Week of October 20

The first item below is composed from the speaking in the joint meeting of the church in LA. Let's pray ourselves into this burden. You may listen to the fellowship (in English) at <u>tinyurl.com/godlyfamily</u>.

LA Joint Meeting Overflow – The Godly Family

"By faith Noah, having been divinely instructed concerning things not yet seen and being moved by pious fear, prepared an ark for the salvation of his house, through which he condemned the world, and became heir of the righteousness which is according to faith." (Heb. 11:7)

"For the grace of God, bringing salvation to all men, has appeared, training us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly and righteously and godly in the present age, awaiting the blessed hope, even the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ, who gave Himself for us that He might redeem us from all lawlessness and purify to Himself a particular people as His unique possession, zealous of good works." (Titus 2:11-14)

Noah brought salvation to his whole family by living a godly life in the midst of an evil age. To live a godly life means to live a life that is of God, for God, in God, and like God. To live such a life requires us to make a decision—a deep resolution. We all need to make this resolution and declare it in prayer.

Noah was able to live in a godly manner because he found grace in the eyes of God (Gen. 6:8). Today, we can all come forward boldly to the throne of grace in our spirit to receive mercy and find grace for timely help (Heb. 4:16). Then, we must learn to hope in the appearing of the Lord Jesus rather than in anything of this world (Titus 2:13). In this way, we can live a godly life.

Moreover, this godly life is not primarily for us alone; rather, it is for our family and for God's family. We may obtain eternal life as individuals, but in many ways we gain practical, daily salvation by household. When we have this kind of godly life, we bring salvation to our entire household. This matter of the household is intrinsically and deeply related to working out God's economy. If we truly see this, it will have a revolutionary effect on our life and church life.

Noah lived in a wicked age, but by living a godly life, he saved his entire household and turned the age to enable God's purpose to be fulfilled. May we all make this resolution to live a godly life for our family and for God's family to fulfill His purpose!

"But as for me and my house, we will serve Jehovah." (Josh. 24:15b)

LA Chinese-Speaking Blending Retreat

This weekend, October 25 to 27, Chinese-speaking saints from LA will go to Oak Glen for their biannual blending retreat. Saints from Thousand Oaks and some other Southern California localities will also participate. So far there are close to 110 people registered, including children. Please pray:

1. For a good time of blending among the saints.

- 2. That all the saints would see the vision of the Lord's recovery and consecrate themselves for this.
- 3. That all would cultivate a daily living of eating Christ and flowing out Christ.

Bibles for America

In August, BfA started advertising free copies of the Spanish NT Recovery Version on Facebook. Since then, the number of online orders for Spanish Bibles has increased significantly. In July, we sent out 141 copies; in September, we mailed out 1,142 copies! We have received many encouraging comments.

Please pray that more Spanish-speaking people would see this ad on Facebook, order a free NT, and share this offer with their friends. Pray also that the Lord would cause those who have already received a copy to read it and grow spiritually by being nourished with the truth.

December Semiannual Training Registration

This Lord's Day, October 27 is the firm deadline to complete registrations for the December Semiannual Training (December 23 to 28) at <u>tinyurl.com/wintertrainingla</u>. This deadline applies to saints from LA who wish to attend the live sessions in Anaheim (\$205); those who plan to attend simulcast sessions in LA or Santa Clarita may register until December 3 (\$105). Late registrations will not be accepted. May the Lord motivate and release many saints to attend!

United Kingdom

Please continue to pray that the Lord will rule sovereignly over the exit of the UK from the European Union (Brexit). May the Lord rule over the situation for His interests and for the advancement of His move in Europe!

Hong Kong

For the past several months, there has been considerable unrest and turmoil in Hong Kong. In such times, the church needs even the more to fulfill the ministry of prayer (Eph. 6:17-18). May the Lord direct our hearts with the vision of His eternal economy so that our hearts would not be disturbed but rather be established, that we would consider one another so as to incite one another to love and good works, not abandoning our own assembling together (Heb. 10:24-25a), and that we would live in the church life together for the building up of the Body of Christ to accomplish God's economy.

India

India has a population of over 1.3 billion people. Of the 185 established local churches, 141 are in the south, 28 in the northeast, and 16 in the north. This means that approximately 75% of the churches are in the south; however, the majority of the Indian population lives in the northern regions.

Please pray for the propagation of the resurrected and ascended Christ in Northern India. This is a move of the entire Body, so the prayer of Body is needed. May the gospel of the kingdom be preached to the more than 800 million people in Northern India!

Myanmar

Pray for the release of the Burmese Holy Bible Recovery Version app on October 22 in Google Play Store which is available to all people in Myanmar for free. May the word of God overflow and gain more Burmese by this Bible app!

Announcements

- 1. Morning Revival: REPEAT Week 17 of Crystallization-Study of Numbers, vol. 3.
- 2. Audio of the October 20 Joint LA Meeting is available in English at tinyurl.com/godlyfamily.
- 3. **SAVE THE DATE!** On November 24, 3:00 to 4:30pm at Hall 5, there will be an important fellowship for serving ones and parents of children and young people to strengthen and upgrade our service.
- 4. **December Semiannual Training** is December 23 to 28. Registration is open until October 27 for the live sessions in Anaheim (\$205) and December 3 for webcasts in LA (\$105). *No late registrations*. Saints in LA are invited to register at <u>tinyurl.com/wintertrainingla</u> and follow the payment directions.
- 5. **The Thanksgiving Conference** will be in Houston, Texas from November 28 to December 1. Saints from LA who plan to attend are asked to RSVP by October 31. Childcare registration required. Information, including hotels, is at <u>www.churchinlosangeles.org/prayer</u>.
- 6. Reports on the Lord's Move in Germany, website in English: germanyreports.info.