

# WEEKLY FELLOWSHIP

OCTOBER 27, 2024

The church in Phoenix

## Meeting Schedule

### Lord's Day

10:00 am – Lord's Table

11:00 am – Prophesying meeting

### Tuesday

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

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

### Thursday

7:00 pm – Small group meeting (Spanish/English)

### Friday

7:00 pm – Small group meetings (Spanish)

7:30 pm – Small group meetings

### Saturday

9:30 am – Cleaning & maintenance at the hall/corporate morning revival

7:30 pm – Young people's meeting

7:00 pm – Small group meeting (Burmese)

Continue in the Ministry and the Word

### Holy Word for Morning

#### Revival

Experiencing, Enjoying, and Expressing Christ (1) – Week 4

### Life-Study of Matthew

Message 38

Matt. 13:24-35

## Announcements

### ❖ Saturday Monthly Brother's Study Group—11/2

- Phoenix meeting hall, 8:30am
- Review volume 2, lesson 53

### ❖ SCYP Fall Children's Work Conference

- Church in Anaheim District 1 Meeting Hall
- Saturday Nov. 9, 9:30am – 12pm (2 sessions)
- In-person option only
- Registration deadline is Lord's Day Nov. 3

### ❖ International Thanksgiving Blending Conference

- **Location:** Atlanta, GA
- **Schedule:** Thursday Nov. 28 – Lord's Day Dec. 1
- 1st meeting: Thursday, Nov. 28 ..... 7:30 PM
- 2nd meeting: Friday, Nov. 29 ..... 10:00 AM
- 3rd meeting: Friday, Nov. 29 ..... 7:30 PM
- 4th meeting: Saturday, Nov. 30 ..... 10:00 AM
- 5th meeting: Saturday, Nov. 30 ..... 7:30 PM
- 6th meeting: Lord's Day, Dec. 1 ..... 9:30 AM
- **Lodging:** Atlanta Marriott Marquis  
There is a special group rate of \$119.00 USD per night plus tax for single and double occupancy rooms. **Reservations:**
  - 1-800-228-9290 and request the Living Stream Ministry group rate.
  - Online reservations at the special group rate, please go to: <https://book.passkey.com/e/50847873>.
  - Reservations must be made on or before Wednesday, November 10, 2024, in order to get this reduced rate. Check-in is 4:00 PM or earlier if rooms are available, and check-out is 11:00 AM on Lord's Day, December 1, 2024. Late check-out of 2:00 PM may be provided upon request and based on availability.

### ❖ 2024 December Semiannual Training

- **Subject: Experiencing, Enjoying, and Expressing Christ (2)**
- Live - Mon, Dec. 23, 2024; 4:00 pm to Sat, Dec. 28, 2024; 9:30pm
- Video – Wed, Dec. 25, 2024; to Lord's Day, Jan. 5, 2025.

**Message 1:** 12/25/24, Wed, 10:00 PM

**Message 2:** 12/25/24, Wed, 01:30 PM

**Message 3:** 12/27/24, Fri, 07:00 PM

**Message 4:** 12/28/24, Sat, 10:00 AM

**Message 5:** 12/28/24, Sat, 01:30 PM

**Message 6:** 12/29/24, LD, 10:00 PM

**Message 07:** 01/01/25, Wed, 10:00 PM

**Message 08:** 01/01/25, Wed, 01:30 PM

**Message 09:** 01/03/25, Fri, 07:00 PM

**Message 10:** 01/04/25, Sat, 10:00 AM

**Message 11:** 01/04/25, Sat, 01:30 PM

**Message 12:** 01/05/25, LD, 10:00 PM

- Registration Fee: Live training is \$205.00; Video training is \$130.00
- Registration **Due Date:** on or before **Oct. 27, 2024**
- Please send your registration fee via Zelle to **offerings@churchinphoenix.org** and indicate on the memo line "**2024 December Training**" and the **name(s) of registrant(s)**
- Registration form: <https://forms.gle/pvSawekUbSzrdBq67>



### ❖ Offerings

Please send your offerings through Zelle to the following email address: [offerings@churchinphoenix.org](mailto:offerings@churchinphoenix.org).

## Life-Study of Matthew – Study Guide

Dear brothers and sisters,

We will continue this week's truth pursuit with Message 38 of the Life-study of Matthew - "The Unveiling of the Kingdom's Mysteries (4)". This life-study covers Matt. 13:24-35 on the outward appearance of the Kingdom of the heavens.

Here is an excerpt from this message followed by key verses for pray-reading and questions for your study:

"...As the parable of the tares reveals, the constituents of the kingdom are the sons of the kingdom, who have the divine life within them. However, the tares, the sons of the Devil, have come in. Because of these false ones among the constituents, the kingdom in its outward appearance has become Christendom. Formerly it was purely the kingdom of God, but now it has become Christendom with both real believers and false ones..."

The Lord arranged the parables in Matthew 13 in a very good sequence. First we have the parable of the sower, who sows the seed to bring forth the constituents of the kingdom of the heavens. Then we have the parable of the tares sown by the enemy, the false ones among the constituents, that cause the kingdom of the heavens to become Christendom. Following the parable of the tares, we have the parable of the mustard seed...

With the appearance of the kingdom, there are three items: the changed nature, the tares; the changed outward appearance, the façade, the big tree; and the inward rottenness and corruption, the leaven. This brings us to the parable of the leaven." (Witness Lee, *Life-study of Matthews*, Living Stream Ministry, Anaheim, CA, msg. 38, pp. 461-462, 466).

Key Verses for pray-reading: Matt. 13:24-25, 31, 33

Questions:

1. How can we say that the parable of the mustard seed becoming a tree is a violation of the principle ordained by God in His creation? How does it correspond to the third of the seven churches in Revelation 2 and 3, the church in Pergamos? When did this happen in church history?
2. How does the fourth parable regarding the leaven correspond to the fourth of the seven churches in Revelation 2 and 3, the church in Thyatira? When did this happen in church history? How is the leaven being used in various ways to make spiritual things easy for the people to accept and why must we be careful of it?
3. In the three parables found in Matt. 13:24-35, what are the three negative items related to the appearance of the kingdom? Why did the heavenly king speak to the crowds not in clear words, but in parables?