

Church in Regina Newsletter

Meeting Place: 3860 Buckingham Drive E, Regina, SK, Canada S4V 3A1

Ephesians 1:4, "Even as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world to be holy and without blemish before Him in love,"

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Lord's Table Meeting Lord's Day 10:00AM to 12:00PM

Prayer Meeting Tuesdays & Wednesdays Saints Homes 7:30PM to 8:30PM

Fridays 7:00PM to 9:00PM

Brother Joseph's Place

Small/Home Meeting

Friday/Saturday Evenings

Evenings
Saint's Home

2018 SEVEN ANNUAL FEAST

- International Chinese speaking Conference, Taipei: February 16-18, 2018
- 2. ITERO (Spring) Anaheim, CA, USA: April 13-15, 2018
- Memorial Day Conference Kansas City, Missouri: May 25-28, 2018
- Summer Training Anaheim, CA: July 2-7, 2018
- 5. ITERO (Fall) Addis Ababa, Ethiopia: October 4-6, 2018
- 6. Thanksgiving Conference Charlotte, North Carolina: November 22-25, 2018
- 7. Winter Training Anaheim, CA: December 24-29, 2018

This Weeks's Pursuit: THE RECOVERY OF THE CHURCH, Week 02

The Original Condition of the Church, the Degradation of the Church, and the Recovery of the Church

Scripture Reading: Matt. 16:18; Rev. 1:11; Acts 14:23; Titus 1:5; Col. 1:18; 2:19

We need to be crystal clear that the church is God's unique goal – God has no other goal, no other aim, and there's nothing else in His sight but the church... [Furthermore], we need to see that the Lord's Recovery is different from today's Christianity.

The Lord's Recovery is different from today's Christianity, and our history is of coming out of Christianity. In the Lord's recovery we are not concerned with knowing the Bible merely in letters; rather, we are here learning about God's economy and cooperating with Him inwardly and outwardly for His economy to be carried out. The Lord's recovery is different from today's Christianity, from today's religion, and there's no way for there to be reconciliation between the two.

"All the believers in Christ are brothers and sisters on the same level, and there should be no distinctions involving some who are higher and some who are lower than others."

In the Lord's recovery we repudiate and reject the work done by the natural man, with the natural effort, out of the flesh, and for man's glory, which Paul calls "wood, grass, and stubble"; we rather treasure a smaller amount of "gold, silver, and precious stones" than anything natural.

The Lord hates what is happening today in Christianity, and He hates the system in Christendom; as a reaction to the degradation of the church, He has raised up His recovery, and between the Lord's recovery and Christianity there's a huge gap, a chasm, a separation, even a total separation...We have been **brought out** of the degraded system, to **come back** – by God's mercy – to the pure practice of the church life according to the word of God. Now there's no union with the world, with politics, or with Christendom – **we come out completely**, and there is no compromise!

We have to admit that, even though the Lord had mercy on us and showed us the vision of His economy, His move, and His heart's desire, we are still in the process of being recovered back to God's original intention, back to what was in the beginning. Since we're still in the process, we may be exposed that there are still elements of the fallen Christendom in our being, in the way we speak and in the way we meet.

For example, when we come together, we may still expect that someone more mature and more "gifted" would start the meeting, or we may wait until the leading brothers call a hymn. We may not enjoy the Lord every day, and we may not be prepared to share our portion every time we come to the meeting. There is still so much of the fallen Christianity in us, and the Lord is constantly recovering us back to the beginning, back to His original intention. However, as we enjoy the Lord, read the Bible, digest and assimilate Christ, experience Christ, are constituted with the word of God and the teaching of the apostles, we realize that there should not be and there cannot be any bridge between the local churches and Christianity. The local churches are something completely different from fallen Christianity, and we should be what we are without any compromise or pretense, maintaining the gap between us and Christianity (see Rev. 1:11; Gal. 1:4).

Anything that is of compromise or bridging will bring forth a condition of mixture, of un-absoluteness, and of impurity; we are here not for making a compromise but for being the testimony of Jesus as the word of God shows... We need to have a clear separation, a big gap, with no bridge between us in the local churches and Christianity. We are not here to please man – we want to serve Christ (Gal. 1:10). The denominations are after their kind, breeding people after their kind, but we in the local churches want to return to God's word and be after God's kind, after the kind of man that God wants us to be in His word.

Lord, rescue us fully out of this present evil age, and bring us back to Your original intention. We want to stand in oneness on the local ground, one in You, for You to gain a pure corporate expression in the place You have put us! (Excerpt from The Ministry of the Word, vol. 20, no. 7, July 2016. Ministry Magazine, pp. 125-146)

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- 1) The combined prayer meeting on April 3, 2018, is in Brother Nathan's house at 7:00pm.
- 2) Our love feast and YP Conference will be on April 8, 2018.
- 3) There will be a conference in Winnipeg on April 21-22, 2018. Please let Bro. Hendrick know if you are going and if you need accommodation.
- 4) The deadline for CWWL purchase is on April 30, 2018. There are two ordering options full payment and partial payment with downpayment. Please let Sister Kim know your preference as soon as possible.

"The church meetings are the TOP
PRIORITY in our Christian life – yes,
our career is important, even the
university and school is very important,
family is important, personal matters
are important, but the TOP PRIORITY
for us as believers is that we meet with
the saints regularly!"

PRAYER BURDEN

"And they continued steadfastly in the teaching and the fellowship of the apostles, in the breaking of bread and the prayers."

- 1. Lord, we praise You for your multifarious wisdom shaming Your enemy who damaged and corrupted us, but through Your mercy and grace You brought us back to Your original ordination concerning the church.
- 2. Lord, we pray that we may be controlled and be governed by the vision of Your recovery to obtain again the things that were lost and to return to the normal condition of the church in her principle, her constitution, and her ground.
- 3. Lord, open our eyes to see strictly the principle of **one locality one church**, one expression in each locality living directly before You, honouring You as the Head and obeying the authority of the Holy Spirit.
- 4. Lord, bring us into a full realization that the events in history are Your move through different persons raised up by You in their own times to unlock Your Word and to release many truths for Your testimony.
- 5. Lord, make us further realize and see the full recovery of the church through the ministry of the age brothers Watchman Nee and Witness Lee, who they did not self-confirm but proclaim only life and the issue life in us. Vouch for them, Lord.
- 6. Lord, make us absolute to Your recovery to carry out Your economy, bring us out from the degradation and unscriptural system of Christianity and bring us fully back to the beginning of the pure practice of the church life according to the divine revelation.
- 7. Please pray for:
 - **▶** Israel:
 - the weekly campus work (small grouping, one on one shepherding) in Tel Aviv; and the contacts in area: A, D, Y, G, H, R and Z all in Tel Aviv
 - four high school from Netanya going to attend a YP conference in Russia
 - Increase the meeting ones in Tiberias
 - ▶ **Poland**: the 2nd run to distribute the NTRV this coming April, 2018
 - Pakistan: the church in Islamabad sending two trains in the Philippines be granted visas
 - ▶ the **SST** on August 6-11, 2018
- 8. Please pray for the church in **Regina**.
 - increase the number of meeting saints
 - more saints to avail copy of the CWWL
 - for all the families to become absolute to carry out God's economy
 - The Chinese speaking immigrant to get saved and be brought to the church life

LIFE-STUDY OF ACTS

"One Life-Study a Day Makes One Holy"

The Propagation in Jerusalem, Judea, and Samaria through the Ministry of Peter's Company (7)

March 26, 2018, Monday (Message 11)

Peter spoke concerning the Lord Jesus in His work, death, resurrection, and ascension, he instructed and entreated the Spirit-moved ones to repent, to be baptized, and to be saved. Peter also instructed the Spirit-moved ones to be baptized upon the name of Jesus Christ. The purpose of baptism is to bring repentant people out of their old state into a new one by terminating their old life and germinating them with the new life of Christ. To be baptized into the name of the Lord Jesus is to be baptized into the Person of the Lord, to be identified with the crucified, resurrected, and ascended Christ, to be put into an organic union with the living Lord.

The Propagation in Jerusalem, Judea, and Samaria through the Ministry of Peter's Company (8)

March 27, 2018, Tuesday (Message 12)

Acts 2:42 says, "And they were continuing steadfastly in the teaching and the fellowship of the apostles, in the breaking of bread and the prayers." Teaching is the unveiling of God's New Testament economy concerning Christ and the church, the teaching of the apostles, makes us one. Fellowship is the issue of eternal life, the flow of eternal life within all the believers who have received and possess the divine life. It is in this fellowship of eternal life that we, the believers, participate in all that the Father and the Son are and have done for us; that is, we enjoy the love of the Father and the grace of the Son by virtue of the fellowship of the Spirit. Breaking of bread is the remembrance of the Lord in His accomplishment of God's full redemption. Prayer is cooperation with the Lord in heaven for the carrying out of God's New Testament economy on earth. There is only one fellowship, the unique fellowships, the fellowship of the apostles. Praise the Lord!

The Propagation in Jerusalem, Judea, and Samaria through the Ministry of Peter's Company (9)

March 28, 2018, Wednesday (Message 13)

Peter preached Christ directly to the Jews so they may become Christ's propagation to be His living members in order that Christ may have a Body on earth. Peter did not preach divine healing or miracles; he preached the Person of the Lord Jesus Christ. Peter directed the people to the **Healer**, to the Lord Jesus. Jesus was absolutely for God and separated unto Him. Throughout His entire life the Lord Jesus was absolutely separated unto God, for God, and one with God, and He is called the **Holy One**. Lord Jesus is not only the Holy One but also the Righteous One. As the **Righteous One**, the Lord Jesus was never wrong with God or with any one or with any thing. In chapter three of acts we see the propagating of Christ into others. For such a propagation, we need the Lord as the **Author of life**, as the source of life. Christ also is the season of refreshing. When we have Him, we have Him as our refreshing, He is our enjoyment and peace. Praise the Lord!

The Propagation in Jerusalem, Judea, and Samaria through the Ministry of Peter's Company (10)

March 29, 2018, Thursday (Message 14)

In our experience Christ Himself is the **season of refreshing**, for He is our enjoyment, rest, and peace. If we enjoy Christ, we shall have a season of refreshing. We can enjoy a season of refreshing simply by calling on the name of the Lord Jesus. Whenever we are bound, we need to call on the Lord. We need to pay attention to all the points related to Christ as the Healer. This Healer is the Prophet speaking for God and speaking forth God. Instead of caring for healing, we need to enjoy the Healer. As long as we have the Healer, we shall have the season of refreshing. The Spirit poured out is the very Christ God raised and exalted to the heavens. God sent Christ in the way of pouring out His Spirit to us in order to bless us. The way for us to receive the blessing God intends to give us is by sending the ascended Christ back to us as the life-giving Spirit. Praise the Lord!

The Propagation in Jerusalem, Judea, and Samaria through the Ministry of Peter's Company (11)

March 30, 2018, Thursday (Message 15)

Verses 11 and 12 say, "This is the stone which was despised by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone. And there is no salvation in any other; for neither is there another name under heaven given among men in which we must be saved." His word unveiled the Jewish leaders' rejection of Him and God's honoring of Him for the building of His habitation among His people on earth. Peter's quoting of this word indicates that he preached Christ not only as the Savior for the salvation of sinners, but also as the stone for God's building. It is such a Christ who is the unique salvation to sinners and in whose unique name under heaven, a name despised and rejected by the Jewish leaders but honored and exalted by God, sinners must be saved. God intended to use Moses, the kings, the prophets, and all the Jewish leaders to build this habitation. God's economy is to build up His habitation in this universe. Our Savior is not only the King, a Slave, a Man, and God—He is also a stone for God's building. Praise the Lord!

Upcoming Activities:

- March 30, 2018 Church Pursuit Experience of Life, chapter 16
- April 8, 2018 Love Feast & Local YP Conference
- ▶ April 29, 2018 Churching to Lloydminster