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# "We Are Growing Up to Become Manmin's Future for God's Glory"

Summer Bible School 2016, Children's Heavenly Feast



Children's Sunday School had its Summer Bible School 2016. Beginning with the Opening Service on July 24, it ran until July 27. The programs were broadcast live via GCN in and out of Korea and many children from Daejeon, Chuncheon, Cheonan, Gyeongju, Gumi, Pohang, Gwangju, Eastern Gwangju, Muan, Jinju Mun, and Jeonju Manmin Churches came and participated.

The Opening Service was held on the first day. Rev. Soojin Lee preached the message entitled "Children Glorifying God" based on John 15:8. She urged the children to have faith like the boy, David, who beat the giant Goliath, and to offer up worship services, praise, and prayer with heart, mind, and devotion. She also encouraged them to become light and salt in the world.

During the morning of the second day they had the "Sweet and Mysterious Word" program led by Pastor Dongcho Shin. He advised them to become sanctified by means of the Word of God and prayer (1 Timothy 4:5). To do so, he urged them to meditate on the Word all the time and to pray every day (Photos 1 and 3).

On the morning of the third day the 9th Annual Manmin Children's Performing Arts Contest was held. The Grand Prize went to the team 'Love for the Shepherd' who presented a play (Photo 9). The Golden Praise went to the 'Rainbow Team' who performed rhythm gymnastics with ribbons, the Silver Prize went to the team 'Jewelry' that showed worship dance, and the Bronze Prize to 'Heavenly Wind', a female duet team. Senior Deaconess Taeyoung Kim who guided the Grand Prize winners said, "They seemed to feel happy regardless of their roles in the play just because it was to glorify God. There were children who had been born healthy and normal, despite the dangers of miscarriage or being at high risk of having Down syndrome. through Senior Pastor's prayer. We were so thankful."

In the afternoon, Praise Leader

Rose J. Han led the program "Power Jesus". Children were united in the Holy Spirit offering praise with Manmin Praise songs (Photo 2).

On the morning of the fourth day, Pastor Crystal S. Kim delivered the message with the title of "Into Spiritual Realm" based on (John 4:24). Her message added more hope for Heaven to them. Brother Jaewoo Lee from Eastern Gwangju Manmin Church stated, "Through Pastor Kim's message I realized that God shows us angels and various images through the aurora-like lights and clouds to let us know the existence of Heaven. I felt thankful for His love." When he was eight months old, his face was severely burned but through Dr. Jaerock Lee's prayer, he was completely healed in just three weeks.

Children's Sunday School Principal Pastor Hyunjin Kim (Photo 6) said, "We could feel the love of God through rainbows in the sky, a variety of images in the clouds, cool breezes, and the sweet rain that cooled the heat. Through the participation of this Bible School, some children who previously didn't pray well experienced the Holy Spirit, spoke in tongue, and finally came to pray well with tears. Some others who had darkened appearances came to happily praise the Lord and were excitedly jumping with smiles. I was so happy to see them change."

This Bible School's main theme was "Glory". Children experienced the powerful works performed by Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee and engraved them in their hearts. Aside from the aforementioned programs, they studied the Bible, visited the Muan Sweet Water Aquarium, took pictures of aurora-like lights, watched the spiritual world in the sky, and learned about Dr. Lee's overseas crusades (Photos 4, 7, and 10).

Additionally, each group of children had various events such as Bible Quiz, the New Jerusalem Challenge, Lectures on Revelation, and Spirit-filled Prayer Meeting on the afternoons of the second and fourth days (Photos 5 and 8).



Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee

"And Jesus, crying out with a loud voice, said, 'Father, into Your hands I commit My spirit.' Having said this, He breathed His last" (Luke 23:46).

Jesus left behind the words of love shortly before He breathed His last on the cross and they are known as "The Last Seven Words on the Cross." Let us pick up today the seventh and last words Jesus bequeathed on the cross.

#### 1. The Reason Why Jesus Cried Out "Father" With a Loud Voice

This was so that His last words on the earth could be heard by the people and it is also because God's will dictates that we "[cry] out with a loud voice" to Him in prayer.

Including His Word in Jeremiah 33:3, "Call to Me and I will answer you, and I will tell you great and mighty things, which you do not know," God tells throughout the Bible that we are to call out to Him in prayer as in Numbers 12:13; 2 Chronicles 32:20; Psalm 57:2; Mark 10:47; John 11:43; Acts 4:24; and Acts 7:59.

When Jesus prayed at Gethsemane shortly before His arrest, He prayed so earnestly that "His sweat became like drops of blood." The medical professional claims that when a person is under a great amount of stress or strives hard in an endeavor, it is possible for the capillary vessels to burst, causing sweating and bleeding at the same time, and for the person it is to "sweat as if he were bleeding." Furthermore, the fact that Jesus sweated as if He were bleeding while praying late into the night in the kind of climate found in Israel suggests how earnestly and desperately He must have been

## Jesus' Last Seven Words on the Cross (4)

#### 2. The Reasons Why Jesus Said, "Father, into Your Hands I Commit My Spirit"

#### 1) Jesus Testifies to the Immortality of the Spirit of Men

Man consists of a spirit, a soul, and a body. Once life expires, the body, that was merely a vessel for the spirit and the soul, returns to the ground. Since the spirit is eternal and immortal it does not become extinct. Adam's spirit was formed after creating him, when God breathed into his nostrils the breath of life (Genesis 2:7). God filled Adam's spirit with spiritual knowledge that is the truth.

"Soul" refers to all functions that allow a person to store information in his brain and allow him to remember certain information, think and feel about it, and apply or act upon it. Originally, the master of Adam was his spirit which controlled both his soul and body. Since his spirit was filled with the truth, the soul and the body under the control of the spirit were also of the truth. When Adam sinned against God by eating from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, his spirit died. The "death of spirit" refers to the severing of one's communication with God and the spirit's inability to perform its duties.

Once the spirit, the master of man, dies and stops functioning, the soul assumes the role of master and begins to govern the body. The soul is then subject to the work of the enemy Satan and begins to accept untruthful knowledge. As much as the heart becomes filled with untruths, the truths which God had originally planted are supplanted by untruth. Eventually the heart is filled with hatred, temper, and selfishness. However, the discontinuation of the functioning of a person's spirit does not signify the extinction of his spirit. The spirit of man was formed with the breath of life of the eternal and immortal God. It could never become extinct.

What would happen to the soul when the body dies? The brain is required for a person to function. It is through his brain cells he has memory and thinks. When the physical life of an animal (which has no spirit) expires, the memory system within the brain of an animal also disappears; its flesh and soul become

extinct and return to nothingness. However, the functions of the soul of man, who has spirit, are conveyed to the 'heart' and stored in it. Therefore, instead of becoming extinct, the soul will exist forever in union with the spirit as the attributes of the soul are input within the spirit.

For the same reason the Lord said, "Father, Into Your hands I commit My spirit." When an individual hears the gospel and accepts Jesus Christ he receives the Holy Spirit and his spirit that had previously been 'dead' is revived. Of the person whose spirit has revived and who has filled his heart with the truth we may say "His soul has prospered." As much as one's soul prospers—in other words, as much as one's heart is filled with the truth—every affair of his life will prosper and he will enjoy good health (3 John 1:2).

As Jesus tells us in John 3:5, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit he cannot enter into the kingdom of God," when people who have been born again of water and the Holy Spirit-those whose spirits have revived—will enter Heaven. However, those whose spirits have failed to be revived and their hearts have not been cultivated with the truth from their unbelief in Jesus Christ will be unable to enter Heaven. Hell is a place reserved to accommodate such people.

#### 2) Jesus Testifies to His Having Obeyed and Fulfilled Everything in Accordance with only God's Providence

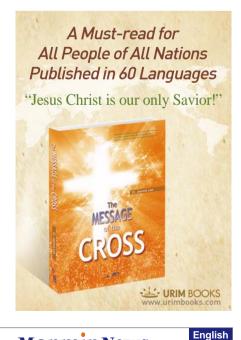
The fact that Jesus prayed on the cross, "Father, into Your hands I commit My spirit," testifies to how He had obeyed and fulfilled everything in accordance only with God's providence. Jesus' having come into this world, His crucifixion on the cross, and His resurrection were not planned and executed according to His own will or plan, but only according to the will of God who governs man's life, death, curses, and blessing, as well as the history of mankind (John 4:34).

While we pray in the name of Jesus Christ, the One who answers our prayer is God. Jesus tells us in Matthew 10:29-31, "Are not two sparrows sold for a cent? And yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. But the very hairs of your head are all numbered. So do not fear; you are more valuable than many sparrows."

If you truly fathomed and engraved in your heart the spiritual significance of such assurance from the Lord, you would be able to commit everything to God. As God reminds us "not one of [the sparrows] will fall to the ground apart from your Father" and that "the very hairs of your head are all numbered," if we could trust in Him by faith, there is nothing for which we would fail to receive His answers, whether it be for the problem of disease, for the blessing at the workplace or business, or even for accomplishing God's work.

Even though Jesus had existed in the form of God and is one with God, Jesus only sought and pursued the will of God and committed everything to Him. By the same token, instead of placing your trust in the ways of man or other people, may each of you fix your eyes only on God, always experience His work that transcends the might of man, and honor Him in everything.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, by always keeping in mind Jesus' "Last Seven Words on the Cross," grasping the heart of Jesus who cried out with a loud voice amidst the affliction of the crucifixion, and wholly accomplishing God's will, I pray that, as you long for the One who is to come back for us in the name of the Lord, each of you will receive the crown of righteousness on that day.



#### The Confession of Faith

- 1. Manmin Central Church believes that the Bible is God-breathed Word that
- 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
- 4. Manmin Central Church believes in the resurrection and ascension of Jesus Christ, His Second Advent, the Millennium, and the eternal heaven
- Creed" each time they come together and believe in its content verbatim
- 5. Members of Manmin Central Church confess their faith through "The Apostles"

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"[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) Manmin News NO. 504 AUGUST 14, 2016 FEATURE STORY

## Seven Levels of the Depth of God's Love

By understanding the depth of love, the essence of God's heart,
we can fathom His heart and share love with Him.

Let us now delve into the depth of His love in order for us to measure the depth of our love,
fill any deficiencies and shortages, and finally achieve the love of God.

#### First Level: Forgiveness

Jesus said that we should forgive not just up to seven times, but up to 'seventy times seven', which refers to boundless and perfect forgiveness (Matthew 18:21-22). In this first level, once we forgive, we do not remember the situation at all (Psalm 103:12-14, Isaiah 43:25). We willingly forgive others, even those who could never be forgiven otherwise (1 Kings 21; 2 Chronicles 33).

Jesus forgave the evil people who crucified Him, and He prayed earnestly for mankind who would walk in sins (Luke 23:34). He died for sinners so that they can be forgiven and reach salvation when they accept Jesus Christ. Therefore, God's children who receive such love should achieve the love of boundless and perfect forgiveness.

#### Second Level: Giving Life

'Giving life' in this sense has the meaning of 'giving opportunities'. In other words, we provide a person the groundwork of good conditions to live and encourage him to stand on his own feet. An example of such love is found in Genesis 4. After Cain killed Abel, he asked for God's mercy. Of course, his murder called for retribution. But God appointed a sign for him, so that no one finding him would slay him. That is, God gave Cain the opportunities for true repentance and salvation.

Peter denied Jesus three times, but after he thoroughly repented, he not only received forgiveness but also received the Holy Spirit and power to fulfill the duty as the Lord's apostle. Even at the last moment of his life, he repaid the love of the Lord by being crucified upside down as a martyr. This second level is the love that gives one the opportunity to regain the ability to live successfully as well as forgiving his wrongdoings.

#### Third Level: Patience

'Patience' in the truth means we are patient until one repents, becomes renewed, and bears fruit. In other words, although he was forgiven and revived, he might still be weak in faith. So we should be patient about his slow change. We should remain patient with goodness and love. Moreover, we should show this patience even to those who slander, judge, and condemn us; even extend it to people who betray and forsake the true love we give; and provide it to those who senselessly act in evil towards us.

Spiritual love is 'willingly keeping patient about all things' as long as it means the person's salvation (2 Timothy 2:10).

#### Fourth Level: Believing

The reason we can be patient concerning certain people is that we have faith in the outcome. Even if they commit sins, deceive us, and disobey, if we believe they will change and go to New Jerusalem, the best of the heavenly dwelling places, we won't be able to give up on them. We will have no hatred in heart because we believe that they will eventually change. We will only feel pity for them and

pray with love for them to have faith.

In this level, we believe God can make the impossible possible. So we believe He will take the responsibility for them and believe they will be renewed. When we believe in heart and commit everything to God, He will be pleased with the faith and guarantee the faith.

#### Fifth Level: Hoping

'Hoping' refers to the level where we hope for and have expectation about a person's one good point when someone has 99 shortcomings and the good point is just only one out of 100. In this level, we think that if he enlarges the good point, the shortcomings will be thrown away soon. For example, we believe that a stubborn person will change into a righteous person, and a person stained with sins can change to be a person who works more faithfully because he received great grace. Although a person changes slowly, if he works faithfully with his ability, we feel thankful. Even if one received God's punishment due to sins, we will not give him up and hope that he will pass through the trial and become perfect.

In this level, we ask for God's forgiveness and mercy on him even by talking about the good deeds he did in the past in prayer. We believe that he will change quickly for a short while once God works. That is, we can see all souls with the eyes of hope.

#### Sixth Level: Waiting

In this level, because we believe with hope, we patiently wait until the person changes although it takes a long time.

Throughout the long period of human cultivation, the God of love has forgiven mankind who committed sins, given them chances to live, remained patient, believed, and hoped for them (2 Peter 3:8-9). He is still waiting patiently though there were not many fruits. We need to realize His love. We need to plant faith in people and deliver the message, and we have to commit the result to God (1 Corinthians 3:6-7). We wait with unchanging hope even if we are blamed and suffer from loss because of them. Even if they criticize and disrupt what we are doing, we just hope that they will accept the opportunity to turn back. Although we suffer while waiting for them, we can stand it with love for them.

#### Seventh Level: Shedding Tears

In the Bible we find that after God created man He felt a lot of pain and shed a lot of tears as He cultivated humans and waited for them. When the Great Judgment of Flood at the time of Noah began, tears welled up and fell from the eyes of God. However, He did not forsake His expectation towards mankind. Rather He showed His expectation again about mankind and made a strong resolution to achieve success in human cultivation.

Jesus also shed many tears when He came to this earth to fulfill the duty of the Savior because He saw the evil of humans. He preached the gospel of the kingdom all day and habitually prayed for His disciples and souls with tears at night. His tears for souls, even a single drop did not fall and disappear in vain, but they were offered up as fragrance to God and have borne abundant fruits (Psalm 56:8).

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### "Soul's Prosperity Is the Shortcut to Blessings"

When I was a fifth grader, my father had pleurisy that the medicine at the time couldn't cure. But when he went to a church, he was healed and my family accepted the Lord. In 1998, I was guided to Gongju Manmin Church by my brother. I experienced God's powerful works through Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee and became filled with grace.

However, because I often went to construction sites in distant areas for my business and I felt so tired, I was not able to pray much. In winter, there wasn't as much work to do in the field so I started to invest in stocks. As I kept worldly greed in my heart, I often dozed off during worship services. But I just thought I couldn't help it because my job required some physical manual labor.

My wife Deaconess Jongsun Kim sometimes suffered from bladder infections. She may have had hard times because I was heavily in debt due to the stocks and also because she was having some problems in serving my parents who lived with us. Her doctor said it could be the result of stress.

She began to repent that she had felt uncomfortable about all those that she had gone through and she prayed to cast off hatred. Then, she was healed through Senior Pastor's prayer for the sick. My son Seungmook sometimes convulsed due to high fever but he was healed through Senior Pastor's prayer recorded on Automated Response System and has grown up healthy in faith.

The God of love helped me with my business

despite the national economic downturn when I kept the Sabbath and gave a tithe. Nevertheless, I was deeply in debt because I continued to invest



Deacon Jaeyoung Yim, age 47, Gumi Manmin Church

in stocks. I justified my greed saying I would help others if I earned a lot of money. When it made profits, I felt so happy. But when it caused loss, I felt so depressed. My wife tried to stop me but I lied to her and secretly kept investing. She once talked about divorce with me.

In early 2013, however, an amazing thing happened to me. I finally stopped investing in stocks although I had not been able to stop it with

my own strength. When the original voice of the shepherd gave out, I thought about how painful it was for my wife because of my greed. I made up my mind to stop it. I felt so happy. I started to pay back the debt and came to long for spiritual blessings.

In February 2016, my wife and I shook hands with Senior Pastor during the Lunar New Year's holidays. Afterwards, I began to receive blessings, that is, there were four construction sites that started working with me although it was winter. A new apartment construction started in Gumi, so I started to attend Gumi Manmin Church. Blessings did not stop here. In early May, Senior Pastor invited students to his mountain prayer house. As a financial director for the Students Sunday School, I visited his prayer house.

It was a turning point in my Christian life. I could closely observe the shepherd and see the hope he has for us and our renewal with faith. I saw him serving even young people, and trying his best to plant hope for Heaven in them. I was moved to tears. Afterwards, I was more earnest in worship services and prayer. God also gave me grace to repent thoroughly, and I recovered my first love and felt my faith increasing. Moreover, in June there was an amazing increase of seven more construction sites in Cheonan. Hallelujah!

Since I prayed, God has led me to receive such blessings in my business. He let me realize that soul's prosperity is the shortcut to receiving blessings. I give all thanks and glory to the God of love.

### "After the Prayer, My Daughter's Pelvic Dysplasia Was Healed"







Before the prayer





Pelvis dysplasia causes the femoral head and neck to be bent forward. The right pelvis is at 31 degrees and the left one is at 33 degree, and it can cause walking disorder.

By the time my youngest daughter was taking her first steps and finally walking, she seemed to walk with a limp. I was worried about my little girl, so I took her to the hospital. The medical test showed she had pelvic dysplasia, with her right pelvis bent 31 degrees and her left one bent 33 degrees.

Her doctor suggested that she wear a posture brace and said that she would need surgery if the brace did not work. I was so anxious about her future and felt so frustrated that there was nothing I could do as her mother.

Meantime, my husband spoke with his friend and learned of Colombia Manmin Church, one of Manmin Central Church's branch churches. I was so happy to hear about the church as I had received much grace through Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee's sermons on Enlace, the foremost Christian broadcaster in Latin America.

On February 7, 2016, I registered at Colombia Manmin Church. After every service, I received the Senior Pastor's "Prayer for the Sick" via GCN with my hands on my daughter. Pastor David Jang prayed for her as well with the handkerchief on which the Senior Pastor had prayed (Acts 19:11-12). I also prayed, longing for my daughter to be healed by God. In March 2016, I finally heard happy

My daughter Sarah's pelvis was retested, and it showed that her pelvis became normal with both bent 23 degrees. Hallelujah! Now she can walk, jump, and grow up to live a healthy and normal life. I give all thanks and glory to God for healing my daughter.



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