# Week of March 27

### Having the Lord's Presence

"In this we know that we abide in Him and He in us, that He has given to us of His Spirit." (1 John 4:13)

"And He said, My presence shall go with you, and I will give you rest." (Exo. 33:14)

"When You say, Seek My face, to You my heart says, Your face, O Jehovah, will I seek." (Psa. 27:8)

The practical Emmanuel is the Spirit of reality as the presence of the consummated Triune God in our spirit. His presence is always with us in our spirit, not only day by day but also moment by moment.

The presence of the Lord, the smile of the Lord, is the governing principle. We must learn to be kept, to be ruled, to be governed, and to be guided not by His secondhand presence but by the direct, firsthand presence of the Lord. (*Living in and with the Divine Trinity*, msg. 4, II, D, F, 2)

We must have the Lord's presence. We must learn to pray, "Lord, if You will not give me Your presence, I will stay here with You. If Your presence does not go with me, I will not go. I will not be governed by Your help but by Your presence." We must go even further to pray, "O Lord, I do not want Your help, but I do want Your presence. Lord, I must have Your presence. I can do without Your help, but I cannot do without Your presence." (*CWWL*, 1961-1962, vol. 4, "The All-inclusive Christ," pp. 294-296)

#### **ITERO**

The International Training for Elders and Responsible Ones will take place by webcast this weekend, April 1 to 3. The general subject is "God's Economy in Faith"

Please pray for the rich and timely supply of Christ to be ministered to all the brothers that they may grow in life and be equipped further in their function and service. May the Lord gain and perfect all the brothers as able ministers of the New Testament, effective building material for the universal building up of the Body of Christ, and good stewards and serving ones in their respective local churches.

## **UCLA Spring Quarter**

Last week, during UCLA's spring break, 49 saints including 37 students went on two simultaneous blending trips, one to Fresno and the other to Arizona. Some students from UC Santa Barbara, CSUN, and College of the Canyons were also able to join. We experienced the Lord's blessing through the blending, and we believe the localities we visited received much grace from the Lord.

This week marks the beginning of the spring quarter at UCLA. Please pray for the follow-up shepherding with all the students who participated in the trips, as well as the reconnecting with newer students through Bible studies and shepherding appointments. Also, pray for the upcoming college conference (April 8 to 9) and that 65 to 70 students, including high school seniors, would sign up by this weekend's registration deadline (April 3).

### Ukraine

Please continue to pray for the ruling of the heavens over the entire situation so that:

- Saints in Ukraine and refugees in the European countries will receive the needed spiritual supply.
- The tripartite being of the saints who are under attack, including the brothers fighting in the army, will be protected and preserved.
- The Ukrainian refugees will be comforted and supplied with the necessities for their living, and those who care for them will enjoy the Lord as their grace, wisdom, and endurance.
- Satan's kingdom will suffer loss.
- God's economy will advance in the spreading of the gospel and the building up of the Body.

As the Lord leads, saints may give through the Church in Los Angeles designated for 'Ukraine'.

#### London Seminar

The next afternoon seminar in London will be April 3. The burden for this time is that the contacts could meet us at the seminar and that afterward there would be the one-on-one care and shepherding. Please pray that the Lord as the brooding Spirit would brood over these ones to seek them out. May the Lord release many saints to support the seminars and have good interactions with the new ones. May they result in the growth of the church life and the increase of the church.

### Cambodia

Since last year, the churches in Cambodia were able to enter into and enjoy the seven annual feasts online. The brothers would first get into the messages, then translate them into Khmer and make videos. In such a way, all the saints could enjoy the Lord's timely speaking and be strengthened and supplied.

In the capital, Phnom Penh, the saints could not go out to knock on doors due to the pandemic; instead, they became burdened to preach the gospel to friends and relatives around them. In Siem Reap, the saints found that their shepherding via online channels proved to be more effective than before, both in terms of the use of their time and the frequency of new ones' joining. Currently, there are 10 saints serving full-time with the literature and translation work.

Please pray:

- 1. For the Lord to strengthen every saint to pick up the burden of shepherding and perfecting people.
- 2. For the Lord to perfect the young people that they would be attracted by and constituted with the word of the Lord to become propagators of the NT ministry.
- 3. For the literature work in Khmer, specifically for the translation of more ministry books to supply the needs of the brothers and sisters.

To read more, see the February 2022 issue of the Lord's Move to Asia newsletter in English and Chinese.

### Announcements

- 1. **Morning Revival**: Week 4 of *Living in and with the Divine Trinity* (Thanksgiving Conference).
- 2. **Memorial Day Conference:** Living Stream Ministry is now able to open the live, in-person portion of the 2022 International Memorial Day Blending Conference to all the saints in the Lord's recovery from May 27 to 30 in Anaheim. The meetings will also be streamed online.
- 3. **Free e-Booklets**: Living Stream Ministry has made a series of free e-booklets available to read and share with others at www.lsm.org/booklets. The latest release is "The Law of the Spirit of Life."
- 4. **Wednesday Night Ministry Meeting:** NO MEETING this Wednesday, March 30. The live broadcast will resume at 7:25 pm on April 6. Past messages may be found at <a href="www.lsmwebcast.com">www.lsmwebcast.com</a>. Saints may be interested in watching a video of Brother Lee speaking on the *The Ten Great Critical "Ones" for the Building Up of the Body of Christ* at <a href="www.lsm.org/timely-speaking.html">www.lsm.org/timely-speaking.html</a>.
- 5. **SCYP Spring Conferences:** Junior High Brothers, April 8 to 10; Junior High Sisters, April 22 to 24 (due April 10); Sixth Grade, May 6 to 8 (due April 24).
- 6. **Living Stream Ministry:** The <u>March issue</u> of "*Having This Ministry*..." presents Watchman Nee's message on "World Wars and the Church" in <u>English</u>, <u>Chinese</u>, <u>Korean</u> and <u>Spanish</u>.
- 7. **Ways to Give**: Information about the church's online giving platform, Subsplash, and where to mail checks, are at <a href="https://www.churchinlosangeles.org/members/offerings">www.churchinlosangeles.org/members/offerings</a>.