Week of March 10

Dealing with Our Heart

"Keep your heart with all vigilance, for from it are the issues of life." (Prov. 4:23)

"For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks." (Matt. 12:34b)

"For the mind set on the flesh is death, but the mind set on the spirit is life and peace." (Rom. 8:6)

We need to see the subjective obstacles encountered by God's life in our heart. The first subjective problem is the problem of our mind. When our mind is set on the spirit, our outward actions are in agreement with our inner man, and there is no discrepancy between us and God. He and we are at peace, not at enmity. The result is that we feel peaceful within. The second subjective problem is the problem of our will. Both a strong will and a weak will to carry out the Lord's will are hindrances to God's life. A will that has been dealt with is both strong and pliable by being subdued and resurrected by the Lord. Having a will that can cooperate with God is a great matter. The third subjective problem is the problem of our emotion. We should love whatever God loves, like whatever God likes, and hate whatever God hates. Our emotion and His emotion should become one emotion.

We must deal with our heart in the light of the Lord's presence for the growth of the divine seed of life within us unto our maturity in life. The heart is the conglomerate of man's inward parts, man's chief representative, his acting agent. The heart is the entrance and exit of life, the "switch" of life. If the heart is not right, life in the spirit is hindered, and the law of life cannot work freely and without obstruction to reach every part of our being. Though life has great power, this great power is controlled by our small heart. (*The Enjoyment of Christ and Our Growth in Life unto Maturity*, msg. 3, IV, A, 3, B, 3, C, 2; I, E)

High School Sisters Conference

The Southern California High School Sisters Conference takes place this weekend, March 15 to 17, at Oak Glen. The topic this season is "The Good Land." Please pray:

- For the Lord to prepare the hearts of each high school sister this week.
- That each one would appreciate and experience inheriting the all-inclusive Christ as the good land.
- That companionships would be built through spending time together during the conference.

Also pray for the high school brothers returning from their conference last weekend, that they would enter into what they heard and also appreciate and experience the all-inclusive Christ as the good land this week in their daily life and in the church life.

High School Seniors

During the months of March and April, high school seniors find out which colleges have offered them admission. In the church in Los Angeles, we have 8 brothers and 10 sisters who are graduating from high school this year. Please pray:

- For all of our seniors in LA to be open to the Lord for His leading and to the Body for shepherding fellowship related to their college decision and future.
- For the Lord to place each senior in the best place and situation for them to grow in life and be useful to the Lord for His purpose.
- That the Lord would send open and seeking vessels from around the United States and the world to our college campuses in LA for us to contact and gain for His glory!

FTTA-MA

The spring term of the Middle-age Training in Anaheim begins next week on March 18. The goal of the training is to foster living, functioning, overcoming members of the Body of Christ for the fulfillment of God's eternal purpose!

Please pray for the Lord's covering and blessing of all the trainees, serving ones, and their families. Pray for the rich infusion of the truth into each trainee and for the Lord's maturing them through His moving within each one and His using the outward environment.

2024 Olympics Bible Distribution

There is still room for many more saints to participate in the Lord's move in France during the 2024 Summer Olympics. The quotas for the gospel teams during the Torch Relay from July 21 to 30 have now been filled, but there are still places on the four trips between July 31 and September 9.

Besides the burden for France, there is also a burden for the Lord's move in the neighboring country of Luxembourg. In fact, one town in central Luxembourg, Mertzig, will be targeted in all the distribution trips from late July to early September.

For this special move in the Lord's recovery, please pray:

- That the Lord will release the number of saints needed for the remainder of the gospel trips in August and September and the brothers required to lead these trips.
- For the formation of all the gospel trip teams.
- For the clear and timely communication between us and the civil authorities and favorable views from them
- That the Lord will encourage the saints in France, add to them, and raise up more lampstands—including in Luxembourg.

Updated information and an application form are at <u>www.amanatrust.org.uk/page/2024Paris</u>. Applications for each trip will close when capacity is reached.

Saints in LA who are burdened to give for the Bible distribution and other associated expenses can do so through the Church in Los Angeles designated for "PARIS OLYMPICS."

Germany – Stuttgart

Pray that following the resubmission of the architect's application, the city will approve the request for the renovation of the meeting hall in Stuttgart without delay so that the saints can begin this renovation as soon as possible.

Azerbaijan

Pray for the saints' enjoyment of the Lord to be preserved through morning revival, reading the Life-studies, and attending meetings to gain life and light, be constituted with the truth, and grow in life.

Announcements

- 1. **Morning Revival:** Week 3 of *The Enjoyment of Christ and Our Growth in Life unto Maturity*.
- 2. **Wednesday Night Ministry Meeting:** The ministry meeting on "The Crucial Points of the Truth in Paul's Epistles—2 Corinthians" continues this Wednesday at 7:25 pm.
- 3. **Junior High Conferences:** At Oak Glen for brothers, March 29 to 31 (registration due March 17); for sisters, April 5 to 7 (registration due March 31).
- 4. **Memorial Day Conference:** The 2024 International Memorial Day Blending Conference will be held in Bellevue, WA at the Hyatt Regency Bellevue Hotel from May 24 to 27. Saints in LA who are considering attending in person are asked to RSVP by April 30 at tinyurl.com/memdayla. More information, including recommended hotels at discounted rates, is available at that site.
- 5. **Free e-Booklets**: Living Stream Ministry offers <u>free e-booklets</u> to read and share. The latest release is "<u>Magnifying Christ by Living Him</u>" at <u>www.lsm.org/life-study-philippians</u>.
- 6. **LSM Newsletter**: The February 2024 issue of Living Stream Ministry's digital newsletter features encouraging <u>FTTA Gospel Trip Testimonies</u>. Go to <u>lsm.org/daily</u>.
- 7. **Living to Him** has a podcast series particularly helpful to working saints, available on all major podcasting services at <u>livingtohim.com/the-living-to-him-podcast</u>.
- 8. **Bibles for America**'s most recent blog post is available to read and share at blog.bfa.org.
- 9. **Ways to Give**: Information about the church's online giving platform, Subsplash, and where to mail checks, are at www.churchinlosangeles.org/members/offerings.