# Week of September 20

## Enjoying God as the Fountain of Living Waters

"For My people have committed two evils: they have forsaken Me, the fountain of living waters, to hew out for themselves cisterns, broken cisterns, which hold no water." (Jer. 2:13)

"But whoever drinks of the water that I will give him shall by no means thirst forever; but the water that I will give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into eternal life." (John 4:14)

"Always rejoice, unceasingly pray, in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." (1 Thes. 5:16-18)

God's intention in His economy is to be the fountain, the source, of living waters to satisfy us for our enjoyment; He wants us to take Him as the source, the fountain, of our being; the only way to take God as the fountain of living waters is to drink of Him day by day. This requires us to call on the Lord continually (with thanking, rejoicing, praying, and praising) and draw water with rejoicing from Him as the fountain of living waters. Nothing apart from God as the fountain of living waters can quench our thirst and satisfy us; nothing apart from God dispensed into our being can make us His increase for His expression. (*Crystallization-study of Jeremiah and Lamentations*, msg. 1, II.A, A.1, E)

#### GTCA – Virtual Tours

In light of the Lord's move and the world situation, the burden to gospelize, truthize, and churchize America has never been stronger. During the recent Labor Day conference, the call was sounded for 300 saints to migrate to the 10 target cities.

To help facilitate this move, virtual tours of each city have been arranged. The first round took place last weekend to introduce Cincinnati, Lexington, St. Louis, Minneapolis, and Pittsburgh. This weekend, September 26 to 28, there will be tours of Charlotte, Columbia, Memphis, Orlando, and Richmond. An overview of the local situation and needs will be presented, and visitors can meet and blend with the local saints virtually. The detailed schedule is posted at <a href="https://gtca.us/virtual-tours">https://gtca.us/virtual-tours</a>.

Please pray for these virtual tours, that the Spirit will move to make His will known. Pray that many saints would rise up to respond to this call according to the Lord's leading by praying, giving, and/or migrating so that the Lord's testimony would be strengthened in each of these key US cities.

### **UCLA Fresh Start**

The UCLA Fall Quarter opens on September 28, with classes beginning October 1. Although most classes will be online, many students have opted to live closer to campus. Last week, incoming and returning student saints moved into our brothers' and sisters' houses in Westwood. This week, September 20 to 26, the serving ones have planned a welcome itinerary called Fresh Start. In addition to the regular meetings of the church in Hall 5, online activities include prayer sessions for the Lord's move on the UCLA campus and our student club's social media outreach, UCLA's Virtual Club Fair, and testimonies; in-person activities (outdoors, physically distanced, and grouped by house) include singing, picnics and scavenger hunts.

Please pray for all the students in corporate living to have a new beginning in the Lord. Pray for the students to be built up together and for the Lord to burden everyone freshly for the gospel.

## **SCYP** Gospel Meetings

Thank you for all of your prayers! This past Saturday night, over 650 people attended our Southern California Young People's gospel meetings; many raised their hands to pray to receive the Lord. One of the highlights from the gatherings was the participation of our young people in the singing, moderating, and speaking. Please continue to pray for our young people and their friends to pursue the Lord and have a heart for the gospel.

### European Church History Trip

About 40 German students and serving ones are near the end of a church history trip (September 8 to 23), visiting key historical sites in Germany, Switzerland, and the Czech Republic. A key part of the trip involved handing out Bibles and public singing and gospel preaching in Zurich, Switzerland (September 11 to 12) and Frankfurt, Germany (September 18). In Frankfurt 302 German NTs and 42 in other languages were distributed. Each time some warm contacts were made. There were also meetings and other blending times with local saints in both cities. Please pray:

- that participants will have their eyes opened and their consecration strengthened by seeing all that the Lord has done through the sacrifice of His many servants in past centuries;
- for continued contact with the open people met during these times;
- for many NT recipients to read what they received and touch the Spirit.

#### India

Please pray for the new semester of FTT New Delhi, that all the 26 trainees can be preserved in their tripartite being and be equipped and perfected unto the work of the ministry, to become useful vessels unto the building up of the Body of Christ.

#### Announcements

- 1. **Morning Reviva**l: Week 2 of *Crystallization-study of Jeremiah and Lamentations*.
- 2. **Ministry & Gospel:** The last Ministry & Gospel Meeting (English-speaking) for this month will take place at 11:00 am this Lord's Day, September 27; next month, the series resumes on October 11. Previous meetings can be viewed and shared at <u>youtube.com/churchinlosangeles</u>.
- 3. **SCYP Fall Conferences:** The junior high conference will be held online from October 9 to 11 (registration due September 27); the high school conference from October 23 to 25 (registration due October 11). The cost is \$15 per person.
- 4. **Interim Instructions for Giving**: Since our meeting halls are still closed, instructions for where to mail checks and options for online giving are at <a href="https://www.churchinlosangeles.org/members/offerings">www.churchinlosangeles.org/members/offerings</a>.
- 5. **Interim guidelines for in-person meetings** are posted at www.churchinlosangeles.org/covid19.