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#### MMTC Global Program Participants' Conversation with Dr. Jaerock Lee

On February 26, Dr. Jaerock Lee addressed the MMTC Global Program trainees saying, "There are difficult biblical verses to understand unless God lets us know what they mean. As you get to know and understand the Word of God your faith will increase. Then you will also be able to conduct a greater ministry. You will also receive the power of God if you live according to the Word of God and give prayer like fire to God."

Pastors, workers, and aspiring missionaries from overseas branch and associative churches participated in this program. The program is aimed at training missionaries and functions as an effective overseas mission to achieve the church's goal for the world-wide parish. Beginning on February 3rd and continuing for about a month, the participants from ten countries took various courses in hands-on ministry subjects like 'how to take care of souls' and 'spiritual counseling'. They prayed and armed themselves with the Word of God. On February 26, they had the course completion ceremony during Sunday Evening Service. (Related stories on page 4)

# Urim Books Displayed Dr. Jaerock Lee's Books at the New Delhi World Book Fair 2012

From February 25 to March 4, the New Delhi World Book Fair 2012 was held at Pragati Maidan in New Delhi, India. This book fair is one of the biggest book fairs in Asia and Africa. A total of 1,300 publishers from around 30 countries including South Korea, Germany, and France participated in the book fair.

Urim Books, an affiliated organization of Manmin Central Church, presented Dr.

Lee's books *The Message of the Cross, Heaven I&II, Hell,* and others in English, Hindi, and Tamil.

There were a number of readers who visited the Urim Books' booth and said that the spiritual world had previously been vague to them, but through the series *Heaven I & II* and the book *Hell* they had come to a clear understanding. Many said they now had also gained hope for Heaven.

Sunil Kumar, president of MSS publisher which publishes and distributes *Hell* in Hindi said, "Hell is well-reviewed by readers. I also want to publish Heaven I & II in Hindi." A man who belongs to ISPCK (The Indian Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge) which distributes The Message of the Cross said, "This book is good enough to become a world's best-seller."





New Delhi World Book Fair 2012 (Left) Urim Books' booth where the video on 'Dr. Jaerock Lee's Israel United Crusade' was presented (Right)

### Nairobi Manmin Holiness Church in Kenya Had Its Sanctuary Relocation Service

On February 26, Nairobi Manmin Holiness Church in Kenya, Africa had its Sanctuary Relocation Service with 2,500 people in attendance.



Bishop Kitonka, President of East Africa Gospel

Evangelical Association and Bishop Adoyo, President of Kenya Gospel Evangelical Association addressed the gathering referring to Dr. Jaerock Lee's Kenya United Crusade in 2001 and the great blessing that was brought to Africa. They expressed their delight to have joined the ministry of Manmin that testifies to the living God with clear evidences.

During the evening service on the same day, Bishop Dr. Myongho Cheong led a Handkerchief Healing Meeting. He delivered the message entitled "God the Creator and Jesus Christ our Mediator" that was based on 1 Timothy 2:5. Many people were healed through Bishop Dr. Cheong's prayer and the handkerchief on which Dr. Lee had prayed (Acts 19:11-12). Many of them regained better eyesight, and there were many also who received healing of afflictions including malaria, stroke, and asthma. They gave glory to God. Adding to the happiness of the members, a circular rainbow surrounded the sun in the sky over the church.



This sanctuary relocation service was held in a temporary sanctuary before the sanctuary construction. All of the church members displayed a sense of unity and their longing hearts for the construction before God with weekly fasting and prayer on Thursdays. The missionaries and church workers even took part in constructing the temporary sanctuary with love for souls day and night.

# The Performing Arts Committee Released the Manmin Album in Japanese

On February 26, the Performing Arts Committee of Manmin Central Church released a Manmin album in Japanese available as a CD set. This album was produced and released as a result of earnest requests from Japanese members. The committee chose 26 songs from the first, second, third, and fourth Korean



albums and recorded them for the dual CD set.

Manmin praise albums in Korean are available through the Manmin book store. The first album is entitled 'The Heart of the Shepherd'; the second one, 'Devotion'; the third one, 'Heaven'; and the fourth is titled 'Hope'. The songs in the albums are all God-given songs. The church members say, "When we sing these songs with our hearts, we can feel our hearts cleansed and become filled with the love of God and the hope for heaven."

# The Level of Goodness (2)

"And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect." (Romans 12:2)

As time is drawing near the last hour, sin and evil prevail and it's hard to find goodness and those who have true faith. However, the darker it is the easier it is to spot even a ray of light. Love is cooling down and the world is getting more and more evil. If we, as God's children, practice goodness, we can become light shining on the dark world and we can lead people to the light. In doing so, we can give great glory to God.

In the previous edition, we looked into the first and second levels of goodness of the four steps to achieve perfect goodness. The first level was not to react in evil and suppressing ill-feelings. The second level was not to have any kind of discomfort or ill-feelings. Then, what are the third and fourth levels of goodness and how can we achieve such goodness?

#### 1. The 3rd Level of Goodness: Moving Even the Hearts of Those who Do Evil against You

At the second level of goodness there is no evilness in the heart or mind so there is no negative counterreaction to the evil. This level can be called the level of passive goodness. However, at the third level of goodness evil is not just non-reactive but the evil is met with goodness. It is the level of goodness that can be called an active level of goodness.

A person who has achieved this level of goodness can be said to have reached the level of whole spirit.

Matthew 5:39-42 says, "But I say to you, do not resist an evil person; but whoever slaps you on your right cheek, turn the other to him also. If anyone wants to sue you and take your shirt, let him have your coat also. Whoever forces you to go one mile, go with him two. Give to him who asks of you, and do not turn away from him who wants to borrow from you." If you can practice the kind of acts of goodness in these verses from the depth of your heart and in a natural way, you are at the 3rd level of goodness.

You do not calculate your loss or gain. You don't even care about sacrificing yourself to fulfill what is good. Also, even if there is a person who acts like an enemy towards you, you would only think of the ways to have peace with him. Of course, in reality, you might have to sacrifice yourself and take the burden for the moment. But if your heart is filled with true goodness, you would not feel this is something

Also, what is important is that spiritual power is in sinlessness and you will have stronger spiritual light as you get rid of evil and accomplish goodness in you. Once you enter into the 2nd level of goodness, since the enemy devil and Satan cannot work through you due to your spiritual light, tests and trials will leave you. Also, even if you face a trial, you will be blessed because you will pass it with goodness. When you enter into the 3rd level of goodness, the evil one will not be able to even touch you, and you will be able to destroy the deceptive and misleading methods of the enemy Satan and the devil.

For example, a person who has acted with evil



Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee

toward you can be moved in his heart by your words and deeds of goodness, so that he will repent and turn from his ways. The reason this happens is that spiritually, the enemy devil that was working on the other person leaves because your spiritual light is so strong. That spiritual light reaches the small portion of goodness that is remaining in the other person. Therefore, I want you to remember that goodness is not just being nice and showing weakness by giving up, instead it is the power to drive away the enemy Satan and devil and destroy their schemes.

And now, are there any of you who are thinking, "I haven't even cast off my evil yet. When will I be able to pass the 2nd level and reach the 3rd level of goodness?" Galatians 6:9 says, "Let us not lose heart in doing good, for in due time we will reap if we do not grow weary." Even if you have not yet cast off your evil completely, if you just try to act in goodness, you will be able to get rid of your evil more quickly.

Of course, it would be different from good words and good deeds coming from the heart that is completely cultivated with goodness. But, if you try your best to add goodness to your heart in loving God, you will have that goodness coming out from that accumulated goodness. If you try to think in goodness, speak in goodness, and act in goodness, then goodness will be added in you to the same extent that the evil is cast off. If you have removed all the evil in you, then it means you have reached the 2nd level of goodness.

So, even in the 2nd level of goodness, you can have such good words and deeds that can move the heart of the other person. But sometimes, you just stay at the same level by not reacting with evil and only occasionally speaking good words that can comfort the heart of those who act evilly toward you. In addition, you can still act in goodness to move the other person's heart.

At the 3rd level of goodness, you will always have words and deeds of only goodness. You should not think you are at the 3rd level of goodness just because you do not have any ill-feelings in you and you speak with good words even to those who did evil to you. You should check whether your good deeds are always the same in any kind of situation and toward any kind of person.

#### 2. The 4th Level of Goodness: Giving Your Life Unsparingly Even for Those Who Do Evil to You

At this level, you will be able to give your life unsparingly even for those who do evil to you. It is the level of goodness of God who gave His one and only Son as an atoning sacrifice for sinners. Also, it is the level of goodness of our Lord Jesus who gave up His life not only for the righteous but also for sinners.

Jesus was hung on a tree to redeem us from the curse of death that was inflicted upon sinners. He shed His precious blood to redeem the sinners from their sins once and for all. Therefore, we should realize this love and grace of the Lord and fulfill what He desired of us taking up all the sufferings. We should become the spiritual children whom God wants, children who love God to the utmost degree and whose hearts are truly good and perfect.

In the Bible we can find people who have reached this 4th level of goodness with a heart like Jesus who gave His life even for evil people. In Exodus 32:32, Moses prayed for the people of Israel who kept on disobeying God's Word. It is said, "But now, if You will, forgive their sin and if not, please blot me out from Your book which You have written!"

Moses let the people of Israel experience God's wondrous works including letting them cross the Red Sea as if they were walking on dry land. Still, they continually complained and grumbled against Moses. They even tried to stone him! Even for such people as this, when God's wrath was about to fall on them, Moses prayed to God. He offered his life as collateral to receive forgiveness for the people.

The apostle Paul confessed in Romans 9:3 which reads, "For I could wish that I myself were accursed, separated from Christ for the sake of my brethren, my kinsmen according to the flesh."

Here, "my brethren, my kinsmen" refer to Jews and Pharisees who persecuted and interfered with the apostle Paul so much. Some Jews formed a conspiracy and bound themselves under an oath saying that they would neither eat nor drink until they would kill Paul. Likewise, the apostle Paul did not want his brothers, those of his own race, to come to complete ruin even though they persecuted and distressed him so much.

Abraham, Elijah, and Enoch also reached the highest level of goodness. If you reach the highest level of goodness, the enemy devil and Satan cannot hinder or interfere with you. You will also be able to receive authority and power and give glory to God greatly. You will dwell in New Jerusalem, the most beautiful place in Heaven, and remain close to the throne of the Father to enjoy greater honor forever. Therefore, I hope you will long for goodness and come into the level of complete goodness more quickly.

#### The Confession of Faith

- 1. Manmin Central Church believes that the Bible is God-breathed Word that
- is perfect and flawles
- Manmin Central Church believes in the unity and the work of God the Trinity: God the Holy Father, God the Holy Son, and God the Holy Spirit.
- 3. Manmin Central Church believes that we are forgiven of our sins only by
- 4. Manmin Central Church believes in the resurrection and ascension of Jesus
- Christ, His Second Advent, the Millennium, and the eternal heaven
- 5. Members of Manmin Central Church confess their faith through "The Apostles' Creed" each time they come together and believe in its content
- "[God] Himself gives to all people life and breath and all things."(Acts 17:25) And there is salvation in no one else; for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men by which we must be saved."(Acts 4:12)

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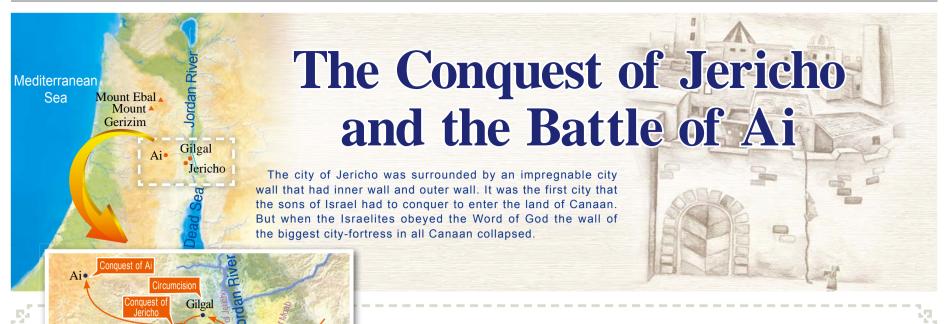
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## **◆** God Commanded the Israelites to Conduct Ceremonial Circumcision

**Dead Sea** 

The sons of Israel camped at Gilgal after crossing the Jordan. God told them to become circumcised just before conquering the city of Jericho. This is because all the people who were born during the 40-year-life in wilderness after they came out of Egypt had not been circumcised.

The physical act of circumcision is to cut off the male's foreskin on the eighth day from birth. It was first commanded of Abraham. Those who were not circumcised had to be cut off from the people of God (Genesis 17:10-12). It was the symbol of the covenant that Israel had as the people of God. From this time the sons of Israel were circumcised on the eighth day from their birth.

From a common sense point of view, receiving the circumcision before the battle was just like handing their lives over to their enemies. Why, then, had God commanded them to do it just before conquering Jericho? This is because before the full scale conquering of the Land of Canaan began, God confirmed His covenant with them once again. He also let the sons of Israel know that only when God was with them could they win victory in battle.

\*\* In Old Testament times, they had the symbol of belonging to God by circumcision because it was not the time of the Holy Spirit and people could not cast away sins by their own strength. In the New Testament times, circumcision of heart is the sign of being God's children.

Spiritual circumcision is circumcision of heart (Deuteronomy 10:16), namely, sanctification by removing the foreskins of heart (Jeremiah 4:4). When we obey the commands of God telling us 'to do,' 'not to do,' 'to keep,' or 'to cast away' certain things as spoken, we can circumcise our hearts and become sanctified.

## ◆ Sons of Israel Conquered Jericho by Acting Only in Obedience

The Israelites circumcised themselves at Gilgal and waited for their cuts to be healed. They celebrated the Passover on the plains of Jericho. As Joshua approached the strong city walls of Jericho, God presented the way to conquer the city explaining how the sons of Israel would win the victory (Joshua chapter 6).

God told them to march around the city once a day for six days and then seven times on the seventh day. He told the seven priests with seven rams' horn trumpets to march before the ark of the LORD. He said on the seventh day, the

priests were to blow the trumpets, the people were to then shout and the city of Jericho would collapse.

Joshua taught the method of God to the priests and the sons of Israel. They made no negative remarks nor did they complain. They just obeyed. At the shout of the people of Israel, the city wall turned into piles of rocks. They could conquer Jericho not because of outstanding strategy or capabilities, but because God was with them.

\*\* Here, the number seven is the number of perfection. God told them that when the people would shout with the priests blowing the trumpets, the city wall would fall. Spiritually this implies that God's will is for us to cry out to God as recorded in Jeremiah 33:3.

## ◆ The Reason God Commanded Israel to Kill Everyone in Jericho

The conquering of the land of Canaan was not just to give that land to the Israelites. It was also a result of just punishment on the Canaanites who were living in overflowing sins. The land of Canaan was full of grave sin and evils. The people did harm to themselves, burned their children as sacrifices, and committed lewd and obscene acts before idols. Because of the magnitude of their sins there was no other way but their punishment.

God had given Moses commandments prohibiting intercourse or mating with animals and homosexuality. It tells us that there were such corrupted things at that time (Deuteronomy 27:21, 1 Kings 15:12). If the sons of Israel had let them live and dwelled among them, they would have been stained with sins and finally they would have fallen into death. For this reason God had no other choice but to allow the killing of all the people in Jericho.

The sons of Israel did not personally take any money or valuables in the city. They burned some things and offered other things to God. Because it was something that they gained for the first time in the Promised Land, they gave it to God. God commanded the Israelites to kill every person and every animal in Jericho. Only Rahab, who had saved the two Israelite spies, and her family

survived.

\* God did not punish Jericho unconditionally. He waited patiently and gave them many chances to repent as written in Genesis 15:13-16. Nevertheless, the Canaanites didn't turn away but kept committing sins. That's why they had to be destroyed.

### **◆** The Lesson Given in the Process of the Conquering of Ai

The messengers who spied out the city of Ai told Joshua to send only about two or three thousand men up to Ai because the city of Ai looked so small. Without trying to know the will of God, Joshua just made a decision after hearing only the report of the messengers. They hurriedly went up to fight, but Israel was brutally defeated (Joshua chapter 7).

God told Joshua the reason for Israel's defeat when Joshua repented with the elders of Israel before God. Jericho was the first city they conquered in Canaan. God told the Israelites to offer everything they gained to Him. But there was one from among the sons of Israel who disobeyed. It was Achan. Achan took a beautiful mantle from Shinar and two hundred shekels of silver and a bar of gold fifty shekels in weight. Joshua told them to take Achan with what he had taken along with his family, animals, and all his possessions to the valley of Achor. All Israel stoned him and all his possessions, burned them, and raised over him a great heap of stones. The name of that place has since been called the 'valley of Achor'.

Achan's sin was not just simple stealing. He stole what was exclusively set apart for God. He did not believe in what had been spoken by God and he took the name of God in vain. Only after Israel solved the problem of the sin did God tell them in detail how to attack the city of Ai. Then, they finally conquered Ai by the help of God (Joshua chapter 8).

\* As we see, for the Israelites at that time, they thought the important thing was to quickly attack the city of Ai and conquer it. But what was the most important to God was that the people of Israel had to depart from sins and keep their holiness.

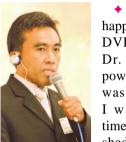
Another lesson given in the conquering of Ai is that we have to know the will of God in everything. We have to ask for God's power with humble hearts and minds, whether the matter is big or small. By doing so, we can discern the will of God through the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Only when we obey His guidance can we bear abundant fruit.

# MMTC Global Missionary Training Program Filled with Meaningful and Happy Moments

Manmin Central Church marked the opening of the Global Missionary Training Program of Manmin Missionary Training Center (MMTC). From February 3rd to 27th participants came from ten countries including the U.S., Israel, Russia, Spain, China, Thailand, Vietnam, Kazakhstan, Nepal, and Indonesia. They said with a sense of satisfaction that the program was wonderful. They became full of eagerness to bring revival to their churches and lead countless dying souls to the way of salvation through the holiness gospel and the powerful works they had learned in Manmin Central Church. On February 23, they visited the Muan Sweet Water Site in Muan, Jeonnam which is the site where salty sea water changed into fresh sweet water through Dr. Jaerock Lee's prayer (Exodus 15:25). They gave glory and thanks to God on their visit.

"I Found out the Reason Why the Power of God Unfolds through Dr. Jaerock Lee"

> Pastor Alherito Akerina (Pastor of GPI, Palembang Church in Indonesia)



→ In 2008, I happened to watch a DVD that contains Dr. Jaerock Lee's powerful ministry. I was so moved that I watched it five times in a day while shedding tears. The

works of power were totally different from those of other famous pastors that I knew.

So, with a longing heart I participated in this program. I learned many things by personally witnessing Manmin's ministry during this visit. In particular, I found out the reason why God can't help but give His power to Dr. Jaerock Lee while watching the video lecture 'Thunder the Original Voice.'

Dr. Lee realized the heart and love of God who wants us to become His true children by resembling the Lord and finally attaining the level of faith that pleases God. That is why he could manifest such powerful works. I also learned our Christian life grows up as much as we feel God's heart and love.

"I Came to Hear Clearly in both of My Ears After Dipping in the Muan Sweet Water"

Brother Kshetra Bahadur Rai (Men's Mission's President, Manmin Mission Center in Nepal)



→ I received a lot of grace while reading Dr. Lee's books The Message of the Cross and The Measure of Faith in Nepali. His autobiography My Life My Faith added faith to me and made me look

back on my Christian life.

Beginning last year, I worked with Pastor Grace Lee who presides over the Manmin Mission Center in Nepal. I am in charge of taking care of our branch churches and organizing seminars. I took part in this program to become a skillful worker. I had prepared for it with a yearning heart and two-hour prayer every day for two weeks.

All of the programs moved my heart and filled me with joy. In addition, I experienced a powerful work at the Muan Sweet Water Site. I prayed earnestly with my seven prayer titles in my heart and dipped myself into the water. At the very moment the water came into my ears and they became hot. Afterwards, I was able to hear more clearly than before. Hallelujah!

"I Realized the True Taste of Prayer through Daniel Prayer Meeting"





→ A year ago I fell into distress because my Christian life was stuck at some point. Then, I happened to read Dr. Jaerock Lee's books The Message of the Cross, The Measure of Faith,

Heaven I & II, and My Life My Faith. The books talk about many things in detail that I had been curious about. I was blessed by the books and I decided to come here to learn the holiness gospel better.

Dr. Jaerock Lee is very well-known as a powerful servant of God among Slavic people living in the United States. Nevertheless, he served the church members with humility, which deeply moved my heart. I was also impressed by the members who respect and love him. They live according to the Word of God and let the hope for Heaven fill their hearts. Additionally, I learned how to pray and prayed every night during Daniel Prayer Meeting. By doing so, I came to give prayer that God wants.

"I Learned What Praise that the Lord Accepts with Joy Is Like"



Sister Lily Bocharnikov (Praise Leader of The Spirit of Life Church, Israel)



→ Above all, I give thanks to Manmin Central Church and Dr. Jaerock Lee who made a tremendous contribution to Christian revival

in Israel by conducting the 2009 Israel United Crusade in Jerusalem, Israel. I am really honored to come to such a church, arm myself with the spiritual message here, and practice praying.

I am a praise leader in my church. Naturally, I received a lot of grace when speakers from the Performing Arts Committee gave lectures on praise, dance, and props. I videotaped the lectures and special performances during services. By using what I learned here, I want to offer up the Lord-pleasing praise as a praise leader and spread the holiness gospel. This program was a great blessing to me.



They said they wouldn't forget the 25-day journey in Korea forever. 
Photo 1: Lectures Photo 2: Friday All-night Service Photo 3: Daniel Prayer Meeting Photo 4: Divine Healing Meeting at the Manmin Prayer Center Photo 5: Praise and Prayer Time at the Muan Sweet Water Site Photo 6: Spiritual Experience on Muan Sweet Water Hill Photo 7: Praise and Determination Time at the Muan Sweet Water Site Photo 8: Visit to GCN TV Photo 9: Course Completion Ceremony on February 26



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