



**Excerpt from Ministry Reading (The LS of Deuteronomy chapter 5):**

**TAKING CHRIST BY INHALING HIM**

The book of Deuteronomy surely manifests God and exposes us. This book manifests God as a God who is loving in His heart, righteous in His hand, and faithful in His mouth. Furthermore, this book manifests God as the One who blesses us through His eyes. This is the God manifested in Deuteronomy. As we read this book today, we need to realize that it concerns not only the people of Israel but also concerns us. This book exposes us, for it is a photograph of the kind of person we are. The more we are exposed, the more we will realize that we are a hopeless case, that we are nothing and can do nothing, and that it is impossible to fulfill the requirements of the holy, righteous, and faithful God.

After we have been exposed in this way, what should we do? Where can we go for help? Our help is in Christ as the word. In Deuteronomy expressions such as law, commandments, statutes, ordinances, and judgments are synonyms of Christ. Out of God's mouth have proceeded the law, the commandments, the statutes, the ordinances, and the judgments, and all of these are Christ. Christ is our law and our commandments; He is our statutes, our ordinances, and our judgments. We should simply take Him, keep Him, and hold fast to Him. If we do this, we will enjoy Him.

Where is the Christ whom we should take, keep, hold fast, and enjoy? He is in the Bible, for He is God's unique word. The law, the commandments, the statutes, the ordinances, the judgments—all these are God's word. This is proved by Psalm 119, which clearly indicates that these expressions are different terms for God's word. They have all been spoken by God and thus are things which have proceeded out of God's mouth (Deut. 8:3). Now we need to see that the words which proceed out of the mouth of God are Christ. Christ is the totality, the aggregate, of God's word. This is the reason that He is even called the Word (John 1:1, 14). In the beginning was the Word, the Word was God, the Word was incarnated, and this incarnated Word is Jesus Christ.

**Prayer Burdens:**

**1. Rutgers U New Spring Semester -**

The school will be starting from the coming Tuesday (1/21). Please pray that all the returning students will experience a new spiritual beginning and give the Lord the first place in their hearts. May their consecration and heart be refreshed in the Lord. Pray also for us to meet new ones and gospel friends in the first few weeks at our contact tables. Pray that many would be released to attend the welcome back dinner on January 29th.

**2. Church-wide Godman Family Blending -**

Pray for the Piscataway church-wide event on 1/25/2020. May the Lord use such an opportunity to blend all the saints into one accord and establish godman families to build up His dwelling place.

**3. GTCA -**

Please pray for the upcoming gospel trips to the GTCA cities this month. May the Lord gain the genuine seekers for His testimony in these key cities in the USA. (Visit [gtca.us/2020](http://gtca.us/2020) for more info)

**Announcement:**

- 1 District prayer meeting on the coming Tuesday 1/21 is scheduled at district meeting locations starting from 8 PM. We encourage the saints to separate time to attend.
- 2 Corporate book pursuit this week:  
Life Study of Deuteronomy (Chapter 5~6).
- 3 2020 International Chinese-speaking Spring conference is scheduled for 2/14-16 at Anaheim, CA. We hope at least 200 saints from NJ and NY can attend this conference. There will be translation service into English, Spanish, Korean and Portuguese. Children service will be provided from K-6 grade. For hospitality, you may register at [www.2020icsc.org](http://www.2020icsc.org).
- 4 We would like to invite you to a gathering on Saturday, January 25th beginning from 3pm. This Godman living blending is for everyone in church life. We are planning to have some activities, followed by a love feast and a simple fellowship. Please set this time apart and join all the saints. Pray that the Lord would grant us a new beginning in Him. Please separate your time and attend.
- 5 Service schedule:

	1/19	1/25	1/26
Food	P2, P10	P4/5, BW	P7, HP
Cleaning	Dist. C	P2, P10	P4/5, BW

**Meeting Attendance:**

Small Groups (1/10~11): 149  
Lord's Table (1/12): 137  
Prayer Meeting (1/14/7): 35



**ALL ARE WELCOME!**  
TOGETHER LET'S REJOICE IN THE LORD



Scan Me  
to RSVP

<https://tinyurl.com/uot3s5n>

**Time: 1/25/2020 3PM ~ 8PM**

**Location: Church in Piscataway Meeting Hall  
15 Seeley Ave. Piscataway**

### Special Announcement concerning this time:

1. This time is for ALL of the saints who are part of God's family and is not limited to those who are married with children. Whether you are single, married, with or without kids, young or old - EVERYONE IS INVITED.
2. The burden of this time is for us to realize that the real church life is the experience of Christ in our living, both individually and corporately. The church life includes our life at home with our spouse, roommates, children, and relatives.
3. There will be plenty of opportunities to connect with the saints and blend with them through the activities, dinner time, and fellowship time. Let's come with an open heart and an exercised spirit to blend with each other in God's family.
4. To help us plan the activities, arrange the dinner tables, and prepare enough food, please use the QR code or the link above to RSVP.
5. We really would like everyone to be present at 3 PM. So everyone should bring a dish based on their capacity. All the food should be prepared at home (not in the Meeting Hall kitchen).
6. Since our burden during dinner time is for fellowship and blending, we would encourage everyone to not use their electronic devices at that time.
7. Group B (P4, P5, Bridgewater) will serve the kitchen for this day (Saturday 1/25), and Group A (P2, P10) will be on the clean up service. And we will switch to the next service rotation for the following day (Lord's Day 1/26).

## Service Update (Young People Service)



On January 5th the first Lord's Day meeting of 2020, Piscataway young people presented three hymns to the whole church. These are "I have set before you life and death", "I have loved Your precepts", and "This is the year of Jubilee". By presenting the hymns we hope to remind all the saints that our work of building up the Body is a continual process involving multiple generations, with one overlaying another.

The journey of the children of Israel from Exodus to the entry of the good land is history of two generations. In order for the second generation's possessing good land, it is necessary for the first generation to pass their experiences to their children. It is the older generation's responsibility to raise up, bring in, and perfect the younger generation for this building work of God. We need to confess in the past we were unfaithful in this aspect. We need to repent, that is, to turn our heart from our own goals to the Lord. Only when we turn our heart to the Lord, the heart of fathers will turn to the children and that the heart of the children to their fathers (Malachi 4:6). We can, therefore build up the ark together and accomplish His eternal purpose.

The church in Piscataway, including Basking Ridge, currently has 32 young persons (17 in high school, 15 junior high). About two thirds are regularly meeting. One main burden of this year's young people service is to continually strengthen the spiritual bonds between the generations by Godman family living, home meetings, and the church services. We would like to request all the saints to pray and labor together for this burden.



### 2020 Upcoming Events:

1. **Young People Parents Blending**  
2/8 Saturday (tentatively), Piscataway meeting hall
2. **Northeast Young People Spring Conference**  
4/9 evening to 4/12 noon, KPCC
3. **Northeast Young People Summer School of Truth**  
For high-school young people: 7/28-8/5, KPCC  
For Junior-high young people: 8/5-8/9, KPCC