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## Forty-two-day March of Prayer Full of the Spirit Nearly 10,000 branch and associate churches joined via GCN TV



Manmin members have grown up in faith and received answers to their prayer in the double-session consecutive Special Daniel Prayer Meeting that was conducted by Mrs. Boknim Lee for 42 days during the second half of 2013.

One of the church's prayer titles in 2013 is "Power". It is the power to compel one's freewill to turn around (John 11:41-44). The power brought about much spiritual fruit to be borne on Easter Sunday, during Leadership Conference and Summer Retreat, and at the church's 31<sup>st</sup> anniversary. Moreover, more abundant fruit is expected to be borne on Thanksgiving Sunday and on Christmas Day.

To bear such fruit, Manmin members prayed in the two-round consecutive session Special Daniel Prayer Meeting held under the title "Original Voice" from September 30 to November 10 in 2013. They offered up more fervent prayer than any other period.

Approximately 10,000 branch and associate churches both in and out of Korea also joined this prayer meeting via GCN TV ([www.gcntv.org](http://www.gcntv.org)). The members experienced various works of recreation brought about by the original voice. The Special Daniel Prayer Meeting opened with Dr. Jaerock Lee's earnest prayer on the phone. He was praying from his mountain prayer house and the prayer was on fire with President of Manmin Prayer Center, Mrs. Boknim Lee's prayer of insight into people's hearts. More than 4,000 people gathered in the central church from 9 P.M. to 11:40 P.M. every night (on weekends until 11 P.M. and on Friday for Friday All-night Service).

Through the prayer, they received blessings and answers so testimonies are overflowing.

Deaconess Sunmi Baek said, "I am filling my shortcomings with the love of God. Relying on the power of the Spirit in prayer, I could discover my 'self' deep inside of me and feel the deep love of God." Deaconess Jinhee Kim also stated, "I attended the sessions with a longing heart, and my heart's desire was fulfilled. I was transferred to the department where I had wanted to serve. Now I am working happily."

For the past 28 years, since 1986, Manmin members have regularly cried out in prayer from 9 P.M. every night in the Daniel Prayer Meeting. It has played

an important role in the church revival and the church members' spiritual growth. The double-session is offered up for 42 days as Special Daniel Prayer Meeting twice a year. In the Award Ceremony, special prizes are prepared for those believers who prayed for more than 40 days.



### "Believe the Lord!"

#### Manmin members who spread the holiness gospel



Manmin members full of the Spirit in the grace and love of the Lord are now enthusiastic about spreading the holiness gospel. Led by female cell leaders, they spread the gospel from house to house during weekdays. The district group members distribute *Manmin News* to people after the Tuesday District Prayer Meeting.

They offer people Dr. Jaerock Lee's books that are filled with the bread of life and *Manmin News*, the church newspaper. They provide something to eat or drink such as hot coffee and a type of Korean pancake. They also visit places crowded with people on Saturdays and spread *Manmin News*. Some of them visit their families or relatives and share the grace of the Lord telling them about the testimonies of God's power.

Deacon Jungkil Lee happily said, "Since I was healed of after-effects of defoliant exposure by Dr. Lee's prayer, I have consistently spread *Manmin News* with thanks. The more I spread the gospel, the healthier I become and the more hope for Heaven I am given."

### Faith, Hope, and Love Filled

#### Nepal Manmin Branch Churches' United Retreat

From October 14 to 15, 2013, the 7<sup>th</sup> Nepal Manmin Branch Churches' United Retreat was conducted in Chunadevi School, Nagarkot, Bhaktapur.

On the first day, after they experienced taking the cross and watched the videos 'Hell' and 'The Castle of the Shepherd in New Jerusalem', Pastor Grace Lee, of Manmin Mission Center in Nepal, preached a message entitled "The Measure of Faith".

On the second day, an Athletic Meet and Camp Fire Worship & Praise were held. On the third day, the participants were united in the love of the Lord in the Mission Meeting, Bible Quiz Contest, and a 'Having Fun with Dragonflies' activity.

Many people participated in this Retreat, and they have been changed and given glory to God. Dipesh Waiba said, "I am happy to stop listening to the worldly songs that I liked and pray eagerly." Krish Gharti stated, "Realizing the love of God, my Christian life has been renewed and I have received blessings both in spirit and body."



# Blessed Are Those Who Have Been Persecuted for the Sake of Righteousness

“Blessed are those who have been persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when people insult you and persecute you, and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of Me. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward in heaven is great; for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you” (Matthew 5:10-12).

Nobody wants to be persecuted. But Jesus said that to be persecuted for the sake of righteousness is a true and eternal blessing. If we give up our everything for the Lord, we will receive the blessing of eternal life together with the persecution. Then, what does it mean to be persecuted for the sake of righteousness? What is the blessing that is to follow? And, why did Jesus tell us to rejoice when we are persecuted for righteousness?

## 1. What is it to be persecuted for the sake of righteousness?

What does it mean to be persecuted for righteousness? It is the persecution that we face when we live by the Word of God following truth, goodness, and light. Of course, we don't have to face persecutions if we just compromise and do not lead a proper Christian life. But 2 Timothy 3:12 says, “Indeed, all who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus will be persecuted.” If we follow the Word of God, we may face difficulties or receive persecutions for no reason.

Then, what is meant by there being persecution for the sake of righteousness? This is the same principle as oil and water do not mix. God is Light, and those who believe in the Lord and live in the Word spiritually belong to Light. But this world belongs to the enemy devil and Satan, the ruler of darkness, so the world hates God's children who belong to Light (Ephesians 6:12).

Therefore, just as the darkness disappears where there is light, when the number of believers, who are like the light, increases, then the ruling power of the enemy devil and Satan will decrease.

## 2. Persecution resulting from living the life of believers

One day, the king of Babylon had a golden statue made and required every person in the country to bow down before it. The three friends of Daniel refused to do so because bowing down before idols is a sin God hates. So they were thrown into the fiery furnace, but God protected them. Not one hair on their heads was singed. Seeing it, the king recognized God as the true Deity and gave glory to God.

In the same manner, the enemy devil and Satan have the worldly people who belong to darkness persecute God's children and disrupt their believing lives. However, if they rejoice with faith and give thanks, God will be with them, so they can achieve victory. Many prophets in the Bible were persecuted for the sake of righteousness, but instead of compromise they pleased God by showing faith and became great people in Heaven.

On the other hand there are some believers who are persecuted due to their own fault or lack of wisdom and not for the sake of righteousness. They sometimes suffer insult or are faced with difficulties since they fail to be faithful in all aspects and to show virtuous generosity. Suppose a married female believer does not clean her



Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee

house and doesn't prepare her husband's meal because she is lazy, but she uses the excuse of being busy doing church work. Then, she might well receive persecution as a result.

Some people mistakenly think that she is persecuted because she works faithfully for the kingdom of God, but it is because she has not taken care of her household. The same applies in workplace. If we shift our work on others and work half-heartedly in the workplace to go to church, we can't avoid others' rebukes or reprimands. Therefore, we need to check if it is our own fault or shortcomings that cause the persecution received.

## 3. Blessing given to those who have been persecuted for the sake of righteousness

### 1) They can receive eternal blessings

The persecutions one receives because of his or her own fault cannot result in blessings or rewards. But the persecution for the sake of righteousness is a blessing and there is a reward in Heaven.

When we are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, our faith will be firmer. It's because we can find the evil of which we were unaware before and cast it off. By doing so, we can resemble the heart of the Lord to love even our enemies. Before, if we were struck on one cheek we would get angry and have to strike back. But through persecutions, we come to learn about love so that we can now even turn the other cheek. We now have hope for Heaven and we can give thanks and joy in any kind of situation.

### 2) They can enter a better heavenly dwelling place

Then, what is the difference between the kingdom of heaven that those who are poor in heart possess and the kingdom of heaven that those who are persecuted for righteousness possess? The former is the whole kingdom of heaven with a general meaning into which everyone who is saved can go. But the latter means that we will go into better dwelling places in Heaven to the

extent that we are persecuted for acting in righteousness.

In Heaven are Paradise, the First, Second, and Third Kingdoms of Heaven, and New Jerusalem. The foremost of all these is New Jerusalem. Those who are poor in heart refer to persons who accepted the Lord and gained the qualification just being able to enter Heaven. However, those who are persecuted for righteousness have already cast off evil and sins from their hearts, and their faith increases. They have also become sanctified through the persecutions and trials and served the Lord faithfully so they can enter a better dwelling place—the Third Kingdom of Heaven or New Jerusalem where they will be able to see God the Father.

### 3) They can enlarge the kingdom of God

Although we have accomplished righteousness by living by the Word of God, not all persecutions may be gone. There can still be persecutions that one undergoes for the Lord, that is, the persecutions that God's workers have to suffer for His kingdom. Jesus is blameless and spotless, yet He was scourged, flogged and was crucified to save us. Apostle Paul was also faithful to the point of death for the kingdom of God, not even sparing his own life.

It's not that Jesus was suffering because He didn't have power. But, it was because He knew that God's providence would be fulfilled greatly through His sufferings, so He took them with joy. He preached the will of God with burning passion and did what God had commanded Him to do. So did the Apostle Paul.

### 4) They will be given great rewards in Heaven

The reason why we can rejoice and be glad when we are persecuted for the name of the Lord is because great will be the reward in the heavenly kingdom. All kinds of crowns, golden and jewel-decorated mansions, and unimaginable rewards and glory are awaiting us.

To those who rejoice and give thanks while suffering persecutions for the Lord without any reason, God fulfills their hearts' desire, offer things they need, and show the evidence of His being with them. To the extent that they overcome the sufferings, their faith grows up more.

Therefore, we can rejoice from the heart and feel joyful when we are persecuted for the Lord because we long for the rewards that God will give. There is something special here. If a man of God is persecuted for the Lord, blessings will be given to people with him (Luke 22:28-30). So, if we see men of God suffer persecutions for the Lord we have to pray for them, fast, and join the suffering with sincere heart.

Dear brothers and sisters, we delved into the eighth blessing in the Beatitudes. I hope that you will achieve the kingdom of God more greatly by being able to receive persecution for the righteousness. I pray in the name of the Lord that by doing so you will dwell in New Jerusalem that is the most beautiful heavenly dwelling place.

## 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 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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# How can we hear the voice of the Holy Spirit and receive His urging to be led by Him?

Parents who give true love to their children often talk with them and help them succeed in their lives. God is love. He bought His children with the price of the Lord's blood and He also desires to communicate and to guide them in the best way possible. A person who communicates with God the Almighty and obeys Him can accomplish God's kingdom greatly and enjoy prosperity, peace, and blessings at home and in workplace.

Then, what is the most usual way to communicating with God? It is to hear the voice of the Holy Spirit, to receive His urging, and to receive His guidance. When people accept Jesus Christ, God gives them the Holy Spirit in their hearts as a gift. The voice of the Holy Spirit is heard from within each one's heart, not from outside, because He dwells in us who are a temple of God.

Let's look into how the Holy Spirit's voice is heard, and how He gives us urging and guidance. While doing this, check how much you communicate with God.

## 01. The Holy Spirit reminding us of the Word of God

In John 14:26 Jesus said to the disciples, "But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I said to you." John 16:13 says, "But when He, the Spirit of truth, comes, He will guide you into all the truth; for He will not speak on His own initiative, but whatever He hears, He will speak; and He will disclose to you what is to come."

For example, suppose somebody makes an unreasonable

demand of us for his own benefit. At this moment, we are reminded of the Word of God telling us to give when asked to give and to love even our enemies, and that the one who serves is great. We are also reminded of the contents of the sermon. This is the voice of the Holy Spirit. Hence, the more we are armed with the Word and the more we meditate on it, the easier it is for us to hear the voice of the Holy Spirit.

## 02. The Holy Spirit telling us something specific in our heart

Jesus said in Mark 13:11, "When they arrest you and hand you over, do not worry beforehand about what you are to say, but say whatever is given you in that hour; for it is not you who speak, but it is the Holy Spirit." Jesus taught His disciples that the Holy Spirit speaks to us as a guide and that they had to rely on Him.

But in this case, those who have the truth in their heart

and those who have cast away sins and become sanctified can hear it clearly. Only when we are armed with the truth can we discern and hear the voice of the Holy Spirit. But remembering some receive works of evil spirits and mistakenly think it is the Holy Spirit's voice, we have to discern the voices with the truth.

## 03. The case of the Holy Spirit moving our heart to take a specific action.

Sometimes we feel the urge to pray or fast. Or we feel a strong urge to help a certain person or preach the gospel to a certain person. If we follow these urges of the Holy Spirit, we can bear the spiritual fruits by receiving the answers to our prayers or by saving souls.

Philippians 2:13 says, "For it is God who is at work in you, both to will and to work for His good pleasure." If

we follow the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, we will fulfill God's good pleasure.

God's children must not ignore the urging of the Spirit, no matter it is strong or not, and they should obey it. When they obey one by one, God will be pleased and help them receive much clearer urging of the Holy Spirit.

## 04. To be led by the Holy Spirit, we have to obey what we hear Him tell us and what He urges us to do

While we are listening to the message or in our ardent prayers or praises, we might receive the urging to do a certain thing. Or, when we have to choose between one of two options, we pray about it to know the will of God. Then, we feel a strong urge towards one side. To obey when we hear the voice or receive the urging of the Holy Spirit is to be led by Him.

Even though the Holy Spirit speaks to us and tells us what to do, we cannot say we are guided by Him if we do not obey. Or, even though we obey, we cannot be guided by the Holy Spirit if we change our attitude mid-way.

For example, suppose one feels the urging of the Holy Spirit that he can receive the answer if he offers up a vowed prayer in Daniel Prayer Meeting. So, he attends the meeting diligently. But though the vowed period is almost up, he doesn't see any sign of the answer. He comes to have many thoughts and stops offering up the prayer. In some cases, although one person doesn't really change her mind along the way, she may fall away from the guidance of the Holy Spirit because she does not have

enough truth in her heart. For example, by the urging of the Spirit she vowed to give to God a certain amount of church construction offering. She received a blessing, but soon another way opened for a greater blessing. She spends the money she got at first for his new business and gives the greater amount of money later. In this case, it's not that she doesn't want to fulfill her vow, but she changed her mind.

In Leviticus chapter 27, we find how to present a vowed offering. God says that even though we may later receive something better, we must not exchange one offering for another before God. If we really want to give, we have to give both of them.

The important thing in being led by the Holy Spirit is obedience. It is to obey until the end without any change of mind. Such people can be called true children of God as said in Romans 8:14, "For all who are being led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God." This is because we will definitely bear spiritual fruits if we are really guided by the Holy Spirit.

## “Manmin’s ministry confirms the Bible with the Spirit’s work”



Pastor Pasa Kasindi  
(Bukavu Manmin Church in DR Congo)

I happened to learn about the ministry of Manmin in 2009 before Bukavu Seminar for Pastors and Healing Crusade led by Bishop Dr. Myongho Cheong. I prepared for the seminar and crusade with other pastors and I was put in charge of publicity.

I publicized the crusade with posters in all areas of Bukavu. I showed people the videos of Dr. Jaerock Lee’s ministry that is full of God’s powerful works. While preparing for the crusade, I worked together with the church members of Nairobi Manmin Holiness Church in Kenya. Their reliance on God in everything and walking with faith touched my heart.

Dr. Myongho Cheong, Chairman of United Holiness Church of Jesus Christ, Africa talked about Dr. Jaerock Lee first in the crusade and he spoke about the handkerchief of power on which Dr. Lee had prayed (Acts 19:11-12). Then, he boldly said that God would receive great glory through the crusade and the prayer of handkerchief would cause the blind to see, the lame to walk, and the sick to be healed. Hearing this, anxiety surfaced. I thought, ‘What if the works that he talked about do not occur? People would stone me for having publicized this crusade.’ However, it turned out that I didn’t have to worry. As he had said, the works of God

truly unfolded.

A child who couldn’t walk since the age of 4 came to walk. The blind came to see. Many kinds of diseases were healed. They were amazing. I witnessed the Spirit’s works that testify to God’s existence and the Word in the Bible. Then, my church registered as a Manmin branch church.

From then, I read Dr. Lee’s books and spread the holiness gospel. Moved by it, my church members also began trying hard to live according to the Word of God. They spread the gospel within the grace of God, so abundant fruits of revival were borne. The 15 branch churches that I had opened and served have grown up day by day.

Although I was a pastor, I did not understand well about Heaven and faith. But I reached the understanding of how to take a better heavenly dwelling place by force (Matthew 11:12) and what the measure of faith is (Romans 12:3) since Dr. Cheong taught them to me. The thing God really wants us to do is to achieve the heart of the Lord—a sanctified heart.

Though I used to be a spiritually blind man, Dr. Lee opened my eyes. I give all thanks and glory to God who allowed me to meet His true servant and lead many souls to the arms of the Lord.

## “Fifteen-year-old urinary incontinence was cured”



Deaconess Keumah Park and her family  
(2-12 Parish)

After marriage in 1994, as a result my husband’s job working in the Gwangyang Steel Mill, I moved to Gwangyang in Jeonnam Province. I attended Yeosu Manmin Church that is ministered to by Pastor Hangyeop Lee. It is about one-hour’s distance from us.

My husband, Deacon Hwikun Cho still drank alcohol and smoked although he had attended another church before getting married. However, he stopped drinking and smoking after listening to Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee’s sermon tape on The Message of the Cross. His Christian life was renewed. He bought a van to provide free rides to church for the members who lived far away.

God of love let us experience His touches in the journey of faith. When I was pregnant with my second daughter, my doctor said that the umbilical cord was around her neck. He also said I was in need of a caesarean. I prayed to God for a safe delivery. As I believed, I delivered the baby without the caesarean.

My first daughter (Love Cho, on the left in picture) was in an accident involving a car when she was an elementary school student in 2004. At that time the car’s wheels went over her ankle. But in God’s protection, she was not injured at all. My second daughter (Hwajin Cho, right in picture) recovered good eyesight from 0.2/0.2 to 0.9/0.9 by the prayer of Dr. Lee. Now she doesn’t wear glasses and severe atopic dermatitis was completely healed.

**Moving to Seoul and starting a new chapter in life as a Christian**

God protected all my family members. But as time went by, I got lazy in praying and lost fullness of the

Spirit. I made up my mind in 2005 thinking ‘no more slump in faith’ and moved to Seoul with my children. We started our Christian lives in Manmin Central Church and my husband moved to Seoul later in 2008 due to his job.

My family became very happy listening to Dr. Lee’s message and being able to greet him face to face. I was given the duty as a leader of my parish’s cell leaders. But I seemed to change quite slowly even though working faithfully. A thought came to me, ‘I can no longer stay at this level.’

From January 2 in 2013, I offered 100-day-vowed prayer with fasting one meal a day. On Easter Sunday in 2013, a great change was brought to my heart. I had been selfish and had many negative thoughts such as worries and anxiety that were made in my poor growth background. But I felt all those go away little by little. I was encouraged, and I again began giving 100-day-vowed prayer in June 2013.

**Change, healing, and blessing both in spirit and body**

On August 5, 2013 I received an amazing blessing in Manmin Summer Retreat. In the seminar on the first day of the retreat through Dr. Lee’s prayer, I was healed of incurable urinary incontinence!

I got urinary incontinence after my second child’s delivery. For 15 years, I underwent this leakage of urine when I sneezed or jumped a rope or even when I laughed loudly. And I had to go to bathroom almost once an hour. I tried not to drink fluids and even felt afraid of going out. But after the prayer, I didn’t have to go to bathroom as often as before although I drank a lot of water. Since then, I have not experienced any of the symptoms. Hallelujah!



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