

# Manmin News

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## Give Thanks and Glory to God with Praise and Prayer!

### Two-round Consecutive Special Daniel Prayer Meeting Attended by Members All over the World



In the Two Round Consecutive Special Daniel Prayer Meeting, church members pray fervently with the Spirit-filled Mrs. Boknim Lee, president of Manmin Prayer Center. They offer up the praise of joy and thanks to God in Thursday Special Praise Time

“Call to Me and I will answer you, and I will tell you great and mighty things, which you do not know” (Jeremiah 33:3).

Obedying the Word of God, Manmin Central Church members call to God in prayer every night. This is because Daniel Prayer Meeting is held with Mrs. Boknim Lee, President of Manmin Prayer Center. It is held from 9 P.M. to 11:40 P.M. on weekdays except for Friday and from 9 P.M. to 11 P.M. on Saturdays and Sundays. On Fridays, they give Friday All-night Service from 11 P.M. to 4 A.M.

In Old Testament times Daniel received answers from God by offering 21 days of vowed prayer. Based on his prayer, the church holds the Daniel Prayer Meeting led by Mrs. Boknim Lee with a different prayer theme every 21 days (Daniel 10:12-14).

In particular, from April 9 to May 20, a Two-round Consecutive Special Daniel Prayer Meeting is being held under the title of ‘Blessing’

which is the first 2012 church prayer point. Thousands of members have prayed earnestly to give glory to God by receiving answers.

Personally, they are praying to receive the blessing of souls’ prosperity, namely, becoming men of spirit and whole spirit. For the church, they are praying to accomplish God’s providence in this end time by constructing the Canaan Sanctuary with the God-given blessing.

The meeting on the first day kicked off with Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee’s prayer on the phone. He prayed via the phone because recently he has been praying at the mountain prayer house. He prayed, “Let the church members achieve a clean and pure heart that Father God wants for this 42 days and become vessels that are worthy of blessing. Let them love God from the bottom of their hearts and pray with the faith that delights God. Let all members from the children to the elderly members receive answers

and give glory to God. Let more than 10,000 branch and associative churches receive answers and become more fervent. By doing so, let us accomplish world evangelism.”

At 8:40 P.M. a preliminary praise time starts to prepare for prayer meeting. Each week teams from the Performing Arts, such as the Hallelujah Praise Mission Team, the Power Worship Dance Team, the Crystal Singers, Sound of Light Chorus, and Glory Worship Dance Team take turns in praising and dancing during the praise time.

The hearts of the members in attendance opened wide through the praises, which are prayers set to melody. At 9 P.M. the Special Daniel Prayer Meeting begins with the Apostles’ Creed led by Mrs. Boknim Lee. The church members fill up the main sanctuary as well the second sanctuary that is adjacent to it.

Following the Apostle’s Creed they repent looking back upon their lives in prayer, pray

to drive away the enemy devil and Satan, and give prayer of thanksgiving. They give praise and again they pray for their prayer titles.

And then, they pray for the kingdom of God earnestly. In other words, they pray for Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee, the construction of sanctuaries, their God-given duties, and receiving strength. They also pray for pastors, elders, Levite workers, church workers, their country, and the 10,000 branch and associative churches.

After they pray for tomorrow’s plan, they receive Senior Pastor’s Day End Prayer through the video and finish the meeting with the Lord’s Prayer.

In particular, they have the special praise time on Thursdays. This is prepared so that the church members tied with love offer up the aroma of praise to God. With the church leaders of Elders’ Association, Senior Deaconesses’ Association, Men’s Mission, Women’s Mission, Children’s Sunday School, Students’

Sunday School, Youth Mission, College Mission, Canaan Mission, Paul’s Mission, Mary’s Mission, and Light and Salt Mission, all attendees give praise filled with joy and thanks to God.

The church members attend this prayer meeting not only in the main sanctuary but also in the second sanctuary adjacent to it. In addition, branch churches and local sanctuaries join the meeting in and out of Korea through live-broadcasting of GCN TV ([www.gcntv.org](http://www.gcntv.org)).

Mrs. Boknim Lee, has led Prayer Meeting a year after the church was founded. When she just lays her hands on people, the fire of the Holy Spirit comes down upon them, they repent thoroughly, and many divine healing works follow. She also leads the meetings for the sick during weekdays and Divine Healing Meeting every month and counsels church members. By doing so, she has helped many members solve their problems.

# Go to the Land which I will Show You

“Now the LORD said to Abram, ‘Go forth from your country, and from your relatives and from your father’s house, to the land which I will show you; and I will make you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great; and so you shall be a blessing.’”(Genesis 12:1-2)

God blessed Abram at the age of 99 saying, “As for Me, behold, My covenant is with you, and you will be the father of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be called Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I will make you the father of a multitude of nations.” (Genesis 17:4-5)

Abraham, the father of faith, enjoyed all kinds of blessings that people want to receive, including children, finance, health, and prolonged life. He was loved and recognized by God enough to be called ‘a friend of God.’ Moreover, God let him clearly know what would happen in the future. What was his secret to receive such amazing blessings?

## 1. Abraham completely believed in God and obeyed.

God wanted to give Abram blessing and said to him, “Now the LORD said to Abram, ‘Go forth from your country, and from your relatives and from your father’s house, to the land which I will show you; and I will make you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great; and so you shall be a blessing.’”

God didn’t tell him to leave his country and go forth after He appointed a certain good place. But He just commanded him to go to the land which He would show him. At that time, Abram didn’t hesitate at all. For God told him to go forth from his country, he went forth without looking back and no regret at all.

And he even obeyed God’s word that seemed impossible with human thoughts. When God told him to give his only son as a burnt offering, he obeyed only with ‘yes’ and ‘amen.’ Abraham gained Isaac, his precious son, at the age of 100 just as God had promised. But God told him to offer his son as a burnt offering. It meant killing his son, cutting him in pieces, separating bones from flesh, and offering it up in smoke to God.

If we use human thoughts, it is mind boggling. But Abraham just obeyed without any excuses or reasons for not obeying. He could obey with joy because he put complete trust in God who can revive the dead as written in Hebrews 11:19.

People profess their belief in God with their lips, but still doubt or complain. This is because they don’t completely believe in God. We can obey when we believe in God from the bottom of our hearts. Abraham could offer Isaac, his only son as a burnt offering since he completely trusted God. God was delighted in his goodness, which came from his true faith in God.

In this way, God gives promises to His beloved children and leads them to the way of blessing. Anybody can receive God-given blessing when he believes in His word and obeys like Abraham.

For instance, what did God say to those who want to receive financial blessings? Malachi 3:10 says, “Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, so that there may be food in My house, and test Me now in this, says



Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee

the LORD of hosts, if I will not open for you the windows of heaven and pour out for you a blessing until it overflows.” Luke 6:38 also reads, “Give, and it will be given to you. They will pour into your lap a good measure pressed down, shaken together, and running over. For by your standard of measure it will be measured to you in return.”

In addition to these, there are countless other expressions of blessing in the Bible. In the Word of God are all keys to receiving financial blessing, divine healing, and solutions of problems that seem impossible to solve. Therefore, when we completely believe in God’s Word and act according to it, we can enjoy a blessed life like that of Abraham.

## 2. Abraham always practiced goodness in relating to people.

Abraham didn’t seek his own benefit among people, but he sought their benefit. We can tell this character of his through his actions regarding his nephew, Lot.

Abraham lived together with Lot, his nephew. But their possessions were so great that they were not able to remain together. Abraham didn’t assert his right as Lot’s uncle but he let Lot choose the land he would dwell in. He said as written in Genesis 13:9, “Please separate from me; if to the left, then I will go to the right; or if to the right, then I will go to the left.”

Then, Lot chose the land of Sodom that looked good to live because there was enough water. However, Abraham had no discomfort at all and just hoped that his nephew would enjoy the new land.

It’s not the end of Abraham’s goodness towards Lot. Sodom and Gomorrah were defeated in wars with neighboring countries, so all the goods and food supplies were taken away. Lot was captured and his possessions were taken. Hearing the news, Abraham put his own life at risk and led out his trained men, three hundred and eighteen of them, and saved Lot (Genesis 14:14-16).

Furthermore, Abraham pleaded earnestly to God to save Lot when God was about to destroy Sodom and

Gomorrah that had become filled with so much sin and evil. God saved Lot considering Abraham so that his heart wouldn’t be broken (Genesis 19:29).

In such ways, the goodness of Abraham was revealed continually in his relationships both with God and men.

## 3. Abraham never changed in faith, obedience, or deeds.

God was very pleased with Abraham because Abraham showed his faith through obedience and deeds. In addition, his deeds of faith in God and obedience didn’t change until finally through his faith, at the age of 100 he was able to have a son (Romans 4:18-22).

As written in Genesis chapter 24, Abraham told his servant, the oldest of his household, who had charge of all that he owned to go to his country, Haran, and take a wife for his son Isaac. The servant said to Abraham, “Suppose the woman is not willing to follow me to this land; should I take your son back to the land from where you came?”

Abraham firmly answered in Genesis 24:7, “The LORD, the God of heaven, who took me from my father’s house and from the land of my birth, and who spoke to me and who swore to me, saying, ‘To your descendants I will give this land,’ He will send His angel before you, and you will take a wife for my son from there.” He meant that what the servant had to do was just bring the woman since God, who had already promised to give the Canaan Land, also prepared for Isaac’s wife and would send her to him. The servant succeeded in quickly meeting the woman who would become the wife for Isaac just as Abraham had spoken. (Genesis 24:10-61)

Abraham kept God’s Word in his heart and practiced it in ways like these. He didn’t sway at all even in very difficult situations. God had searched for such a heart, so He made him the father of faith through trials.

Some people change if answers don’t seem to come to them after they act according to the Word of God for only a short while. But Abraham didn’t doubt or change but just believed that God’s words would be absolutely fulfilled once God had spoken. He was consistent in faith, obedience, and deeds according to God’s will.

That’s why James 2:23 tells us, “... ‘And Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness,’ and he was called the friend of God.” If you believe and trust God until the end and act according to His Word just like Abraham, there is nothing that you cannot receive from Him.

It is my sincere hope you will have a good heart like that of Abraham and completely trust and believe God and obey Him and I pray in the name of the Lord that in doing so you will enjoy all the different blessings that God gave to Abraham.

## The Confession of Faith

1. Manmin Central Church believes that the Bible is God-breathed Word that is perfect and flawless.
2. 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 the redeeming blood of Jesus Christ.
4. Manmin Central Church believes in the resurrection and ascension of Jesus

5. 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 verbatim.
- “[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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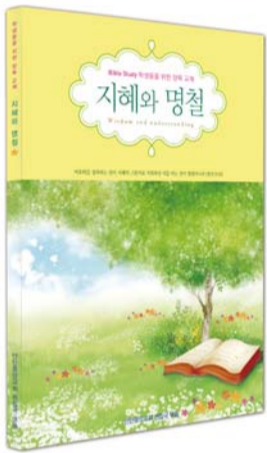
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# The Way of Wisdom and Understanding in the Book of Proverbs

The Book of Proverbs enhances our life's values and enriches our souls. The Student Bible Study Book *Wisdom and Understanding* has been published based on the wisdom found among Solomon's Proverbs.

Proverbs has 31 chapters and 915 verses. This book has chosen from among them and contains 12 helpful lessons for our application in real life. There are three chapters: 'The Way to Coming Close to God', 'How to Cultivate our Hearts', and 'Guideline for Practicing Love toward Neighbors.' In the first part of each lesson are Dr. Jaerock Lee's columns that have appeared in the major daily newspapers. In the body of each lesson are short messages which facilitate students—and even adults who live within time constraints of busy lives—to easily get closer to God's Word.

## "The Heart of Solomon, Recorder of the Book of Proverbs"



Just as written in Psalm 147:5, "Great is our LORD and abundant in strength; His understanding is infinite," God's understanding is infinite. When we have such understanding, nothing is impossible for us and we can do everything—even things well beyond our own strengths and abilities. The representative person is Solomon. He received unprecedented wisdom from God and amazing blessings. Then, how was Solomon able to receive such amazing understanding?

Solomon offered a thousand burnt offerings to God with all his heart when he became a king succeeding his father, David. God was pleased with his offerings and said to him in a dream "Ask what you wish me to give you." Then, Solomon asked God to give him an understanding heart to judge His people to discern between good and evil. There were so many excellent teachers around him, but He didn't rely on them. He relied on the origin of understanding, God.

God delighted in his heart's desire so He gave him not only an understanding heart but also the things he did not ask for, including wealth, fame, and authority.

However, though Solomon enjoyed all this glory, when he looked back upon his past life he had regret at the end of his life. He loved foreign women who didn't know God and took them as his wives. He ended up worshipping the idols that the women brought to him.

If King Solomon had lived according to the Word of God he would have been revered by people until his death and gotten a glorious place in Heaven. But he left the Word of God and worshipped idols. Because of that, he had to undergo trials and afflictions, which caused the country to be divided into the North and South.

Since Solomon experienced both blessings of obedience and curses of disobedience, he wrote the Book of Proverbs frequently using "My son" as a father who had gained much in life experience and wanted to teach wisdom to his son who would still have many years to live. Solomon wanted to give advice and teach God's will so that we would not make the mistakes like his in our lives and regret it.

<b>Chapter 1</b> Coming Close to God	Wisdom and Understanding "The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding." (Proverbs 9:10)	Life of Leaning on God "Trust in the LORD with all your heart and do not lean on your own understanding." (Proverbs 3:5)	Keys to Receiving Love "I love those who love me; and those who diligently seek me will find me." (Proverbs 8:17)	Love in Instruction "He is on the path of life who heeds instruction, but he who ignores reproof goes astray." (Proverbs 10:17)
	<b>Chapter 2</b> Cultivating a Heart	The Result of Arrogance "Pride goes before destruction, and a haughty spirit before stumbling." (Proverbs 16:18)	The Toxin of the Heart, Anger! "An angry man stirs up strife, and a hot-tempered man abounds in transgression." (Proverbs 29:22)	Wisdom Learned from Ants "He also who is slack in his work is brother to him who destroys." (Proverbs 18:9)
		The Best Choice, Honesty "The highway of the upright is to depart from evil; he who watches his way preserves his life." (Proverbs 16:17)	Keeping Things in the Heart "My son, keep my words And treasure my commandments within you. Keep my commandments and live, and my teaching as the apple of your eye. Bind them on your fingers; Write them on the tablet of your heart." (Proverbs 7:1-3)	
		<b>Chapter 3</b> Love for Neighbors		Wise Companionship "He who walks with wise men will be wise, but the companion of fools will suffer harm." (Proverbs 13:20)



# “Dreaming to Become the Best Dancer to Express the Beauty of Heaven”

Sister Jihyung Song (President of 1-1 Canaan Mission, Leader of Heavenly Dance Team)



In 1991, I was diagnosed with supraventricular tachycardia two months after I was born. It refers to abnormal rapid heart rhythm originating above the ventricular tissue. It causes dizziness, respiratory problems, and chest pain. It even leads to fainting and sudden death. A cardiologist in Seoul National University, Hospital said I couldn't be healed completely.

I was healed of supraventricular tachycardia by the prayer for the sick

When I was three, I frequently went to Seoul National University, Hospital. Once, I was in the Intensive Care Unit. In the meantime, my family came to know about Manmin Central Church. My mother, Senior Deaconess, Hyunsook Cho was given faith with which I could be healed at the time if she registered as a member of Manmin.

On May 30 in 1993, my family registered. At that time, Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee prayed for the sick on the altar after he delivered the message. My mom received the prayer with faith on behalf of me. Afterwards, I was healed of my heart disease that had been said to be incurable. Since then, I have been leading a healthy life.

My mother always reminded me of the grace of God for me. I tried hard to live according to the Bible thinking of the grace even when I was a little girl. By the time I became a 9th grader, I joined the

Korean Traditional Dance Team of Performing Arts Committee in my church. The team combines Korean traditional dance with Christian culture. In fact, I had never danced before. I was said to look like chopsticks since I was tall and thin. My body lacked flexibility so much that I was even named “Stiff Sister Song.”

There was no improvement after one year. I was not gifted in dancing and I even felt like I was a burden to the team members. I often cried by myself. But both my mother and Deaconess Kyungae Seo, who was teaching me how to dance, encouraged me. With their encouragement, I mustered up courage again, prayed, and tried my best with faith that I can do it with the power of God who had healed me.

My love for the Lord got deeper through experience of faith

It was Sunday when I was an 11th grader. I used to have severe menstrual pain but on the day the pain was a lot more serious. I felt like blood wasn't circulating well and I lost focus. In the end, I collapsed. After he heard about this, Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee asked why I hadn't received his prayer for it and prayed for me saying there is nothing impossible with prayer of faith. Then, the menstrual pain that had troubled me for a long time was gone. Now I even don't know when my monthly period is because my pain was totally gone.

This made me have greater faith and came to have

greater hope to become a dancer who gives glory to God. I majored in dancing in college and tried my best to become the best dancer who glorifies God. I wanted to give more beautiful and better heart to God when I gave the special performance as a member of Korean Traditional Dance Team. Eventually, God called me as a member of Heavenly Dance Team that describes the beauty of Heaven with dance in 2010.

I am now able to give glory to God as a leader of Heavenly Dance Team

I became a leader of Heavenly Dance Team. My first priority was to become sanctified because I believed God would receive the fragrance of dance with joy and add grace and emotion to me when I offer up a beautiful aroma with a holy heart. I also believed God would arrange for my dance skills to improve.

I endeavored to obey the Word of God who tells us to do, not to do, to throw away, and to keep something. I was happy obeying the Word of God and resembling the Lord. My team members are also trying to achieve sanctification to become beautiful hearts. Joy and happiness double when we give glory to God with a longing heart.

I give all thanks and glory to Father God who gives health, happiness, and hope for Heaven. I give thanks to Dr. Jaerock Lee who has brought me up with the word of life.

## “You, Me, and Us!” When We Are Together, We Can Be More Beautiful ‘Heavenly Dance Team’



The Heavenly Dance Team is made up of seven dancers who studied or are studying dance in college. The team expresses the beauty of Heaven with dance. They pray together first to organize performances. Then, they gather individual thoughts and opinions on song, attire, and props and they are outlined to make a work of beauty with their dance skills so they can give special performances in church events.

Moreover, the members are trying to resemble the Lord who is of goodness and beauty and becoming united as one to offer up God-pleasing aroma. They don't feel weary even when they practice overnight because their lives are filled with grace and testimonies.

They are trying hard to develop their spirituality and improve their dance skill by learning various kinds of dance to become the world-best dance team which spearheads Christian culture at this end time and shows breathtaking beauty of Heaven with dance.



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