Week of July 6

Taking the Way of Enjoying Christ as the Tree of Life

"And out of the ground Jehovah God caused to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food, as well as the tree of life in the middle of the garden and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil." (Gen. 2:9)

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

If we want to take the way of enjoying God, we must have a change of concept...If we want to enter into the reality of the enjoyment of God, we must see a controlling vision...It was not until I was forty years of age that the Lord revealed to me the way of enjoying Him. I was disappointed that for twenty years most of my time and energy had been wasted. Most of my prayers were of no value, and the time that I had spent reading the Bible and other spiritual books was also of no value. This is when I realized that our way of working was wrong and that our way of spiritual pursuit was also wrong.

Because I suffered a great loss from taking the wrong way, I do not want others to repeat the same mistake. I hope that others can take the way of enjoying God. I implore the saints to no longer take the wrong way. We should consider our former way of pursuit. We must have a drastic change of concept. We need to have a controlling vision. (*CWWL*, 1958, vol. 1, "The Vision of the Tree of Life and the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil," ch. 5, p. 617)

Pray that the saints would have a drastic change in concept and a controlling vision: to take the way of enjoying God by eating Christ as the tree of life.

Experiencing, Enjoying, and Expressing Christ

"Let your forbearance be known to all men. The Lord is near. In nothing be anxious, but in everything, by prayer and petition with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God." (Phil. 4:5-6)

We need to learn Christ as the secret of being transformed, that is, of being metabolically changed in our natural life, in any kind of environment, situation, or circumstance; this practical and simple secret is to practice speaking with the Lord constantly; then spontaneously, we will live Christ. (Key Statement 1)

Please pray that the Lord's fresh speaking during last week's training would penetrate the entire recovery in an unprecedented way to match the Lord's present burden. Pray for all the saints to spend the time praying over the word and conversing with the Lord to advance in their living and expressing of Him.

College Trainings

During the month of July, five regional college trainings will take place throughout the United States. We will be covering the critical topic of "The Humanity of Jesus." The Southwest College Training will begins this Wednesday, July 9 at Oak Glen. We are expecting more than 350 saints to participate this year, including more than 35 students from LA—a substantial number. Please pray for:

- For the Lord to prepare the hearts of the students so that they will be soft and open toward the Lord, able to receive His speaking and shining.
- For the students to see and partake of the humanity of Jesus to be the testimony of Jesus in the midst of a crooked generation.
- For the enemy to be bound with all his frustrations and struggles against this training so that the atmosphere will be clear, enabling the Lord to have His way.

2026 Winter Olympics in Italy

The 2026 Winter Olympic Games will be held in Italy from February 6 to 22. The Torch Relay will begin on December 6, 2025. A letter of fellowship and a letter with instructions on how to apply and participate in gospel trips are now posted at <u>lordsmove.org/reports.html</u>. Please pray:

- That the Lord will be wisdom to His Body on how to take advantage of this opportunity to sow Christ as the seed of the kingdom into many who attend this event.
- That the Lord will use the upcoming months to prepare the hearts of many seeking people to receive Christ in His word and be added to the Lord's testimony in Italy and other parts of Europe.
- For the Lord to grace the serving saints to prepare the most effective ministry publications for distribution to the seeking ones.

UK Building Project

A video and written updates on the construction of a new FTTL training center are available at amanatrust.org.uk/page/reports. We are thankful to the Lord that adequate funds were received to begin the first phase of construction on the new building, which began during the spring with the demolition of the former classrooms. We are now progressing with the concrete retaining walls, the underground utilities, and preparation for the basement foundations to complete the first phase.

Please continue to pray that the Lord will provide the necessary funds and serving ones to carry out the construction to complete this project for the going on of the training. May the Lord gain this facility for the young people in Europe to be trained for His move on the earth.

To give through the Church in Los Angeles for the new training center, please follow instructions at www.churchinlosangeles.org/members/offerings. Designate offerings for "UK BUILDING PROJECT."

Azerbaijan

Azerbaijan is a predominantly Muslim country at the crossroads of Eastern Europe and Central Asia. Some saints meet regularly in the capital city, Baku, serving and coordinating in one accord, and taking every opportunity to shepherd gospel contacts. Despite many outward restrictions, the saints continue to look to the Lord for His blessing and to establish His testimony in Azerbaijan.

Please pray for the baptism of six gospel friends, that the Lord would break through their religious concepts, and that through the home meetings the transmission of faith would reach their spirit and bring them into the kingdom of the Son of His love. Also pray that the saints would have their hearts, spirits, and time released to participate in a 15-minute Life-study pursuit in the local language every evening.

Announcements

- 1. **Morning Revival:** Week 1 of *Chapters 5 through 8 of Romans—the Kernel of the Bible* (ICSC).
- 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 new blogpost "How Knowing My Human Spirit Affected My Christian Life" is available to read and share at <u>bfa.org/blog</u>. Helpful videos are also available at <u>bfa.org/videos</u>.
- 4. **Lord's Move to Europe:** A special fellowship was held at the recent semiannual training about the Lord's up-to-date move in Europe as a whole and specifically in Italy and in French- and German-speaking Europe. A video of that fellowship will be available soon at <u>lordsmove.org/reports.html</u>.
- 5. **The LA Years:** This oral history project at <u>www.layears.org</u> documents the early years of the church life in Los Angeles from 1958–1974, including written history, photos, and first-hand testimonies.
- 6. **Ways to Give**: Information about the church's online giving platform, Subsplash, and where to mail checks, are at www.churchinlosangeles.org/members/offerings.