# Week of October 9

## Church in Los Angeles

"But to Him who is able to do superabundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power which operates in us, to Him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus unto all the generations forever and ever. Amen." (Eph. 3:20-21)

"The church is a group of people who allow God to be mingled with them and who are mingled with God. This was the situation with the early apostles. They were truly Galileans, but they were also truly one with the God of heaven; they had the appearance of Galileans, but they also had the expression of the God of heaven... A glorious and great God was now mingled with common people, shining forth and being expressed through them." (WL, *The Church as the Body of Christ*, pp. 46-47)

The whole church will meet together at 10 am this Lord's Day, October 16 at LA Trade Tech College. Please pray for a strong and healthy attendance of all the saints in Los Angeles. Pray for a rich time of blending among all the saints—across all the languages, ages, districts, and halls—for the Lord to gain His shining testimony and expression in Los Angeles.

#### **ITERO**

The International Training for Elders and Responsible Ones concluded this past weekend in Australia with a blending meeting on the Lord's Day. The subject of the training was "Returning to the Orthodoxy of the Church." Many saints are now participating in blending trips in the region. Please pray for the digestion of the messages and for all the saints traveling and blending.

## Winter Training Registration

The winter training is a time for us to receive the Lord's fresh speaking. Ask the Lord to release more saints from the affairs of human life to participate in this training in Anaheim or in the webcasts in LA. Ask the Lord to stir our hearts to pursue Him actively. "For it is God who operates in you both the willing and the working for His good pleasure" (Phil. 2:13). (See Announcements for registration details.)

#### Frankfurt, Germany

The new university semester here officially begins on October 17. For the next few weeks the gospel team is spending more time on the campus to contact students. We are planning four barbecues as a way to contact new ones and gain them for the church life. We are burdened to gain the German students and pray that many would become pillars of the Lord's testimony in Germany.

We have had a new meeting hall for the past month. Last Saturday, we held an open house to meet neighbors whom we had invited by going door-to-door and with whom we had many positive conversations. We pray that we would first of all have a proper testimony to our neighbors as we assemble at the hall throughout the week, and also that many would be gained for the church life. We appreciate your remembering these matters in your prayers.

### Ethiopia

Over the past several weeks there have been some skirmishes in the country and the government has tried to keep the peace. Unfortunately, the clashes between government forces and some of the people keep escalating in most parts of the country and around Addis Ababa. There are some legitimate requests by the people, which the government admits need to be addressed, yet the rioting and violent protests continue. Many people have been killed and the situation does not seem to be calming down. Movement within the country has become unsafe, and the government has just declared a state of emergency.

We feel that Satan is behind all of this unrest and is working to frustrate the Lord's move in Ethiopia. We do believe that the Lord is working behind the scenes to arrange a suitable environment to further His move to all the parts of the country. We know the Lord is the glorious God-man enthroned to direct the world situation. We worship the Lord and look to Him to preserve all the saints here. We need the prayer of the Body and the fellowship of the Body.

#### Harare, Zimbabwe

A country with 13 million people, Zimbabwe shares a border with South Africa. Over 80% of the population identifies as Christian, the vast majority being Protestant. The largest city is the nation's capital, Harare, with a population of nearly 1.5 million people.

The saints in Zimbabwe will have their first Lord's table on October 16 in Harare. A good number of saints from South Africa are planning to attend to support this time. Please stand with the saints by praying that the church in Harare will have a new and strong start.

#### Announcements

- 1. Morning revival: Crystallization-Study of Exodus, vol. 8, week 44.
- 2. **Junior High Conferences** will be held October 22–23 in Fullerton (brothers) and Diamond Bar (sisters). Registration deadline is October 16.
- 3. **High School Conferences** will be held October 29–30 in Irvine (brothers) and Anaheim (sisters). Registration deadline is also October 16.
- 4. **The 2016 Winter Training** will be December 26–31 in Anaheim (live) and Los Angeles (simulcasts). Registration deadline is October 30. For saints in LA, go to <a href="http://tinyurl.com/wintertrainingla">http://tinyurl.com/wintertrainingla</a>.
- 5. **The International Thanksgiving Conference** will be in San Jose, CA from November 24–27. Details, including hotel group rates, are posted at <a href="http://www.churchinlosangeles.org/prayer/">http://www.churchinlosangeles.org/prayer/</a>.
- 6. **The Lord's Move in Europe**: Information about serving in Germany this fall is at <a href="http://germany2016.amanatrust.org.uk">http://germany2016.amanatrust.org.uk</a>. Giving for the Gospel Work in Europe instructions are at <a href="http://germany2016.amanatrust.org.uk">www.lordsmove.org/information.html</a>. Giving for the UK Building Fund instructions are at <a href="http://www.lordsmove.org/ukbuildingfund">www.lordsmove.org/ukbuildingfund</a> or you may give to the church in LA, designated for UK Building Fund.