

## **A Statement of Affirmation from the Churches in the Northwest U.S.**

December 9, 2006

We, the responsible brothers in the local churches in the northwest region of the United States in one accord, fully agree with the decision taken at the international blending of the more than 900 coworkers, elders, and responsible brothers in Whistler, Canada on October 7, 2006. This action was to warn all of the saints in all of the churches in the Lord's recovery concerning Titus Chu and those who promote and disseminate his divisive teachings, publications, practices, and views. We consider this a governmental proclamation representing the organic feeling of both the Head and the Body.

After multiple attempts in meeting with Titus Chu over a long period of time by various coworkers and others to resolve the differences held by Titus Chu, it has become abundantly clear that he does not agree with the direction that Brother Lee has given to the Lord's recovery. His criticism and that of his supporters of the Living Stream Ministry, the blending coworkers, one publication, the seven annual feasts, the full-time training centers, and the use of the morning revival book is a direct criticism of Brother Lee, since these are all matters that were initiated by Brother Lee. To continue with the seven annual feasts was bequeathed to the Lord's recovery as a matter of Brother Lee's will near the end of his life.

We attest that all of the churches in the northwest were raised up by the ministry of Watchman Nee and Witness Lee. We believe that these two brothers brought us the ministry of the age for the building up of the Body of Christ in order to bring the Lord back and to consummate this age. We believe that all that was in Brother Lee's heart regarding the high peak of the divine revelation, the God-ordained way, and shepherding according to God were to this end.

We reject the false accusation of control by the Living Stream Ministry or any other entity or persons within the Lord's recovery. None of the churches in the northwest have ever been controlled by any outsider in any way at any time in our history. We agree with the leadership of the blending coworkers established by Brother Lee as an organic fellowship seeking the Lord's leading for His up to date speaking and direction in His recovery. We agree with remaining in the ministry of the age and in the fellowship of the churches that God's economy would be carried out on the earth in our time.

We further reject the view and practice that we should adopt any of the worldly methods used by the denominations to gain the increase. Our way of increase is by the pure gospel through the Spirit, the Word, and prayer. Our desire is to have increase that has the taste to be built up into the organic Body of Christ. We feel that we must stand firm with God's intention in His economy as revealed in the Word. We urge all of the saints in all of the churches in the Lord's recovery to honor the governmental decision presented to the more than 900 leading brothers in Whistler, Canada on October 7, 2006.

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