# Week of December 10 The Riches of Christ

"To me...was this grace given to announce to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ as the gospel...in order that now...the multifarious wisdom of God might be made known through the church." "Holding the Head, out from whom all the Body, being richly supplied and knit together...grows with the growth of God." (Eph. 3:8, 10; Col. 2:19)

When God's chosen people partake of and enjoy the riches of Christ, they are constituted with those riches to be the church, God's habitation and kingdom on earth, through which God's multifarious wisdom is made known; hence, the church is the wise exhibition of all that Christ is. (*Crystallization-Study of Ezekiel*, week 23, I.A, I.E)

## The Shaking of Southern California

"For thus says Jehovah of hosts, Yet once more—it is but a little while—I will shake the heavens and the earth and the sea and the dry land" (Hag. 2:6).

There were many brush fires, large and small, in Southern California in the past week, with the consequences of actual and potential evacuations, highway and school closures, poor air quality, power outages, and destroyed buildings. May this "shaking" open more people to receive the gospel and stir us to speak the gospel in more places at more times.

## **Chinese-Speaking Gospel Meeting**

On Saturday, December 16 there will be a Southern California Chinese-Speaking gospel meeting in Arcadia.

#### **FTTA-MA** Graduation

The graduation of the Middle-Age FTTA will be this Saturday, December 16. Pray that each of the 35 graduates will be headed up by the Head for their future church life and service.

Pray also that the Lord will bring at least 40 new trainees, especially many from North America, to the spring term, which starts in March.

### North America

In January and February, trainees from FTTA will join local saints in 16 cities in the U.S. and 6 in Canada to preach the gospel and minister Christ to people for the Lord's spread in North America.

Please pray for the many preparations still to be made, including team formation, travel arrangements, coordination with local saints, and the securing of venues for distributing free Bibles and books.

#### Germany

In October almost 500 saints participated in Bible distributions in over 60 cities and on more than 50 university campuses. Some of these cities and universities have had very positive responses and there are still hundreds of recipients wanting contact.

The cities with potential for raising up of churches in 2018 are shown on the following map. Among these, only Berlin, Düsseldorf, Frankfurt, and Stuttgart currently have churches. Small numbers of saints are in many of the other cities. Please ask the Lord to supply sufficient saints for each city, including those who know the German language and some who have experience in a solid church life.

# UK Building Project (London)

There is an urgent need to construct facilities in London for the training of the saints in Europe in the truth and the practice of the church life. For information regarding this burden, see UK Building Project at https://amanatrust.org.uk. Instructions for giving can be found at www.lordsmove.org/ukbuildingfund/ or give to the church in L.A. In either case, designate offerings for "UK Building Project."

#### Announcements

- 1. **Morning revival**: Week 23 in *Crystallization-Study of Ezekiel*, vol. 4. After the winter training we will use *Material Offerings and the Lord's Move Today*; if you do not have a copy, please order one.
- 2. The International Chinese-Speaking Conference will be February 16 to 18 in Taipei. Those who wish to attend must register and pay \$100 for the conference, which includes hospitality if you need it; organized church visitations trips are also available at an additional cost of \$150. Saints from Los Angeles must register by Lord's Day, December 17 at http://tinyurl.com/ICSC2018LA and give their payment (cash or check only, designated "2018 ICSC") to their district's registration coordinator. Contact Lampstand Lee <lampstandlee@yahoo.com> 310-210-5699 for encouragement and guidance to participate.
- 3. The **Winter Training** will be December 25 to 30 in Anaheim and by local webcasts in Los Angeles. Late registrations for the webcasts (\$130) may still be submitted until December 19. Sign up at <u>tinyurl.com/wintertrainingla</u> and give payment to your district's registration coordinator.
- 4. The **Southern California Spanish-Speaking Conference** will be January 12 to 14, in Anaheim. Messages will be given in English with simultaneous translation into Spanish. At the same time, a **Southern California Young People's Blending Conference** will take place in the MCC's cafeteria. Full details are posted at <u>www.churchinlosangeles.org/prayer</u>.
- 5. Information about Germany and Europe:
  - Information for students to study in German universities: <u>tinyurl.com/studentsforgermany</u>
  - Audio (four languages) sharing at Special Conf.: <u>lordsmove.org/oldsite/reportspecial2017.html</u> and graphics shown then: <u>lordsmove.org/oldsite/pdfs/GermanyUpdate2017PowerPoint.pdf</u>
  - October in Germany and other parts of Europe: <u>https://www.amanatrust.org.uk/reports</u>

• October Bible distribution report: http://www.churchinlosangeles.org/wp-content/uploads/ 2017/11/Bible-Distribution-report.pdf

- Gifts for UK Building Fund or Gospel in Europe, universities: <u>lordsmove.org/information.html</u>
- Events in Europe, 2018: https://www.amanatrust.org.uk/events/conf2018/
- 7 min. video, October in Eastern Europe: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rBN9qAbR51w</u>
  75 min. video, Lord's Move to Europe, Thanksg, Conf.: <u>www.lsmwebcast.com</u> (requires account)



There are churches in Berlin, Düsseldorf, Frankfurt, and Stuttgart. The other cities have good potential for raising up churches in 2018.



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