

# True Jesus Church Cerritos



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### Bible Reading, April Job

Date	Book	Date	Book
1	J 4	17	J 20
2	J 5	18	J 21
3	J 6	19	J 22
4	J 7	20	J 23
5	J 8	21	J 24
6	J 9	22	J 25
7	J 10	23	J 26
8	J 11	24	J 27
9	J 12	25	J 28
10	J 13	26	J 29
11	J 14	27	J 30
12	J 15	28	J 31
13	J 16	29	J 32
14	J 17	30	J 33
15	J 18		
16	J 19		

## Service Schedule

Date	Beg.	End	Web Address	Remark
Tue.	7:30pm	9:00pm	Tjc.us or Cerritos.info@tjc.org	Tel: 562-4448177
Thur.	7:30pm	8:40pm		Tel: 562-4448177
Frl.	7:30pm	9:00pm	Tjc.us	669-9006833, then710-3477857
Sat.	10:00am	11:30am	Tjc.us	669-9006833 then710-3477857
	1:30pm	3:00pm	Tjc.us	669-9006833
	10:30am	11:30am	https://zoom.us/j/97893289046	K Class RE
	9:30 am	10:30am	https://zoom.us/j/93203350613	E1 RE
	10:30am	12 Noon	https://zoom.us/j/893156374	E2 RE
	2:00pm	3:30pm	https://zoom.us/j/5629167595	J1 RE
	2:00pm	3:30pm	https://zoom.us/j/99970598371	J2 RE
	3:45pm	5:00pm	Cerritos.info@tjc.org	LHYF
	2:00pm	3:30pm	https://zoom.us/j/99822942965? True Seeker Class	ID: 998 2294 2965 , Passcode: 1917 Tel 16699006833,
Sun.	10:00am	11:00am	https://zoom.us/j/95751644174	EGFS Bible Study 1st, 3rd Sun, monthly

### Garden of Prayer

- Ask God for help and open the way for church construction and fundraising.
- Pray for those who are affected by COVID -19, may the Lord' s mercy, and the protection be with them.
- Various preaching and pastoral work of the church.
- Pray for God to help the church grow in faith, hope, and love.
- Pray for Sister I-mei Tsai, Pastor Meishi Tsai' s wife. She is faced with some urgent health challenges

### USGA Student Loan

- Interest Free Student Loan
- Application from before 6/30/21
- Please contact Dn. Lee for the details

### Construction Project Report

- The project will be completed in April.
- Construction Budget : 3MM
- Construction Fund Status (2/28/21)

### Events Calendar, April

- 4/3 Church Council Meeting
- 4/4 Bible Study, Evergreen Fellowship
- 4/10 RE Prayer Session
- 4/14 - 4/18 ESSC

### 2021 SWR Spring ESSC

- On Line in Southwest Region
- From 4/14/21 to 4/18/21

### Telephone Prayer Meeting

- For all members to pray for ESSC
- Every Monday at 9:35 pm - 10 pm
- The phone number is : 562-444-8177

Description	Total
Fund Bal.in Bank	414,263
Refundable Deposit	48,000
Contribution Differ	201,955
<b>Accounts Payable</b>	<b>387,543</b>
<b>Loan Payable</b>	<b>200,000</b>
	<b>587,543</b>



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## 2021 WSSC Reflection

Erin Hsiao

In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, I reflect on this past week of WSSC. I came into this week with a much more willing mindset than I did in the summer. This first semester of school was truly a rollercoaster, some moments feeling like everything in my life was perfect whereas other times it would have been a greater mercy to run 5 miles through snow. Although the schedule was a little tight and staring at a screen was something I can probably do without for the rest of my life, I am so thankful I was able to learn so much. It felt much quicker than any past SSC had been. Of course, it's always nice to be able to sleep in my own bed and not worry about shower schedules but I, along with many of my peers I'm sure, miss seeing everyone and having classes together. It felt quite surreal to see so many of them on screen, listening to the same classes and messages despite being in different time zones, states. A couple of moments did feel like we were all sitting in the chapel at Baldwin Park, jotting down notes or fighting the urge to shut my eyes just a couple of moments longer to the sound of the speaker's voice sharing with us God's teachings. The classes this year on Galatians, 1 John, and love have been very memorable. Not many of the messages were new, per se, but most, if not all helped clarify questions I had and/or renew my faith in our God. On the first day, Sister Patri shared her special topic on love and her journey to God. By the end of the class, however, I had pondered, how am I supposed to love so genuinely and truly when I couldn't love myself? I did not have to wait long for my answer, as the afternoon prayer message was on Loving Yourself. After this message, I really felt so joyful that God had answered me, as that question had actually been lingering and plaguing my mind for a while. Being born in the church, it was almost like my faith was handed to me on a silver platter. I did not physically go through the struggle of discovering the true church and our God and felt like I had just been living by what the church told me. Many times I had mentioned to friends outside of church how I wish we could have an instruction manual so that it would be less painful and confusing to go through every new phase in life and little did I know, I had access to it all along. I didn't know it at the time because it had just been a responsibility, an obligation to follow it. I didn't feel compelled to commit a heinous sin simply because I was raised to not do so and not because I loved my faith. In general terms, I lived by the justification of the law. Not like they did in the Bible, following the Mosaic laws of course, but just more modern ones (ex: don't steal, don't commit adultery, keep the Sabbath, don't eat food offered to idols, don't worship idols, etc.). Now I realize this isn't enough. This isn't truly believing in God. As stated from afternoon prayer, if we love something, we will automatically be thinking about it all the time, so learning to love myself, others, and God will be my next step for my faith. From the 1 John class, I thank God that I was really able to apply the lessons to my life and learned quite a bit. Though I have actually heard most of the teachings before in sermons, RE classes, and previous SSCs, they actually were much clearer this time around. It somehow never occurred to me to apply the inverse of some teachings although it is incredibly simple and obvious such as 1 John 1:5 - if we are not in the light we are in the dark and 1 John 1:8- we are lying to both God and ourselves if we cover up our sins (not to say denying them, that's another issue), but not fully admitting and repenting of them. Last but not least, the many special topic classes by the various brothers and sisters were very helpful and clarifying, and are very applicable to life in this day and age. I often struggle with finding the right words or which emotions I should show to certain people and am pretty bad at social interactions but I know some kindness and love can go a long way. All in all, aside from the glaring physical differences, this SSC will be unforgettable. I'm so thankful we got to maintain the same groups, even though I've been in Lydia's group so many times I'm still just as excited to talk and learn from her as I was the first time we met. As for my fellow groupmates, I've known most of them for a while and feel blessed to have been in the same group as them, learning and relating with them. I thank

God so much for this experience and feel much more inspired to be a better Christian and live a more loving, godly life. Although it may take me some time to change into the devoted Christian I strive to be, I have convicted myself to hold fast and not lose my faith no matter what I may encounter next. May all the glory, honor, and praise be unto His holy name, Amen

Aryana Chou

In the name of Lord Jesus Christ I reflect. During the pandemic, I started to drift farther away from God. I drifted away from God because I would sometimes think about the book I was reading or something I have to do later instead of concentrating when praying and reading the bible. When it was time for WSSC, I made a small effort to concentrate more, but I wasn't able to. My mind just kept drifting away to random topics. On the first day of WSSC, I asked God to help me concentrate more in my prayers. At first, I still found it hard for me to fully concentrate on my prayers. As the days passed, however, it became easier for me to focus and have a great prayer. One thing that helped me focus was praying for others. Another thing that helped me was the classes. I especially liked the class "Loving Your Neighbor" because as Sis. Jessica said: in order to love others we need to love ourselves first. So because I love myself, I will read fewer books and concentrate more when praying to God. I will continue to ask God to help me and strengthen me. May all the glory and honor be unto His name. Amen.

Evelyn Wang

In the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ I reflect on the past week. First, thank God that we were able to attend SSC during this time of pandemic. During the many months in quarantine, my faith had become complacent and I somewhat gave up pursuing a closer relationship with God. I was satisfied with praying a little every day and reading a chapter every few days. Coming into this SSC, my goals were to be filled with God's love and be able to show that love towards my family and the people around me. Through all the classes, discussions, and prayers, I found my desire to abide in the Lord and to let Christ live my life. I learned what it means to love myself, to love my neighbors, to love God, and to trust in His unconditional love when it comes to my own relationships. Because only with the love given from God can we genuinely love others. In my prayers, I started to feel God being patiently attentive even if my mind wandered a lot. Thank God that in these few short days, I was touched to see my group members grow in their faith and to see God's wisdom in them when they shared and encouraged each other. May all the glory and praise be unto His holy Name. Amen.

Nathanael Chiang

In the name of Lord Jesus Christ I reflect on this past winter SSC. This SSC was very unique since everything was online and it was a very different experience than the usual SSC. My goal of this SSC was to receive the Holy Spirit and to increase my Bible knowledge so I could be prepared to face the challenges in life. This SSC focused on 1 John and Galatians and I learned a lot from both books and was able to reinforce my knowledge of the 10 basic beliefs. I learned of the heresies in the Galatian churches and that I need to know the Bible really well so I can distinguish the truth from the false teachings in this world. From Galatians, I learned that God told us that there are certain laws that we don't have to keep anymore such as keeping festivals and worrying about unclean and clean food. Even though the environment is different than a SSC at church, I was still able to concentrate in class and prayer and I was able to learn a lot of new knowledge such as the Galatian churches that I didn't know much about before. May all the glory and praise be unto His holy name.