Week of September 30

God's Fire Energizes Us to Serve Him

"The Angel of Jehovah appeared to him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a thornbush. And when he looked, there was the thornbush, burning with fire; but the thornbush was not consumed." (Exo. 3:2)

"Fire shall be kept burning on the altar continually; it shall not go out." (Lev. 6:13)

"I have come to cast fire on the earth, and how I wish that it were already kindled!" (Luke 12:49)

"Do not be slothful in zeal, but be burning in spirit, serving the Lord." (Rom. 12:11)

Our service must come out of the burning of God's fire. This fire should be the energy, the driving force, the impulse, within us; if we have this fire, our service will be out of God, not out of ourselves. This fire burns on those who love God, who offer themselves to God, who are willing to forsake everything for God, and who are willing to place themselves in His hands in order to be broken.

(Crystallization-Study of Leviticus, msg. 14, II.B, II.C.1,3)

International Training for Elders and Responsible Ones

The International Training for Elders and Responsible Ones (ITERO) will take place from October 4 to 6 in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. There will be a Lord's Table and blending meeting for everyone Lord's Day, October 7 in Addis Ababa. Many saints will participate in blending trips before and after. Please pray for all the brothers traveling, for the Lord's rich and up-to-date speaking, for the blending of all the saints, and for this time to bring forth a strong advance among all the churches in Africa.

L.A. Joint Meeting

The whole church in L.A. will meet together on Lord's Day, October 14, 9:30 am to noon at L.A. Trade Tech College. For the sake of the Lord's testimony in this city, let us encourage and help one another to attend. Lord, blend us all together and grant each one a little more perfecting for the ministry to build up Your Body.

BfA Bible Distribution at L.A. Korean Festival

Korean- and Spanish-speaking saints in L.A. will volunteer at a BfA booth October 4 to 7 during annual L.A. Korean Festival. It attracts more than 350,000 visitors as the largest Korean-American cultural event in North America. More than 3,000 Korean, English, and Spanish Recovery Version New Testaments with ministry literature have been distributed since 2012. Please pray for:

1. This gospel service to be a continuous overflow of rich enjoyment of the Lord by all volunteers in coordination.

2. The Lord to grant a clear sky during this time, to prepare genuine seeking ones to be in contact with us, and to encourage us all by positive feedback from the previous recipients.

3. The follow up Recovery Version Bible Seminar on October 20 to be a useful gateway for further contact and fellowship with seeking Bible recipients and our other gospel friends.

Bibles for America

Please pray for the Lord to revive His work in the United States, and particularly to spread in the middle of this country. Pray that He would add many more to the churches and usher in years of revival. May the gospel of the jubilee be announced throughout this region, especially through the giving away of Bibles and ministry books. Please pray that these Bibles and books would reach the hungry ones who are seeking God and longing to know the truth.

Germany

In September there was a meeting of responsible brothers in Germany. With so many fresh places and new situations in Germany, there is a tremendous opportunity to build up churches according to the Godordained way and vital groups. Please pray that this burden will have a sufficient penetration in the responsible brothers that they can become a pattern for all the saints to afford the Lord a way to work out the God-ordained way and the vital groups to His satisfaction.

In most universities, October is the time to contact new students. Ask the Lord to bring many open students to contact the saints on campus and then to be brought into homes.

Brazil

Brazil is the largest and most populous country in South America, and the fifth most populous in the world. The Lord's recovery is present many places. Elections will be held October 7 (first round) and 28 (runoff) to elect the President, Vice President, the National Congress, and state governors and legislators.

Ephesians 1:22: God "subjected all things under [Christ's] feet and gave Him to be Head over all things to the church." Lord, we are one with You to head up this election for Your advance and spread in all of South America.

Announcements

- 1. Morning revival: week 14 of Crystallization-Study of Leviticus, Vol. 3.
- 2. Joint LA Meeting: The whole church in LA will meet together on Lord's Day, October 14, 9:30 am to noon at LA Trade Tech College.
- 3. The **Thanksgiving Conference** will be in Charlotte, North Carolina from November 22 to 25. Saints from L.A. who plan to attend are asked to RSVP by October 31. Childcare registration required. Information is at <u>www.churchinlosangeles.org/prayer</u>.
- 4. This year's **Iberian Peninsula Conference** will be held in Málaga, Spain from December 14 to 16. All saints are invited. Register by October 1 at <u>www.amanatrust.org.uk/calendar/iberian-peninsula</u>.
- 5. Information on Germany and Europe, see the right side of <u>www.churchinlosangeles.org/prayer</u>.