

MEETINGS AT UB EVENT HALL RESCHEDULED FOR FEBRUARY 8-12

The public meetings for non-Christians planned for February 1-5, will take place a week later, February 8-12. This is because Dr. Ron Clouzet had to postpone it due to a major family emergency in the US. Although these are not the best dates due to the upcoming Lunar New Year, we believe the Lord will abundantly bless the meetings as long as we continue preparing for them and praying to God.

These meetings will be an excellent opportunity to invite our non-Christian friends, relatives, and co-workers, to test our training for the main March meetings, and to get excited about what God is doing for the lost. The first meeting will review the life of Genghis Khan and his understanding of God, the second will be about suffering and evil, and the following meetings will deal with relevant issues that will introduce non-Christians to the concept of the God of the Bible. Neither our people nor our non-member friends have ever heard these type of messages before. Don't miss them, and don't miss the chance to invite others!

This is also the time for much prayer. The enemy is not going to sleep while the Holy Spirit works. "Let us not sleep, as others do, but let us be alert and sober.... For God has not destined us for wrath, but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ" (1 Thess. 5:6, 9). ■



TRAINING FOR HELPERS SET FOR FEBRUARY 7

Since the February and March meetings will be the ones to invite non-members, it is very important to know what to do. There will be a critical **training on Wednesday, February 7**, planned at the UB Event Hall. Your pastor will tell you the time. If, for some reason, the hall is not available, the training will be at the UB Central Church.

Please, see below who and how many people from each church need to be there:

| Church | Row Hosts | Registration | Greeters | Resources | Ushers | Refreshments |
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| UB Central | 10 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 2 |
| All Others | 2 from each | 2 from each | 2 from each | | 2 from each | 1 from each |

Others needed are media and music people. Please, plan to come to know what to do. Thank you.

SUGGESTIONS FOR 40 DAYS OF PRAYER

Some churches began their 40 Days of Prayer as planned, on Sabbath January 20. Here are more practical suggestions on how to conduct a successful 40 Days of Prayer.

The most important thing about the 40 Days of Prayer is for members to pray together every day. The second most important thing is to pray for specific people, claiming by faith Bible promises for them. A handout with further instructions was sent to be translated and should be available shortly. In the meantime, what follows are some suggestions about how a church can experience 40 days of prayer.

Suggestion # 1 — Meet in the Church or in a Home

Take some time to get organized during Sabbath morning, when everyone is there. Decide who will meet for prayer in the church and who will meet in someone's specific home. Make sure you have as many people in the church participating, but there should be at least three people from different families praying together. Decide the times for prayer for each day. Choose a leader and an assistant leader for each group.

Don't worry if some cannot meet some days. As long as two or three can meet together, the Lord's presence will be with them (Matt 18:20). When you get together, you may choose to read or repeat some Bible promises before praying. When you pray, make sure you pray for specific names: a) non-members attending church, b) family members or friends who don't know God, or c) Bible study interests. This is very important, as it is meeting every day without fail. God will bless.

Suggestion # 2 — Use Dennis Smith's Materials

Go to Amazon.com and check out Dennis Smith's 40 Days books. He has written seven or eight books focusing on different aspects for those 40 days, like the second coming, spiritual revival, the cross, or last-day events. If none of the books are translated into Mongolian but someone in the church has a copy in English, have someone who can read English read the daily readings to the rest of the group.

Suggestion # 3 — Agree On a Conference Call

Maybe it is very difficult to get together for prayer every day, especially

for those without transportation. If that is the case, agree to pray on the phone with one another. Perhaps it is possible to secure a phone number for conference calls during the 40 days. In that case, the pastor should be the leader, and maybe one or two others should become the assistants.

On Sabbath, agree on the time when everyone is supposed to call in that number. Members will call every day at that time, to pray with each other for specific people and situations for God to intercede.

Suggestion # 4 — Read Acts of the Apostles

The New Testament Book of Acts has 28 chapters. Read the first 20 chapters on the first 20 days, and then read them *again* on the last 20 days. Let each daily chapter influence the way the church will pray that day. For example, if you read Acts 12, pray for a) people you know who are imprisoned by habits or lies, pray for b) the church to become a more praying church, pray for c) God to deliver people away from Satan, and pray for d) God to frustrate the work of the enemy in the lives of non-believers. ■

WHICH GOD?

Genghis Khan is the Father of the Mongols. 800 years ago, he united many tribes and consolidated power among the Mongols. He was a brilliant military leader, and gave the world much of what is good: individual responsibility and sovereignty, the rule of law, freedom of religion, rank based on merit, and much more.

The memory of Genghis Khan is revered by many in Mongolia, and some consider him the equivalent of a god. But was he God? He practiced shamanism, praying to the Eternal Blue Sky. He did what he could based on what was available to him. But today, we have much more. Today, we have the precious Word of God which actually tells us who God is, what He is like, and how He relates to us human beings.

It is this God we will get to know during the March meetings. Please, pray for the people you can invite to the meetings at your church. And then, gather the courage to invite them. If they say No at first, come back again two days later, and invite them again. Pray and persist. You'll be surprised. Tell them these meetings will be like no other they've ever attended before. Tell them they will meet someone even bigger than the great Genghis Khan. Tell them they will get to know the real God of Heaven. ■