



The Church in Regina Weekly Newsletter

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“For indeed Jews require signs and Greeks seek wisdom, but we preach Christ crucified”

Meeting Schedule

Lord's Table Meeting - Lord's Day
 - YWCA 9:30 - 11:30 AM
 Prayer Meeting, - Tuesday & Wednesday
 - Saints Homes 8:30 - 9:30 PM
 Small Group Meeting - Saturday evening
 - Saints Homes
 Young People's Meeting - Fridays
 - Bro. Hendrick's House 7:00-9:00PM

Upcoming Activities

July 2015 - Love Feast, July 12
 - Children's Fun Day,
 July 12 at Wascana Park

Aug. 2015 - Love Feast, August 9
 - Churching, TBA

Church Building

Preaching the gospel is good, but if gospel preaching replaces the church and causes men never to think about the church, then we are definitely deceived by Satan.

Seven Annual Feasts

1. International Chinese-speaking Conference - Taipei, Taiwan
February 21-22, 2015
2. International Training for elders and Responsible Ones - Anaheim, CA
March 27-29, 2015
3. Memorial Day Conference - St Louis, MO
May 22-25, 2015
4. Summer Training - Anaheim, CA
June 29 - July 4, 2015
5. ITERO - Aguas de Lindoia, Brazil
October 1-3, 2015
6. Thanksgiving Conference
Jacksonville, FL
November 26-29, 2015
7. Winter Training - Anaheim, California
Dec. 21-26, 2015

THE COMPLETE AND FULL GOSPEL OF GOD

The **four pillars in the Lord's recovery** are the **truth**, **life**, the **church**, and the **gospel**. The truth brings us life, life produces the church, and the church is responsible for the preaching of the gospel.

Paul first speaks of **justification**, then **sanctification**, then the **Body of Christ**, and last of the **local churches** in every place... We must preach the gospel in a way that allows people to clearly see that once they believe in the Lord, their sins will be **forgiven**, and they will be **redeemed** and **justified** by God, **reconciled** to God, and **accepted** by God. They should also see that at the same time they will be **regenerated** in their spirit, have God's life and nature, and have God dwelling in their spirit to **renew** them day by day and **transform** them moment by moment. This is so that they may be **conformed** to the image of His Son and eventually reach the maturity in life and be fully **glorified** as the sons of God. Furthermore, they should see that although they are sinners, they will become **sons of God**. At the same time, they are **members of Christ**, coordinating together to constitute the Body of Christ, which is the testimony, the riches, and the expression of Christ expressed practically on the earth as the local churches. **This is the gospel in Romans.**

Romans 8 is the center of Paul's gospel, which is concerning the **Triune God dispensing Himself into the tripartite man**... We human beings are tripartite, having a spirit, soul, and body. Our mind occupies a great part of our soul. Romans 8 tells us that the Triune God first **enters into our spirit** (v. 10), then **saturates our mind from our spirit**, that is, enters into our soul (v. 6), and then **enters into our body**, giving life to our mortal bodies (v. 11). In this way, our tripartite being—our spirit, soul, and body—is filled with God...**This is the gospel of God.**

THE TRUTH BEING THE GOSPEL

... It may seem that people will not be able to understand the truth, but we cannot say that they will not understand any of it. John knew a secret—the secret that as long as he continued to speak, people would eventually understand.

THE TRUTH BEING THE URGENT NEED TODAY

...The truth tells us one central point: the Triune God—the Father, the Son, and the Spirit—is **dispensing Himself into us**—sinful, tripartite men—that our sins may be forgiven and that we may receive God's life and have God Himself in us for our transformation into the sons of God. This is the truth and the gospel.

OUR COOPERATION BY PRAYER

Once we have learned the truth, we have to go out to preach. However, before we go out to speak, we must pray. **The proper sequence is first to pray and then to preach.** Merely having the truth without the Spirit does not work... Once we pray, we will be filled and saturated with the Spirit. With the truth and the infilling of the Holy Spirit, we will be equipped to go out to preach the gospel to others.

THE SPECIFIC PRACTICAL STEPS FOR THE SPREADING OF THE GOSPEL

Opening Our Homes for the Preaching of the Gospel

We have to encourage all the saints, no matter what their situation, to open their homes for the gospel.

Preaching the Gospel on the Campuses

The campuses are like fishponds, and the students are like the fish. All the “fish” have been gathered in the “fishponds,” so we must go to every college, high school, and elementary school to preach the gospel.

Preaching the Gospel to the Children

This requires the sisters to pick up the burden. It is not necessary to use the meeting hall as the place for the gospel meeting. Rather, it is best to meet at the saints' homes. Use the weekends to gather the children from your neighborhood and to invite the children of your relatives and friends to your home.

Preaching the Gospel to People of All Levels

Most of our brothers and sisters work in different professions, trades, and circles; they may be in schools, hospitals, factories, corporations, government bureaus, or private organizations. Wherever we are, we should exercise our influence by preaching the gospel to everyone whom we contact.

THE GOSPEL BEING THE WAY FOR THE LORD TO GO FORTH

... If all of us would rise up to learn the truth, pursue the growth in life, live the normal church life, and preach the truth as the gospel, one year later every brother and sister will be strong, and the churches will also be enriched and fruitful... May we all receive this burden and practice accordingly in every place, leading the saints to learn the truth in a serious way and encouraging them to pursue the growth in life, to go out to preach the gospel, and to bring people to the Lord and into the church. This will allow the Lord to have a way to go forth and will also bring Him back. (The Four Great Pillars in the Lord's Recovery, ch. 10)

Prayer burden

1. Lord, show us the full vision of Your divine revelation that You created us and redeemed us so that You can work Yourself into us to be **our life** and to be **our everything**, and to be organically one with You.
2. Lord, You are the fountain, the **source, of living waters** for our satisfaction and enjoyment for the producing of the church for Your increase, Your enlargement, and Your fullness for Your expression.
3. Lord, we identify ourselves with You as the **smitten rock**, that the divine life as the living water will flow out of us for the **building up of You Body** and for the **preparation of Your bride**.
4. Lord, show to us the clear way of **drinking and flowing** the water of life. Thank you for positioning us to drink one Spirit, create in us a **thirst** to come to You, to **speak to "the rock"** constantly, joyously, giving You the preeminence in our being and do everything according to the divine nature.
5. Lord, we still pray for the on-going **National College Training 2015 - God's Age-Turners** at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.
6. Pray for the church in **Regina**. Pray for the **Bible distribution** in September 9, 2015 at the University of Regina.
7. Pray for the construction of the meeting hall of the church in **Vancouver** and **Surrey**. Pray for the propagation in the Prairies. Lord bless Your work.

We need to joyously draw water from the springs of salvation by speaking to the Lord, by the Lord, for the Lord, in the Lord, and with the Lord.

We need to confess our sins; to praise the Lord; to thank the Lord; to call on the name of the Lord; to sing to the Lord; to preach the gospel, making known to others what Christ has accomplished; to function in the meetings of the church; to give the Lord the preeminence in our being; to do everything according to the divine nature.

This Week's Pursuit: Crystallization-Study of Exodus (2)

Drinking and Flowing the Water of Life in Resurrection

Exo. 17:6; Num. 20:8; Psa. 46:4; 1 Cor. 12:13; John 4:10, 14, 24; 7:37-39; 19:34; 1 Cor. 10:4; Rev. 21:6; 22:1, 17

I. God's intention in His economy is to be the fountain, the source, of living waters to satisfy His chosen people for their enjoyment, with the goal of producing the church as God's increase, God's enlargement, to be God's fullness for His expression; the kernel of the divine revelation is that God created us and redeemed us for the purpose of working Himself into us to be our life and our everything—Jer. 2:13; Lam. 3:22-24; 1 Cor. 1:9:

John 4:14b reveals a flowing Triune God—the Father is the fountain, the Son is the spring, and the Spirit is the flowing river, issuing in the totality of the eternal life, the New Jerusalem. The entire Triune God was involved in the water flowing out of the smitten rock for God's people to drink—God [the Father] was standing upon the rock, the rock was Christ [the Son], and the living water coming out of the rock signifies the drinkable and outflowing Spirit as the ultimate issue of the Triune God.

II. The striking of the rock is a clear, complete, and full picture of Christ's crucifixion.

In this type, **Moses** signifies the law, and the **staff** represents the power and authority of the law. Hence, the striking of the rock by Moses' staff signifies that Christ was put to death on the cross by the authority of God's law.

III. Christ as the living, spiritual rock was smitten by the authority of God's law so that the water of life in resurrection could flow out of Him and into His redeemed people for them to drink.

Christ is our begetting rock and the rock who is our salvation, strength, refuge, hiding place, protection, covering, and safeguard. Blood and water flowed out of the Lord's pierced side on the cross; the blood for our **judicial** redemption saves us from the guilt of sin, and the water of life in resurrection for our **organic** salvation saves us from the power of sin.

IV. The water that flowed out of the rock is the water of life in resurrection.

Resurrection denotes something that has been put to death and is alive again; it also denotes life that springs forth out of something that has passed through death. The water that flowed out of the smitten rock sprang forth only after the major steps of incarnation, human living, and crucifixion had been accomplished; hence, Exodus 17:6 is a profound verse, implying Christ's incarnation, human living, and death. The Spirit as the living water for us to drink and flow out could be received only after the Lord Jesus had been glorified, that is, only after Christ had entered into resurrection.

V. The source of the water of life is the throne of God and of the Lamb—the redeeming God; hence, the water of life is the Triune God flowing out to be our life—Rev.22:1.

The flow of the living water began from the throne in eternity, continued through the incarnation, human living, and crucifixion of Christ, and now flows on in resurrection to supply God's people with all the riches of the divine life. When we identify ourselves with the smitten Christ, that is, when we are one with Him as the smitten Christ, the divine life as the living water flows out of us. The flowing of the water of life in resurrection is for the building up of the Body of Christ and the preparation of the bride of Christ, both of which will consummate in the New Jerusalem.

VI. As believers in Christ, we need to see the way, the "science," of drinking and flowing the water of life.

We have been **positioned** to drink one Spirit. To drink the water of life, there is the need of **thirst**. We need to come to the Lord. Now that Christ as the rock has been smitten, crucified, we simply need to speak to the rock; when we speak to Him, He will give us the living water, so we need to practice speaking with the Lord constantly. We need to ask the Lord to give us the living water. We need to contact God the Spirit in our human spirit and in truthfulness.

VII. Since Christ has been crucified and the Spirit has been given, there is no need for Christ to be crucified again, that is, no need to strike the rock again, that the living water may flow; in God's economy Christ should be crucified only once.

To receive the living water from the crucified Christ, we need only to "take the rod" and "speak to the rock". To take the rod is to identify with Christ in His death and apply the death of Christ to ourselves and to our situation. To speak to the rock is to speak a direct word to Christ as the smitten rock, asking Him to give us the Spirit of life based on the fact that the Spirit has already been given.

Instead of speaking to the rock, Moses called the Lord's people rebels and struck the rock twice. Moses condemned the people as rebels, but Moses was the one who rebelled against God's word. In being angry with the people and in wrongly striking the rock twice, Moses failed to sanctify God. In being angry when God was not angry, Moses did not represent God rightly in His holy nature, and in striking the rock twice, he did not keep God's word in His economy; thus, Moses offended both God's holy nature and His divine economy. Because of this, even though he was intimate with God and may be considered a companion of God, Moses lost the right to enter into the good land. **In all that we say and do concerning God's people, our attitude must be according to God's holy nature, and our actions must be according to His divine economy; this is to sanctify Him; otherwise, in our words and deeds we will rebel against Him and offend Him.**

WEEK	LORD'S TABLE ATTENDANCE	PRAYER MEETING	YP MEETING	GROUP / HOME MEETING	OFFERING
June 28 - July 04, 2015	19	7	7		\$155.00
July 05 - July 11, 2015	22	7	12		\$210.00