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# "I Give Thanks to God for Eradicating Ebola!"

In 2009, I was working as an aide of the Minister of Environment, Nature Conservation and Tourism, DR Congo. One day a coworker gave me the book *Tasting Eternal Life before Death*. It was the testimonial memoirs of Dr. Jaerock Lee who met God on the doorstep of death, was healed of all diseases and became a world class revivalist. While I was reading the book, I was moved very much and registered in Kinshasa Manmin Church.

#### My daughter was dying, but she was revived by Dr. Lee's prayer

In 2011, I was learning about what faith is while listening to Dr. Lee's sermons. Then something amazing happened to me. My daughter Manuel was born, but her life was in danger due to a disease. But her life was restored when we received Dr. Lee's prayer transcending space and time. Since then I have sent prayer requests to Dr. Lee in Korea whenever I had problems, and I received answers.

I was born into a poor family in the countryside. I studied economics in Kinshasa University. I started a political career, but I had no source of political support. I only relied on God who worked through Senior Pastor's prayer. By God's grace, I was promoted continually. When I registered in Kinshasa Manmin Church, I was an ordinary aide to the Minister of Environment, Nature Conservation and Tourism. Like other aides, I got little attention from others. But when I laid my future into the hands of the Lord in prayer, He led me to be appointed as a mayor of Eumbangdaka city in Equateur.

When I was a mayor, I also had many difficulties due to political reasons such as the halt of financial support. However, I overcame all of them by faith through Dr. Lee's prayers. Finally I was elected as a Vice Governor of Equateur. When I was having a hard time due to the slandering by others and misunderstandings, I sent a prayer request to Dr. Lee. He always prayed for me without rejecting any of it. So I could become Governor of Equateur.

### I was promoted by the prayer of power, and as Governor I asked for prayer to eliminate Ebola

In August 2014, people in Equateur fell into chaos. It happened in the forested areas. The people who cooked and ate monkeys that they had hunted became infected with Ebola virus. We came to know that the virus is a highly contagious fatal disease, which shocked us.

The President of DR Congo, Joseph Kabila, commanded me to stop the Ebola virus from reaching Kinshasa. But, there was no way humanly to do it. I told Pastor Jacob Lee of Kinshasa Manmin Church that I was stuck with this problem. But he said, "No, you are not stuck because you are a Christian." He added that if I asked Dr. Lee to pray for this, then spread of the Ebola virus will be stopped. I sent the prayer request to Dr. Lee with faith. I received a phone call from Pastor Jacob Lee and he said that Dr. Lee had prayed on September 21. I had checked the process of the virus spread every day, and I also checked it after his prayer. Checking the situation, I could not but feel astonished. This was because from the day of Dr. Lee's prayer, there was no new case of the disease. And President Joseph Kabila finally declared in the UN General Assembly that Ebola had been stopped in DR Congo.

I give all thanks and glory to God who eradicated Ebola in DR Congo. Thank you, Senior Pastor for praying for it. God saved my country through his prayer of power. Hallelujah!

Deacon Sebastien Impeto Pengo and his wife from Kinshasa Manmin Church, DR Congo





• Deacon Sebastien Impeto Pengo, Deputy Governor of Tshuapa Province of DR Congo, met Dr. Jaerock Lee to share his testimony and to express thanks to him on December 24, 2015. He and his wife had a great time with Dr. Lee.

He attended Christmas Celebration Service. He also visited Muan Manmin Church and Muan Sweet Water Site where sea water was changed into sweet drinkable water by Dr. Lee's prayer (Exodus 15:25). He also attended Daniel Prayer Meeting. On December 27, he also attended Sunday Services and then returned to his home country full of grace.

Deacon Sebastien said that through this visit his love for Manmin Central Church was deepened and his Christian life renewed through the talk with Senior Pastor.



Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee

"[God] desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth" (1 Timothy 2:4).

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For the last six thousand years, the earnest heart of God has never changed. In order to fulfill this hope, He has been waiting for a thousand years as if it were a day. In this message, I am going to talk about what we have to do to become the church that leads all peoples to salvation.

#### 1. Following the example of Apostle Paul's ministry

The message that Paul preached had authority. It's because he lived a holy life according to the Word of God. Even before he met the Lord, he strictly followed the Law. After meeting the Lord, who is the truth and true light, he lived an even holier life according to the words of the Lord. According to the will of the Lord, who fulfilled the Law with love, Paul loved God first and foremost, and he tried to love his neighbors as himself. Paul could communicate with the Lord all the time because he lived a holy life. As he prayed, there were strong works of the Holy Spirit manifested. When he commanded in the name of Jesus Christ, the lame came to walk and jump and evil spirits departed.

Just like Apostle Paul, this church and I have tried to live by the Word of God until we received the authority given by God. We lived with prayers and fasting to obey the words of God telling us to do, not do, keep, and cast away certain things.

As a result of living with prayers and fasting to obey the Word of

## **Church that Leads All Peoples to Salvation**

God, when this holiness gospel was preached in each part of the world, many souls repented, and the works of power to guarantee my messages took place. Then, even those with hardened hearts acknowledged God and believed in Him.

The 12 united crusades that we had since 2000 in particular, were the occasions that proved the authority in the messages and in the power of God. For three years we delivered the holiness gospel and God's power all over Israel, following the footsteps of the Lord. Even after initial fulfilling of the Great Commission of the Lord, we still continue to save souls.

But God let us save even more souls just as He greatly fulfilled the missionary works for the Gentiles through Apostle Paul. When he was going to Rome, the ship that he and his delegation were onboard was wrecked but everyone survived.

When we tried to spread the gospel despite all the threats and dangers, God showed to us even greater works.

#### 2. How to be the main players who will lead all peoples to the way of salvation

1) You should become one with the shepherd through 'trust'

Even at the time of Paul, the spreading of the gospel was accomplished greatly through those co-workers who became one with Paul through trust. Furthermore, depending on the strength of the trust, they utilized Paul's authority in the Word and the power of God in different measures.

Acts 19:11-12 reads, "God was performing extraordinary miracles by the hands of Paul, so that handkerchiefs or aprons were even carried from his body to the sick, and the diseases left them and the evil spirits went out."

Those who believe in this passage of the Bible and trust the power of the shepherd can take the handkerchiefs to many parts of the world and show the same kinds of works. And, depending on the magnitude of the trust, the level of power manifested will be different. The power of God manifested will become greater.

Manmin members have been becoming one with the shepherd

through trust by personally seeing, hearing, and experiencing various signs and wonders. God also has given us many chances to receive His grace so that they could build up deeper trust. Through those moments, many souls have come forth as leaders who strive to save the souls with the heart of the shepherd. And the important thing here is that your trust must be complete trust that will not change.

Even at the time of Apostle Paul, while some of his co-workers remained with him until the end, some others forsook their trust and left him.

Timothy and Titus served him like they were his sons. They also conducted pastoral ministry in a church that was established by Paul, according to his request. On the contrary, some of the co-workers left Paul following their own benefits.

Likewise, if you do not have complete trust, you cannot participate in the precious ministry of fulfilling the providence of God until the end. I urge you to all become one with the shepherd through trust, and play major roles in leading all peoples to salvation.

#### 2) You should fulfill your duties in your given positions to fulfill the iustice

According to how you cut it, a diamond will have so many different kinds of beauty reflecting the light. Likewise, when you bear the fruit of Light and refine yourself in spirit and body, your Light will shine even more brightly. For example, when you go out to the world with the handkerchief, the kinds of fruit that you will bear will be different depending on the amount of fervent prayer and fasting you offered and your good and wellrefined behaviors. It is up to you to store up prayers and fasting and your effort.

And, is there any of you who think like, "I am not a pastor, and what can I do?" In order for our church to lead all peoples to salvation, we must have an organization and other staff who can support the preachers. Also, we will need a lot more people who will work at the main church. Paul did not do his ministry all alone either. There were many workers who were helping him according to their roles.

As I mentioned, Timothy and Titus took care of the churches that had been established by Paul. Priscilla and Aquila provided much comfort to Paul when he was having a hard time in Corinth. They even prepared the way for Paul in places where Paul was going to spread the gospel. This couple would not spare even their lives for Paul.

Believers in the church of Philippi often made missionary offerings. Titus Justus of Corinth and Lydia of Philippi offered their houses to be used as a church. Onesiphorus came to visit Paul and comforted him all the time when he was in jail in Rome. Silas and Paul were put in jail for preaching the gospel. Tertius helped Paul by taking dictation of Paul's letters for the believers. Titus and Tertius delivered Paul's letters to places that took weeks or even months to reach and then brought back their replies. They also made reports to Paul who wanted to know about situations of the churches.

If you become one with the shepherd by trust and fill up your own measure of justice, then you can become great strength to me in saving the souls in your respective positions. Apostle Paul had the church of Antioch that had commissioned him as a missionary and supported him with fasting and prayers as the headquarters.

In the same way, you may receive more power in prayer, and you can support the saving of the souls more powerfully. Also, if laymen members try to fulfill their duties in the home and the workplace to become the light and salt of the world, it is also fulfilling their measure of justice.

When all of you play your respective roles, the holiness gospel and power of God will spread all over the world and lead all peoples to salvation.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, Apostle Paul did not consider his life as dear to himself or of any account and preached the gospel passionately (Acts 20:24). I pray in the name of the Lord that you will strive to constantly lead many souls to salvation like Apostle Paul and pile up everlasting rewards in Heaven.

English

#### 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
- 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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# The Good-natured Heart Recognized by God

"...for God sees not as man sees, for man looks at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart" (1 Samuel 16:7).

"The Inner Heart" can be simply described as the "solidifying of the mind," the foundation of strength that controls the whole heart. While the "Inner Heart" can be inherited from the parents, there will be differences depending on how much people have accepted certain things and engraved them in their mind during their lifetime.

As you throw out from your heart anything that violates the truth but engrave truthful things in your heart, they will build up and solidify, resulting in a perfect inner heart formed by the truth.

#### We should have uprightness and goodness without the changing of mind

There are two standards to discern the good inner heart in the sight of God. First, God sees if one's inner heart is of uprightness or not. God also sees whether the inner heart is of goodness or not.

God loves the upright heart that has no changing of mind. One can be said upright if he accomplishes what he once decided without changing his mind at all. However, if he does it for his own benefit, this kind of uprightness can't be regarded as good.

Jacob had to suffer 20 years of trials although he was upright because he sought his own benefit in his own thoughts, wisdom, and self-righteousness. Even some worldly people accomplish what they once decided without even sparing their own lives. Even among the wicked, we can find people with uprightness that is worthy to be trusted. Of course, such people are likely to accomplish the good inner heart if they are able to be thoroughly broken in truth and change.

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Therefore, the good inner heart consists of not only uprightness but also goodness. Being upright without goodness is of no use in the sight of God. We have to follow the will of God to accomplish a good inner heart.

Here, goodness refers to the innermost goodness inherited from birth. Just as one's innermost uprightness is largely inherited, the innermost goodness is also largely inherited.

However, a certain person is tainted with evil and his goodness is veiled though he has inherited innermost goodness in his heart because he has heard, seen, and learned what is wrong from his circumstances. But if such a person meets the Lord and changes in the truth, his hidden innermost goodness could be uncovered. Then he could be a person who loves God more ardently than anyone else and can be loved by God.

Apostle Paul is a good example. His thought and his self-righteousness and self-framework were broken into pieces when he met the Lord, and he was used greatly before God as his inherited innermost goodness was revealed.

#### We should obey the will of God

The inner heart can be likened to the material of a vessel or the quality of soil. The strength of a vessel and the brightness of a vessel are different depending upon the material from which the vessel is made. The quality of products is also different depending on the quality of soil. Even if you diligently polish the silver vessel, that vessel cannot emit the same shine coming from the golden vessel. The same applies to the inner heart.

However, this does not necessarily mean that once one's inner heart is inherited everything is already set. Even if one was born with gold for the vessel, if he leaves it as it is and does not polish the vessel, it won't have any of the value of the golden vessel. But even if one was born as an earthen vessel, he will be used as a precious one if he diligently polishes it and makes his vessel clean.

As for Jacob, although he had cunningness in his nature, God chose him because He saw his inner heart inherited from Abraham and Isaac. And God disciplined Jacob and made him go through the process to be a useful instrument for God's purpose.

God does not use vessels just because they have the good qualities. He chooses clean vessels (2 Timothy 2:21) and leads them to New Jerusalem the most glorious heavenly dwelling place.

By seeing one's reaction to the same situation, we can see their inner heart. People with goodness in heart pray to God all the time and change all things with goodness. Even though they cannot understand something from human perspective, they try to understand with the goodness of God and forgive, believing in God and committing everything to God.

On the contrary, someone finds the way to repay others' evil with evil instead of understanding with goodness and changing it.

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If someone does not follow the will of God, although others teach him God's will, it means that he does not intend to obey God. If we want to obey the will of God from our inner hearts, we will be able to obey in any kind of situations.

Let's check whether our inner hearts obey the will of God when we learn about His will or we do not want to obey although we know the will of God. Check whether you try to understand others and change your thoughts into goodness although it means that you have to suffer due to their evil or you do not just repay evil with evil.

This inner heart is inherited but it can be changed by the power of God. The most important thing is how much you are willing to try to change yourself into truth and to cleanse yourself in accordance with the Word of God.

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In order to become vessels that are proper to be used by God, we should change ourselves according to the will of God the Creator, not following our own personal will and hearts. When we become proper vessels of obedience who obey and believe from the depths of the heart, God will use us and bless us like He did to the forefathers of faith.

## "Joy and Blessings Overflow in Small Deeds of Service"

#### Senior Deaconess Hongja Seo, age 46, Parish 25, South Korea

I was born into a Buddhist family in a small town in Gangwon province. When I was a third grader, I liked to hear the sound of the bell that was ringing from the church near my school. I would go to the church and sit there. When I went to middle and high school, I was allowed to attend church.

When I was a 12th grader, I vomited blood and went to hospital. It was tuberculosis. I took medicine but I continued to suffer pain. Because of severe pain and stomachache I was no longer able to take the medicine. I lost weight dramatically and had difficulty breathing.

After graduation from high school, I moved to Seoul and by guidance of an acquaintance I began attending Manmin Central Church in October 1991. Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee's sermon was so special and impressive. Moreover I was healed of tuberculosis through his prayer for the sick after the sermon! My parents who were Buddhists started attending church too. Hallelujah!

In 1999 I got married and in 2002 we took over my husband's father's business selling salt. Not long after I heard that Senior Pastor began paying for noodles the church members eat every Sunday though he had long devoted himself to helping the poor and extending the ministry inside and outside of Korea.



▲ From left, Sister Hayoung, her husband Deacon Woongsun Kim, Senior Deaconess Hongja Seo, and Sister Dayoung

in our business. The number of customers has not decreased. We have also used a warehouse for the salt that is about 330 square meters at no charge for several years.

Since then we

have been offering salt to the church.

It has now been

ten years. It was a

small service but

God gave us not only joy in our

hearts but also

great blessing

When we opened a shop of a different kind, we received Senior Pastor's prayer. We also received financial blessings there. Lately we have also opened another shop though there were seven other people who had wanted to open the shop there.

Most of all, I am so thankful that all my family members have hope for Heaven and are working for God's kingdom. My husband Deacon Woongsun Kim works as Manager of cell leaders in Parish, I as a sub-district leader, and my daughters Dayoung and Hayoung work as group leaders.

My daughters and I belong to Performing Arts Committee: I, Perfume Chorus; one daughter, Sweet Rain Chorus; and the other, Clear Voice Chorus. We often offer our house for Cell Services of the male members since many other male members in our parish live alone. So I prepare meals for them with my heart thinking they want to eat home-made meals. When I see them eat together and talk, I feel very happy.

My daughters also permitted their spaces to be used for the Cell Service without any discomfort. In the meantime, they received unexpected blessings. My father-in-law had rented the house on the third floor in the building of our house but he decided to give the house to our children.

We give all thanks and glory to God who blessed us to have a happy family, to meet the precious church and true shepherd, and to live with assurance in salvation and hope for Heaven.

## "I Was Healed of All My Diseases and My Family Became Peaceful"

Brother Binod Kumar Shrestha, age 37, Nepal Manmin Church



My wife's throat was swollen due to allergic rhinitis and asthma. She was also suffering from pain caused by the symptoms. When it became worse, she could not talk and eat. Even she had a hard time breathing. She went to hospital from hospital, got injections, and took many

kinds of medicine. But there was no improvement.

Finally she started to rely on God. While praying, she stopped drinking and smoking that she hadn't been able to stop. She also received Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee's prayer for the sick recorded on the Automated Response System. Meantime her symptoms improved. In January 2012, when she received the prayer of handkerchief that Senior Pastor had prayed on from Pastor Grace Lee of Nepal Manmin Church, she was completely healed (Acts 19:11-12). Hallelujah!

Experiencing this healing work, she asked me to lead a proper Christian life and told me that giving a tithe is a way to blessing. But I was greedy pursuing material things. I didn't listen to her and just followed the worldly pleasure living in dissipation. My family was naturally in discord all the time.

In December 2013, I suddenly received God's



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grace. I started to give the tithe and lead a diligent believing life. Then God's blessing started to come down in my family and workplace. For no apparent reason, I came to hate drinking alcohol that I had liked very much. My family became a peaceful family that loves and serves one another. I had many construction contracts in my business. Before I gave a tithe, we had financial difficulty, but now we do not lack anything.

When April 2015 Nepal Earthquake struck my country in April 2015, we did not suffer any loss or damage whatsoever. I was put in charge of supervising the sanctuary construction and I was blessed to move to a house near the church.

In November 2015, Nepal Manmin Church had its 10th Anniversary Service and Rev. Heesun Lee, Manmin World Guidance Pastor visited the church. When I received her prayer of handkerchief, I was healed of pleurisy and epididymitis that I had had for the last ten years. I could not tell anyone about it, and just prepared myself with attending Daniel Prayer Meeting to be healed with faith.

My family is now in the Lord's love and peace. We are so happy. In 2016, I was elected as Vice President of Men's Mission. I am so joyful and thankful. I give all thanks and glory to God who has given me true happiness and abundant blessings!



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