



Church in Regina Newsletter

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

Col. 3:17, "That Christ may **make His home in your hearts** through faith, that you, being rooted and grounded 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

▶ **YP Meeting**

Fridays
7:00PM to 9:00PM
Brother Joseph's Place

▶ **Small/Home Meeting**

Friday/Saturday
Evenings
Saint's Home

2018

SEVEN ANNUAL FEAST

1. International Chinese speaking Conference, Taipei: February 16-18, 2018
2. **ITERO (Spring) Anaheim, CA, USA: April 13-15, 2018**
3. Memorial Day Conference Kansas City, Missouri: May 25-28, 2018
4. 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

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- 1) There will be a **conference in Winnipeg** on April 21-22, 2018. The **deadline** for registration is today, **April 8, 2018**.
- 2) 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.
- 3) The **Semi-Annual Summer Training** registration **deadline** is **April 30, 2018**. It will be held on July 2-7, 2018. The cost of registration is \$205 USD.
- 4) The **Memorial Day Conference in Kansas** will be on May 25-28, 2018. The **deadline** for registration is also **April 30, 2018**.
- 5) We have two baptisms today - Brother **Gabriel Joseph Miranda** and Sister **Mikneiah Jezreel Ballao**.

This Weeks's Pursuit:

THE RECOVERY OF THE CHURCH , Week 03

**The Degradation of the Church—
the Principle of Babylon and the Way to Overcome It**

Scripture Reading: Rev. 17:1-6; 18:4, 7; Lev. 1:3-4, 9; 6:10-13

Being Saved from Human Endeavor

In Gen. 11:1-9 men came together in rebellion under Nimrod and decided to build a great tower that reaches the heavens, to reach God, so that they would **make a name for themselves**. They didn't use stones... but bricks, something of the earth that has been burned and worked on by man. **Stones are made by God**, whereas **bricks are made by man**; bricks are a **human invention**, a human product, made of the earth that is burned so that any element of life would be burned out.

God doesn't need our invention, our effort, or our natural ability; what He needs is us to rely on Him, depend on Him, and realize that, if the Lord doesn't strengthen us inwardly and give us grace, we can do nothing. Our flesh, our natural man, and our good intentions suffice nothing in spiritual things. The building of God is not built with man-made bricks or by human labor; **the church as God's building is built with God-created and transformed stones**, and it is built by the divine work... As we exercise our spirit to build up the church, we need to tell the Lord, "*Lord, save me from building with wood, grass, or stubble; save me from building with my natural man, the flesh, or things that are lifeless. I want to build with the Triune God which has been wrought into me! Lord, build Yourself into me more today!*" When we serve, everything we do should come out from God as the source, through Him as the means and strength and energy, and the goal should be the glory of God and not seeking our own glory.

Being Saved from Hypocrisy

The principle of Babylon is **hypocrisy**. We need to be saved from hypocrisy, that is, being one person when we're the saints, and another when we're outside the meeting. To be delivered from pretending is a great matter. No matter what we pretend to be before others, **God knows our heart** (Luke 16:15), and He knows that we may honor Him only with our lips, yet our heart may be far away from Him. The Lord looks at the heart, not at what we pretend to be.

We do not have to pretend to be absolute or consecrated to the Lord; **we can be absolute only because Christ in us** is absolute, and He Himself is our absoluteness. May we be those who are real and true, genuine worshippers of God; the Father seeks genuine worshippers who **worship Him in spirit and in truthfulness** (John 4:24). May the divine reality be wrought into us to become our sincerity and truthfulness for our worship of God. May the Lord shine on the principle of Babylon and expose it in us, in our living and practice, and may we be **rescued** from pretending to be someone who we are not. May we take the Lord's word in Matt. 6:1-6 and practice praying in secret, giving in secret, and seeking the Lord in secret, not making a show out of it, so that the Father – who sees in secret – would repay us. When we do things in secret for the Lord and before the Lord, the flesh and the self – who are lustful for man's glory – are killed. Outward exhibition greatly frustrates our inner growth in the divine life. We need to enter into our private room, shut the door, and spend much time in secret with the father.

Overcoming the Principle of Babylon by Taking Christ as our Burnt Offering Daily

The **only way for us to overcome** the principle of Babylon is **by daily taking Christ as our burnt offering**, for He lived a life that is perfect and absolutely for God and for God's satisfaction, and He is such a life in us to enable us to have such a living. The only one that is pleasing to God the Father, the only one who had a living that was absolutely for Him and His satisfaction, and the only one who can live such a life in us again is Christ as the burnt offering. When we allow the Lord's light to shine and expose the principle of Babylon in our being, and when we agree with His light to judge anything in us that is according to this principle, we become one with the Lord. Then, we can **lay our hands on Christ**, our burnt offering, and be identified with Him, even eat Him, so that we may no longer live to ourselves but to Him who loved us and gave Himself up for us. To overcome the principle of Babylon we need to **be absolute**, for anything halfway is in the principle of Babylon.

"May we those who hear God's call and cooperate with Him to judge anything in us that is according to the principle of Babylon, so that we may return to the orthodoxy of the church and be the corporate expression He desires to have"

Today the Lord still sounds the call for all His people to come out of Babylon, come out of the apostate church, and return to the orthodoxy of the church, the church according to God's original intention.

LIFE-STUDY OF ACTS*“One Life-Study a Day Makes One Holy”***PRAYER BURDEN**

“Jesus said to him, I am the way and the reality and the life; no one comes to the Father except through Me.”

1. Lord, cause us to see that we are **limited** and **deliver** us from the **principle** of Babylon of putting on an adorning **garment of pretending** in order to get glory from man, and of using **“bricks”** of **depending** on our natural ability.
2. Lord, in the physical sense You are no longer here on the earth today, and we need to maintain a **widow’s attitude** toward the world daily, rescue us from **excessive living** beyond our need but to live a life that is according to the **principle of need**.
3. Lord, **bring us** into a high mountain to **see** the **New Jerusalem** that is **built** in a solid way with precious materials and cause us to **see** the **deception** of the **great Babylon** that is **gilded** with precious materials as ornaments.
4. Lord, make us of the **same mind** as You, **enlighten** us, so that in Your light we may **judge** everything in us which is not absolute toward You, and we thank You that by Your grace we will **not seek glory outside of You**.
5. Lord, we daily take You as our **burnt offering**, **we lay our hands** on You to exercise our spirit through proper **prayers**, so we can be identified with You, joined to You, become one with You, and to **live the kind of life** You lived on earth.
6. Lord, make us willing to remain in the **place of burning** and to **be burned** and become a heap of **“ashes”** of which You have a high regard for eventually the **“ashes”** will become precious materials for the **building** of the New Jerusalem.
7. Please pray for:
 - ▶ **Israel**: the saints in **Galilee & Haifa** to touch and continue enjoying the riches of Christ through the ministry
 - ▶ **Australia**: giving away 5000 NTRV at the upcoming Commonwealth Games in Gold Coast, **Queensland** from April 4 - 15, 2018
 - ▶ **Pakistan**: the church in **Islamabad** sending two trainees in the Philippines be granted visas
 - ▶ **Poland**: International Blending Conference in **Warsaw** on April 28-May1, 2018, and the NTRV distribution on April 23-27, 2018
 - ▶ **Vancouver**: the SST on Aug. 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
 - ▶ Zhang family to properly get settled

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

April 2, 2018, Monday (Message 16)

God came in incarnation to be a **stone for the building up** of His universal habitation. God honored Him by raising Him up from among the dead and making Him a particular stone, the **cornerstone**, the very prominent stone that joins the walls of a building. Christ is the cornerstone of God’s habitation. He is not only the Servant, the Holy One, the Righteous One, the Author of life, the Prophet, and the see; **He is a stone for God’s building**. He is the Stone-Savior. For us believers, Christ is the **building** stone even the **propagating** stone. As the Stone-Savior, He is solid, strong, and reliable. We can rely on Him and stand on Him. The New Testament reveals that Christ is all in all. It is in the name of Jesus Christ, the all-inclusive One, that we are saved. Praise the Lord!

The Propagation in Jerusalem, Judea, and Samaria through the Ministry of Peter's Company (12)

April 3, 2018, Tuesday (Message 17)

Having all things common was a sign not of love but of Christ’s **dynamic salvation** that saved the believers from greed and selfishness. The apostles were witnesses of the resurrected Christ not in word only, but also by their life and action. **Grace** is the Triune God becoming life and everything to us. **Grace** is the **resurrected Christ becoming the life-giving Spirit to bring the processed God in resurrection into us to be our life and life supply** so that we may live in resurrection. Whenever we have the thought of being somebody in the church life, Satan has the ground to deceive us and, spiritually speaking, to bring us into death. If we would avoid Satan’s deception, we must reject, condemn, and abandon the ambition to be somebody in the church life. Praise the Lord!

The Propagation in Jerusalem, Judea, and Samaria through the Ministry of Peter's Company (13)

April 4, 2018, Wednesday (Message 18)

The apostles were not told to speak of the divine life in a doctrinal way. We need to seek mercy and grace from the Lord so that whenever we speak concerning the divine life, we **speak the words of the very life we live**. God rules sovereignly over the earth with His authority so that the environment may be fit for God’s chosen people to receive His salvation. Christ is both the ruler and the king; He rules the entire earth. As the Leader, the Ruler, He is **ruling the earth for the purpose of our salvation**. He is ruling so that we may be saved. His sovereign ruling causes and leads God’s chosen people to repent, and His salvation based upon his redemption affords them forgiveness of sins. The Lord’s move is in and with His recovery, and we have the Holy Spirit as the inner witness.

The Propagation in Jerusalem, Judea, and Samaria through the Ministry of Peter's Company (14)

April 5, 2018, Thursday (Message 19)

In Acts 6 the apostles encountered a problem related to language and race. They exercised their wisdom to solve the problem and to take care of all the different saints. In Act 6:3 the word “wisdom” indicates that in this verse to be full of the Spirit is for life. To **pray** is not only to **entreat the Lord** to do things for His move, but also to **cause our spirit to be exercised** and to be strengthened. Because Peter and the other apostles bore the responsibility of ministering the word, they distributed the serving of tables to other saints. **We should not keep all the responsibilities on our own shoulders but distribute the responsibilities to all the saints**. We need to see that whatever is recorded in Acts is a pattern for us to follow. In the church life we are under the Lord’s grace and also under His sovereignty. Therefore, **without murmuring we should accept the Lord’s sovereignty and the environment arranged by Him**. The word of God is a matter of life that grows as a seed sown into man’s heart. Praise the Lord!

The Propagation in Jerusalem, Judea, and Samaria through the Ministry of Peter's Company (15)

April 6, 2018, Thursday (Message 20)

God’s New Testament **economy** is to have a **new dispensation** absolutely separated from Judaism. It is not God’s intention to have a written law and a material temple. God’s intention is **to have the living Christ as the law of life and also to have Christ as the living temple** for God’s New Testament economy. God desires to have Christ as the living **law within us** and as the **living temple outside** of us so that He may carry out His New Testament economy. After the Lord ascended to the heavens and the Spirit was poured out, there was a prevailing move among His disciples. The **new dispensation** is **the dispensation of Christ as the law of life and as the living temple**. Between these two dispensations there was a transitional period in which God was transferring His chosen people from the old dispensation into the new. By the Lord’s mercy we need to be willing to be brought by Him into the depths of His truths so that we may see what is on His heart.

Upcoming Activities:

- ▶ April 8, 2018 - Love Feast & Local YP Conference
- ▶ April 28, 2018 - Brother’s Meeting
- ▶ April 29, 2018 - Churching to Lloydminster