

Week of September 26

Engaging in Corporate Spiritual Warfare to Bring Christ Back

“Put on the whole armor of God that you may be able to stand against the stratagems of the devil, for our wrestling is not against blood and flesh but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the world-rulers of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenlies.” (Eph. 6:11-12)

On the positive side, Canaan, a land of riches, typifies the all-inclusive Christ with His unsearchable riches. On the negative side, Canaan signifies the aerial part, the heavenly part, of the dark kingdom of Satan, the heavenlies that are full of Satan’s forces.

If we would possess the good land for the fulfillment of God’s purpose, we must engage in spiritual warfare to defeat the satanic forces. It is crucial for us to see that behind the scene a spiritual struggle is taking place, a struggle not seen with human eyes. If we would take possession of Christ for our enjoyment, we must be a corporate warrior, the church as the Body of Christ, fighting against and defeating the satanic forces so that we can gain more of Christ for the building up of the Body of Christ, setting up and spreading the kingdom of God so that Christ can come back to inherit the earth.

(Crystallization-study of Joshua, Judges, and Ruth, msg. 2, IV.A, B; V, D.1, F.2)

May we pray that the whole Body would be mobilized to fight the spiritual warfare, defeat the Satanic forces, and build up the Body of Christ so that Christ can come back to inherit the earth.

UCLA

Thank you, saints, for your prayers last week. The Lord is truly blessing the labor in the Body. We had contact with many new ones throughout last week and had more than 40 of them join us Friday night for our welcome event. As we head into the first full week of classes at UCLA, please pray that:

- We would continue to be able to see many new students face-to-face throughout the week.
- The Lord would group and connect the students together.
- Many Bible study groups would be raised up this week that could continue throughout the fall quarter.
- Many students would build an altar to the Lord, consecrating their quarter to Him even as their studies pick up.

SCYP California-wide Young People’s Conferences

Registration is now open for the California-wide Fall YP Conferences. The registration deadline is October 3 for Junior High (October 15 to 17) and October 10 for High School (October 22 to 24).

As we prepare for the upcoming fall conference season we encourage all the saints—especially the parents, serving ones and college students—to pray that our young people will take possession of Christ as their promised land to become the proper persons to bring forth Christ into the human race.

GTCA Cities – Columbia, SC

Last weekend there was an online mini-conference with the saints in Columbia, South Carolina. As of mid-September, 16 saints plus 12 children have migrated to the city; another 5 saints (2 families) are planning to do so in the near future. For a short video update from some of the families who have recently moved to Columbia, visit gtca.us/updates. Please pray for:

- A total of 30 saints to migrate to Columbia.
- Migration to the center of the city of the campus work.
- The formation of a full-time team to labor on the campus.

European University Training

The training for European university students concludes this week from September 29 to October 3 in Germany. The subject is “Rise Up and Build.” Please pray that the health of all the participants will be fully covered and protected for the duration of the training and that nothing will happen to hinder the completion of the training. Pray that the students will be “wrecked” with a vision of the desire of God’s heart and offer themselves willingly to Him for His building.

Azerbaijan

Please pray for the further development of the publication work so that the ministry of the New Testament can continue to be translated into the local language (Azerbaijani/Azeri), and that the Russian language publications can increase and spread here.

Also pray for the furtherance of the gospel through the visitation of the overseas co-workers next month. They will meet with the local translators, with the new ones, and with all the saints unto the furtherance of the gospel.

Announcements

1. **Morning Revival:** Week 2 of *Crystallization-study of Joshua, Judges, and Ruth*, vol. 1.
2. **LA Joint Meeting:** Lord's Day morning, October 17, we will have a meeting of the whole church in Los Angeles. More details to come.
3. **Wednesday Night Ministry Meeting:** Live broadcast this Wednesday beginning at 7:25 pm at lsm.org/live in English, Spanish, Chinese, and Korean. Outlines will be posted on the same site.
4. **SCYP Fall Conferences:** Registration is open for the California-wide Junior High (October 15 to 17; register by October 3) and High School (October 22 to 24; register by October 10) conferences.
5. **Living Stream Ministry** is offering a free e-booklet, *The Dispensing of the Triune God to Produce His Abode*. Formats include PDF, Kindle, Audiobook, and more! Visit www.lsm.org/dispensing.
6. **Ways to Give:** Information about the church's online giving platform, Subsplash, and where to mail checks, are at www.churchinlosangeles.org/members/offerings.