

# WEEKLY FELLOWSHIP

Oct. 22, 2023

The church in Phoenix

## Meeting Schedule

### Lord's Day

10:00 am – Lord's Table Meeting

11:00 am – Prophesying Meeting

### Tuesday

7:30 pm – English-speaking prayer meeting at meeting hall

7:00 pm – Spanish-speaking prayer meeting at meeting hall

### Thursday

7:00 pm – Small Group Meetings

### Friday

7:30 pm – Small Group Meetings

### Saturday

9:30 am – Cleaning & Maintenance at the Hall

7:30 pm – Young People's Meeting

Continue in the Ministry  
and the Word

### Holy Word for Morning Revival

*Knowing, Experiencing, and Enjoying Christ as Revealed in Philippians – Week 4*

### Riches from the Ministry

*The Experience of Christ - Chapter Ten*

## Announcements

### ❖ 2023 December Semiannual Training

- Date: December 25 through December 30
- Location: Living Stream Ministry Campus, MCC
- Registration Donation: Live \$205; Video \$130 due on **October 29**.
- Registration Fee can be sent through Zelle to the church's bank account using the following email address: [register@churchinphoenix.org](mailto:register@churchinphoenix.org). Indicate on the memo line "2023 December Training".
- Registration form:
- <https://tinyurl.com/cipregisterDecember23>

### ❖ 2023 International Thanksgiving Blending Conference

- Dates: November 23 through November 26
- Location: Sheraton Dallas Hotel, 400 Olive Street, Dallas, TX 75201
- Special Group Rate: \$119.00 USD/per night plus tax for sgl, dbl, trpl, & qdrple occupancy rooms.
- Reservation: please call 1-800-228-9290 and request the Living Stream Ministry group rate.
- For online reservations at the special group rate: <https://book.passkey.com/e/50571223>

### ❖ 2023 Church in Phoenix Phone & Address List

- Deadline to correct your information is 11/18/23.

### ❖ 2024 Gospel Calendar

- Pre-order price is \$13.00 (includes shipping)
- You can purchase (pre-pay) the calendar at the church's book room by Oct. 29, 2023.

### ❖ 2024 International Chinese-speaking Blending Conference in Taipei, Taiwan

- Dates: February 10-11, 2024
- Saints attending the conference should be registered corporately by church, region, or country only. Registration donation is \$150.00 USD.
- Registration donation, flight information, and all other requirements must be submitted by Nov. 30.

### ❖ Offerings

- Please send your offerings through Zelle to the church's bank account using the following email address: [offerings@churchinphoenix.org](mailto:offerings@churchinphoenix.org).

## Riches from the Ministry

My burden in this chapter is that we would all learn the secret of being in Him. We can do all things in Him. This may seem to be a small secret, but actually it has great significance. This secret is the way for us to experience Christ and to enjoy Christ. It is also the secret of having more of Christ accumulated within us.

Such a secret needs to be put into practice. In order to practice this secret, we first need to realize that Christ lives in us. Second, we must deny the flesh and the natural man. We should count all things as loss and not treasure or appreciate anything of our natural man, such as our humility or other virtues. All our good points, attributes, and virtues need to be counted as loss. We should not have any confidence in anything other than Christ. Third, we should not do anything by ourselves, for we are not alone. Another person lives in us

...With Christ, we have another person...living in us. However, many of us do not care for Christ's living in us. On the contrary, it seems that we ourselves are everything. But we should be nothing and let Him be everything. We all need to realize that we are no longer persons alone but that we have another One living in us...We do not merely have His life; we have Him. Therefore, we are no longer alone. Now that He lives in us, we need to learn to live by Him and not by ourselves.

Day after day may go by without our doing anything by Christ. This indicates that we do not practice living by Christ. This is a serious matter. In our daily living we need to practice living by Christ. If we are about to visit the saints or show love, we need to check who is doing it, we or Christ. Before we act, we should wait a while to see whether it is we or Christ who is acting. By doing this we allow the Christ who dwells in us to live for us. This is the practice of the secret.

Paul had been instructed in this secret so that he knew both how to abound and how to be in want. He could do all things in Him. It is sufficient simply to be in Him, for He is all-inclusive and all-sufficient...Whatever we do we should do in Him, not in ourselves. We should do everything in Him and by Him. This is the secret Paul learned and the secret we need to learn today...We need to practice doing everything in Him.

As we practice this secret, we should not have any preference concerning what we do in Him. We, however, may prefer to do certain things in Him but not other things. We hope that we could keep these things from Him...The reason we do this is that we have our own preferences...Because of all these preferences, we seldom turn to Him and ask Him what He wants to do in a given situation. But we need to pray, "Lord Jesus, do You want me to do this? If so, show me Your way to do it, Lord." We have Christ living in us, but we may not live by Him or do things in Him. The secret in Philippians 4 is to do all things in Him. The way to experience Christ is to do everything in Him.

The problem with doing all things in Him is not only a matter of intention but also a matter of habit. We were born with a fallen nature, and we do not like to do things by others...Because we are used to going our own way, it is often troublesome to have Christ living in us.

I learned that as a Christian my life is a life of troubles. I have Someone in me who is always giving me difficulty because He wants to do things differently from the way I would like to do them. Even if I should want to give up being a Christian, He would not let me go. Our problem is that we do not like to do things in Him.

The secret of the Christian life is that another One, Christ, lives in us. Christ is in us, and we must also be in Him. But we do not like to live in Him and with Him, nor do we like doing things by Him. By birth we have the habit of being independent, and we all have our preferences. But every preference is a suffering, a loss, a failure, a defeat. The reason we do not have a victorious Christian life is that we are not faithful to live by Christ and to do things absolutely in Him.

If you love the Lord, you need to practice doing everything in Him. You need to check whether you are doing things by yourself or by Him. This is the way to gain Christ and to eat Him. To eat properly we should take in one bite at a time. This means that every day, from morning until evening, we should practice living by Christ in all things. We need to do everything with Him. We should be able to say, "From today onward, I will quit doing things by myself. I do not want to live by myself any longer. From now on I will live by Him and do everything in Him." If you do this, what a difference there will be in your daily living! (Lee, *The Experience of Christ*, Chapter Ten)