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Give thanks to Our Lord who Has Come to this Earth to Save Us

Christmas Messages from Pastors in Israel and Palestine

“Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among men with whom He is pleased.” Luke 2:14

Bethlehem

“I was reaffirmed in the crisis of my ministry that was under persecution and hardships”

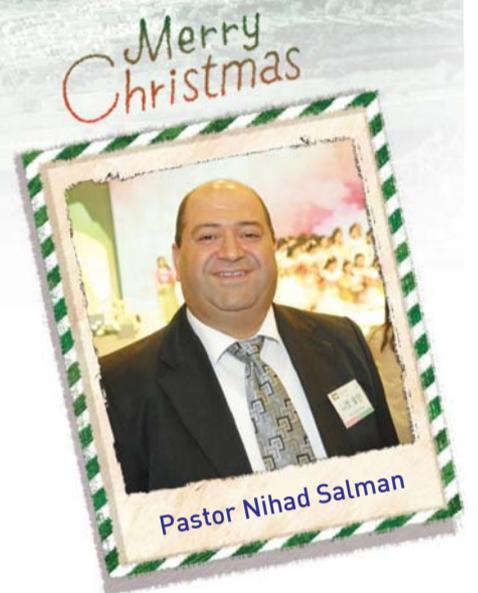
I can never forget the Christmas in 2007, the day which Rev. Dr. Jaerock Lee was with us.

Bethlehem is the birthplace of Jesus, and yet more than 90% of its population is Arab Muslims, and a church being ministered to there faces many persecutions and hardships.

I was also having such a hard time that I couldn't continue my ministry. And in 2007, Rev. Lee held a Christmas service in Bethlehem. There were more than 200 believers who were longing for God's Word and healing. Many of them received what they had come for in addition to fullness of the Spirit.

The visit of the Korean mission delegation was the Christmas gift from our Lord that we never anticipated. Rev. Lee said there is God's providence for Bethlehem, and advised us to continue our ministry with assurance. He didn't only encourage us with words. He has been supporting us both spiritually and financially up until today.

I give all thanks and glory to God for bringing Rev. Jaerock Lee into my life and ministry. I also thank God for his spiritual and financial support. Dear members of Manmin, may God bless you greatly. Merry Christmas!



Pastor Nihad Salman

Jerusalem

“The pastors in Israel are united as one in preaching the gospel”

The ministries and churches of Israeli pastors began to prevail from the time we met Rev. Jaerock Lee, because we were united as one through his love, prayer, and support. After I heard about Rev. Lee, the Holy Spirit in me spoke to me in my morning prayers that I had to meet him. Soon, he came to Israel with his delegation. The moment I met him, I could feel that he is a man of God who is full of God's love.

In November 2008, many Israeli pastors together formed an organization called Crystal Forum, and in early September the following year, we successfully

held the Israel United Crusade in Jerusalem, with Rev. Lee invited as the speaker. Since then, we've been spreading the gospel by holding Praise Festivals and Commemoration Crusades in public places. These things were unimaginable in the past.

The pastors in Crystal Forum are spreading the holiness gospel in all corners of the world, having the handkerchief on which Rev. Lee prayed (Acts 19:11-12). I am also spreading the gospel on CMTN TV. All these works are done by our Savior Jesus.

Rev. Lee and members of Manmin love Israel whole-heartedly. I love you, too. Merry Christmas!



Pastor Oren Lev Ari

Haifa

“My wife and daughter became healthy through the powerful prayers of Rev. Lee”

We're well aware of Rev. Jaerock Lee's faithfulness and love for the Lord. His 3-year ministry in Israel brought many pastors and churches to an awakening and empowered them. He preached the gospel all over Israel and confirmed that God was with him with the signs that followed. Through his ministry we pastors began to be united and we were given more strength to spread the gospel.

Furthermore, I was having a really hard time because my wife was suffering from cancer. Rev. Lee prayed for my wife every time he came to Israel on a mission, and she recovered remarkably fast. I became

a happy man again. My youngest daughter had very bad eyesight since childhood and had to wear very thick eye-glasses. However, after she received prayer from Rev. Lee, her sight got miraculously better, and she doesn't have to wear the glasses any longer.

Rev. Jaerock Lee, I thank you for your unceasing prayers and support for the past 10 years. We are praying in Israel for you and Manmin Central Church just as you and Manmin's members have been praying for us. May the peace of the Lord and blessing of the Christmas be with you! Merry Christmas!



Pastor Daniel Matiash

God Is Light (9)

Appear As Lights

“Do all things without grumbling or disputing; so that you will prove yourselves to be blameless and innocent, children of God above reproach in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you appear as lights in the world,”
(Philippians 2:14-15)

“If we become blameless children of God, we can appear as lights in the world, and hold fast the word of life, so that in the day of Christ we will have reason to glory.”

Dr. Jaerock Lee, Senior Pastor of Manmin Central Church

God is light and He wants His children to shed the light of truth in this dark world. If we become blameless children of God, we can appear as lights in the world, and hold fast the word of life, so that in the day of Christ we will have reason to give glory.

1. In order to do all things without grumbling or disputing

It is very important to have peace with everybody, having no grumbling or disputing. Only then can we shine our light on the people of the world. Now, what do we have to do in order to do all things without grumbling or disputing?

1) We must be blameless and pure.

To be blameless is to have nothing that we can be accused of in all things. Of course, it is not something easy to have no blame at all in our lives or personalities. However, even if we have shortcomings, we can improve ourselves through the word of God who is almighty.

One of the best biblical examples of being blameless is Daniel. He was blameless not just before men but also God. He was of a Jewish royal family, but he was taken captive along with other Jews when Judah was conquered by Babylon. Nebuchadnezzar ordered selected young men who were endowed with understanding and discerning knowledge and who had ability to serve in the king's court (Daniel 1:4). Daniel was among those whom were chosen. The king appointed for them a daily ration from the king's choice food and from the wine which he drank. He

also directed that they should be educated for three years, at the end of which they were to enter the king's personal service.

However, Daniel knew there could be meat of the abominable animals which was prohibited by God and he determined to not defile himself. He took only vegetables and water. His acts were completely blameless before God starting from a young age.

God showed grace on him and lifted him up above all people. When he managed the country as a minister, he did so with understanding and wisdom. He possessed an extraordinary spirit and the king appointed him over the entire kingdom. Some of the people were jealous and tried to find grounds to bring accusation against him, and yet, they could find none. We can understand how blameless he was (Daniel 6:4).

Next, we must have pure hearts. To be pure is having no moral failing or guilt. In spiritual sense it is to show the meekness in outward action, and to act perfectly as regard to righteousness, being blameless.

If one has clean heart having no evil, and if his behaviors, characters, and his way of life are perfect, God says he is pure. Those who are pure are edifying in all their deeds. Their personality is clean and pure, and their lives are dignified and unblemished.

When they encounter damage, they don't pay it back with evil but consider the situation only in goodness. They accept all things and exercise self-control in all respects. They don't want to talk about anything inappropriate or unbecoming. Moreover, they don't even want to harbor any evil thoughts

but only live in the Light.

Job 1:1 says, “There was a man in the land of Uz whose name was Job; and that man was blameless, upright, fearing God and turning away from evil.” He had ten children and he was the richest man in the east. He did many charitable works, and he enlightened many people with his wisdom and knowledge.

God could acknowledge Job's blameless deeds, but He still allowed him tests in order to purify even his deep heart. Job lost all his possessions and children in an instant, yet he held fast to his faithfulness. And now, he had sores and boils from the soles of his feet to the crown of his head.

Nevertheless, Job did not sin before God with his lips. However, as his dire situation continued, the evil hidden deep inside his heart began to surface. God refined him and made him complete.

If we are pure in our words and deeds, naturally there won't be any grumbling or disputing, and we will appear as lights. This is what God wants us to do.

2) We must not be crooked or perverse.

To be crooked is to go outside the basic framework of men that God has established. If one is extremely arrogant, quarrels, brags, or throws temper tantrums, we can say he is out of the basic framework of men that God has established, and thus, he is 'crooked'.

As the days go by, more people are increasingly turning their bodies to lasciviousness and speaking obscene things; they very easily reveal their hard-feelings, and even commit murder. The direction of

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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their thinking is always set toward enjoying themselves more through the pleasures of the world.

Their clothing becomes increasingly more flashy and untidy. Their make-up becomes darker and they say it is more 'sophisticated'. These things are just some examples of crookedness, and there are so many more things that are beyond the basic frameworks that God has set.

Next, to be perverse is to venture from one's position and place. For example, if the subordinate disobeys the senior or the children disobey and defy their parents, this is perverseness. If anyone does not do his duty in his position, it is to forsake his duties, and it is perverseness.

Genesis 6:5-7 says, "Then the LORD saw that the wickedness of man was great on the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. The LORD was sorry that He had made man on the earth, and He was grieved in His heart. The LORD said, 'I will blot out man whom I have created from the face of the land, from man to animals to creeping things and to birds of the sky; for I am sorry that I have made them.'" This generation is so perverse that we can almost understand God's heart expressed in this above passage.

Therefore, God is advising us to have no grumbling or disputing, thereby becoming God's blameless children in this crooked and perverse generation. In doing so, He wants us to appear as lights in this world.

2. Hold Fast the Word of Life So that in the Day of Christ We Will Have Reason to Glory

It is explained that when you become blameless and innocent, and do not become crooked and perverse, you can do everything without grumbling and disputing, thereby appearing as lights to the world. After having appeared as lights, what is there for us to do now?

Philippians 2:16 says, "holding fast the word of life, so that in the day of Christ I will have reason to glory because I did not run in vain nor toil in vain." Here, 'holding fast the word of life' is to shine the light of God's word to the people in darkness, so that they can come out to the light.

For instance, you need to expend a lot of effort to preach the gospel to someone and to bring that person to church. But if that person abandons God after facing some problem, wouldn't all your effort have been in vain? And that's why you have to hold fast the Word of life.

For example, by reminding people of God's Word "Rejoice always," you have to urge them to rejoice always no matter what problems they may face. By illuminating God's Word, "Pray without ceasing," you have to urge people to pray earnestly to receive answers to their problems, so that they will believe in the Lord joyfully and never abandon their faith in God. And when you illuminate God's Word on love, you will have reminded them to understand and tolerate everything victoriously until they reach heaven. Then, none of your effort will have been in vain.

How can you hold fast the Word of life at home? Even in a believing family, when one of the family members becomes sick, perhaps they don't rely on God but seek medical help first. In this situation, if another member of

the family testifies of the works of the living God and tries to plant faith in the family, this one is holding fast the word of life.

And if the whole family makes a decision to commit everything to God with faith, and begins imploring in love, then God will begin to work in that family. When that sick person receives healing by God's power, the faith of the whole family will grow. Unbelieving family members or relatives will also be led to believe in God when they hear such news.

I hope you will hold fast the word of God at every moment of your life, so that all your effort in the Lord will not be in vain but be stored up as beautiful rewards.

3. You Should Rejoice Even If You are Poured Out as a Drink Offering

In Philippians 2:17-18, Paul says, "But even if I am being poured out as a drink offering upon the sacrifice and service of your faith, I rejoice and share my joy with you all. You too, I urge you, rejoice in the same way and share your joy with me." A drink offering is the wine that is poured onto the offering of the sacrifice. The wine that is poured out will disappear completely but it adds good fragrance, making it pleasing aroma before God.

This is the confession of the highest devotion, going beyond the level of saying, "so that in the day of Christ I will have reason to glory because I did not run in vain nor toil in vain."

The apostle Paul worked very hard in great toil and pain for God's kingdom and His righteousness. 2 Corinthians 11:23 onward explains that he was imprisoned more than

anyone else; he was flogged and beaten countless times; and he faced death so many times. But Paul did not concern himself with all the afflictions he faced. He only worried about the church.

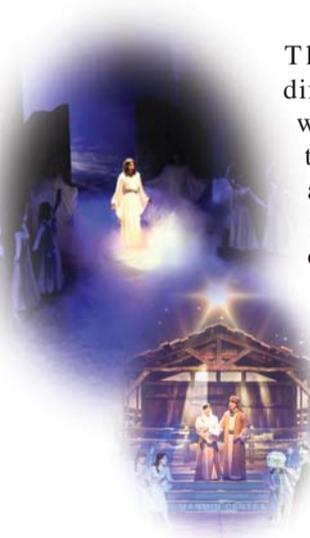
And while Paul was talented in many ways, he humbled himself and said he was "the least of the apostles" and that he was "not fit to be called an apostle." Even though he worked so hard, Paul did not regret his work and toil, and did not expect any compensation. His way was a way of harsh thorns and at the end was awaiting his beheading, and yet he said, "I rejoice and share my joy with you all."

After meeting the Lord, Paul's life was a life of holding fast the Word of life, and a life of running the race of faith continually. And to this Paul, who exerted overflowing efforts in evangelism, God showed him the kingdom of heaven clearly through visions and revelations (2 Corinthians 12:1). And he professed in 2 Timothy 4:7-8, "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the course, I have kept the faith; in the future there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day; and not only to me, but also to all who have loved His appearing."

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Are you doing all things without grumbling or disputing? I pray in the name of the Lord that you will become blameless children of God like the apostle Paul, appear as lights in the world, and hold fast the word of life, so that your life will be filled with God's glory and you will receive great rewards in the kingdom of heaven.

Difference between Jesus and Jesus Christ



There is a great difference between when we pray in the name of Jesus and when we pray in the name of Jesus Christ.

The name Jesus is the name before He fulfilled the providence of salvation whereas the name Jesus Christ is the

glorious name given after He overcame death and became the King of kings and the Lord of lords.

"Jesus" means the One who will save His people from their sins (Matthew 1:21). It is in the future tense. "Christ" is the Greek word for the Anointed One (Acts 4:27), and it refers to the Savior who is the mediator and pacifier between God and men. It is the "Messiah" in Hebrew. Therefore, "Jesus Christ" means "The One who has saved His people from their sins and who

is acknowledged by God as the Savior." It is in perfect tense for having obtained the qualifications as the Savior.

Jesus, before the ages, received the duty to become the Savior of all mankind. When the time came, He was conceived by the Holy Spirit and came to his earth in human body. He was crucified but overcame death and resurrected, thereby redeeming the mankind from their sins and becoming the Savior. Therefore, before the crucifixion, it was correct that He was referred to as Jesus, but after He was crucified and resurrected, it is proper to refer to Him as "Jesus Christ", "the Lord Jesus", or simply "the Lord".

When we pray to drive away the power of darkness, we have to pray with the proper knowledge and faith in the power of the name Jesus Christ, so that the enemy devil and Satan will tremble and depart. The same goes for all other answers to our prayers.

The works of faith that can be manifested when praying in the name of Jesus Christ will be very different from those when just praying in the name of Jesus, without understanding the spiritual meaning in the name.



“I was dying of AIDS, but I am healthy through handkerchief prayer!”

Edwin Otieno (Age 31, Nairobi Manmin Church, Kenya)

I used to indulge myself in drinking, smoking, women, and other worldly things. From a certain moment in time I felt weak and there were problems in my body. My skin became dry and even peeled off. I lost my appetite and had a hard time walking.

In June 2018, my family took me to a hospital to be diagnosed, and I was diagnosed with 3rd stage AIDS. I took medicine but the conditions only deteriorated. The people in my town urged me to go to the hospital again, because I was like a living corpse. They found out I had TB in my lungs as well. I lost weight to a point that I couldn't do any activity and I had difficulty just breathing.

My family was very concerned and felt very sorry for me. My sister Deborah urged me to go to church to repent and receive salvation as well as healing. She took care of me every day and suggested I receive prayer of the senior pastor Rev. Jaerock Lee, so that I could be healed. Finally, with the help of my family members I came to Nairobi Manmin Church and attended the worship service.

July 2018 was the time when I first went to church. I could feel the love among the members in addition to receiving the teaching of the truth of God's word. Also, my sister Deborah asked me to read the senior pastor's book *The Message of the Cross*. I was touched by the book very much. For my healing, my father prayed and Deborah fasted a day every week, repenting on my behalf.

In the early August, Deborah suggested I partake in the summer retreat. It was hard for me just to walk, but I went to the church by her help and watched the GCN TV live broadcast of summer retreat that was going on in South Korea. The speaker, Pastor Soojin Lee prayed for the whole congregation with the handkerchief on which the senior pastor had prayed, and so many people were healed and gave their testimonies. I was moved very much.

I also had faith that I could be healed, too. But then, immediately, I felt very light and I couldn't feel anything heavy or hard in my body. Since then, I recovered day after day, and now I can walk fine. I can even do the house chores such as cooking and washing clothes. Hallelujah!

Now, I got my appetite back and my body weight is normal. I give all thanks and glory to God the Father who has given me a new life both in body and spirit by healing me of an incurable disease.



“My daughter was healed of sudamen bullosa through handkerchief prayer!”

Hyesoon Ji (Age 33, Chinese 2nd Parish)

It was getting closer to summer in 2018, my daughter Ghayoung had skin trouble. Rashes were all over her body from her buttocks to the nape of the neck. She couldn't sleep well crying, and I was heartbroken.

The symptoms got worse, and I couldn't just watch her suffer, so I got all kinds of ointments that were said to be good for rashes and put them on her. However, the condition still only deteriorated.

Finally, I decided to take her to the hospital and asked her, “Ghayoung, shall we go to the hospital?” and she said no. I asked her again, “Then, you want to receive prayer?” Her answer was yes! She probably had seen and heard the testimonies of the church members who were healed of various diseases after receiving prayers from the senior pastor Rev. Jaerock Lee. She had more faith than I did, and I was proud of her.

At the moment Manmin Prayer Center held special healing meetings, and I attended them with my daughter. Before the meeting, Pastor Hyeon Chul Joo of the Manmin Prayer Center prayed for her with the handkerchief on which senior pastor prayed. He also explained that the illness of little children is mostly due to their parents' fault. I looked back on myself and repented of easily throwing tantrums at the child.

After the healing meeting, I went to Dr. Gilbert Chae of WCDN, World Christians Doctors' Network. He explained it was 'sudamen bullosa' and he also prayed for her with the handkerchief. From that night, the conditions of Ghayoung got visibly better. Scabs formed on the parts where there used to be rashes, and she slept very well. After several days, the scabs fell off cleanly, and she was completely healed. Hallelujah!

Through this event I thought about many things. I could check my faith again seeing my daughter who didn't want to go to the hospital but wanted to rely on God. I realized I received the blessing of God making the impossible possible and making the possible even better. I give all thanks and glory to God the Father.



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