly from his flesh. Fleshy denotes a person who does things under the influence of the nature of the flesh and partakes of the character of the flesh. Quarreling, making divisions, and envying are matters done under the influence of the flesh. However, to do the evil things by the fallen flesh, as recorded in chapter five, is to be fleshy, even like an animal.

All of this indicates that we can do things either by the spirit as a spiritual man, by the soul as soulish persons, by the flesh directly as fleshly persons, or under the influence of the flesh as fleshy persons. This is why Paul used these four different words in chapters two and three: soulish (2:14), spiritual (v. 15), fleshly (3:1), and fleshy (v. 3).

I hope that you will keep these principles in mind and put them into practice. In the next chapter we will see at least ten problems in 1 Corinthians that illustrate how much we need to take Christ on the positive side and experience the cross on the negative side. All the time we must look to the Lord's help to realize that as Christians we must always learn to apply Christ as everything in our family, in the church, in our daily walk, and in the church service. In addition, before we quarrel with others, do something for others, or deal with others, we must learn to apply the cross to ourselves. Moreover, we must realize that although we may have the best things, such as gifts, signs, knowledge, and wisdom, those things are not Christ Himself. It is not a matter of these things; we must have Christ. If we do not have Christ, we are finished; we may still remain infants in Christ and fleshy. In addition, we must realize that even though we are the children of God, we may still be something other than spiritual; we may be soulish, fleshly, and even fleshy. We must be burdened and trust the Lord that we may all walk in the spirit.

General Sketch of the New Testament in the Light of Christ and the Church, A - Part 2: Romans through Philemon, Chapter 4, by Witness Lee

SAINTS FROM HOUSTON IN THE FULL-TIME TRAINING

Adolfo Fernandez—1st term

Sabrina Yan—2nd term

Mark Fan—2nd term

Ruth Long—2nd term

Ryan Armstrong—3rd term

Carlos Salamanca—3rd term

Priscilla Wang—3rd term

Susanna Brusco—4th term

Henry Chen—4th term

Marvin Igwe—4th term

Justin Washington—4th term

Christian Yu—4th term

WAYS TO GIVE

(updated 5/12/17)

To view some of the ways to give, please go to www.churchinhouston.org/offerings/.

IN THE BOOK ROOM

Music Singing CD: All the Building of the Body

Reading CD: The Leviticus Recovery Version

Books: The Genuine Ground of Oneness

The Importance of Living Christ by Walking According to the Spirit

Elder's Training, Book 6: The Crucial Points of the Truth in Paul's Epistles

The Vital Groups