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"Sound of blessing is heard from every side"

God's amazing works bring healing, answers, blessing, and even heart-changing works!



Through Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee's prayer, the church members received blessings more quickly and in more areas than before. Their testimonies are overflowing, which glorifies God. 1st line, from left to right—Deacon Jaesung Lee, Senior Deaconess Inok Kang, Deaconess Chachege, from Mongolia; Bishop Dr. Myongho Cheong, from Africa; Sister Nancy Kapur, from India; Brother Chanyang Rai, from Nepal; 2nd line—Senior Deaconess Jungsuk Bae, Brother Bienfait, from DR Congo; Deaconess Akiko from Japan, Deaconess Namsun Shin; 3rd—Missionary Jaewon Lee's family, Deaconess Suhee Lim, Deaconess Sungguem Roh, Deacon Kihyun Mun, Senior Deaconess Jangshim Park, and Sister Nongnut Sichai (middle) from Thailand

Soon the season when buds sprout is coming. It feels terrific to hear the testimonies of the church members. Since its opening, Manmin Central Church has abounded with the works of healing, answers, and blessing manifested by the works of the Spirit. Especially, joy is added to the members because of the various testimonies of blessings heard from every direction without ceasing.

Just as recorded in 3 John 1:2, a true blessing is for us to prosper in everything and stay in good health as our souls prosper. Many of the members have been devoted to the Word and prayer. They have humbly lowered themselves and served each other to resemble the Lord. Many of them said that they have fallen again into the habit of reading the Bible and that they long for the time of prayer. They are sharing the happiness they feel in leading a Christian life.

As their souls prosper, everything goes well with them. Many have been blessed to succeed in the dealings of their businesses and their tithes have increased. They have been transferred to better workplaces and they have been appointed to a branch where they wanted to be.

We can hear the news about receiving prizes. Brother Byungmin Park (aged 40), who is a helicopter pilot for the Army Aviation School, received the Presidential Citation for the contribution of the dispatch in Afghanistan. Deaconess Suhee Lim (aged 44) won a commendation from Ministry of Public Administration and Security. Deacon Kihyun Mun (aged 51, Department of Culture, Sports, and Tourism in Guro-gu District Office) received an award from Ministry of Culture, Sports and Tourism. Deacon Yongchul Baek (aged 48, SH Corporation) received a commendation from the Seoul Metropolitan City Mayor.

Furthermore, many members received answers to their long-lasting heart's desires. Deaconess Namsun Shin (aged 50) shouted with joy because nine of her family members including her brother's family—came to Sunday Services all at once. She said with joy that her prayer for family evangelism was answered.

Healing works became faster. Senior Deaconess Inok Kang (aged 57) said, "I had shingles which caused a pain in my sides, fevers, and blisters on my back. But I committed it to God. Then, the pain disappeared and a scab formed over the wound. It was healed in a day." Deacon Jaesung Lee (aged 48) was healed of a ruptured left knee cartilage; Deaconess Sungguem Roh (aged 63), of itchy sensation on the whole body; Senior Deaconess Jangshim Park (aged 63), of severe pain on her shoulders; and Senior Deaconess Jungsuk Bae (aged 76) was set free from unceasing tears. They gave glory to God.

Such works happened even abroad. Deaconess Kitahara Akiko from Japan (aged 46) said, "I had been stuck at a certain level in my Christian life due to negative thoughts. I had prayed with tiredness because of idle thoughts and drowsiness. Now I've come to pray fervently in Daniel Prayer Meeting and I am leading a Christian life full of the Spirit."

Sister Nancy Kapur (aged 21) from India said that she had lapsed into continually watching TV but stopped watching it and came to have hope for Heaven. Brother Chanyang Rai (aged 29) from Nepal stated, "I could be freed of loneliness since I deeply felt the love of the Lord. I am so glad for my mother who has accepted the Lord."

Sister Nongnut Sichai from Thailand said, "I worshipped an idol and worked as president of women's mission in the Buddhist temple for a long time. But I started to attend Chiang Rai Manmin Church with my daughter and I came to have true peace."

Brother Ayo Bavida Bienfait (aged 27) from DR Congo was protected in a car accident where a mini bus crashed into him. Deaconess Konga Chachege (aged 59) from Mongolia was protected in a rollover accident. Missionary Jaewon Lee and his family were faced with a dangerous situation when their car's brake malfunctioned while they were coming down from a mountain, but to their surprise the car stopped safely on the shoulder.

Bishop Dr. Myongho Cheong, Chairman of United Holiness Church of Jesus Christ, Africa said, "The testimonies are overflowing in Africa. The church members pray fervently in Daniel Prayer Meeting and many families experienced their family evangelization. They are leading happy Christian lives while experiencing healing works, receiving financial blessings, and increasing their faith."

We hope these works of the Spirit will be spread at every corner of the world and countless people will accept Jesus Christ and receive solutions to their life problems, which cause them to give glory to God the Creator.

Goodness (4)

Goodness of Jonathan

"...Do not let the king sin against his servant David, since he has not sinned against you, and since his deeds have been very beneficial to you. For he took his life in his hand and struck the Philistine, and the LORD brought about a great deliverance for all Israel; you saw it and rejoiced. Why then will you sin against innocent blood by putting David to death without a cause?" (1 Samuel 19:4-5)

Jonathan was the first son of Saul, the first king of Israel. He was expected to be the next king after Saul, but through Prophet Samuel God anointed David as the real successor saying that He would dethrone Saul. There is only one successor, so in a physical sense David and Jonathan seemed to have to be rivals. Jonathan did not consider David as his enemy but loved him as he loved himself. His love to David was more wonderful than the love of women (1 Samuel 18:1, 2 Samuel 1:26).

That was possible because Jonathan had enough goodness in his heart to discern the goodness of David. Then, let's look into the beautiful goodness Jonathan had.

1. Jonathan didn't overlook his father's sin

David was a sheep herder, a common shepherd. But after he defeated the Philistine commander, Goliath, during the war between Israel and the Philistines, he became a distinguished man in Israel.

At first, Saul was pleased when David defeated Goliath and saved his kingdom. He made David a commander. But problems arose when Saul and David triumphantly returned from the war. The women from all the towns of Israel received them singing, "Saul has slain his thousands, and David his tens of thousands." From that time on Saul hated David.

Saul kept a jealous watch on him and he even tried to kill him. Saul sent David into a very fierce war and even sent his soldiers to David's house to kill him. When Jonathan saw his father Saul was trying to kill the innocent David without reason, he didn't accept and ignore his father's sin.

Jonathan said to Saul in 1 Samuel 19:4-5, "Do not let the king sin against his servant David, since he has not sinned against you, and since his deeds have been very beneficial to you. For he took his life in his hand and struck the Philistine, and the LORD brought about a great deliverance for all Israel; you saw it and rejoiced. Why then will you sin against innocent blood by putting David to death without a cause?"

2. The goodness of Jonathan that God acknowledges

1) The heart to follow the will of God without selfish motives

If you were in Jonathan's shoes, whose side would you take, David or Saul? From a human viewpoint, Saul was Jonathan's father, and the king of a country. Form the human viewpoint, for Jonathan to disobey Saul and vindicate David was dishonoring his father.

Jonathan knew his father Saul had already been abandoned by God, and God willed David to be



Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee

the next king. Jonathan had successor's right to the throne, but he accepted the will of God without consideration of his own desires. He encouraged David to accomplish God's will.

What about John the Baptist? He recognized Jesus who came as the Savior. How did he feel when he saw his disciples following Jesus?

He said as read in John 3:30, "[Jesus] must increase, but I must decrease." When we readily abandon honor and fame for God's will to be fully accomplished, God deems it goodness.

When it comes to the works of God, many believers and church workers say they hope that the will of God will be fully achieved and His kingdom be expanded. But in reality, most of them hesitate to sacrifice themselves and to give up what they have.

Jonathan and John the Baptist had the attitude that they wanted to melt down like salt without leaving behind their own shape for the will of God to be fully achieved although they would not gain fame and honor. This is goodness in God's sight.

2) The heart that one does one's best to stop his loved one from sinning

He did not fear going to his threatening father and prevented his father from sinning by petitioning repeatedly to dissuade Saul from killing David.

That's because Jonathan loved his father from the heart although Saul was wicked. It is goodness to try one's best to stop his loved ones from sinning and going the wrong way. Jonathan tried to persuade his father again and again not to commit greater sins.

Ancient loyal servants, who loved their king from the heart, did not hesitate to give sound advice to the king about his wrongdoings even if it meant their deaths. When you find your parents, brothers and sisters going in the way of death, how many efforts have you made to guide them to the way of life? It is the same as the case with the church departments and mission organization you belong to.

What did you do when you saw your seniors and leaders committing unlawful acts? Above all else, you should not reveal to others or gossip about their errors if you love and honor them. If you judge them and gossip, how far you are away from goodness and love!

Even if your leaders go the way that is against God's will, if you gossip about their offenses again and again, it never helps the works of God to be fulfilled. Rather, it will be the grounds for Satan's accusations. If you draw back saying it is not your business, it is not goodness either. If you pass over some errors because you feel uneasy about your seniors or because you are afraid of loss caused by your words, it is not a duty towards your seniors, nor is it goodness in God's sight.

More than anything else, you should have the courage to speak the truth without fearing the loss. You must possess the wisdom of goodness to give advice to your seniors or leaders without offending them and without shunning your duty.

3) The heart to follow one's duty till the end

Good people want to turn their eyes from the scene where someone commits a sin and to keep themselves away from wickedness. Still more, good people suffer greater pains when they see their family and loved ones sinning. Although Jonathan suffered many pains because of his father's wickedness, he did not abandon his duty towards his father.

Jonathan knew God had already forsaken his father, Saul. He anticipated what would happen to his father when he was with the evil one that had been abandoned by God, but he never left his father. In the end, he drew his last breath with his father while they were engaged in war against the Philistines. Jonathan was with his father in everything whether death or life. He did not leave his father. He fulfilled his duty to his father. It was goodness.

Here you must not misunderstand one point. It's not good to be with evil ones that God has forsaken to the end considering it as right duty. Jonathan knew the wickedness of his father Saul and he didn't follow his father. Rather, he advised him not to sin many times. But he still didn't give up on his father who was going the way of death nor abandon his duty as a son.

Dear brothers and sisters, Jonathan was the first son of King Saul and expected to become the next king. But he accepted the will of God who wanted to make David the second king of Israel without selfish motives and he also helped David actively. Moreover, he tried his best to stop his father King Saul from sinning to the end.

Therefore, I pray in the name of the Lord all of you accomplish the perfect goodness so that you can join the glory and blessing God has prepared.

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
- Christ, His Second Advent, the Millennium, and the eternal heaven

the redeeming blood of Jesus Christ

5. Members of Manmin Central Church confess their faith through "The Apostles Creed" each time they come together and believe in its content verbatim

4. Manmin Central Church believes in the resurrection and ascension of Jesus

"[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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'A measure of faith allotted to each of believers...'

Level 1

Faith to receive salvation

If you hear the gospel, open your heart, repent that you are a sinner, and receive the forgiveness of sins, then, God will send the Holy Spirit in your heart. The Spirit is God's gift and pledge given to those who have accepted Jesus Christ and gained the right to be God's children.

If you receive the Holy Spirit, then, your name will be recorded in the Book of Life as God's child, and you will receive the citizenship of the heavenly kingdom. For example, the criminal who was saved in Luke chapter 23 belongs to the 1st level of faith. (Luke 23:39-43)

Level 2

Faith to try to live by the Word

After you accept Jesus Christ and receive the gift of the Spirit, you attend worship services, listen to and learn the Word of God, and try to act according to it. But you have yet to realize the will and the heart of God in the Word and to act with the realization, so you may find yourself difficult to lead a Christian life.

That is why you have to try hard with prayer for yourself to act according to the Word of God. Here is a thing you keep in your hearts; you must not feel disheartened nor give up even if you can't sometimes practice the Word of God. When you try hard, the Spirit will help you and God will give you the grace and strength of God. And He will guide you to practice the Word.

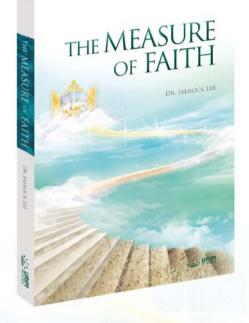
Level 3 Faith to live by the Word

At this level, we can practice the Word from our hearts by realizing the will of God. So, it is natural for us to practice it in our daily life. Our Christian life becomes stabilized at this level.

When you have this kind of faith, you can stop committing the works of the flesh, which are sins committed with actions, and get rid of the things of the flesh which are the sins committed in hearts and sinful nature.

But even if you've reached the third level of faith you still have conflicts in your heart. You obey by realizing the will of God but you still have sinful nature. It causes two kinds of natures to conflict because you have sinful nature left. But as you cast off more and more sinful nature, it will be easier to act according to the Word of God.

If you reach the 60th percentile of the 3rd level of faith, you can be said that you are standing on the rock of faith (Matthew 7:24-25).



Let's think about the faith of two people: one is the faith of the criminal who was saved right before death by repenting on the cross next to Jesus' cross and the other is the faith of Apostle Paul who worked faithfully with all his life saying "I die daily" and entered New Jerusalem. How different they are!

In the Bible, Jesus praised a woman saying, "Your faith is great" (Matthew 15:28) and He rebuked His disciples for the littleness of their faith (Matthew 17:20). As shown in the verses, there are different measures of faith ranging from little to great. That's why Romans 12:3 says, "For through the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think more highly of himself than he ought to think; but to think so as to have sound judgment, as God has allotted to each a measure of faith."

Faith is a gift given by God, so spiritual faith is given to us according to how much we live in the Word of God. Just as we go up stairs one by one, spiritual faith increases day by day. When our faith becomes great enough to reach the measure of the stature that belongs to fullness of Christ, God is pleased with our faith.

What level do you think your faith belongs to? The measure of faith can be explained in several ways, but here in this edition we will explain about it based on Dr. Jaerock Lee's book *The Measure of Faith*. Let's check our faith.

Even though you have stood on the rock of faith you have to fight a good fight of faith to accomplish the heart of the Lord as recorded in 2 Timothy 4:7. You have to cry out in prayer to pull out the roots of evilness in your heart and ask God with an earnest heart.

But many believers stay at the 3rd level of faith for a long time. What is the reason? This is because they stop in making efforts to get rid of sin and evil. To pass the level, you have to throw away spiritual arrogance that says "I have achieved sanctification to some degree" and overcome laziness.

Level 4

Faith to love God to the utmost degree

If you love God to the utmost degree, you come to cast off every form of evil and sins God hates and to accomplish sanctification of your hearts. At this level, the evidence of God's love for you will be shown always. To the extent that your heart resembles that of God, you can demonstrate greater ability and give greater glory to God.

Also, you will serve, lower yourself, and seek others' benefits. As such, trivial words or deeds in a daily life are also beautiful and of goodness. Not only can such a good fragrance move the hearts of people around you but also it can touch God's heart and God will be with you with answers and blessings.

Level 5

Faith to please God

At this level, you will pass the level of obeying the Word with the utmost degree of love for God and reach the level of obeying it by realizing the deep heart and will of God and pleasing Him. Even if God tells you to do something impossible with human ability, you will say only 'Yes' and 'Amen' and obey with all your life if it is the will of God.

Also, you will be able to perform signs, wonders, and powerful works by piling up countless times of prayer. You also will work faithfully in all aspects and fulfill your duty. You will perform your duty more than what you can do and what you can gain. To gain such true children, God created men.

At this fifth level of faith, that is, the perfect faith, all thoughts and words can satisfy God's heart and please God all the time. So, you can receive answers from God whatever you ask and God even gives you what you just harbor in your heart. This is because He foreknows and prepares what you need beforehand and provides you with it. I was born a deaf. Since I was 9, I got sexually interested in the same sex. I gave presents to my female friend whom I liked to impress her and I wore clothing and acted like a boy.

One day, I visited my friend Jiparet who used to be also a lesbian to go to a night club. But she was different from the past. She became a deaconess who was leading a diligent Christian life. She even introduced Manmin Central Church in Seoul, Korea to me.

In December, 2010, I paid a visit to Phuket Manmin Deaf Church in Thailand. The members were offering up the service of Manmin Central Church through Nefsis which is multipoint video conferencing system.

Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee was preaching. He looked like he was full of love. He didn't want even a single soul to go to Hell and he desired to lead all 7 billion people over the world to Heaven. Seeing him, I could feel the warm love of the Lord deep in my heart.

Furthermore, I had known many of deaf friends there from early childhood and I could see them change in the church. So, I thought this church is really different. Above all, I came to know that there are Heaven and



"Meeting the Lord, I escaped from a life as a lesbian"

Junior Deaconess Radaban Bichitbut (Phuket Manmin Deaf Church, Thailand) Hell. Especially, reading Dr. Lee's book *Hell*, I came to know the misery of Hell and decided not to live as I had lived. I stopped living as a lesbian. Afterwards, I attended every kind of services without skipping and Daniel Prayer Meetings. I tried to become sanctified.

My mother, neighbors, and friends were struck with amazement seeing my change. Even I myself was astonished by my appearance that had been changed into that of a woman. In the summer of 2012, I visited Korea to participate in Manmin Men's and Women's Summer Retreat. The main sanctuary of Manmin Central Church I visited for the first time was full of holy grace. I came to long for sanctification all the more witnessing the church members who were crying in prayer in Daniel Prayer Meeting to become sanctified. I experienced the love of God deep in my heart during the whole schedule of Summer Retreat. I was determined to repay the grace. Back in Thailand, I am leading a more diligent Christian life. I also give glory to God dancing in church and try hard to evangelize people. I hope that many of the deaf will be saved and give glory to God.

"I was healed of 60 years of asthma and 13 years of arthritis on knees"



Deaconess Yujung Jang (aged 69, 3-32 Parish)

One day in 2006, I was reading the Bible on the subway. A man came to me and gave me something. It was a copy of *Manmin News* that included the testimony of Deacon Yunseop Kim who had been physically

disabled with the certificate of the most serious level of disability. The man was Deacon Kim himself.

At that time, I relied on a cane due to right-sided hemiplegia that was caused after I received surgery on brain tumor. I was also suffering from asthma and arthritis on my knees. Reading the testimony, I was amazed and happy thinking, 'Is it real for such a miracle to happen?' I had a longing heart to go to Manmin Central Church.

After experiencing the love and power of God in services and prayer

In September, 2006, I attended Friday All-night Service that was held at 11 P.M. on Friday. While

preaching, Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee explained about the deep parts of the spiritual world in an understandable way, which caused me to realize the will of God properly. I was filled with the Spirit during the second half of Friday All-night Service.

I felt joyful and happy as though I had come into Heaven. Then, I registered in Manmin Central Church.

Dr. Lee seemed very busy but he met the church members before the service every week and prayed for them to receive answers and healing from God. Through



He once had to wear a brace for his backbone and sleep upright in a sitting position, but now he came to ride a bike.



After receiving Dr. Lee's prayer, he was completely healed and came to have a happy family.

the time, my symptom of right-sided hemiplegia got better and not long after I came to walk without the cane. Additionally, I came to have better eyesight so I came to see things without eye glasses. Hallelujah!

Leading a happy and healthy life even in my old age

On January 2, 2013, more amazing works happened to me. I was in Daniel Prayer Meeting that is held every night. I was coughing a lot due to asthma. I prayed earnestly, "Father God! I can't pray due to asthma. Please heal me of it."

All of a sudden, I felt nausea and went to bathroom. I vomited a mass of something. Then, I stopped coughing and was healed of asthma that had caused me troubles for 60 years. I hadn't been healed of asthma that I had suffered from chronically ever before, but I was healed after

I received Dr. Lee's prayer of blessing in New Year's Service. On January 8, 2013, as usual I was taking note of 'Summary of Previous Sermon' that appeared on Church Weekly Bulletin. Suddenly, inspiration of the Spirit came upon me and I felt like my body was on clouds. Then, I was healed of arthritis to my knees that I had had for 13 years! Now I was able to go up and down stairs and have no pain with bended knees in prayer. I give all thanks and glory to God who blesses me to lead a healthy and happy Christian life even in my old age.



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