



Church in Regina Newsletter

Meeting Place: 3860 Buckingham Drive E, Regina, SK, Canada S4V

TO COME TO THE FULL KNOWLEDGE OF THE TRUTH

... (our Saviour God) Who desires all men to be saved and to come to the full knowledge of the truth. - 1 Timothy 2:4

Through - small group meetings from house to house

"And every day, in the temple and from house to house, they did not cease teaching and bringing the good news of Jesus as the Christ." - Acts 5:42

"And day by day, continuing steadfastly with one accord in the temple and breaking bread from house to house, they took their food with exultation and simplicity of heart." - Acts 2:46

As long as the small groups could be established there would be no control. On the day of Pentecost the three thousand all met in their homes, from house to house. Did these three thousand receive permission from Peter to meet in their homes? Did they say, "Apostle Peter, may I have a meeting in my home?" This would have been ugly. As long as you are a believer, you have the full right to open up a meeting in your home. You even have to be encouraged, charged, and burdened to do this.

Through - God-invented, God-ordained, God-created way to meet

"What then, brothers? Whenever you come together, each one has a psalm, has a teaching, has a revelation, has an interpretation. Let all things be done for building up". - 1 Corinthians 14:26

"Not abandoning our own assembling together, as the custom with some is, but exhorting one another; and so much the more as you see the day drawing near." - Hebrews 10:25

In the early days the way invented and ordained by the Spirit for the believers to meet is based upon two principles or two factors—mutuality and speaking. Mutuality and speaking are the basic principles and factors by which or with which we should meet. A church meeting that does not involve mutuality and mutual speaking is wrong.

Through - being gathered into the Lord's Name, His person

"For where there are two or three gathered into My name, there am I in their midst." - Matthew 18:20

In Matthew 18:20 the Lord did not say where two or three meet together but where two or three are gathered together. The two or three are gathered. By whom are they gathered? Surely they are not gathered by the elders. They are gathered by the Lord. If we say the two or three meet together, this meeting is initiated by the ones who meet. For two or three to be gathered together, however, indicates that someone is doing the gathering. These two or three are gathered by the unseen Lord.

If we are gathered by the Lord into His name, we have to get out of ourselves. If you remain in the self, you could never be gathered into the name of the Lord. Into the name of the Lord means into the Lord Himself. The name denotes the Person. Matthew 18:20 does not mean that we are gathered in the name of the Lord but that we are gathered out of self into Him. Therefore, He is in our midst. Suppose we are gathered, not out of ourselves, but still remaining in ourselves. Do you believe that in that condition the Lord is with us? It is when we are gathered out of ourselves and out of all things other than the Lord and into Him that He is among us.

In a locality for the building up of a local church we should meet by small numbers and we should meet by being gathered. We do not initiate the gathering, but He does. We should also meet in a way to be gathered out of our self, out of our home, out of the world, out of our family, out of our business, out of our care for money, and out of so many things. Too many times we meet and still remain in so many things other than Christ. We have to be gathered out of so many things into His name, His Person. It seems as if the Lord was saying, "Do not remain in anything other than Me when you are gathered together."

Upcoming Activities:

- ▶ November 07, 2016 - Being gathered by the Lord - "to come to the full knowledge of truth"
- ▶ November 11, 2016 - Church Pursuit (Experience of Life - msg 7)
- ▶ November 11 - 13, 2016 - Canada Brother's Meeting in Richmond, BC
- ▶ November 13, 2016 - Love Feast

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Meeting Schedule:

Lord's Table Meeting

Lord's Day
10:00AM to 12:00PM

Prayer Meeting

Tuesdays & Wednesdays
Saints Homes
8:00PM to 9:00PM

YP Meeting

Fridays
7:00PM to 9:00PM
Brother Hedrick's Place

Small/Home Meeting

Friday Evening
Saint's Home

Seven Annual Feasts

1. International Chinese-speaking Conference, Anaheim, CA February 12-14, 2016
2. International Training for Elders and Responsible Ones (Spring) Anaheim, CA - April 8-10, 2016
3. Memorial Day Conference Washington, DC May 27-30, 2016
4. Summer Training Anaheim, CA - July 4-9, 2016
5. International Training for Elders and Responsible Ones (Fall) Gold Coast, Australia - October 6-8, 2016
6. Thanksgiving Conference San Jose, CA - November 24-27, 2016
7. Winter Training Anaheim, CA - December 26-31, 2016

PRAYER BURDEN

1. Lord, we want to **abide** in You, be one with You, and one spirit with You, that we may become the **means** by which You as the life-giving Spirit can **give life** and **impart life** to others.

2. Lord, we also want to have an adequate **contact** with You, **spending** time with You, with an open ear to **receive** Your timely word, and speak Your timely word to sustain others; and to be **dealt with** by You, being **exposed** by You that we may be brought into Your shining light.

3. Lord, thank you for redeeming us and saving us by grace. Cause us also to **consecrate** ourselves to you, to serve You in love and be willing to **spend** and to be utterly **spent** to gain Your increase and spread.

4. Lord, train us, burden us to **bear fruit** and make us realize that bearing remaining fruits is our **duty** and **responsibility** as the “branches” of the vine.

5. Lord, thank You for making us happy and restful, we are really satisfied by Your cherishing as the **Son of Man** - the Lamb; and Your nourishing as the **Son of God** - the dove. Lord, grant us mercy that we may flow out Your life to **cherish** and **nourish** others also.

6. Pray for **Germany**, for the regular and consistent follow-ups with new contacts/new believers, so that they may become **remaining fruits**.

7. Please pray for the **raising up** of the golden lampstand in **Krakow, Poland**. Please pray for a suitable housing for all the full-timers . Pray for the **coordination** of the full-timers with the local saints to cause the Lord’s blessing to be poured out for the church life.

8. Please pray for the brothers and sisters in **Lloydminster** for their desire to have **Lord’s Table Meeting**.

9. Please pray for the church in **Regina**:
 - Young people’s meeting and campus work
 - **Small group meetings**
 - The recipients of the Bible
 - Recover dormant saints

“... I chose you, and I set you that you should go forth and bear fruit and that your fruit should remain,”

This Week’s Pursuit:

THE INCREASE OF CHRIST FOR THE BUILDING UP OF THE CHURCH (Message Three)

The Increase of Christ Being for the Increase of the Church by Ministering Life to Others according to the Law of Increase

Scripture Reading: 1 John 5:16a; Exo. 21:5-6; Isa. 50:4-5; 1 Thes. 2:7, 11; John 15:1-5

I. First John 5:16a says, “If anyone sees his brother sinning a sin not unto death, he shall ask and he will give life to him”:

“Life” here is **zoe**, the spiritual, eternal, divine life... To be ones (the means) who can give life to others, we must abide in the divine life and walk, live, and have our being in the divine life.

II. In order for us to minister life to others, we must do at least four things:

We need an adequate **contact with the Lord** simply to spend time with Him, listening to the Lord in His dealings with us, so that we may speak a timely word to sustain the weary ones. We must learn in the presence of the Lord to **be dealt with by Him** under His light; in order to bear fruit, we must deal with the Lord to be new, fresh, and tender branches of the vine; we must deal with all the hindrances to have a living of bearing fruit, and we must deal with our natural disposition to become flexible in caring for people.

We must **pick up a burden to care for people** we must care for them as nursing mothers and exhorting fathers to be fishers of men and feeders of lambs. We are cared for by the Lord by caring for others in the Lord. If we water others, we ourselves will be watered, and if we desire to grow in life, we need to help others to grow. The way to receive is to give, and the more we give, the more we receive.

We need to **spend and be utterly spent** on behalf of others, sacrificing our wealth and our life for others. We must deal with our disposition for the sake of fruitfulness.

III. Everything in the church must be in the nature of life, with the content of life, and in the imparting of life—John 10:10b; 14:6a; 1 Cor. 15:45b; Rom. 8:2, 10, 6, 11:

... The church is altogether a matter of life, because the church is the organism of the Triune God as the Body of Christ and as the vine with the branches; our work, speaking, fellowship, service, ministry, message, Bible study, and prayer must be in the **flow and imparting of life**.

IV. We need to follow the pattern of the Lord Jesus as the Son of Man cherishing us and as the Son of God nourishing us, experiencing and presenting Christ as the attracting factor to minister life to people and gain them in a normal way:

Christ as the Son of Man - cherishing:

- became the Lamb of God to take away our sin
- in the form of the serpent, destroyed the old serpent, the source of sin, through His redeeming death
- to purposely wait for the thirsty and water-seeking, immoral Samaritan woman
- the judgment of Christ has been preached to the sinners, that they might repent unto God and receive His eternal life
- would not condemn the sinful woman
- as a propitiation for our sins in His humanity
- came to redeem us from sins
- the ladder sustaining and maintaining the life union of all His believers with God

Christ as the Son of God - nourishing:

- became the life-giving Spirit to give life to us and transform us.
- speaks the words of God and gives Himself as the Spirit to us not by measure that we may have the eternal life
- sent by God as a gift, gave her to drink the water of life which springs up into eternal life
- was given authority by God to give the eternal life to His believers
- (the “I Am”) would free her (the Samaritan woman) from sin so that she could sin no more
- sent to us that we may have life and live through Him in His divinity
- came to impart the divine life into us abundantly
- the life element of the New Jerusalem as the divine and human constitution of the consummated Triune God and His glorified elect

V. In order to minister life to others and recover the dormant saints among us, we must have the loving and forgiving heart of our Father God and the shepherding and seeking spirit of our Savior Christ—Luke 15:4-6, 8-9, 20-23; Hymns, #471:

- We must take the Lord’s heart as our heart and treasure the lost sheep.
- We must rely on the work of the Holy Spirit.
- We must love people with the Father’s love and go to them with a cheerful countenance.

VI. The increase of the church is according to the law of increase:

Christ and the church are the universal vine as the organism of the Triune God, and the believers as the **branches** in this vine are in an organic union with the Triune God... The **law of fruit-bearing** involves abiding in the Lord and being in union with the Triune God; **bearing fruit comes out of the law of life**, not out of miracles; the law of life, which is the law of fruit-bearing, the law of increase, involves four points:

- We should **abide** in the Lord, just as the branches abide in the vine, to absorb the life supply of the Lord.
- We should **abide** in the Lord to absorb the supply of God the Father as our source of nutrients and the supply of the Holy Spirit as our watering and refreshing.
- We should **abide** in the Lord to absorb the supply of God as our light and the Spirit.
- We should **abide** in the Lord and live in the church, just as a vine has to remain in the garden, in order to receive protection and care.

WEEK	LORD’S TABLE MEETING	PRAYER MEETING	YP MEETING	HOME MEETING	OFFERING
Oct. 23 - Oct. 29, 2016	18	11	combined = 12		\$285.00
Oct. 30 - Nov. 05, 2016	21	11	8	7	\$280.00