Week of December 3

Being Measured by the Lord

"When the man went out to the east with the line in His hand, He measured a thousand cubits; and He led me through the water, water that was to the ankles. Then He measured a thousand cubits and led me through the water, water that was to the knees. Then He measured a thousand cubits and led me through the water, water that was to the loins. Then He measured a thousand cubits, and it was a river that I could not pass through; for the water had risen, enough water to swim in, a river that could not be crossed." (Ezek. 47:3-5)

"He who believes into Me, as the Scripture said, out of his innermost being shall flow rivers of living water." (John 7:38)

The main point for us in Ezekiel 47 is that we all need to be willing to be measured. There is no need for us to struggle, to strive, or to exercise our effort to do anything. The only need is... to be willing to be measured again and again and again. We need to tell the Lord, "Lord, I am willing to be measured." Then the flow will eventually become a river. If the saints in a local church are willing to be measured again and again and again, four times to one hundred percent, there will be a river to water the parched desert, to heal the dead sea, to grow the trees and produce the fish, and to produce the kids and the calves. What we need is to be measured for the Lord's move. We need to be tested, examined, taken over, and possessed by the Lord. (*CWWL*, 1969, vol. 2, "The Crucial Revelation of Life in the Scriptures," pp. 436-437)

Oak Glen

The Southern California churches took possession of Oak Glen at the end of 2015. After the down payment, the plan was to pay the remaining balance of the purchase price by the end of 2017. Later, this was extended to the end of 2018 to reduce the size of the payments. As of late November, contributions are about \$900,000 short of the planned December 31 payment.

"We make known to you, brothers, the grace of God which has been given in the churches of Macedonia, that in much proving of affliction the abundance of their joy and the depth of their poverty abounded unto the riches of their liberality" (2 Cor. 8:1b-2). Lord, grant us the same grace experienced in Macedonia!

Gospel in El Monte

The church in El Monte has prayed two months for local gospel outreach. This week they begin doorknocking. They will go out in teams of three saints—one English-speaking, one Spanish-speaking, and one Chinese-speaking. Lord, bear remaining fruit in El Monte!

Winter Training

The upcoming winter training will cover the first seven chapters of Leviticus. Those who wish to prepare for this time may find it helpful to read messages 1 to 27 of the *Life-study of Leviticus*.

Lyon, France

In our last report, we thanked the Lord for keeping the door open for our Bible study on the campus of La Doua. The Lord is now adding new contacts to our meetings. For the past few weeks, seven new contacts came—all Christians who are seeking. One French brother had seen our poster last year and taken a photo of it with the intention to join; however, he was not available until this month. He is now willing to represent us to keep the club going. How marvelous that the Lord has prepared this one! Please pray for Lord's advance on this campus and for bringing local saints into the church life.

FTTL Graduation

This Saturday, December 9 will be the graduation meeting for the Full-Time Training in London at Bower House. Please pray that the Lord would bless the 13 graduating trainees in their future life and service, that they may continue to be living and functioning members in the Body. At the same time, pray for the Lord to bring many new trainees from across Europe for next term.

India

The September to November newsletter of the churches in India is at <u>www.churchinlosangeles.org/</u> <u>prayer</u>. The churches ask that we pray for:

- their strengthening through the ministry, the experience of life, and establishing of the practice of the God-ordained way;
- spreading into more cities in India, especially in the heavily populated northern part;
- propagation among the college campuses;
- perfecting of the 44 trainees in the FTT New Delhi to be the useful vessels for the Lord.

Ethiopia

From December 8 to 10 there will be a Winter Conference in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

Asia

The 2017 Lord's Move in Asia Conference was held in South Korea, October 24 to 26, with the general subject, "The Building Up of the Body of Christ with its Organic Practice." Saints from 23 countries participated in this glorious gathering. A report from the conference is at: <u>http://lmasia.org/temp/wp-content/uploads/2017/01/E-2017-11.pdf</u> (English) <u>http://lmasia.org/temp/wp-content/uploads/2017/01/Asia-2017-11.pdf</u> (Chinese)

Announcements

- 1. **Morning revival**: Week 22 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, 2018 at the MCC 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>.