



# Church in Regina Newsletter

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*John 16:33 "... in Me you may have **peace**. In the world you have affliction, "*

Colossians 3:15,

**"Our heart should be ruled by the peace of Christ,"**

## Experiencing Christ as the Peace Offering for the Body of Christ

Scripture Reading: Lev. 3:1-5; Rom. 15:33; John 14:27; Eph. 2:14-17; 4:3; Col. 1:20-22; 3:15

### Seven words will open up the matter of Christ as the peace offering:

**Enmity:** The most serious problem fallen mankind has in relation to God is enmity; sinners need redemption, propitiation, forgiveness, cleansing, and justification by faith, but enemies **need reconciliation**....Enmity is a **deep-rooted hatred**, a state of being or a feeling of being actively opposed or hostile to someone or something. For example, today there are many atheists who not only say why they don't believe in God but they wage war, with many allies in the courts and government, to prove that there's no God and to convince all. Because of the rebellion of the archangel Lucifer, now there's enmity in the universe; this **enmity has been injected into our being**, and it is being institutionalized by our culture and the enforced differences among nations, races, and social classes. There's **enmity all around the world**. The peace offering addresses this serious situation. We need to realize that our enmity with God is our most serious condition or situation we have toward God.

**Christ:** There is a "**middle wall of partition**" right now between Jews and Gentiles and between all the nations, peoples, races, and social classes. And this **partition** is the enmity; as long as we hold on to partitions and insist on the differences, the living out of the one new man is an impossibility. Christ as the Peacemaker **removed** all the **divisive elements**, and He created in Himself the one new man.

**Cross:** We were **reconciled** in one Body to God through the cross; on one hand, the cross of Christ has slain the enmity caused by the ordinances which were given because of the flesh, and on the other hand, it has redeemed us with the blood of Christ shed upon it.

**Redemption:** What a wise God we have! He not only **redeemed** us through the **blood** of Christ, but He also **made peace** between us and Him and between us and others through the death of Christ on the cross by **terminating** everything contrary to God's economy **on the cross**. Now there's **peace** in the Body of Christ, and we

all were **reconciled** in one Body to God **through** the **cross**, and we have been **brought near** to God **in** the **blood** of Christ. Praise the Lord!

**Peace:** The key to having peace in the family life and the church life is **remaining** on the cross. When the cross of Christ **operates** in us and **terminates** all the negative things and all the differences, we will keep the oneness of the Spirit in the uniting bond of peace.

If we allow the divine Spirit, which is the uniting Spirit, to pass through us and link us, build us up, and bind us with the saints in the Body, we will experience the oneness and peace in the Body... It is a wonderful sight to see saints who may not be very much alike in their natural constitution, but they are open to one another, they are being built together, and all the differences are crossed out, for they allow the uniting Spirit to cross them and link them together.

**Body:** Peace and war are opposite, but the God of **peace** will **crush** Satan under our feet shortly, when we experience Christ as our peace in the church life corporately, and when we **depend** not only **on Christ** but also **depend on the Body**, being properly **related to the Body in peace**.

As believers in Christ, we have been **called** to the peace of Christ **in one Body**, the Body of Christ (Col. 3:15). We need to have not only peace **personally** with God (by telling Him everything, opening to Him about all things, and living a life in peace with God and forbearance toward others) but also **corporately** with the saints.

This means that, for us to have real peace, **we need to be dependent on the Lord and on the Body of Christ**. No one who is independent of the other members of the Body that the Lord put him with has real peace; **our dependence on the Body of Christ brings in real peace**. And as many as **walk** by this **rule**, peace be upon them and mercy, even upon the Israel of God (Gal. 6:16).

May the Lord save us from man-made peace or from obsession; may we be truly **open** to the Lord and **allow** the peace of Christ to **arbitrate** in our hearts, so that Christ as peace would **arbitrate**, **adjust**, and **decide** all things in our heart.

Colossians 3:16

**"our mouth should be filled with the word of Christ."**

## 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

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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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. We had our Bible distribution last Wednesday and the reports are the following: 21 Bibles distributed, 5 warm contacts and 3 additional college student contacts interested in having a club.
2. Our campus meeting will be at Sister Priscilla's house every Friday, 7pm - 8:30pm.
3. Brother Jerry welcomes us to have a home visitation in his house tonight, September 16 at 6:30pm.

## PRAYER BURDEN

1. Lord You are a **God of Peace** with a peaceful life and nature, who **guards** our hearts and thoughts; we want to **behave** in Your life according to our nature and to **dwell** in the **mystical realm** where there is **peace** while we are living in the **physical realm**.

2. Lord, how we need You as harmony and peace. Thank You for being the **Peacemaker**, through You and in You, we have **peace** between God and one another. May all of us enjoy You as peace for the **Body life**.

3. Thank You, Lord through Your **blood** we have been **brought near** both to God and to God's people. We praise You for dying as the Peacemaker, for **shedding** Your **blood** in order to reconcile us to God, for **coming** to us as the life-giving Spirit, even as the **preaching Spirit**, to preach the gospel of peace.

4. Thank You, Lord for **abolishing** on the **cross** all the differences due to ordinances and for **making peace** for the Body. Continue to bind us all together and be the **uniting bond** of peace among us. May we learn to **go** to the cross and **remain** there that all differences may disappear and enjoy peace.

5. Cause us Lord to have a **proper** local church as the practical **expression** of the Body, to **crush** Satan under our feet. Save us from thinking we can be **independent** of the Body. We want to **allow** Your peace to **arbitrate**, to **adjust** and to **decide** all things in our hearts and in our relationship with the members of the Body.

6. Lord, preserve the church in **oneness** and **sweetness**. Thank You for the **arbitrating peace** working within us to exercise **rule** over us, to **speak** the last word, and to make the final **decision**. Lord, we want to be **at peace** in **everything**, in **every way**, and with **everyone**. Grant us this peace continually.

7. Please pray for:

- ▶ **Netherlands:** European Brother's **Training** on October 16-18, 2018 and the International **Blending Conference** in Baarlo on October 19-21, 2018
- ▶ **Israel:** the preparation of the **Gospel tract** based on Isaiah 53.
- ▶ **UK:** Weekend **retreats** at Bower House, London on 29-30 Sept & 6-7 Oct., 2018
- ▶ **Slovakia:** International **Conference** on September 29-30, 2018 in Bratislava.
- ▶ **Germany:** The first Lord's table in **Munich**, on 14 October 2018.

8. Please pray for the church in **Regina**.

- ▶ **Chinese-speaking** small group meeting - Jerry's & Jacky's family
- ▶ **Bible Distribution** in SIAST Polytechnic
- ▶ Jobs for brothers **Paulo** and **Eric**
- ▶ **Thanksgiving** for brother Dindo's arrival
- ▶ Complete **healing** and **recovery** of Sister **Rosita Go Miranda**; to experience God as "*Jehovah Ropheka*"

## LIFE STUDY OF COLOSSIANS

"One Life-Study a Day Makes One Holy"

### Holding the Head, Out from Whom All the Body Grows with Growth of God

September 10, 2018, Monday (Message 56)

In 2:17 Paul says that the **body is of Christ**, but in verse 19 he speaks not of Christ, but of **holding the Head**. The reason for the change in terminology from Christ to the Head is that our enjoyment of the Lord causes us to **become** conscious of the Body. **If we are those who enjoy Christ continually, we shall not continue to be individualistic. The saints who are individualistic are those who do not consistently enjoy the Lord.** The more we enjoy Christ, the more we become Body-conscious. We should touch the Lord in the morning, but in the evening we should come to the church meetings. It is not normal to enjoy the Lord during the day and neglect the meetings of the church, which is His Body. Even if your environment does not allow you to attend all the meetings, inwardly you should have the sense that your whole inner being is with the saints in the church meeting. This consciousness of the Body comes from the enjoyment of Christ

### Having Died with Christ from the Elements of the World and Having Been Raised with Christ to Live with Him in God

September 11, 2018, Tuesday (Message 57)

When we hold the Head by remaining in our spirit, we absorb all the rich elements of the compound Spirit. One of these elements is our crucifixion with Christ. Only in the spirit are we free in a practical way from the elements of the world. **Only when we are in the spirit can we declare that we have nothing to do with religion, philosophy, culture, or natural virtues.** When we are in the spirit, we can hate these things, because we recognize that they are worldly and not of Christ. There is no way to abandon the elements of the world unless we are in spirit. If we try to do this apart from the spirit, our efforts will be in vain. **When we stay in the spirit by watching and praying, we have the experience of being dead with Christ to the elements of the world.**

### Seek the Things Above and Set Your Mind on Them

September 12, 2018, Wednesday (Message 58)

In 3:1 and 2 Paul tells us **not only to seek the things which are above, but also to set our mind on them.** This means that we need to forget earthly things—culture, religion, philosophy, and the natural human virtues. Instead, let us lift up our eyes to the heavens and set our mind on the wonderful, excellent things, the things that are above. These are the things which can cause us to be transformed, for they transmit a heavenly element into us. Let us learn to open our spirit and our whole being to the heavens and keep the "switch" turned on so that the transmission from the divine power plant may flow into us unceasingly. Do not be distracted by religion, philosophy, or anything else. **Focus your attention on the things above and stay open to the heavenly power plant. Then the riches of Christ's heavenly ministry will be transmitted into you, and you will be transformed and constituted of Christ.**

### One Position, One Life, One Living, One Destiny, and One Glory with Christ

September 13, 2018, Thursday (Message 59)

According to our experience and according to the Word, life here is Christ's life becoming our life. If it were merely Christ's life, it could not be called "our life." The very fact that it is "our life" indicates that it refers to something which has become ours. However, the life here is not our natural life, the life inherited from Adam. Such a life could never be that which is hidden with Christ in God. God would never allow the natural life inherited from Adam to be hidden in Him. **The only life that can be hidden with Christ in God is the divine life, the very life of Christ.** It is this life which has become our life. Paul's use of the expression "our life" indicates that we and Christ, and also God Himself, have one life. We should not think that God has one life, that Christ has another life, and that we who believe in Christ have yet another life. Rather, **God, Christ, and the believers have one life. The life of God is the life of Christ, and the life of Christ has become our life.** We can declare that we have the very life Christ has, the life hidden within God. What a wonderful life this is!

### Christ as All the Members and in All the Members in the New Man

September 14, 2018, Friday (Message 60)

**In the new man Christ is everyone and He is also in everyone.** How wonderful! This is to experience Christ not only as the reality of our daily necessities, but to have Him as our life and to be one with Him in the divine enterprise. **When we are one with Him in this way, He becomes us, and we live with Him in us. We live, but we live not alone, but with Christ in us.** I believe that the Lord's intention is that day by day we have more experience of this, taking Christ as our life, living together with Him, seeking the things which are above, and coordinating with Him for the carrying out of God's eternal purpose. Then we shall all be able to say that to us to live is Christ and that Christ lives in us.

### Upcoming Activities

September 23, 2018 - Brother's Meeting

October 08, 2018 - Church Pursuit: The Kingdom, msg 2 - The Coming of the Kingdom and Its Process

October 14, 2018 - Love Feast and Sister's Meeting