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Report on the First International Conference in Vientiane, Laos

For the saints in Laos, December 13 is a date worthy of remembrance. After many years of gospel propagation and labor, an international conference was finally held for the first time in Laos' capital, Vientiane. Around 70 local saints attended the conference, supported by 42 saints from Taiwan, China and Thailand. Some saints from an aboriginal tribe near the northern border with Yunnan, China even travelled two days and two nights to get to the conference. In order to strengthen the Lord's testimony in Laos, everyone broke through all language and cultural barriers and coordinated in spirit for the building up of the Body of Christ in one accord.

There was a total of 6 messages in the 2-day conference. The general subject was on "The Normal Christian Life and Church Life". The main burden for this time was to solidify and shepherd the saints, to lead them to experience Christ in a subjective way, to establish a normal spiritual living, and to receive a commission for the testimony of the church. The brothers encouraged the saints to live a life of calling on the name of the Lord, pray-reading God's Word, being revived every morning and to carry out a service of begetting, nourishing, teaching and building. Through the brothers' blended coordination in releasing the Word, the important revelation and practice in the Lord's recovery and His living testimony were manifested, causing all the saints who attended to have a wonderful perfecting.

On the next day, after the Lord's table meeting, all the saints took a 3-hour car ride to Vang Vieng to propagate, visiting the local saints and their relatives and friends, with a hope to establish a local testimony in Vang Vieng next year. There were also some young people who after hearing the gospel in the University of Vientiane, believed, got baptized and were brought into the Lord's recovery. These have graduated and have gone back to their respective home town. We hope that through feeding and watering in a timely manner, they will grow in life and become outlets of the gospel in their localities.

Recent Condition of the Propagation in Zambia

In August of last year, while the college students were on their summer break, we visited the saints in the community and shared with them messages related to enjoying the Lord by eating and drinking, the central thought of God, and the tree of life. May the Lord give them a seeking heart, a desire for the truth and to eat and drink Christ. We also conducted a video training on the weekend. May the Lord increase His shining.

From late August to early September, we went to South Africa to attend a conference and were very much encouraged by the Lord's testimony there. Before God's every move, He firstly gives His people a vision, a way for Him to go on. Once a vision has been revealed, the Lord then will move. For this, we need to see a vision again and again so that we can be one with God's move today. We have a very deep burden within. May the Lord wrought this vision into us and raise up a golden lampstand in Zambia and many more golden lampstands in the continent of Africa.

When the college students returned to school in September, we preached the gospel at the University of Zambia and gained some new students. These students were simple and they treasured the Bible. We read the Bible with them every week, hoping that they would see the economy of God and become vessels useful to the Lord for the sake of His move in this country. After joining the video training on Saturday, many community saints and students conveyed to us one after the other that the messages of this ministry were better and higher than that of Bible schools, creating in them a desire to know the Bible more.

Under the Lord's leading, we attempted to invite the students to meet and fellowship in the homes on Lord's day. There were 1 brother from India who was a faculty member on the campus, 2 students who were meeting regularly, and 2-3 more local saints participated in the meeting. Even though we have not officially established the Lord's table, we all enjoy the Lord's presence through singing, praising and prophesying every time we meet. Through this kind of enjoyment, we hope to help the saints to abandon their religious backgrounds and simply eat and drink the Lord.

Prayer Items

1 Pray for the students that we have contacted, that the Lord would cause them to hunger for the truth and be the Lord's witnesses.
2 Pray for the saints' practice on Saturday and Lord's day, that the Lord would open the eyes of their hearts and cause them to rise up for His recovery in the present age.
3 Pray for the political situation, that the Lord would raise up leaders that are according to His desire so that we can boldly and utterly proclaim the kingdom of God and teach the things concerning the Lord Jesus Christ without hindrance.

Myanmar

The Blending Conference and the Present Condition of the Church

From November 21-23, 2014, there was an international blending conference in Myanmar held in Mandalay, with almost 500 saints attending, including 51 overseas saints from China, Korea, Taiwan and Thailand. The main subject of the conference was "The Church as the Vision, Practice, and Building of the Body of Christ". In this conference, the matter of God's desire concerning the church was revealed and the saints were led to move according to this revelation in the church life. We were brought into the goal of God's eternal will which is the building up of the church. While preparing for this conference, the Lord also unveiled to us His faithfulness and all-inclusiveness. To Him be the glory.

At the end of March of this year, saints from the 5 cities of Mandalay, Pakokku, Pyin U Lwin, Taunggyi, and Lashio gathered and blended in oneness in Pyin U Lwin. In the afternoon of the first day, we dived into a message on "The Kingdom of Priests" together. After the message the saints shared one after another and testified how the Lord has led them to fulfill their priestly duties and how the Lord has moved in their respective localities, causing all the attendees to be mutually encouraged.

There was a couple in Lashio; the husband was a pastor and the wife also held an important position in a religious denomination. About 5 years ago, this brother got a Witness Lee book, "The Economy of God" from another pastor. Upon reading this book, he was deeply touched and decided to uphold the revelation that brother Lee saw. One day, while he was cleaning a room at a church hall, he saw a book, "The All-inclusive Christ" inside the trash. As soon as he realized that the book was also written by Witness Lee, he picked it up right away and read the book in its entirety. At that time, he thought he was the only one in Myanmar who accepted brother Lee's speaking. Not long thereafter, his wife found the LSM website and they began reading ministry books in great quantity. They would even take notes and write down the extract of the messages. They also started sending email to local churches in other countries. Under the sovereign arrangement of the Lord's headship, they finally got in touch with the Yangon bookroom in Myanmar. After some time of fellowship, they invited the brothers to visit Lashio. They were very impressed with the matters of calling on the Lord and the practice of the church meeting and were willing to have fellowship with the Body. When they heard about the blending conference in Pyin U Lwin, they were very excited to go and participate. The brothers fellowshipped with them after the meeting and decided to have a blending meeting in Lashio in September. Praise the Lord for His move in Lashio!

Eight years ago, a sister in Taunggyi who read brother Nee's book, "The Normal Christian Life" treasured the words so much and began looking for believers who are seeking like her. Two years ago, a family in Mandalay migrated to Taunggyi. The wife contacted this seeking one for some time and invited her to attend a blending conference. At that time, although this seeking one was not clear about the church ground, she felt that the atmosphere in the blending conference matched the feeling that she had when she read brother Nee's book. It was exactly the kind of meeting that she has been looking for. Since then, her spiritual condition has had a thorough

turn. She even led her husband who was a Catholic to enter into the church life with her.

From February to date, many saints in different places have practiced to go out and preach the gospel twice a week and to have home meetings. We experienced the Lord not only in His outward moving but more so in His inward operating. He longs for the churches to rise up and serve Him. At present, through the brothers' speaking, the Lord has vitalized the saints even more and the number of saints who go out and preach the gospel has increased by the hundreds. Our goal for this year is to gain 40 remaining fruits and to date we have 6 gospel contacts who have been baptized. We believe that through our harmonious coordination, the Lord will definitely bless us.

Fellowship from the Propagating Saints

In July 2013, we came to Mandalay, the central part of Myanmar to propagate. In the beginning it was not easy to have deeper fellowship with the local saints due to our limitation in language. However, an elderly sister told us that she has been praying for us and that she will continue to petition for us unceasingly. Her words caused me to be greatly encouraged. We not only have the strong support from the local saints but also the saints back home are petitioning for us regularly. We believe that through the petition of the saints and the bountiful supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ, this will ultimately turn out to our salvation.

During this period of time the Lord has taught me to trust Him in all things, to forget the things behind and stretch forward to the things before, looking away unto Jesus. When I first arrived, I was confident that I could manage based on my past experiences. But the Lord let me encounter frustrations that I could not even find one person to contact. I immediately repented to the Lord and after that, I met an open gospel contact who was willing to call on the name of the Lord. The Lord is the content and power of the gospel. It is only when I am joined to Him can the gospel be proclaimed. (Aquila)

I heard the saints here testify that they have been praying for 2 years for the Lord to send them serving ones. In the depths of my being, I know that it is the Lord who led us to come here, to receive a burden to shepherd the saints and to carry out the God-ordained way together with them. We have home meetings with the saints and pursue "Life Lesson" with them. We also establish Bible reading small groups. The burden for the gospel has been rekindled among the saints and several of their neighbors have believed and were baptized. Many new believers' family members also received salvation and thereby experienced household salvation. They all have a heart to seek the Lord and the saints have coordinated to shepherd them. May the Lord bless the church in Mandalay. (Priscilla)