Week of December 13

The Law of the Spirit of Life for God's Economy

"But this is the covenant which I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares Jehovah: I will put My law in their inward parts and write it upon their hearts..." (Jer. 31:33)

"For the law of the Spirit of life has freed me in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and of death." (Rom. 8:2) Romans 8, the subject of which is the law of the Spirit of life, may be considered the focus of the entire Bible and the center of the universe; thus, if we are experiencing Romans 8, we are in the center of the universe. The center, the centrality, of the new covenant is the inner law of life; the law of the divine life, the law of the Spirit of life, is the automatic principle and the spontaneous power of the divine life. God is in us now as a law that operates automatically, spontaneously, and unconsciously to free us from the law of sin and of death; this is one of the biggest discoveries, even recoveries, in God's economy.

Ultimately, our enjoyment of the indwelling Spirit as the automatic law of the divine life, the law of the Spirit of life, is in the Body of Christ and for the Body of Christ with the goal of making us God in life, nature, and expression but not in the Godhead to accomplish the goal of His eternal economy—the New Jerusalem. (*Crystallization-Study of Jeremiah and Lamentations*, msg. 12, III.D, A, D.1, VI)

Semiannual Video Training – Job, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes

The church in LA's Semiannual Video Training begins Monday, December 21. Please pray for the saints to receive and respond to the Lord's burden in His up-to-date speaking. Ask the Lord to prepare all who have registered to be good listeners and absorbers of the word, and to fully participate in study times. Lord, impart more of Yourself into us for the fulfillment of Your purpose!

LA YP Parents & Serving Ones Time

This Thursday, December 17 from 8:00 to 9:00 pm, we will have an all-LA YP Parents & Serving Ones Time. We will use this time to open to the Lord in prayer, receive a fresh burden for our young people, and have helpful fellowship about how to care for the next generation among us. Contact the local serving ones in your area for the Zoom link and passcode.

Please pray that the Lord would bless this time and lead us in the church in Los Angeles.

LA Campuses

Pray for the Lord to be exhibited and for all of the students to be mutually encouraged at the UCLA end-of quarter meeting this Saturday, December 19. Also, pray for all of the college students in LA during their winter break, that they would continue to pursue the Lord day by day and remain in the fellowship with the saints throughout the break.

LA Migrations

Ken and Sylvie Day and their youngest son Daniel are returning to Lyon, France after being away for 9 years. They will leave Santa Clarita on December 15 for Knoxville to visit another son. Then, in mid-January, they will travel to France. They are so grateful to the Lord for the opportunity to return and participate in the church life and labor there. Steffen, the oldest son, has already been in Lyon since August to pursue a master's degree and is going on with the church there.

Lord, strengthen and enlarge the church life in Lyon and in the surrounding cities!

FTTA Graduation

"Because out from Him and through Him and to Him are all things. To Him be the glory forever. Amen" (Rom. 11:36). The virtual graduation for the FTTA Fall Class of 2020 is this Saturday, December 19 at 10:00 am, followed by a recognition of the FTTA-xB (Boston Extension) at 12:00 pm. The video links will be at www.ftta.org. Please pray for:

- the Lord's leading of all 42 FTTA graduating trainees to follow the Lamb wherever He may go;
- the wisdom of the brothers in planning for how the Spring term would be carried out;
- many college graduates and young working saints to answer God's call to go to the FTTA next term.

Bibles for America

Bibles for America is responding to the desperate need for the gospel to be preached by increasing our gospel video production. Here are some of the titles we will release later this month and in early January on our website and YouTube channel: "The Deep Significance of the Birth of Jesus Christ," "Why We Need to Preach the Gospel," "Preaching the Gospel with BfA Resources," "The Greatest Truth in the Universe," "Jesus, the Real Solution to Our Problem."

Please pray that these videos will be widely viewed by many hungry sinners. Pray also that they will effectively convey the gospel of Jesus Christ and bring many to salvation!

Tübingen, Germany

The public administration in Tübingen has issued a permit to the saints to distribute Bibles from December 18 to 19. Please pray for the sweeping Spirit to begin to operate until it finds some local seeking households, and for the coordination among the saints to carry this out as a priesthood.

European Winter School of Truth

The European Winter School of Truth, for young people ages 12 to 18, will be online December 26 to January 2. The general subject is "The Bible—The Word of God." Please pray for the saints preparing for the WST, the willingness of all the YP to participate, and for the Lord's specific shepherding of each one.

Announcements

- 1. **Morning Reviva**l: Week 12 of *Crystallization-study of Jeremiah and Lamentations*. After the semiannual training, beginning December 28, we will use *Material Offerings and the Lord's Move* for three weeks.
- 2. **Ways to Give**: Information about the church's new online giving platform, Subsplash, and where to mail checks while our meeting halls are closed, are at www.churchinlosangeles.org/members/offerings.
- 3. **New Church App:** The church in LA has designed a convenient phone/tablet app for the saints of all ages to stay informed with updates and helpful resources. Download at www.tinyurl.com/CILAapp.
- 4. **Church YouTube:** Visit <u>www.youtube.com/churchinlosangeles</u> for videos from the morning revival, ministry series, and hymns. Feel free to share them with your friends or on social media.