

CHURCH IN REGINA

Local Announcements

1. Prayer Meeting—Feb. 4
In person by Group
2. Prairie College
Conference—Feb. 22.
Registration deadline
is on Feb. 9.
3. Love Feast—Feb. 9

Conferences & Training

1. Chinese-Speaking
Blending Conference—
Feb. 14-16, Anaheim,
CA
2. International Training
for Elders &
Responsible Ones—
Apr. 4-6, Anaheim, CA
3. Memorial Day Blending
Conference—May 23-
26, Phoenix, AZ
4. Summer Training—June
30-July 5, Anaheim, CA
5. International Training
for Elders &
Responsible Ones—TBD
6. Thanksgiving Blending
Conference—Nov. 27-
30, Indianapolis, IN
7. Winter Training—
Dec. 22-27, Anaheim,
CA

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Experiencing, Enjoying, and Expressing Christ (1) - Week 3

Standing on the Ground of the Lord's Authority

...we [need to] **realize** what our **ground** is to **preach the gospel**. It is not merely the ground that we love sinners or that we feel that there is the need for materials for the building up of the church. All these are good, but they are not adequate. We have to take the ground that Christ has ascended to the heavens. He has been enthroned, and all authority both in heaven and on earth has been given to Him. He is the Head, and He is the Lord. **We are under His headship and under His lordship**. Moreover, **we are the members of His Body**. It is on this ground that we are sent out. In actuality, we do not take the initiative; we are the sent ones. The Lord said, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore." **We simply take the order**. We are the policemen sent by the government. If we realize this, then when we go out to touch people by our preaching, we will have the assurance, the confidence, that the authority is with us.

...We are **short of the realization** that we have to take the ground of authority. Satan is the illegal usurper. We have to announce this, and we have to proclaim this. We have to tell the whole universe that Jesus is the proper Lord, the legal Owner of this universe. Today **Jesus is on the throne**. He is **legally entitled** by God as the Lord. He has received an authority that is absolutely unique both in heaven and on earth, and He has passed this authority on to us because we are His members, we are identified with Him, and we are one with Him as the Head. It is on this standing, in such a position, and taking such a ground that we go out. This is something different from mere power. When a policeman comes to us, he does not come only with power; he comes with authority. There is something great behind him. We cannot go against him, because he has the authority. If our realization is to such an extent, we will have the faith and assurance that a person will be saved, and he will be plundered out of the hand of the enemy. Let us learn this.

Taking the Lord's Authority and Entitlement as an Item in the Will

We have to **realize** that **the Body of Christ** has not only been baptized with the power but also **entitled with the authority of Christ**. We have the authority. All these matters **require us to exercise our faith** to realize that they are items in the will, the testament. Now we are simply discovering what the items of the will are. We have had this will for many years, yet so many items are still not clear to us. Now we are discovering all the items. In this will we have not only an item telling us that power is ours but also an item telling us that authority is ours. **When we go out, we need to have this assurance, this realization**...We are sent ones, sent from the heavenly Jerusalem. The Lord's headship is much greater than the headship of the president of the United States. In the past have you ever had such a realization when going out to contact people? We all have to realize that this is not a doctrine. We have to **receive this by believing**...

We have to give this order not only to humans but also to the demons and to the strong man, saying, "I come here in the name not only of Jesus but of the Lord Jesus. He is the Lord today. Satan, you have to take the order!" This is different from merely exercising power. This changes darkness into light and night into day. This even changes hell into heaven. There is no need for us to speak too much. We simply pass on the order. For a policeman to give a ticket does not require much work; he simply writes the ticket, and people have to take it and pay the fine. We must learn to exercise our faith as the "policemen" acting with authority.

Exercising Authority Toward Demons and Not Toward People

We should **exercise the Lord's authority to deal with the demons**, not with people. Rather, we have to exercise love, humility, kindness, and loveliness to deal with people. In our heart and in our realization we do say, "I am here with authority," but in our attitude with people we have to be very nice. We should not say to them, "I am one sent from the heavenly Jerusalem." This is wrong. The humbler, the nicer, and the kinder we are, the better.

To the devil and the demons we are not polite; we are very strong. However, **to people we have to be kind**. If we are too strong toward people, we will be utilized by the enemy. We must learn the subtle wiles of the enemy and learn how to deal with the situation. We should be strong with the enemy but kind with people (Excerpts from Preaching the Gospel in the Way of Life, ch.3).

PRAYER BURDENS

1. Lord, we praise You as the One who has authority in heaven and on earth. Shepherd us, supply us, build us up and deal with Your enemy. Rule us by Your life and teach us to obey those who are leading us.
2. Thank You, Lord for giving the church the authority to bind and to loose. We bind the strong man and plunder the world. Give us the willingness and strength to disciple all the nations, not just to save their souls, but to bring them into Your kingdom.
3. Lord, give us a fresh appreciation of our baptism that terminated our old life and germinated a new life where we are one with You to be Your kingdom people.
4. Lord Jesus, we take You as our King. We want to experience You as the Son of David, our King-Savior, so we can experience You as the Son of Abraham for the blessings. Subdue our will and forgive us of our rebelliousness.
5. Lord, You are the embodiment of the Triune God. You became the life-giving Spirit charging us to baptize the nations into Your name. Strengthen us to carry out such commission and go back to our inheritance—the Triune God Himself.
6. You are our Emmanuel, God with us. Thank You for being with us today until the consummation of the age. Make us useful for Your building not only with gift but also in ministry. May we all pay the price and learn the lessons of life that work God into us.

North America/Europe/Other Burdens

1. Please pray for gospel teams from FTTL and FTTA that will be sent to 19 countries in Europe from January 23 through February 9. Pray that the preaching of the gospel of the kingdom will be prevailing and reach all those the Lord desires to save.

Church in Regina

1. Pray for the propagation work in Saskatchewan. Strengthen the saints in Foam Lake, Yorkton and Stenen. Encourage them and supply them that there would be a lampstand in Yorkton for Your testimony. Remember Bro. Isaac, Bro. Charles, and Bro. William.
2. Pray for the recipients of the Bible distribution. May we be able to reach the new ones we have contacted and may they attend the Bible study this semester.
3. Pray for the continuing of the Chinese-Speaking Bible Reading. Remember Bro. Nathan, Sis. Cassie and our new ones: Doris Di, Julie Cao, Wendy Wang, and Tina Huang.
4. Pray for positive and immediate approval of all the permanent resident immigration papers:
 - > Alforte Family (Radam and Rosalina)
 - > Orolfo Family (Wilson and Jenny and their three children)
 - > Jerome Family (Pravin and Abinaya and their two children)
 - > Argawanon Family (Charles and Janet and their son)
 - > Temonio Family (William and Melanie and their two children)

WEEKLY SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS:

- Lord's Table & Prophesying—Lord's Day 10:00-12:00PM
- Prayer Meeting—Tuesdays 7:00-8:00PM
- Home Meeting—Wednesdays 6:00-7:00PM
- Chinese-Speaking Bible Reading—Wednesdays 8:00-9:00PM
- College Meetings—Fridays 7:30-8:30PM
- YP Meetings—Sundays 3:00-4:30 PM
- Children's Meeting—Saturdays 10:00-11:00AM
- Small Group Meetings—Fridays/Saturdays 7:00-9:00PM