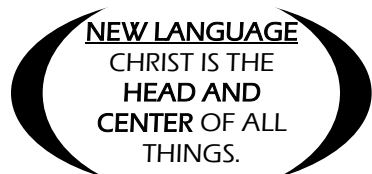


# CHURCH IN REGINA

ROM. 6:6 KNOWING THIS, THAT OUR OLD MAN HAS BEEN CRUCIFIED WITH HIM...



## Church Meetings:

### Lord's Table

Lord's Day, 10:00 - 12:00 PM

### Prayer Meeting

Tuesday, 7:00 - 8:00 PM

### College Meeting

Friday, 7:00 - 8:30 PM

### Young People's Meeting

Saturday, 5:00 - 7:00 PM

### Children's Meeting

Saturday, 10:00 - 11:00 AM

### Small Group Meeting

Friday, 7:00 - 9:00 PM

## Conferences & Trainings:

### Chinese-Speaking Conference

February 18-20, 2022

### April ITERO

April 1-3, 2022

### Memorial Day Conference

May 27-30, 2022

### July Semiannual Training

July 4-9 2022

### October ITERO

October 6-8, 2022

### Thanksgiving Conference

November 24-27, 2022

### Dec. Semiannual Training

December 26-31, 2022

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## Crystallization Study of Joshua, Judges, Ruth Week 11 - Boaz and Ruth Typifying Christ and the Church

### The Position of the Regenerated Man - a Genuine Wife's Position

Romans 6:6 says that the old man has been crucified with Him that the body of sin might be made of none effect. The old man, not the body, has been crucified. If you say that your body has been crucified, you need a funeral and burial. What then has happened to the body? The body has been made of none effect; it has been rendered useless. The old man has been crucified, but the body remains. Since the old man has been crucified, the body is jobless. Nevertheless, Romans 6:6 continues with the phrase "that we should no longer serve sin as slaves." The old man has been crucified, yet we still live. **We should no longer serve sin as slaves.**

Now let us turn to Galatians 2:19. This verse says, "For I through the law am **dead to the law**, that I might live unto God." Are we dead or living? Are we two persons or one? By this verse we can see that we have two statuses, that there are two I's—an old "I" and a new "I." The old "I" is dead that the new "I" may live..Galatians 2:19 says that I am dead that I might live. If I am not dead, I can never live. I need to be dead in order to live. I die to live. To what am I dead? According to Galatians 2:19, I am dead to the law.

Galatians 2:20 follows by declaring, "I am **crucified with Christ**," a phrase which undoubtedly corresponds to Romans 6:6 and 7:4. These three verses correspond to one another. Galatians 2:20 says, "I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live." How can we be crucified persons and continue to live? Are we dead or alive? Both are true. **As the old man I am dead; as the new man I live.** Although I live, yet it is not I, but Christ who lives in me. I like the three words "**nevertheless**," "**yet**," and "**but**." If we concentrate on these three words, we will be clear about our dual status. **I have been crucified with Christ, nevertheless I live, yet not I, but Christ lives in me.** This is marvelous...Then, Galatians 2:20 says, "and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God." This verse reveals that a believer has **two statuses**— the status of an **old man** and the status of the **regenerated new man**. We were troubled by the old husband in Romans 7:4 because we did not pay attention to a Christian's dual status. As the old man we were the husband; as the new man we are the wife.

Now we return to Romans 7:4. "So that, my brothers, you also have been made dead to the law through the body of Christ, that you might marry another, even Him Who has been raised from among the dead, that we might bear fruit to God." In this verse Paul puts together a **funeral** and a **wedding**. On the one hand, we were buried; on the other hand, we were married. We have been made dead that we might marry another. In Romans 7:4 we are dead to marry; in Galatians 2:19 we are dead to live. If we did not have two statuses, how could this be possible? We were made dead according to our old status that we might marry another according to our new status. According to our new status, we marry Him who has been raised from among the dead, that we might bear fruit to God.

Now we come to Romans 7:5-6. Verse five says, "For when we were in the flesh, the passions of sins, which were through the law, operated in our members to bear fruit to death." This verse speaks of what we were. Verse six says, "But now we are **discharged from the law**, having died to that in which we were held, that we should serve as slaves in newness of spirit and not in oldness of letter." When we were **in the flesh** (v. 5), we were the **old husband**. When we were **discharged from the law** (v. 6), we became the **wife**. We have been discharged from the law of the old husband, having died to that in which we were held. By now it should be very clear who is the old husband. The old husband is our old man. The wife is our regenerated new man. **As the old man we are dead, and as the new man we are alive.** We were dead as the old husband, but now are alive as the wife. As we shall see, the wife does two things— bears fruit to God and serves in newness of spirit.

~ Excerpts from the Life-Study of Romans, Message 12

## Prayer Burdens:

1. Lord, we don't want to lose You as our Husband. Cause us not to be selfish in our spiritual enjoyment. We want to be generous and pay the price to redeem our birthright and others' birthright. Lead us into shepherding others.
2. Lord, make us the "Boaz" of today, pillars in the church life, who bear God's testimony and who are constantly under God's judgment.
3. Lord, we condemn ourselves. Make us realize that we are nothing. May we live by faith in You, not by what we are or by what we can do. We want to be lilies living a life of faith in You.
4. Lord, make us also the "Ruth" of today. We pray to always be united to You, be attached to You, and continually partake of the inheritance of God's promise.
5. Thank You, Lord for freeing us from the law. Now, we are joined to You as our Husband. We take You as our Head and depend on You as the ever-living One.
6. Lord, we thank You that we are now joined to You as the resurrected Christ and as the life-giving Spirit. Cause us to have our whole being turned to You and set our being on the one spirit. May our daily living always be for Your corporate expression.

## Europe/North America

1. Pray for the online Baltic-Nordic Blending Conference on January 25-28, 2022.
2. Pray for the continuing publishing work of LSM. As we bear the testimony of Your recovery, we pray for those who are laboring on the publication work to refute and correct the defects of traditional Christian theology. We pray for this that many will have a definite view of the genuine, complete, and up-to-date revelation of the present truth.

## Church in Regina:

1. Pray for the **2022 church direction**, especially our priestly service and our practical services. Grant each one of us a real searching of heart and a great resolution in heart.
2. Pray for the purchase of a **lot property and meeting hall**.
3. Pray for a **regular bible distribution** and the **continual preaching of the gospel**. May our living be a testimony for the gospel.
4. Lord, we pray for our individual pursuit of the **Life-study messages**.
5. Pray for Bro. Antonio Miranda and Sis. Cecil Miranda's **final medical review**. Pray that they can come within the next two months.

## A Timely Speaking

In the last age, there is a need for an even more intensified operation of the Spirit. We also need to be intensified sevenfold:

- 1) In our consecration;
- 2) In our spirit;
- 3) In our pursuing Christ to gain Him;
- 4) In our bearing of the cross;
- 5) In our burden and care for people;
- 6) In our care for the truths.

"Lord, I must advance. I need Your grace to bring me onward. I do not want to remain in the work of incarnation or even in the work of inclusion. I want to advance from inclusion to intensification."

*-Excerpts from Outline, Being Intensified in Order to Become the Overcomers who Meet God's Need in this Age.*

## Announcements:

1. **Love feast** on January 9, 2022.
2. **Sisters' fellowship meeting** on January 9, 2022 at 2pm.
3. **Brothers' pursuit meeting** on January 30, 2022 at 6pm.
4. **Winter Western Canada College Conference** on January 21-23, 2022.
5. **Children's Fun Day** for 2022 will be every six weeks, starting on