Week of March 28

The Center of the Universe

"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)

"Blessed are those who wash their robes that they may have right to the tree of life and may enter by the gates into the city." (Rev. 22:14)

The tree of life is the center of the universe. According to the purpose of God, the earth is the center of the universe, the garden of Eden is the center of the earth, and the tree of life is the center of the garden of Eden. Hence, the universe is centered on the tree of life. Nothing is more central and crucial to both God and man than the tree of life. The tree of life in the garden was an indicator that God desires to be our life in the form of food. (*The Conclusion of the New Testament*, p. 429)

We need a vision of the tree of life. The tree of life signifies the Triune God in Christ to dispense Himself into His chosen people as life in the form of food. (CS Job, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, msg. 4, III.A)

California High School Conference

Thank you for your prayers! Of the 53 saints from Los Angeles who attended last weekend's California-wide high school conference, 38 were our young people. There was a good atmosphere of blending among the SoCal and NorCal saints. The young people were encouraged that an overcomer is a normal believer who overcomes by fighting the good fight, running the race, keeping the faith, and loving the Lord's appearing. Recorded meetings from the conference are available to watch here. Please pray for our young people to continue pressing on both personally and with their companions.

Gospel to All the Nations

The next Gospel to All the Nations session will be held by Zoom this Saturday, April 3 at 1:00 pm with fellowship continuing from the Gospel of John. The fellowship will be on "The Sufficiency of the Son's Life-giving." No registration needed; simply click on the link to join at gospeltoallthenations.com. Past sessions are also available for viewing at this site.

All the people of every nation are invited to join! Those of African origin are particularly encouraged to join and to invite friends, relatives, and colleagues. Come and see how the life of Christ meets the need of every person and enjoy the pure ministry of the Word as the gospel of the kingdom (Matt. 24:14).

United Kingdom

The annual London International Blending Conference will be online from April 2 to 4. Please pray for the saints' timely <u>registration</u> and for the Lord's speaking to each participant – that each one would be prepared to receive it. Pray also for all the logistical aspects of this conference, including technology and translation, to bind any frustration of the enemy.

May this blending of many localities and countries release much spiritual nourishment and revelation, and impart a vision of God's eternal purpose concerning Christ and the church for the building up of the Body of Christ.

Myanmar

Please pray for the saints and the Lord's testimony to be preserved and protected during the present political turbulence.

Announcements

- 1. **Morning Reviva**l: Week 4 of *Crystallization-study of Job, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes*.
- 2. **Words of Fellowship to the Church in LA:** A new video entitled <u>That We May Gain Christ</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 by this short fellowship to focus on what should be our primary goal in these days of change and uncertainty.
- 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.