Week of June 5

The Increase of Christ

The word of God is still growing and being multiplied for the increase of Christ: Acts 6:7, "The word of God grew, and the number of the disciples in Jerusalem multiplied greatly." Acts 12:24, "The word of God grew and multiplied."

Acts 19:20, "The word of the Lord grew mightily and prevailed."

Grew indicates that the word of God is a matter of life that grows as a seed sown into man's heart for the increase of Christ, the growth of God, within us. *Multiplied* refers to the increase of Christ in numbers; the multiplication of the number of disciples depends on the growth of the word. New disciples are "added to the Lord" (Acts 5:14) to become the parts of Christ, the members of Christ. (msg 1, II.A-C)

Lord, grow in us! Lord, multiply Your number among us! Lord, increase!

Oxnard and Camarillo

Oxnard and Camarillo are cities in Ventura County. Cal State Channel Islands is in Camarillo and there is a community college in Oxnard. Many Christians there left the Catholic church looking for something real. Many, especially the young generation, have joined Pentecostal churches. But they know they need more and are looking for the true meaning of human life. They need the proper truth.

Six families and five single saints in the church life at Thousand Oaks live in Oxnard or Camarillo. Please petition the Lord to raise up lampstands in these two cities.

Europe

The recent happenings in Germany and other countries have caused an awakening in the people of Europe. Things are not as they once were. This unsettling time in Europe has caused a new openness among the Europeans.

The great and urgent need in Europe is for many, many saints—students, couples, families, even some mature saints of retirement age—to emigrate for the Lord's interest. More homes near the European campuses are needed to reach the students, and more students are needed to reach their fellow students. More aspects of the burden for Europe, including new building projects in the UK, are in a two-page report distributed at the Memorial Day Conference, posted at <u>www.churchinlosangeles.org/prayer</u>.

Please pray for the Lord to meet these needs and to raise up many churches throughout Europe.

Gospel Trips to Germany

The sixth follow-up trip ends this Saturday. The seventh trip begins Lord's Day, June 19. Please pray:

- for one accord through blending prayer and fellowship that commands the Lord's blessing;
- for translators to be raised up and perfected to be channels of life to the refugees;
- that our own saints who can translate will come to Germany either by visitation or migration;
- for meeting halls in Berlin and Düsseldorf in the best location and adequate to meet the ongoing need;
- that the Lord will continue to bless the Bible distributions and bring in remaining fruit.

Germany

Please pray that many landlords in Germany will be willing to open their apartments to migrants. The atmosphere of most camps is not favorable to our new Christians who live there with a Muslim majority. They have suffered persecution and even the children inside the camps are affected by violent behaviors. This housing issue is critical to the success of our continuous gospel work in the camps. The sooner they find apartments near the saints, the sooner they can be integrated into the church life with minimum negative impact. Then their new apartments can also be open for many more new ones to join us.

Australia and Tasmania

The National Serving Ones' Training in Melbourne will take place from June 10 to 13. Please pray for the saints to be perfected in their service for the building of the church. Also pray for the burden of migration to Hobart, Tasmania, that at least 3 young families would respond to this burden for the spreading and strengthening of the Lord's testimony in Tasmania.

Announcements

- 1. **Morning revival**: Week 33 in *Crystallization-Study of Exodus*, vol. 6. June 13 to 18, week 34; June 20 to 25, week 35; June 27 to July 2, week 36
- 2. The **2016 Summer Training** will be July 4–9 in Anaheim. Registration for video (\$80) and late registration for Anaheim (\$205) are open until June 14.
- 3. The **L.A. Summer School of Truth** will be on the Two Spirits; the dates are July 22 to 30. Schedule and registration are at <u>http://www.churchinlosangeles.org/ssot/</u>.
- 4. The European YP Conference will be July 29 to August 4 in Poland; <u>https://ypconference.eu</u>.
- 5. The Lord's move in Germany: Reports are on a public Facebook page Germany Update <u>facebook.com/germanyupdate</u>. Information about follow-up gospel trips is at <u>http://germany2016.amanatrust.org.uk</u>. Giving for the Gospel Work in Europe instructions are at <u>www.lordsmove.org/information.html</u>.