Spring 2022

GRADUATION MEETING

Full-time Training in London

OUR MINGLED SPIRIT—THE KEY TO LIVING THE CHRISTIAN LIFE FOR THE REALITY OF THE BODY OF CHRIST AS SEEN IN ROMANS

Because out from Him and through Him and to Him are all things.

To Him be the glory forever. Amen.

Romans 11:36

11 June 2022

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If the return of the Lord should be delayed, it will be necessary to raise up a number of young people to continue the testimony and the work for the following generations...My thought is not to establish a seminary or a Bible institute, but to have young people staying together to live the Body life and practice the spiritual life. In such a place they would receive training for the purpose of edification, by learning to read the Scripture, to pray, and to build up a good character. On the negative side, there would be training for the purpose of learning how to deal with sin, the world, the flesh, and the natural life. At a suitable time, the young people would return to their respective churches in various places to be tempered together with other saints to serve the Lord in the church.

Watchman Nee

This is my burden. I must finish my responsibility before the Lord to make the Lord's revelation in the holy Word as clear as I can to all of us. I must continue to present what the Lord has shown us from the beginning of the Lord's recovery in mainland China through Brother Nee until the present time.

I am also burdened to train some young saints, not with the expectation that they all will become lifelong full-timers to serve the Lord. But we do have an expectation that many of the young college graduates among us will spend either one or two years of time to learn something of the Lord, that is, to learn the Word and to learn the lessons in life. After such a training they may decide to go back to continue their schooling, or they may go back to get a job. Of course, by having such a training some will be tested out and approved to be lifelong full-time servants of the Lord.

Witness Lee

THE PURPOSE OF THE TRAINING

- 1. To build up the trainees in Christ in the growth of His life unto maturity— Eph. 4:15; Col. 1:28.
- 2. To equip the trainees in the realisation of the divine truths according to the Scriptures by the revelation of the Holy Spirit—2 Tim. 3:16-17; 1 Tim. 2:4; 2 Pet. 3:18.
- 3. To raise up the trainees in the cultivation of their spiritual capacity in the preaching of the gospel, the nourishing of the young believers, the perfecting of the saints, and the prophesying of the word of God for the building up of the local churches, consummating in the building up of the Body of Christ—Matt. 28:19; 1 Thes. 2:7; Eph. 4:12; 1 Cor. 14:1.

THE GOAL OF THE TRAINING

- 1. To reach the highest peak of the divine revelation—God becoming a man that man may become God in life and in nature, but not in the Godhead—Eph. 3:3-11; John 1:1, 14; Heb. 2:14; John 1:12-13; Eph. 1:4; Rom. 8:29-30; 2 Pet. 1:4; Matt. 4:10; cf. Acts 14:12, 15.
- 2. To reach the high peak of today's Zion (the overcomers) in today's Jerusalem (the church)—Rev. 14:1.
- 3. To reach the reality of the Body of Christ by living a life conformed to Christ's death in the power of His resurrection—Phil. 3:10.

Hymn 1

- 1 What miracle! What mystery!
 That God and man should blended be!
 God became man to make man God,
 Untraceable economy!
 From His good pleasure, heart's desire,
 His highest goal attained will be.
 From His good pleasure, heart's desire,
 His highest goal attained will be.
- 2 Flesh He became, the first God-man, His pleasure that I God may be: In life and nature I'm God's kind, Though Godhead's His exclusively. His attributes my virtues are; His glorious image shines through me. His attributes my virtues are; His glorious image shines through me.
- 3 No longer I alone that live,
 But God together lives with me.
 Built with the saints in the Triune God,
 His universal house we'll be,
 And His organic Body we
 For His expression corp'rately.
 And His organic Body we
 For His expression corp'rately.
- Jerusalem, the ultimate,
 Of visions the totality;
 The Triune God, tripartite man —
 A loving pair eternally —
 As man yet God they coinhere,
 A mutual dwelling place to be;
 God's glory in humanity
 Shines forth in splendor radiantly!

(Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs, #139)

Hymn 2

- My goal is God Himself, not joy, nor peace,
 Nor even blessing, but Himself, my God;
 'Tis His to lead me there not mine, but His —
 At any cost, dear Lord, by any road.
- 2 So faith bounds forward to its goal in God, And love can trust her Lord to lead her there; Upheld by Him, my soul is following hard Till God hath full fulfilled my deepest prayer.
- 3 No matter if the way be sometimes dark, No matter though the cost be oft-times great, He knoweth how I best shall reach the mark, The way that leads to Him must needs be strait.
- 4 One thing I know, I cannot say Him nay; One thing I do, I press towards my Lord; My God my glory here, from day to day, And in the glory there my great Reward.

(Hymns, #350)

Hymn 3

1 God has called us for His purpose, His economy so glorious, For which He was fully processed; Consummated now is He! As the Spirit, He indwells us; As our God allotted portion, Working out His full salvation, Making us the same as He is.

Oh, may a clear, controlling vision of The Lord's economy direct my heart, And burn in me until my spirit's wholly set afire! With spirit strong and active we'll press on To consummate God's goal — New Jerusalem, Hallelujah!

- 2 Jesus lived the God-man pattern, Set the way for us to follow, He denied His natural man and Was obedient unto death, Once He was the only God-man; Now we are His duplication. As the many grains we're blended As His corporate reproduction.
- 3 Living out His resurrection, Dying to the flesh and soul-life. Living by the mingled spirit, Natural man we will deny. Now we're living in the Body, Every day we're overcoming, Striving for the peak of Zion, Watching for our Lord's appearing.

 God and man will have one living, Always in the mingled spirit;
 We two are incorporated
 One organic entity!
 This the vision of the ages
 Will control our daily living
 That the Lord may have His Body
 Shining as the holy city.

(Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs, #281)

PRESENTATION VERSES AND HYMNS

Hymns, #244, Stanzas 1 & 5

- The Holy Spirit is today
 The Spirit of the life divine;
 He quickens us and gives us life,
 And makes us fit for God's design.
- 5 By law of life He liberates,
 And frees us from the law of sin;
 And with the nature all divine
 He regulates us from within.

Hymns, #1141, Stanzas 3 & 4

- Now we're learning to turn to our spirit, Now we're learning to take Christ as life; Now we're learning to feed upon Jesus And be freed from all struggling and strife.
- Hallelujah for life in the Spirit,
 Hallelujah for newness within.
 When we turn from our mind to our spirit,
 We enjoy all the riches of Him.

Romans 8:2

For the law of the Spirit of life has freed me in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and of death.

Hymns, #1213, Stanzas 2 & 3

2 From life divine it does originate,
Amen the law of life!
Its function, working, power are innate,
Amen the law of life!
Amen the law of life!
Amen the law of life!
Stop all your trying, on life relying,
Amen the law of life!

PRESENTATION VERSES AND HYMNS

3 The law of life fulfills our God's desire,
Amen the law of life!
Our self-improvement He does not require,
Amen the law of life!
Amen the law of life!
Amen the law of life!
God's plan fulfilling; Yes, Lord, we're willing,
Amen the law of life!

Hymns, #784, Stanza 6 & Chorus

6 Pray to fellowship with Jesus,
Bathing in His countenance;
Saturated with His beauty,
Radiate His excellence.

Pray to fellowship with Jesus, In the spirit seek His face; Ask and listen in His presence, Waiting in the secret place.

Hymns, #840, Stanza 4

4 By Thy Spirit daily strengthened
In the inner man with might,
I would know Thy love surpassing.
Know Thy breadth and length and height;
Ever of Thy riches taking,
Unto all Thy fullness filled,
Ever growing into manhood,
That Thy Body Thou may build.

STATEMENT OF FAITH

Holding the Bible as the complete and only divine revelation, we strongly believe that God is eternally one and also eternally the Father, the Son, and the Spirit, the three being distinct but not separate.

We hold that Christ is both the complete God and the perfect man. Without abandoning His divinity, He was conceived in the womb of a human virgin, lived a genuine human life on earth, and died a vicarious and all-inclusive death on the cross. After three days He resurrected bodily and has ascended to the heavens. He is now in glory, fully God but still fully man. We look to His imminent return with the kingdom of God, by which He will reign over the earth in the millennium and in eternity.

We confess that the third of the Trinity, the Spirit, is equally God. All that the Father has and is, is expressed by the Son; and all that the Son has and is, is realized as the Spirit.

We further believe that mankind is in need of God's salvation. Though we were absolutely unable to fulfill the heavy demands of God's righteousness, holiness, and glory, Christ fulfilled all the requirements through His death on the cross. Because of Christ's death, God has forgiven us of our sins, justified us by making Christ our righteousness, and reconciled us to Himself.

Based on Christ's redemption, God regenerates the redeemed with His Spirit to consummate His salvation, that they may become His children. Now possessing God's life and nature, the believers enjoy a daily salvation in His Body in this age and the eternal salvation in the coming age and in eternity. In eternity we will dwell with God in the New Jerusalem, the consummation of God's salvation of His elect.

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