

Week of September 11

Grafted into Christ to Become Part of the Tree of Life

“Abide in Me and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself unless it abides in the vine, so neither can you unless you abide in Me. I am the vine; you are the branches. He who abides in Me and I in him, he bears much fruit; for apart from Me you can do nothing.” (John 15:4-5)

In order to understand the Bible, we must exercise one principle. This principle is that God planned in His economy to make Himself one with man. The basic principle, the main principle, of Christ’s birth is that God came to join Himself to man, to be a man, and to be one with man.

We should keep the principle that the Word of God as the divine revelation shows us that God’s main purpose is to make Himself one with man and to make man one with Him. In John 15 the Lord said, “I am the vine; you are the branches... Abide in Me and I in you” (vv. 5, 4). This shows us that God and the believers in Christ are one. We and God were once separate, but one day we, the wild branches, were grafted into Him in Christ (Rom. 11:24). We have been grafted into Christ as the tree, and this grafting has made us one with Him. What is needed now is for us to abide in Him that He may abide in us. Then He and we will be one, having one life, one nature, and one living. (*Life-study of the Psalms*, pp. 200-201)

UCLA

This week the students in our brothers’ and sisters’ houses return to Los Angeles for a week of fellowship, blending, and enjoying the Lord before classes begin. Please pray for:

- An atmosphere of loving the Lord and loving one another to be built up among our returning students.
- The students to have a solid beginning in pursuing the Lord for this quarter.
- A fresh burden to shine the Lord to others, including classmates and incoming freshmen.

YP Blending Meeting

There will be a Southern California young people’s blending meeting in Arcadia this Saturday, September 17. Lord, gain this generation for Your move to bring You back!

FTTA-MA

The fall term of the Middle-age Training in Anaheim began this week on September 12. The goal of the training is to foster living, functioning, overcoming members of the Body of Christ for the fulfillment of God’s eternal purpose!

Pray for the Lord’s covering and blessing of all the trainees, serving ones, and their families. Pray for the rich infusion of the truth into each trainee and for the Lord’s maturing them through His moving within each one and His using the outward environment.

GTCA Cities – St. Louis

Please continue to pray for the migration of burdened saints and the strengthening of the Lord’s testimony in our target cities (Cincinnati and Columbus, OH; Memphis and Nashville, TN; Normal, IL; Omaha, NE; St. Louis, MO; Tampa, FL; and Virginia Beach, VA) and campus teams (Cincinnati and Columbus, OH; Lexington, KY; Pittsburgh, PA; Columbia SC; St. Louis, MO; and Tampa, FL).

This Saturday, September 17 there will be a virtual tour of St. Louis at 2:00 pm PT). Information and links will be posted at gtca.us.

European University Training

The European University Training continues this week in the UK and Ireland (September 11 to 16) and next week in Germany (September 20 to 24). The general subject is “God’s Economy, Which Is in Faith” and also covers the preaching of the gospel for the new academic semester.

Please pray for the shepherding and perfecting of all the students attending these regional trainings so that their faith will grow, and for the preaching of the gospel by the spirit of faith so that many Europeans will be added to the household of faith.

Germany and Switzerland

The churches in Germany and Switzerland extend a warm invitation to all the saints in the recovery to join their campus labor at the beginning of the university year in October.

Please pray that the Lord will gain many young Germans and Swiss as remaining fruit and for the spread of the Lord's testimony in all the cities through these gospel trips. Pray also that the local saints will open at least one day to participate with the visiting saints and be brought more into gospel fellowship. For more information, go to tinyurl.com/2022GermanyGospelTrips.

Ukraine

Please continue to pray that:

- The Warsaw extension of FTT Moscow will be under the Lord's blessing as the new semester begins.
- The Lord will use the fourth cycle of the gospel and shepherding trips, from 8-25 September, to care for the Ukrainian refugees in Poland in Warsaw, Krakow, and Wrocław (pronounced *Vroh-tswaf*).
- The local saints and serving ones will be blended with the Ukrainian refugees for the strengthening and building up of the Lord's testimony in key European cities.
- 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 tripartite being of the saints in the besieged cities will be protected and preserved for the Lord's interests.

Announcement

1. **Morning Revival:** Week 4 of *Taking the Way of Enjoying Christ as the Tree of Life*.
2. **SoCal Labor Day Conference:** Recordings are now available at churchinanaheim.org/laborday.
3. **Wednesday Night Ministry Meeting:** Live broadcast this Wednesday 7:25 pm at lsm.org/live.
4. **Bibles for America's** latest post is available to read and share at blog.biblesforamerica.org.
5. **Thanksgiving Conference:** Saints from LA planning to attend the in-person sessions November 24 to 27 in Washington, DC are asked to RSVP by October 31 at tinyurl.com/thanksgivingconfla (adults) and tinyurl.com/thanksgivingchildrenla (children). All conference and hotel information is posted at www.churchinlosangeles.org/prayer.
6. **A Timely Speaking of Supply:** Enjoy a free weekly video from messages given by Brother Lee at lsm.org/timely-speaking.html.
7. **Ways to Give:** Information about the church's online giving platform, Subsplash, and where to mail checks, are at www.churchinlosangeles.org/members/offerings.