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The Lord's Love Awakened Israel!

Israeli Ministry with the Word, Power, Faith, and Love



Israel is the birthplace of the gospel but now the Jews do not believe Jesus as the Savior. Dr. Jaerock Lee testified about God the Creator and Jesus Christ with the word of life and powerful works. Since then, the Israeli churches have grown up and borne abundant fruit.

Manmin members are familiar with the nation of Israel. It is not just because the country is where the Lord was born, but also because Israeli pastors and believers continue to send their testimonies about their renewal by Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee's word of life and their experiences of God's power.

Israeli pastors have invited Rev. Soojin Lee and asked her to lead the Pastors' Seminar since 2011. They also invite Manmin's performers to their annual praise festival and our performers present great performances.

Additionally, the pastors and workers in Israel pay frequent visits to the church in Seoul during events such as the church's anniversary and Summer Retreat in order to learn the Manmin's ministry.

The connection between Manmin and Israel dates back to the church's opening. On July 25 in 1982, after the church's opening service, God told the members in detail that the church would awaken Israel with national evangelism, world mission, and the construction of Grand Sanctuary as the day of the Lord's second coming draws very near.

So, Manmin piled up immeasurable amounts of prayer for the Israeli ministry. Amazingly, on July 25, 2007 Dr. Lee led the first meeting in Nazareth where Jesus grew up.

He made twelve visits during a three-year period and by visiting Haifa, Ashdod, Bethlehem, Jerusalem, Ashkelon, Beersheba, Eliot, Tel Aviv, and Nahariya he had moved about through all areas of Israel. He held 24 meetings and three Pastors' Seminars, and also conducted over ten meetings with pastors and leaders of Israel. He delivered God's love for them.

Above all, God the Creator's great work of power unfolded wherever Dr. Lee went. By his prayer, many people were healed of incurable diseases including cancer, heart disease, epilepsy, diabetes, and depression. Some were set free from drug addiction and some others received the blessing of conception. The Lord's gospel was enabled and the Holy Spirit's works were spread throughout all of Israel. Even the top officials and orthodox Jews heard about it.

The Basic Laws of Israel protect free practice of religion in the country,

but a majority of citizens are Jewish. When Dr. Lee and the mission team made the first visit to Israel, there were very few openly Messianic Jews. They were intimidated by the social atmosphere. Even pastors were skeptical about their ministry and asked if their ministry in Israel was in God's will. In this situation, Dr. Lee visited many areas of Israel and encouraged them. He showed them God's powerful works and delivered God's love to them. His sincere heart moved their hearts and gave them courage. It was the way of ministry that no pastor in the world had ever envisioned.

Through Dr. Lee, Israeli pastors and believers realized the Lord's love and gained strength. They began uniting and voluntarily organized Crystal Forum (Israeli Pastors' Association). They prepared for the Israel United Crusade 2009 and invited Dr. Lee as a speaker. The crusade was held in the International Convention Center, Jerusalem, and bore amazing fruit. It was broadcast live all over the world via 22 broadcasters. Dr. Lee boldly proclaimed about why Jesus is our only Savior. Countless people in ICC and viewers kept vivid memory of his bold preaching and amazing powerful works manifested through him.

Currently, Manmin has twelve branch churches and twenty associate churches in Israel. The members have experienced many powerful works of healing and answers through the prayer of handkerchief that Dr. Lee had prayed on (Acts 19:11-12).

Furthermore, the members have spiritually grown up through Dr. Lee's sermon programs aired on CMTN, TBN Russia, CNL, Holy God TV, and Rodnoy as well as through Dr. Lee's literary ministry in books like *The Message of the Cross* and *Awaken, Israel* published in English, Russian, Hebrew, and Arabic; and through *Manmin News*. Crystal Forum has worked actively holding various events like Crystal Music Festival and the churches in Israel have revived.

This Israeli ministry is included in God's providence for the end time. The Holy Spirit is working even now to revitalize Israel. His endless love shows God's patience and His waiting, not just for Israel, but for all mankind.



Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee

"And He [Jesus] said to him, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the great and foremost commandment" (Matthew 22:37-38).

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We have loved God and led our Christian lives. But it could be made possible not with our own strength, but by the delicate love of God. You might think you chose to come to love Him but in fact you could come before Him by His love and guidance. You could hear and understand God's Words, pray, and take up various duties by His grace.

Now let's look at the lives of believers who love God and feel thankfulness deep in their hearts for His grace.

1. They love God first and above all else

Many believers may think and say, "I love God". But some of them do not love Him from the depths of their hearts whereas some others love Him whole-heartily. There are those who love their families, honor, fame, or money more than God, but they still come to church. So they think they love God.

If we value anything more than God it means our love for God is not true and foremost. Let me give you an example. There is a person who has earnest hope and he prays continually and even fasts. He also works hard for God's kingdom. When grace comes down upon him, he confesses his love with tears. But if things do not go as he wants, in many cases his attitude changes.

He might speak words in complaint and he stops praying and working for God's kingdom. This is to love himself more than God. His confession of love for God is not true. For our confession of love for God to be true, we have to love God more

than anything else. Daniel's three friends were about to be thrown into fiery furnace because they did not worship an idol. What did they say at that time? Daniel 3:17-18 says, "If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the furnace of blazing fire; and He will deliver us out of your hand, O king. But even if He does not, let it be known to you, O king, that we are not going to serve your gods or worship the golden image that you have set up."

They not just believed the almighty God would save them, but even if He did not, namely, even if they died in the fiery furnace, they would never do anything that could disappoint God. It means God was more precious for them than their own lives. When you think of the grace of God who gave His only begotten Son, can you say with a true heart, "I love God and the Lord more than my life?"

Such a person will not put his own thoughts or plans first, but he will seek God's will first. Rather than what he wants or what he likes, he chooses something that pleases God. Rather than what is beneficial for himself, he will seek what is beneficial for God's kingdom. Wherever he is and whatever he does, he will try to please God, and he will always think of God's heart and will first. Church leaders should have this kind of heart. If you love God first and please God in everything, God will not just remain inactive.

As Proverbs 8:17 says, "I love those who love me; and those who diligently seek me will find me," He will also love you more than anything else. Would those who are loved by God the Almighty envy others or be in situations impossible to resolve? He will lift you up with His almighty power; He will give you your heart's desires and bless you whether you are coming in or going out.

2. They also love the shepherd who leads them to spirit

Those Who Love God

If the shepherd feeds the flock with spiritual food and shows the example of truth, naturally the flock will love that shepherd. Unbelievers wouldn't be able to understand, but the love between the shepherd and the flock in the Lord is deeper than any other love of this world. A true shepherd would give his life for the souls of his flock, just like Jesus did.

1 Thessalonians 2:8 says, "Having so fond an affection for you, we were well-pleased to impart to you not only the gospel of God but also our own lives, because you had become very dear to us." They were Paul's words, saying he did not just preach the gospel with words but served the believers without sparing his life. For this reason the believers in Galatia were willing to give even their eyes if they could (Galatians 4:15). Also, the disciples who were helping Paul loved him so much.

Romans 16:4 says, "...who for my life risked their own necks, to whom not only do I give thanks, but also all the churches of the Gentiles." Philippians 2:30 says, "...because he came close to death for the work of Christ, risking his life to complete what was deficient in your service to me."

As recorded, Paul's disciples loved him so truly that they would not spare even their lives if it was for Paul. For these disciples, the pain of their teacher was their own pain, and the wish of their teacher was their own wish. When Paul was in jail, they visited him and comforted him, and they also visited the churches with the understanding of Paul's heart, taking care of the believers.

What the shepherd wants is only the glory of God. He wants soul's salvation, sanctification, and blessings. If you truly love the shepherd, you will deny yourselves and live for God's glory. Also, you will earnestly ask for power and souls to salvation and truth.

3. They have deep love for souls

Some say they love God, but they just care about themselves in their Christian lives. They diligently worship and pray, but they are not really interested in other souls.

But if you really love God and the shepherd, you will have a heart desperate for souls. It's because you will understand how much God and the Lord are grieving because of dying souls. Moreover, for those who have goodness in heart, it is something natural to show goodness to others. They would want to share with other souls the love they received from God and the Lord.

So they would visit weak souls, encourage them, and help and serve those who are in difficulties. Even though nobody tells them to do those things, they would care for God's kingdom with the heart of God and that of the shepherd. Apostle Paul did so.

His great love for souls is expressed well in 2 Corinthians 11:28-29. It says, "Apart from such external things, there is the daily pressure on me of concern for all the churches. Who is weak without my being weak? Who is led into sin without my intense concern?" If you love God, you should make such profession of love for souls.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, the greatest commandment of all of the many is to love God (Matthew 22:37-39). The almighty God created human beings and controls human history to gain children who love God and who will live with Him in the eternal kingdom of heaven. You understood this heart of God and came to possess Heaven. Now, I hope you will try to love God even more.

I ask you to love God first, to be united with the shepherd with love and show your love to other souls. In doing so, I pray in the name of the Lord that God will receive glory power with authority to lead other wherever you are and God's kingdom will be greatly enlarged.

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) E-mail: manminen@manmin.kr Publisher: Dr. Jaerock Lee Managing Editor: Geumsun Vin

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God Looks at the Heart

God of love says in the second half of 1 Samuel 16:7, "...for God sees not as man sees, for man looks at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart." God looks at hearts of men because a person's attitude, speech, and actions are mostly determined by his or her inner heart. The heart of most people consists of both goodness and evil so they change from time to time. However, an 'inner heart' is different. It does not change under any circumstances. Thus, only when we do everything from this inner heart, can we gain trust from God as well as others.

What is the 'Inner Heart'?

"The Inner Heart" can be simply described as 'the heart that is solidified over time'. It works as the source of strength that controls our heart. Some parts of the inner heart are inherited from parents. But this inner heart is also formed based on what we have accepted and engraved in our hearts during our lifetime.

For instance, if you love God from your heart you may always keep His commands and choose God's will without thinking twice. If your inner heart is solidified by the truth, you cannot lie even if it means your loss and disadvantage. But some people, who normally do not lie, end up lying when they are put in extreme or desperate situations. It's because their inner hearts are not perfectly solidified by the truth.

How good and straight a person's inner heart is may determine his way of life. Some people appear to have a good heart but may not carry out what they have decided to do. Others do not appear to have a good heart but may be able to carry out and complete what they set out to do without changing.

Therefore, you should build up and solidify truthful and perfect inner hearts by casting out from your heart anything that violates the truth and by engraving truthful things in your heart.

What should we do to follow God's will from a perfect inner heart? First, you ought to rejoice all the time from the inner heart.

The source of the greatest joy for God's children is the joy of being saved. All mankind was to suffer in Hell. But, by the grace of Jesus Christ's precious blood they could be forgiven of all sins, gain eternal life, become the children of the almighty God, and gain qualifications to live in the beautiful Heaven. So people who have the joy of salvation in their inner heart will not lose that joy, no matter what kind of trials they face on the earth.

When you engrave in your heart the joy you feel as a child of God, it will be solidified in your inner heart. You can do this by confessing, "God is my Father, and I am His child. Whatever I ask of Him in prayer, He gives me. He always leads me on the good path because He loves me." If this is solidified in a person's heart, even when the answer to his prayer seems to be slow, he may believe, 'God will give it to me when it is the best time' and he can rejoice. Such people have joy in their inner hearts in any kind of situations so they can rejoice in everything.

Second, you ought to give thanks in everything from the inner heart.

God has prepared Heaven for His children currently being cultivated on the earth with the best and most beautiful materials so that they can be joyful forever. Thus, even if they may face difficulties during their lives on the earth, if they have hope for Heaven, they won't fix their eyes on life's realities, but instead on the eternal Heaven. This is how they can be thankful from the heart. Hebrews 6:19 reads, "This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, a hope both sure and steadfast and one which enters within the veil." We can give thanks not only when we receive God's answers or blessings, but in everything. We are thankful for the fact that there is our Father God, so that we can believe and rely on Him and that He loves and comforts us. When we confess our gratefulness for His grace and love, He will be moved and accept our hearts joyfully.

Therefore, those who fast and pray to be renewed as God's true children with this kind of thankfulness will be able to experience His amazing answers and blessings.

Lastly, you ought to unceasingly pray from the inner heart.

If you believe that God is watching you pray and paying attention to what you say, you will be able to pray from the heart (2 Chronicles 7:15; Matthew 18:20) and you will first give thanks for God's grace and pray for His kingdom. As you pray under the Holy Spirit's guidance, you will be able to fathom the depths of God's heart in prayer.

When someone asks you for help, if you feel his sincerity, you might understand him and try to help him in any way you can. God is love itself. He wants to unsparingly give everything to His children. Then, as long as we pray from the heart and cry out earnestly with faith, He will not refuse to answer us (Jeremiah 33:3).

If you believe that nothing is impossible by God's power and pray by that faith, God will be pleased with it and give you answers and blessing quickly.

The devotion and loyalty from the perfect inner heart will not change even as the time passes but will actually become more sincere and earnest. Let's do everything with love from our inner hearts and hope for Heaven and thereby receive God's answers and blessing.



His lumbar 2 was completely fractured and the osteocomma was compressing his spinal nerves. But after the prayer he came to move normally.

"My Spine Was Fractured, but I Came to Walk and Jump after the Prayer"

Brother Jacob Otieno Ojwang, age 26, Nairobi Manmin Holiness Church in Kenya

In August 2009, I was guided to Nairobi Manmin Holiness Church by Pastor William Wanyama who spread *Manmin News* on the street. I managed a diligent Christian life and in April 2014, I was blessed to work as a full-time worker for the church.

On March 23 in 2015, I was working on the roof of the four-meter-high structure because Ongata Rongai Local Sanctuary was to be relocated there. But suddenly some wood in the structure broke and I fell to the ground. I had tremendous pain in my back so I could not move and could barely even breathe.

The workers around me helped me receive Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee's prayer for the sick and rushed me to hospital. My X-ray scan revealed that my backbone was fractured. They said I needed surgery. But I wanted to receive healing by faith.

I had seen many people healed of their diseases when they received Dr. Jaerock Lee's space-and-time-transcending prayer or Bishop Dr. Myeongho Cheong's prayer with the handkerchief on which Dr. Lee had prayed (Acts 19:11-12). I witnessed them being healed of their diseases without any surgery and they had no negative aftereffects.

The next day, on March 24th, I received Bishop Dr. Cheong's prayer of handkerchief. I felt sensation return in my paralyzed legs and back. My doctor checked my condition and said I no longer needed to have surgery, but I was supposed to wear a belt to support my back.

Dr. Cheong prayed for me and suggested that I look back upon my Christian life. I realized that I had worked for God's kingdom not with love for God but with a sense of obligation. I sometimes complained while working. I started to repent. After his prayer, my pain was gone and I came to be able to move my legs.

On March 31st, I went out from hospital with faith. The next day, Dr. Cheong visited my place and I received his prayer again. Then I was given strength. I sat up from my bed, stood up, and walked by myself! From then on I recovered very quickly and on April 23, I was able to return to work again. Hallelujah!

On May 22, I went to Kenyatta National Hospital for a thorough check-up. The doctor was surprised to see me walk well without pain and see that I had become very healthy. I give thanks to God of love and to Senior Pastor and Dr. Cheong who prayed for me.

"I Am Happy to Learn and Practice the Lord's Goodness"

Senior Deaconess Youngjin Lee, age 57, Parish 14, South Korea

I have attended church from my early childhood. After marriage in 1983, I led a Spirit-filled Christian life, so that I worked as a cell leader and the number of my cell members increased from 5 to 30. But I had a problem. It was the conflict I had with my mother-in-law.

In those days, my husband had not received the money he had lent to his brother. He also shook hands in pledge of support for his brother's debt, but his business went wrong. So we were in financial hardship. Right at the moment, my mother-inlaw, who had lived in the countryside, said that she would live with her youngest son, who is my husband, for the rest of her life.

I told her that we would have her at home and serve her the following year because of the financial difficulties we were suffering from at the time. But she did not listen and insisted on coming right away. I could not understand her. My brotherin-law took the bequest she had put aside for my husband but she could not do anything. I felt bad and discomforted by her. I fasted and prayed not to do so but I could not throw away this ill feeling. The problem remained unresolved.

In the meantime, I happened to read the testimonial memoirs of Dr. Jaerock Lee, Senior Pastor of Manmin Central Church—*Tasting Eternal Life before Death*. I also listened to his sermon tapes entitled "The Message of the Cross". The contents gave me assurance that he is the true shepherd that I had been praying for years to meet.

In July 1997, I registered in Manmin Central Church with joy. I realized the love of God and the Lord while listening to the Word of Life. As time passed, I was able to get rid of ill feelings and hatred for my mother-in-law. Two years later she had Alzheimer's disease. She could not go to the restroom for herself so I had to help her with it. I tried to be a good daughter-in-law who followed my duty. From one moment, my mother-in-law began to look lovely and I felt so thankful to serve her.

In 2002, she passed away. My family members-inlaw were moved by me saying I was like an angel and expressed their heartfelt thanks to me. After that I became a cell leader and then a district leader. Meanwhile, I experienced an amazingly powerful work.

In 2005, Senior Deaconess Youngshim Lee, my sister, collapsed due to cerebral hemorrhage. She lost consciousness and was near death. It was Friday so my youngest sister, Senior Deaconess Youngkyung Lee, and I had her taken by ambulance to Senior Pastor. We received his prayer. Then, she came round. On Sunday, she received his prayer again and she came to move her hands and legs. She thoroughly repented of her wrongdoings and received his prayer again. Then, she became normal. From that time on she has been very healthy and is working faithfully as a district leader. Hallelujah!

I have served as Vice President of the Women District Leaders' Association since 2008. I thought I was working faithfully and leading a diligent Christian life. In 2011, I realized that my spiritual growth was too slow and came to know the reason. I thought I had tried to live in goodness and others said that I was nice. So I mistakenly thought I was of goodness and made little further effort to circumcise my heart. I started to circumcise my heart diligently in order to achieve the beautiful heart of spirit. I blamed everything on me and tried to love our district members with the Lord's heart.

In March 2014, I finally achieved the heart of spirit in God's grace. Now I think and act in others' position and forgive them and love them. As I have counseled my district members and other district leaders under the Holy Spirit's guidance, many of them received the solution to their problems.

I give all thanks and glory to God who allowed me to meet the true shepherd, understand the Lord's goodness and love, and practice it.



Senior Deaconess Youngjin Lee (Left) and Senior Deaconess Youngshim Lee (Right) who came back from near death to fullness of life by Dr. Lee's prayer



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