

Week of July 27

Joined to Christ as Our New Husband

“For the married woman is bound by the law to her husband while he is living; but if the husband dies, she is discharged from the law regarding the husband. So then if, while the husband is living, she is joined to another man, she will be called an adulteress; but if the husband dies, she is free from the law, so that she is not an adulteress, though she is joined to another man. So then, my brothers, you also have been made dead to the law through the body of Christ so that you might be joined to another, to Him who has been raised from the dead.” (Rom. 7:2-4a)

[Romans 7:2-4a] shows two husbands. The first husband, the old husband, is the old man mentioned in 6:6, who has been crucified with Christ. The second husband, the new husband, mentioned in 7:2-4, is Christ. Since our old man, who was the old husband, has been crucified with Christ, we are freed from his law and are joined to the new Husband, Christ, the ever-living One.

This joining indicates that in our new status as a wife, we have an organic union in person, name, life, and existence with Christ in His resurrection. Now we are married to Christ, our new Husband. Since Christ is our Husband, we must depend on Him and take Him as our Head. To take Christ as our Husband means to terminate all that we are, have, and do and trust in Him for everything. No longer should we live by ourselves but by Christ. We must let Christ live for us. (*Chapters 5 through 8 of Romans—the Kernel of the Bible*, msg. 4, II.A, 1-2, B; III.A, B, 1, 3)

Experiencing, Enjoying, and Expressing Christ

“And we know that the Son of God has come and has given us an understanding that we might know Him who is true; and we are in Him who is true, in His Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God and eternal life.” (1 John 5:20)

We need to know that the Son of God has come and has given us an understanding that we might know Him who is true and know that we are in Him who is true, in Jesus Christ, the Son of God; this is the true God and eternal life. (June 2025 Semiannual Training, Key Statement 4)

Please continue to intercede for the prayerful response of all the saints to the Lord’s speaking in the recent semiannual training. Pray for all the saints in the churches to spend the time praying over the word, allowing it to have a thoroughfare in their being so that it becomes their constitution. Pray for the saints to pray desperately for their growth in life unto maturity in this age so that the bride could be prepared. May we all redeem the time advance in our experience and enjoyment of Christ for the expression of Christ for the fulfillment of God’s economy!

UCLA Orientations

This summer, UCLA is hosting 12 orientation sessions for incoming freshmen. During these two-day sessions, students pick classes and get acquainted with campus life. A big component is a club fair on the first day of orientation, where students can sign up for various clubs that appeal to their interests. Three of these orientation sessions have already occurred and there will be nine more throughout the summer.

Our club will have a table at most of these orientations in order to meet and connect with new students. Over the years, these orientations have been very fruitful for our labor at UCLA. Please pray:

- For the Spirit to brood over the incoming freshmen to open them to the Lord and bring them to our table for connection and fellowship.
- For our timely follow-up with all who leave their name and our staying in contact with them throughout the summer and into the fall quarter.
- For the Lord to flow through our own students and full-timers at the table to minister Christ as the immense magnet and charming object to the freshmen.

North America Chinese-speaking Saints Perfecting Training

The second and final phase of this summer's perfecting training for Chinese-speaking saints in North America is happening July 30 to August 3 in Cerritos. The general subject is "Go and Bear Remaining Fruit." Please pray:

- That the Lord would keep the hearts of the saints open for this training, granting them a spirit of hunger and openness, and that He would cover their health and travel.
- That the saints would be perfected unto the work of the ministry for the building up of the Body of Christ (Eph. 4:12).

European Young People's Conference and Family Camp

The annual European YP conference and family camp is taking place from July 27 to August 2 in Male Ciche, Poland. This year's conference marks its 30th year and is the largest gathering yet, with over 1,700 saints expected (approximately 1,000 attending the YP section and 700 attending with families).

Please continue to pray:

- For a cleansed and sanctified environment for the Lord to freely move among our young generation to gain a group of consecrated young people in Europe for His testimony and expression.
- For the Lord's speaking to the young people and families in Europe and their response for the advancement of His move in Europe.
- For much blending, mutual encouragement, and strong morale among the young people and families.

Meeting Hall in Riga, Latvia

Due to changes in construction plans the rising cost of materials, as well as the building's status as a recognized historical site, the renovation costs for the recently acquired meeting hall in Riga are expected to increase by approximately 200,000 Euros. Please pray:

- For the fellowship and coordination of the brothers regarding the project to renovate the property recently purchased to serve as the meeting hall of the church in Riga.
- For the timely approval and authorization of all necessary permits and plans, so that there are no delays in the work.
- For everyone laboring on the project, for the supply for the saints, and for the safety of all workers.

A five-minute video report has been posted at lordsmove.org/reports.html. As the Lord leads, saints in LA may participate in giving through the [Church in Los Angeles](#) designated for "RIGA MEETING HALL."

Sri Lanka

Pray for the registration of the church with the Ministry of Christian Affairs as a step to facilitate the Lord's move in Sri Lanka, as the process enters its final stage with an onsite visit by government officials.

Announcements

1. **Morning Revival:** Week 4 of *Chapters 5 through 8 of Romans—the Kernel of the Bible*.
2. **FTTA:** A video of the graduation presentation from June 28 is available for a limited time at ftta.org.
3. **Bibles for America's** blogpost "The Importance of Spending Personal Time with Jesus in the Morning" is available to read and share at bfa.org/blog. Helpful videos are available at bfa.org/videos.
4. **France Shepherdng Trips:** A letter with more information is posted at lme.org/reports.html.
5. **Germany Gospel Trips:** Saints are invited to participate in gospel trips in German-speaking countries from October 5 to 19 for the purpose of contacting university students. More information, including instructions on how to register for these trips, is at tinyurl.com/Gospeltrips-2025.
6. **Italy 2026 Winter Olympics:** A letter of fellowship and a letter with instructions on how to apply and participate in gospel trips are posted at lme.org/reports.html.
7. **Ways to Give:** Information about the church's online giving platform, Subsplash, and where to mail checks, are at www.churchinlosangeles.org/members/offerings.