

Week of June 4

Being Empowered to Pray Fighting Prayers

“Finally, be empowered in the Lord and in the might of His strength.” (Eph. 6:10)

“By means of all prayer and petition, praying at every time in spirit and watching unto this in all perseverance and petition concerning all the saints” (Eph. 6:18)

The fact that we need to be empowered in the Lord indicates that in ourselves we cannot fight the spiritual warfare against Satan and his evil kingdom; we can fight only in the Lord and in the might of His strength.

As God’s warrior, the church does not fight by her own strength...On the contrary, we must be empowered in the Lord and in the might of His strength. To deal with God’s enemy, to fight against the evil forces of darkness, we need to be empowered with the greatness of the power that raised up Christ from the dead and seated Him in the heavens, far above all the evil spirits in the air.

When we are strengthened, we are renewed; when we are renewed, we are filled; when we are filled, we are equipped to fight; it is in the fighting spirit that we pray fighting prayers of spiritual warfare. What Satan fears most is the saints’ bended knees before the Lord, or the prayer of the church before God. God desires that His saints have this kind of prayer to work together with Him and fight for Him. (*CS 1 & 2 Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah, and Esther*, msg. 9, III.E.1; III.F.4.c; *LS Ephesians*, pp. 815-816; *CWWL*, 1953, vol. 3, “The Experience of Life,” p. 527)

Bibles for America

So far this year, Bibles for America has sent out over 80,000 free copies of the NT Recovery Version to people all over the country. Please pray that every Bible recipient would have the eyes of their heart enlightened as they read the interpreted Word of God. Pray also that many more seekers would respond to our offer and order a copy for themselves.

Germany – Gospel Trips

In 2016 and 2017 thousands of the saints in the Lord’s recovery went to Germany to participate in the gospel trips for the refugees from the Middle East. During those trips not only were many saved and brought into the church life, but also the church life in Germany was greatly strengthened and even several churches were raised up.

Last October saints were invited to visit the German-speaking countries to help with outreach on the campuses. These trips had a great impact in helping the churches gain remaining fruit from the campuses. They also helped to revive the spirit of the gospel in the churches. We thank the Lord for those who were able to come and participate. It was a great blessing.

This year, October 8 to 22, the churches and developing localities in Germany, Switzerland, and Austria extend a warm invitation again to all the saints in the recovery to join their campus labor at the start of the academic year.

Please pray that:

- Saints around the earth, including some in Los Angeles, will be stirred up in spirit by the Lord and give their time and energy to rise up and go up (Ezra 1:3, 5);
- Many others will strengthen and supply the goers in prayer, perhaps also financially (Ezra 1:4, 6)
- The churches in Germany will receive fresh leading from the Lord and will learn from one another how best to prepare for this time.
- The Lord will gain many young Germans, Swiss, and Austrians as remaining fruit and for the spread of the Lord’s testimony in all these cities through these gospel trips.

Those who give themselves for this trip may also consider taking the opportunity to attend the European Blending Conference in the Netherlands during the last weekend of October. For interested saints, more information and a pre-registration link are at tinyurl.com/GermanyGospelTrips.

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The graduation of the Full-time Training in London's spring semester will take place at Bower House this Saturday, June 10. Please pray for a strong going on of the graduates—whether they serve, work, or study—in their knowing, experiencing, and enjoying of Christ for the building up of His Body and the preparation of His bride.

Nepal

A regional blending conference took place in early March for the first time since the pandemic. A total of 79 saints and 7 children from the four churches in Nepal attended, along with some saints from Malaysia, Singapore, and Taiwan. The subject was “Seeing the Vision of the Lord’s Recovery and Practicing the God-Ordained Way.”

During the conference, some shared testimonies of how they were called by the Lord. One brother had initially planned to find work in Korea due to financial difficulties at home; he had even learned Korean. However, encouraged by the testimony of an elderly sister who consecrated her children to the Lord, he recognized the great need of the local church. He decided to give up the opportunity to go abroad in order to remain in his locality with his wife to serve in coordination with the saints.

After being under the speaking of the messages for two days, the saints’ vision was renewed and everyone consecrated themselves to practice the God-ordained way. May the Lord grant them grace to continue steadfastly in practicing what they have learned in their localities.

For a detailed report with photos, see the April 2023 issue of the Lord’s Move to Asia newsletter:

- reurl.cc/5MWAYV (English)
- reurl.cc/Nqd7MQ (Chinese)

Announcements

1. **Morning Revival:** Week 9 of *Crystallization-study of 1 and 2 Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther*.
2. **Wednesday Night Ministry Meeting:** The weekly ministry meeting on “The Crucial Points of the Truth in Paul’s Epistles” continues this Wednesday starting 7:25 pm.
3. **July Semiannual Training:** July 3 to 8 in Anaheim and by video via Zoom. LA saints may still register for the video training (\$130) until June 18 at tinyurl.com/summertrainingla.
4. **Memorial Day Conference:** Audio and video recordings of conference messages may be accessed on a per-message or subscription basis at www.lsmwebcast.com.
5. **Free e-Booklets:** Living Stream Ministry offers a series of free e-booklets to read and share at www.lsm.org/booklets, including “Life’s Issue—the Church.”
6. **LSM Newsletter:** The May issue of “*Having This Ministry...*” provides principles on using the hymns in the Lord’s table meeting, as well as a brief history of the Taiwan Gospel Book Room. Go to newsletters.lsm.org/having-this-ministry.
7. **Bibles for America’s** latest post, “Author Spotlight: Who Is Watchman Nee?” is available to read and share at blog.biblesforamerica.org.
8. **Living to Him** has a podcast series particularly helpful to working saints, available on all major podcasting services at livingtohim.com/the-living-to-him-podcast.
9. **GTCA:** To learn more about the burden for migration within North America, please visit gtca.us.
10. **500 Life-studies App:** To learn more about the burden for the Life-studies, including the 500 Life-studies app, please visit 500lifestudies.org.
11. **A Timely Speaking of Supply:** Enjoy a free weekly video from messages given by Brother Lee at lsm.org/timely-speaking.html.
12. **Ways to Give:** Information about the church’s online giving platform, Subsplash, and where to mail checks, are at www.churchinlosangeles.org/members/offerings.