

Week of October 17

Laboring on Christ as the Produce of the Good Land

“And you shall eat and be satisfied, and you shall bless Jehovah your God for the good land which He has given you.” (Deut. 8:10)

“Not that I have already obtained or am already perfected, but... I pursue toward the goal for the prize to which God in Christ Jesus has called me upward.” (Phil. 3:12a, 14)

Joshua 5:12 says, “And the manna ceased on that day, when they ate of the produce of the land; and there was no longer manna for the children of Israel, but they ate of the yield of the land of Canaan that year.” In Egypt the people of Israel ate the passover lamb. In the wilderness the people of Israel ate manna. In Canaan the people of Israel ate the produce of the good land. These three stages typify the three stages of the believers’ enjoyment of Christ by eating Him.

By their eating in the first two stages, the believers are energized to leave the world and are constituted with Christ as the heavenly element. To reach the goal of God’s economy, we need to progress until we enter into the highest stage of eating Christ as the rich produce of the good land so that we may overcome the spiritual enemies, be built up to be God’s dwelling place, and establish God’s kingdom on earth. As we eat Christ as the produce of the good land, we are constituted with Him and are made the same as Christ in life, nature, and expression for the building up of the church as the Body of Christ. (*Crystallization-Study of Joshua, Judges, and Ruth*, msg. 5, I.D.1, 2, 3, 4.a-c)

May all the saints progress in their eating of Christ and learn to labor on Him to produce something of Him that will become their food and life supply to constitute them as God’s inheritance and possession.

Church in Los Angeles

The church in Los Angeles has an aspiration to return to in-person meetings. Our desire is “to speak face to face that our joy may be made full” (2 John 12). We do not have a firm timeline but desire to continue our current transition toward in-person meetings. While doing this, we will abide by government directives. As we increase in-person meetings, we will maintain internet-based access for saints with situations not suitable for in-person attendance.

Lord, move us onward!

California-wide High School Conference

This weekend, October 22 to 24, will be the Fall 2021 High School Conference. The subject of this California-wide conference is “Patterns in the Books of Joshua, Judges, and Ruth.”

Please pray for all our high school brothers and sisters to have great resolutions in heart (Judges 5:15) as they prepare for and attend this conference. Also, pray that our young people, as those who love Him, would be like the sun when it rises in its might (Judges 5:31).

North America Korean-speaking Conference

Despite the unprecedented pandemic in the human history, the great wheel of God’s economy never stopped and is still advancing victoriously. Last May, we enjoyed a West Coast Korean-speaking Conference on Zoom. This weekend, we will have a North America Korean-speaking Conference. The subject is “Meeting God’s Need and Present Needs in the Lord’s Recovery.”

The two conference sessions are Saturday, October 23 from 5:00 to 6:30 pm and Lord’s Day, October 24 from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm PST. The Zoom link is tinyurl.com/koreanconf2021.

Please pray for all the Korean-speaking saints in North America to join this conference and enjoy the reality of the Body through the blending in the up-to-date words of the ministry.

Bibles for America

People across the United States continue to order free Bibles from BfA. We regularly receive encouraging messages from recipients who are thoroughly enjoying their NT Recovery Version. Most orders are successfully placed; however, we have recently become aware of a technical problem in our system that has prevented some orders from being processed.

Please pray that this issue would be promptly resolved so that everyone who wants a Bible would receive their copy in a timely way. Also pray that all those who have already received a NT would be nourished and enlightened by the interpreted Word of God.

Germany

For saints who are interested in up-to-date information concerning the Lord's move in different cities in the German-speaking world, the website germanyreports.info has updates, reports, and prayer burdens. These burdens are updated regularly to reflect the developing situation in Germany.

The primary purpose of this site is to aid the saints in their prayers and in their consideration before the Lord about possibly going to Germany to live, enjoy the church life, and experience Christ in His freshness as He continues to move there.

Lord, continue to bless Your move in Germany!

Announcements

1. **Morning Revival:** Week 5 of *Crystallization-study of Joshua, Judges, and Ruth*, vol. 1.
2. **California College Conference:** November 5 to 7; registration due October 24.
3. **Living Stream Ministry** is offering a free e-booklet, *The Bible—a Romance of a Universal Couple*. Formats include PDF, Kindle, Audiobook, and more! Visit www.lsm.org/bible-romance.
4. **Semiannual Training:** In preparation for the upcoming semiannual training (December 20 to 25), saints may want to read the text and the footnotes of 1 & 2 Samuel. The current issue of LSM's newsletter at also highlights a number of helpful resources at newsletters.lsm.org/having-this-ministry.
5. **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.
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.