

## 2019 LMA Conference



The 2019 LMA Conference was held in Tokyo, Japan from October 23-25. A total of 267 local saints and 114 overseas saints from 20 different countries participated. All the saints were shepherded and strengthened under the transmission of the Lord's word. Through mutual fellowship and prayer in one accord, the Lord's move and coordination of the saints were brought to every place.

The subject of this conference was "Being Formed into an Army to Fight for God's Move on Earth." The messages covered were

"Staying in the Central Lane of God's Economy to Keep the Principle of Oneness and Life" ; "Enjoying Christ and Being Constituted with the Truth to Carry on the Torch of the Lord's Recovery" ; "Being Trained to Take the New Way and Studying to Improve It Continuously" ; "Living a Revived Life, Putting Our Natural Life to Death in order to Minister Christ to People" ; "Praying at the Golden Incense Altar for the Formation of an Army to Fight with God" ; and "Being Formed into an Army to Fight for God's Move on Earth."

First, we see that the Lord's recovery is not an ordinary Christian work because we have a special calling from the Lord, to return to the central lane of God's economy and to participate in the spiritual warfare. We keep the oneness of the Body of Christ and care more for life than for knowledge, doctrine and special practice. Brothers reminded us that we may have a strong spirit and a good heart, desiring to work for the Lord in a certain country, but if we are not governed by the central lane of God's economy, it is easy for us to be divided and be short of life.

For this we need to enjoy Christ, laboring on the word of the ministry and being constituted with the truth to carry on the torch of the Lord's recovery. Moreover, we need to be trained to take the new way, which is the God-ordained way, and to study and improve our practice by using statistics and budgeting, thereby carrying out the new way. We also need to live a revived life, putting our natural life to death in order to minister Christ to people for the building up of the Body of Christ.

The most important thing is to be one with the interceding Christ

and to pray at the golden incense altar. Spiritual warfare is altogether a matter of life, to make spiritually dead persons alive through the dispensing of life. Therefore it is urgent to pray for the growth in life in order to bring in the formation of the army. God desires the believers to be built up into the organic Body of Christ to fight with God. God's army is a corporate matter. We all need to learn the lesson of coordination and become a corporate Joshua.

All the spiritual work is in nature a warfare; preaching the gospel, edifying the saints, administrating the church, and praying are all a kind of warfare. Today we need to fight for the building up of the Body of Christ, which is to perfect every saint to be a functioning member. We especially need to fight for recovering the saints' function in preaching the gospel and shepherding people, so that the Body of Christ may be built up in an organic way.

In the second segment of every meeting, the brothers from Bangladesh, Cambodia, Laos, Nepal, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Turkey, Vietnam, Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, India, the United Arab Emirates and Qatar presented briefly on the propagation work in their country and their need for prayer. The saints in attendance were greatly encouraged, seeing the advance of the Lord's testimony and how the brothers in every place labored to perfect every saint to function. Many brothers from these countries extended their invitation and encouraged the saints to go and blend with them or join their propagation even on a short-term basis.

In addition, in the past year through the prayer of the Body, the Lord had many breakthroughs in Azerbaijan, Bhutan and Timor Leste. In the secular Muslim country Azerbaijan in west Asia, the saints advanced in their contacting with people and in the literature distribution. In the Buddhist country Bhutan in south Asia, seeking Buddhists got saved and were baptized one after another. In the Catholic country Timor Leste in Southeast Asia, a group of seeking Christians also contacted us, expressing their hope to have some saints visit them so that they may participate in the fellowship of the Body.

The LMA serving brothers also fellowshipped that on the one hand, the religious control becomes stricter in some Asian countries. It became forbidden to preach the gospel in public or in assemblies and the missionary works are gradually prohibited, yet the God-ordained way of everyone functioning is not limited. Brothers in several countries are even more active in perfecting the saints. They encourage the saints to function by sharing their faith and shepherding people through personal contact in their living and to rise up to bear the testimony in each locality. On the other hand, more countries are open and welcome foreign tourists and investment. Saints are more free to enter into the formerly restricted countries to visit the saints or join the propagation work. For example, since this September, Saudi Arabia has opened its doors to international visitors for sightseeing for the first time. Foreign tourists can apply for visas upon arrival or obtain an electronic visa in advance to enter into the country.

At present in the 48 countries in Asia, there are 12 countries that do not have the testimony of the Lord's recovery: Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, Bhutan, Timor Leste, Iraq, Maldives, North Korea, Palestine, Syria, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Yemen. May we all participate in the Lord's move in Asia by receiving a burden to pray for all the present LMA countries and the 12 countries that are without the Lord's testimony, following His leading to go to these countries to visit the saints and the churches and join the propagation to strengthen the testimony.



### Prayer Items

1. Pray for more saints to be raised up and perfected for coordination in service in the churches.
2. Pray for the literature work and the translation of the ministry books and the Recovery Version Bible into Asia languages.
3. Pray for the twelve countries that do not have the Lord's testimony.
4. Pray for the Lord to raise up burdened saints to visit and to participate in the propagation.



### Rhema Literature Distribution

Rhema literature distribution is devoted to distributing free ministry literature with a burden that everyone would have a chance to taste the ministry of the age. From 2013 onwards, we have actively distributed a sequential series of 7 books in various Asian countries. Seekers can receive printed books or download e-books by filling in written information or accessing the Internet. We also cooperated with other groups to spread the truth from God's Word into many places.

Currently Rhema literature has been translated into many Asian languages including Hindi, Malayalam, Tamil, Telugu, Mizo, Marathi, Nepali, Turkish, Burmese, Thai, Sinhalese, Tagalog, Bangla, Farsi, Chinese, Arabic and Korean. The materials in Kannada, Odia, Gujarati, Assamese, Urdu, Cebuano, Vietnamese, Mongolian, Lao, Khmer are in the process. The goal is that the riches of this ministry can be spread widely to the less-evangelized Asian countries and thereby strengthen and raise up the Lord's testimony in various places.

The Lord also went before and opened some good channels for distribution. Mizoram is a state located in northeast India and is bordered by Myanmar to the west. Out of a population of just over one million, more than 85% are Christians. Mizo, English and Hindi are the official languages of the state. In February 2019, the mass distribution of free books was done for the first time in the Mizo language. It is also first-ever in India the pickup centers were established where people can come to receive Rhema books. To promote the centers, we used bookmarks, distributing them near malls and colleges. The response was very encouraging. As soon as the bookmarks went out, people began to visit the pickup centers. The local Saints eagerly participated in the distribution, introducing the ministry to the seeking ones and gave them free books.

Not only so, in April 2019 a group of brothers visited the main cities in Nepal to share the truths in the ministry and to give away books to the Christians. Many readers were contacted, and the Lord opened doors to meet and introduce this ministry to other Christian groups and pastors. We praise Him for His ways and all the sovereign arrangements. May the Lord continue to let His Word spread on earth and gain a solid testimony across Asia.