Week of March 14

Staying in Our Mingled Spirit to Overcome the Enemy

"Now the God of peace will crush Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of our Lord Jesus be with you." (Rom. 16:20)

"So we who are many are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another." (Rom. 12:5) The Greek word rendered "your" in Romans 16:20 is plural; this points to the Body. God will crush Satan under the feet of the Body. Romans 16 does not refer to the Body in a universal sense, but it refers to the local and practical expression of the Body. This means that Satan can only be crushed under the feet of the practical expression of the Body in the local churches.

The only way to overcome Satan is to stay in the in high tower of our regenerated spirit. When we stay in the spirit, we are built up in the Body in a practical way... In the spirit we experience not only Christ as life, but also the Body. In the spirit Christ is both our life personally and the life of the Body. Therefore, in the spirit with the divine life and with the Body of Christ, Satan is overcome and even crushed under our feet. He is defeated not by individuals, but by the Body.

Never neglect your regenerated spirit, the high tower within you where you may hide from Satan..., the place where Satan cannot touch us, the place where we enjoy Christ as our life and experience the reality of the Body. When we are in such a place, Satan can do nothing to us. (*LS Romans*, pp. 528-532)

California High School Conference

From March 26 to 28 we will have the first-ever California-wide high school conference, which will be held online. The topic is "A Pattern of an Overcomer." Please pray for the Lord to prepare the hearts of the young people. Also pray for an important time of fellowship with the parents and serving ones this Lord's Day, March 21 from 7:00 to 8:00 pm.

Azerbaijan

Please pray for the printing and distribution of 6,000 copies of the six "rainbow booklets" translated into Azeri which are scheduled to be released this month. Pray for the recipients, that the booklets in their hands will be read and shared, and that they will be nourished and enlightened to seek God's economy.

São Tomé and Príncipe

São Tomé and Príncipe is the second-smallest country in Africa after Seychelles with a population of about 220,000. With the pandemic, the already fragile economy has become even more precarious. The number of saints who have been gathering has reduced, but they continue to praise the Lord in all things and thank Him for His calling. We pray for Lord's move to increase in this country and in this region!

To read more, see the February 2021 newsletter supplement of the Lord's Move to Africa.

Announcements

- 1. **Morning Revival**: Week 2 of *Crystallization-study of Job, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes*.
- 2. **Words of Fellowship to the Church in LA:** A new video, <u>Love Prevails</u>, is available to watch now on YouTube and in our church app, with translated versions in <u>Chinese</u>, <u>Korean</u> and <u>Spanish</u>. We hope the saints will be encouraged and supplied by these short and practical fellowships.
- 3. **LSM Audiobooks** are available for select titles on platforms such as Audible and Amazon. Visit www.lsm.org/audiobooks.html.
- 4. **Life-study of the Bible with Witness Lee:** This 30-minute program focuses on the enjoyment of the divine life as revealed in the Scriptures. Ministry portions are followed by a discussion, including helpful questions and answers. The entire archive is available for free at www.lsmradio.com. In particular, saints may be interested in Job (15 episodes) and Proverbs and Ecclesiastes (10 episodes).
- 5. **Ways to Give:** Information on setting up online giving through Subsplash, as well as where to mail checks, are at www.churchinlosangeles.org/members/offerings.