

Week of July 25

Blending for the Reality of the Body of Christ

“...But God has blended the body together, giving more abundant honor to the member that lacked, that there would be no division in the body, but that the members would have the same care for one another.” (1 Cor. 12:24-25)

The word blended means “adjusted,” “harmonized,” “tempered,” and “mingled,” implying the losing of distinctions. In order to be blended for the reality of the Body of Christ, we have to go through the cross and be by the Spirit to dispense Christ to others for the building up of the Body of Christ. Such a blending is not social but the blending of the very Christ whom the individual members, the district churches, the co-workers, and the elders enjoy, experience, and partake of.

The purpose of the blending is to usher us all into the reality of the Body of Christ. We need to be in the local churches as the procedure to be brought into the reality of the Body of Christ as the goal. The blending is for the building up of the universal Body of Christ to consummate the New Jerusalem as the final goal of God’s economy according to His good pleasure. (Vital Factors for the Recovery of the Church Life, msg. 7, IV, IV.A, D, E.1, 5)

North America College Training

Thank you, saints, for all of you prayers for the College Training! We had more than 90 saints from LA participate. The Lord truly blessed this training and spoke some special and timely words to us. Please pray that the students would begin right away to enter into the reality of what the Lord spoke to them.

During the training, we were also able to spend time with some of our incoming UCLA freshmen. Please pray that they would continue to be built in with us during these summer months.

Lastly, pray that our brand new Southern California College Students podcast, *Discovering Christ*, would be a source of nourishment to many students this summer, including new incoming freshmen.

North America Chinese-speaking Saints Perfecting Training

The 2021 North America Chinese-speaking Saints Perfecting Training is currently taking place from July 24 to 31. The main burden is based on the ministry book *The Ten Great Critical ‘Ones’ for the Building Up of the Body of Christ*. Please continue to pray for:

1. All the trainees to open their whole being to the Lord for the burden to be released and received.
2. The trainees to be perfected in truth, life, gospel, and service unto the work of the ministry, unto the building up of the Body of Christ.

Bibles for America

In the fall of 2020, BfA purchased a new shipment of Bibles. The first installment of this order, which included 125,000 copies of the NT Recovery Version—100,000 in English and 25,000 in Spanish—arrived at our distribution center in Anaheim at the end of June.

Please pray for the thousands of people who will be ordering these English and Spanish Bibles. Pray that once they receive a Bible, they would read it with an open heart and be enlightened, encouraged, and nourished by the riches in God’s Word.

European YP Conference

This year’s European Young People’s Conference is being carried out regionally, in person and remotely, and at different times between July 26 and August 15. The topic is “Patterns of Living an Overcoming Life.” Please pray for the Lord’s continued blessing on the YP conferences in Europe, especially that the Lord will gain a group of young people who will be one with Him to consummate His eternal economy by building up His organic Body for His coming back.

Lord's Move to Europe

A recent report on the Lord's move in Europe in video and written form was made available during the July Semiannual Training. This report can be found at amanatrust.org.uk/page/reports. An earlier report from different areas across Europe written in May 2021 is available on the same web page. *Please do not download the video report.*

Please continue to pray that the Lord will gain a prevailing testimony of the one new man, His Body, in every major city in Europe for His coming back.

Bangladesh

Pray for the translation of the NT Recovery Version into Bengali to be completed in five years and for the translators to be strengthened to have a proper understanding for translation.

Announcements

1. **Morning Revival:** Week 7 of *Vital Factors for the Recovery of the Church Life* (ITERO). After next week, starting August 9, we begin *Knowing the Truth, Being Absolute for the Truth, and Proclaiming the Truth in the Present Evil Age* (Memorial Day Conference).
2. **FTTA Middle-Age Training:** The FTTA-MA 2021 fall semester will begin on August 30. Registration is open. The application deadline is August 10. For details, visit fttamidage.org.
3. **A Timely Speaking of Supply:** Each week Living Stream Ministry posts a free video from messages given by Brother Lee at lsm.org/timely-speaking.html.
4. **Ways to Give:** Information about the church's online giving platform, Subsplash, and where to mail checks, are at www.churchinlosangeles.org/members/offerings.