Week of June 19

Spiritual Metabolism and the Organic Building

"But we all with unveiled face, beholding and reflecting like a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, even as from the Lord Spirit." (2 Cor. 3:18)

God's economy is to work Himself into us so that we may experience a metabolic process of spiritual digestion and assimilation that produces transformation as a gradual and intrinsic metabolic change in our natural life; this is for the building up of the Body of Christ to consummate the New Jerusalem.

In order for God's building to take place, we need to receive, digest, and assimilate the organic, pneumatic Christ, who is the life-giving Spirit, as our spiritual food, drink, and breath. When we enjoy Christ by eating, drinking, and breathing Him, a metabolic process, a spiritual digestion and metabolism, takes place within us, and Christ is constituted into our being; this inner metabolism is transformation, and transformation is the building.

The organic building up of the church as the Body of Christ through the process of spiritual metabolism is actually what Jehovah prophesied to David in the way of typology in 2 Samuel 7:12-14a. (CS 1 and 2 Samuel, msg. 9, II.E-F)

July Semiannual Training

The upcoming July Semiannual Training will be held in-person in Anaheim from July 4 to 9 and by webcast in Los Angeles and around the world. The training will cover the crystals in 1 and 2 Kings. Please pray that the Lord will richly anoint the release and receiving of His word and take a further step in His move on earth to build up His Body and prepare His bride for His coming back.

2022 Truth School

This summer's Truth School for our young people in Los Angeles will be held from July 22 to 30. Registration is now open to all YP, serving ones, parents and college students. Some of the details are still being worked out, so contact the local serving ones for more up-to-date information. Please pray for our young people to stay connected, have many experiences of the Lord, and register for the Truth School.

Northeast College Training

This summer, five regional college trainings will be held around the US with a total expected attendance of over 1100 saints. Each college training is five days in length and has high potential for greatly deepening the Lord's work in the attending college students, especially the incoming freshmen. The title for the college training is "As in the Days of Noah."

The Northeast College Training takes place this week from June 20 to 24 in New York. Around 180 saints are expected. Pray that the Lord would flow out in a mighty way to all of the attendees and that they would be inspired to be today's Noahs, building the ark to fulfill God's purpose and turn this age!

Ukraine

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

- The saints in Russia and Ukraine will be kept in the oneness of the Body and the reality of the new man, where Christ is all the members and in all the members.
- The shipment of Russian NT Recovery Versions that are held up in customs will be released and be distributed among the refugees in Europe.
- The Lord will use the shepherding gospel trips to Warsaw and Krakow, Poland, in June and July to bring many newly saved refugees into the church life, where they can be perfected to be living and functioning members for the building up of the Body.
- The tripartite being of saints in besieged cities will be protected and preserved for the Lord's interests.

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

Laos

At present, there are four local churches in Laos. The number of saints in the church life is about 290, with the average number attending the Lord's Day meeting being around 150. There is an urgent need for shepherding. May the Lord perfect the saints to grow in life and exercise their organic function that the Body of Christ might be built up and expanded.

A year ago, a family and two sisters received the burden to migrate from the capital Vientiane to Luang Prabang, the fourth-largest city in the country, for the propagation of the Lord's testimony. Since then, despite the pandemic and a difficult environment, the saints faithfully labored in one accord until they experienced a breakthrough and gained one family in a solid way and some gospel friends on the campus. On April 24, the church in Luang Prabang had its first bread-breaking meeting. May the Lord continue to bless His testimony in this city for the advance of His move in Laos.

Lastly, please pray for the literature work in Laos, particularly that the Rhema books, already translated, would be proofread and published this month. May the Lord also bless the translation, proofreading, and publication of all the other materials (including a preliminary translation of the verses and footnotes of the NT Recovery Version) for the saints to receive the timely and rich supply.

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

Announcements

- 1. Morning Revival: Week 9 of Crystallization-study of 1 & 2 Samuel, vol. 2.
- 2. **Wednesday Night Ministry Meeting:** Live broadcast this Wednesday 7:25 pm at lsm.org/live in English, Spanish, Chinese, and Korean.
- 3. **FTTA:** The graduation meeting for the Spring Class of 2022 will be in Anaheim on July 2 at 9:30 am.
- 4. **Bibles for America**'s latest post at <u>blog.bfa.org</u> is entitled "The Lord Jesus Is Our Shepherd."
- 5. **LSM Newsletter:** The <u>June issue</u> of "*Having This Ministry*..." contains edifying and enlightening articles such as "Brother Witness Lee's Intrinsic Burden for Conducting the Semiannual Trainings" and "A History of the Persian Publication Work."
- 6. **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. This week's message is "To Enter Into the Mystical Realm of Christ's Heavenly Ministry" from *The Divine and Mystical Realm*.
- 7. **Free e-Booklets**: Living Stream Ministry offers a series of free e-booklets to read and share at www.lsm.org/booklets. The latest release is "Life's Regenerating the Need of the Moral."
- 8. **Ways to Give**: Information about the church's online giving platform, Subsplash, and where to mail checks, are at www.churchinlosangeles.org/members/offerings.