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# Manmin Summer Retreat Recalling the love and power

Every summer, a festival of grace awaited us to experience God's love with our whole body. It was Manmin Summer Retreat.

In particular, since 2013, as it had been broadcast live by GCN TV, it has established itself as an international annual event that attends not only mission members in our church but also all Korean members and overseas members. And it has been a basis for the growth of the believers through the works of signs and wonders and powers.

Although the heat wave alert had been issued nationwide in early August every year, it was possible to experience countless evidences of the living God in the best weather provided by God with pertinent rain, wind, and clouds. In addition, swarms of dragonflies not only had exterminated pests such as mosquitoes and moths, but also gave happy memories by sitting down on the body of the members.

Thanks to the prayer of the senior pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee, dark clouds were scattered, rain stopped, and stars appeared in the open sky, and the typhoon disappeared or changed its course.

When we think of the Manmin Summer Retreat, we can think of a procession of the healed testifiers

filled with altar. After the message in the first night in the healing meeting every year, patients with various diseases including incurable diseases experienced the explosive works of healing, i.e., they threw away wheelchairs or crutches and came to walk by the prayer of Dr. Jaerock Lee and gave glory to God.

In particular, once the deaf members who came from abroad began to hear, many overseas deaf members visited the summer retreat venue and began to hear or heard better than before, so their testimonies continued.

As well as, during healing meetings in 2018 and 2019 summer retreats led by acting senior pastor Soojin Lee, the works of explosive power were the same through the powerful handkerchief (Acts 19:11-12) on which Dr. Jaerock Lee prayed.

Furthermore, the members who attended through GCN live broadcasts or recorded broadcasts from all over the world were cured and answered transcending time and space, and glorified God greatly.

The Manmin Summer Retreat is a gift of the love of God the Father, who gives us true faith and let us resemble His image as we live in the last days when we can't believe anything unless we see it with our own eyes.

# The 38<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Church Opening & On-site Worship Service Resuming

We celebrated the 38th anniversary of our church's opening on July 26th. On this day, the on-site worship service was resumed in 5 months, and over 220 people including some pastor, parish leaders, and mission leaders attended, keeping the government's prevention measures such as having social distance and wearing a mask.

At the morning service, through the Senior Pastor, Dr. Jaerock's video sermon, "Treasure of treasures is faith" (Heb. 11:1), it was preached that faith is the assurance of things hoped for and the spiritual faith is firstly the faith given from God above and secondly the faith of obeying what you cannot obey.

At the evening service, the



The 38<sup>th</sup> anniversary of church foundation

38th anniversary celebration service, Pastor Hyuncheol Joo, the president of pastors' association preached under the title, "God Who Does and Accomplishes the Work" (Jeremiah 33:2).

Pastor Joo offered thanks to God who has been leading Manmin for the past 38 years, and preached that we should look back upon our faith first and keep on working on sanctification because we should have the sincere heart to fulfill God's will.

Starting with Sunday Morning Service, we plan to expand the on-site service looking at the trend of coronavirus without endangering the safety of the church members and the community.





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#### The Message of the Cross (18)

# Jesus' Last Seven Words on the Cross (2)

"When Jesus then saw His mother, and the disciple whom He loved standing nearby, He said to His mother, 'Woman, behold, your son!' Then He said to the disciple, 'Behold, your mother!' From that hour the disciple took her into his own household" (John 19:26-27).

Senior Pastor Rev. Jaerock Lee

Shortly before He breathed His last on the cross, with all His strength remaining Jesus left behind His last few words. They are known as "The Last Seven Words on the Cross." Continuing from the last edition, let us pick up today with the third of His last words on the cross.

#### 1. "Woman, behold, your son!"

John 19:26 reads, "When Jesus then saw His mother, and the disciple whom He loved standing nearby, He said to His mother, 'Woman, behold, your son!" Here, "your son" refers to the disciple whom [Jesus] loved— John. Jesus is asking the Virgin Mary to consider John as her own son.

Why, then, did Jesus say "Woman, behold, your son!"? One element of which to be mindful here is the fact that Jesus called the Virgin Mary, "woman." The Bible never documents an instance in which Jesus referred to the Virgin Mary as His "mother."

The term "mother" in "The Book of John" was used from the perspective of the author, John, not that of Jesus. In John 2 is a scene in which Jesus turned water into wine and again here He referred to and called the Virgin Mary, "woman." This is because the Virgin Mary could never be the mother of Jesus. How could the Virgin Mary ever be the mother of Jesus, who is equal to God (Philippians 2:6) and God the Son among God the Trinity?

God is from everlasting to everlasting and is "I AM WHO I AM" (Exodus 3:14); no one has given birth to Him or formed Him. Therefore, Jesus who is "in the form of God" could not call the Virgin Mary, a mere creature, "Mother." Besides, the Virgin Mary could not be Jesus' mother even from a biological point of view. People are conceived through the combination of a sperm and an egg. However, Jesus was conceived by the Holy Spirit. If a child was born through artificial insemination, is the woman who bore the child his "mother"? If the child spent a while in an incubator, should he call the incubator his "mother"? By the same token, Jesus did not call the Virgin Mary His "mother" just because He was in her womb before being born. God would not be pleased if people thought of and treated the Virgin Mary as Jesus' mother and worshipped her as they would an idol.

As God tells us in Exodus 20:3-4, "You shall have no other gods before Me. You shall not make for yourself an idol, or any likeness of...," we are never to make, serve, or worship idols of any creatures.

Jesus' next words, "Woman, behold, your son!" were intended to console the Virgin Mary. As she witnessed her beloved Jesus endure inexplicable affliction, the Virgin Mary also endured heartwrenching pain and sorrow. The ever-so attentive Jesus remembered the Virgin Mary even in His last moments of life and He had her rely on His disciple John as her own son.

#### 2. "Behold, your mother!"

John 19:27 continues, "Then He said to the disciple, 'Behold, your mother!' And from that hour the disciple took her into his own household." From that point on, the Bible tells us, John took the Virgin Mary into his home and served her as his own mother. After giving birth as a virgin to Jesus, Mary gave birth to more children with her husband Joseph. Still, Jesus did not ask the children of Mary and Joseph to look after her but entrusted His disciple John with this task.

What must we be clearly aware from this? The Scriptures tells us in Philippians 3:20, "For our citizenship is in heaven, from which also we eagerly wait for a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ." The children of God who have received salvation belong to heaven. God's children, all those who have accepted the Lord and whose names are recorded in the book of life, form a spiritual family that serves God as their Father.

God is the source of life. Though each of us has been born of our biological parents, our parents' sperm and egg have been given to them by God. When we trace back our genealogy, we only find that the forefather of all mankind Adam came also from God. He personally formed Adam's body and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life and therefore, our life is from God. Even if a man and a woman were to marry, they could not conceive another life without God's permission, for the authority to give a spirit to the conceived child also belongs to God.

As science and technology have developed to an unprecedented level, controversy surrounding human cloning has been brewing but no man is able to create his own spirit. People may be able to reproduce the flesh but since the reproduced flesh will lack the spirit, he will be no different than animals and could not be thought of as a man. Furthermore, the gender, characteristics, outward appearance, and other attributes of the child conceived are also beyond the control of the parents.

The irrefutable fact is that God alone governs the life of mankind. Only God gives the spirit to man and only He governs life, death, curses, and blessings of mankind, and this God is our spiritual Father. If people live lives in accordance with the desires of the worldly ways without believing in Him, such people could not call God "Father!" (John 8:44)

Therefore, even if we associate with certain individuals by blood in this world, we will not dwell in the eternal Heaven with them if they do not believe in the Lord. Even Jesus has reminded us about this very subject in Matthew 12:50, "For whoever does the will of My Father who is in heaven, he is My brother and sister and mother," and taught us the nature of a true family, which is a spiritual family.

We are to love and serve our fleshly family but it must be spiritual love that is proper in God's sight. True love is not submitting to and loving one's family that blasphemes against God and walks in ways that are against His will.

Suppose one's fleshly parents and siblings said to a person, "Don't go to church" or "Join with me in committing this crime." If that person follows them, it is not in the way of love but of death. Therefore, while we are to love and serve our fleshly parents and siblings, we must do so within the boundary of the truth. Furthermore, if we have true love for our family, we first must preach the gospel to them and lead them to Heaven.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, embedded in the third of the words Jesus spoke during crucifixion is the love of Jesus who sought to comfort the lamenting Mary. Our Lord is also telling us that all brothers and sisters in Him are our true family. I pray in the name of the Lord that you will come to grasp the heart of our Lord even more clearly, love God more, and share with one another spiritual love in the Lord.



#### The Confession of Faith

1. Manmin Central Church believes that the Bible is Godbreathed 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)

## "Blessings have overflown in my life since I joined Manmin by Youtube."

#### Parul (38, Indor Manmin Church, India)

I had wondered about heaven and hell. I read Dr. Jaerock Lee's book, Hell in 2018 and the tearful new knowledge about the terrible pains in hell pushed me to share the gospel. The desire was too desperate to sleep.

> And I watched Rev. Jaerock Lee's sermons on Youtube and gained answers that I couldn't

have done for my 15-year Christian life. I watched a sermon series titled, "The Message of the Cross" and understood why God cultivates humans from the sermon, titled "Why is Jesus our savior?"

I realized what the true faith is from the sermon "The Measure of Faith" and was able to understand the word spiritually. And I felt Rev. Jaerock Lee understood the deep heart of God.

I shared the sermons with my family and relatives. They were touched and various problems in their life were solved.

We continuously watched his sermans on GCNTV Hindi and finally opened Indor Manmin Church in July 2019. We participate in live on-line services of Manmin Central Church. About 30 people gathered and watched the services from TV, with which Manmin Central Church presented us. These days we participate in the on-line services at home due to COVID-19.

One member kept the Sabbath holy and offered tithes after hearing Senior Pastor Rev. Lee's sermons. And blessings came upon him and he paid the huge debt. Another member had been in the depths of despair. As she learned the love of the Lord and tried to practice God's words joyfully, her husband, a Muslim, accepted the Lord and stopped persecuting her. There are more testimonies in my church.

I realized what the true faith is through Senior Pastor's sermons and understood God more deeply. And I learned my previous Chrisitan life had been full of sins and evils and changed my words and deeds.

I often argued with my family but after I heard "Make every effort to live in peace with all men" from Senior Pastor I am doing my best to practice the word. I am studying at Bible Academy, Delhi Manmin Church to become a leader and prepare myself to become a pastor. I keep the Sabbath holy and offer proper tithes. I live in peach with all men to follow the Senior Pastor's obeying life. Then, God blesses my business. All thanks and glory to Father God who blesses me because I obey His words!

### "I got healed of hypothyroidism so that I am so full of grace."

Pusifa Khor (41, India)

From around one day in 2016, my neck was swollen and I felt tired even while doing chores. In May of that year, I went to the hospital for a checkup and found out that there was a problem with my thyroid. Due to this, I continued taking a medicine, but it didn't work at all. I was so tired that I couldn't even do the housework and cook.

In January 2017, I found a "GCNTV HINDI" channel on YouTube and Pastor Jaerock Lee's 'Prayer for the sick'. When I first received a prayer, I felt that the prayer was very powerful.

After that, from I started receiving the prayer for the sick every day, and my body got better, I was able to do housework, and I felt that my body started get strengthened.



Next month, in February, I went to the hospital to get a checkup again, and I was surprised to see the results. Thyroid levels are normal. Hallelujah!

Earlier, the doctor said to me, "You have to take thyroid medication for the rest of your life until you breathe your last breath."

However, I am healed by the power of God, and I am healthy without taking medicine, and I am full of joy and hope of Heaven given by the Lord in my life. I give all thanks and glory to my living God the Father.

GCNTV HINDI



# "The calcific tendonitis on my right shoulder is clearly disappeared!"

Deaconess Okrye Jang (51, 3rd Canaan Mission)

On February 20th (Thursday), I suddenly felt pain in my right shoulder while commuting. I thought it would be better later, but the pain still remained after the weekend.

I couldn't use my right hand. I had to wash my face and hair with my left hand. I had to carry bag on my left shoulder only because I felt like it was cold or electric when I was carrying the bag on my right shoulder. I couldn't lift my right arm and was uncomfortable using my computer keyboard at work.

Even on the 25th (Tue), I had so severe pain that I couldn't wear my jacket properly. My hands trembled and I had a chill. I felt serious.

I went to an orthopedic surgeon and the doctor said there was a 3mm lime on my right shoulder. Moreover, Dr said that in my case, the lime was near the bone, so the pain would be very severe.

Twenty-five years ago, when I had suffered from thyroid hyperthyroidism, I did not take medicine once but was healed after receiving ARS (Automatic Response Service) pray of Senior Pastor Jaerock Lee.

The convex part on the neck went in and the protruding eyes became normal. I'm still living

healthy. Through this, it became a sure belief to me that when I was healed by God's method, there was no aftereffect and was most perfect.

Because of this experience, I wanted to be healed by God again. On the day I went to the hospital, I received the prayer from Mrs. Boknim Lee, the President of Manmin Prayer Center.

When Mrs. Lee prayed for me with the handkerchief of power (Acts 19:11-12) on which Senior Pastor prayed. I could feel the warm movement of the Holy Spirit. From that moment on, my right shoulder began to soften and there was no pain in a sudden moment.

One week later, on March 3 (Tue), I went to the hospital to see the doctor again. Indeed, the result was, "It has only lime traces and is clean." Hallelujah!

Of course, there is no pain at all so far. I can freely do my daily life with both hands and do my favorite exercises. 'My pain was severe but how did it disappear at that moment?' Thinking that fact, I am impressed that our Father's power is great!

I give thanks and glory to our Father God who gives grace so that my belief can be full and renewed and the Lord who gives us only good things.



## "My eardrum ruptured, and now I can hear well."

Hasansana (53, Mongol Manmin Church, Mongolia)



I was a middle school student when I picked my itchy right ear. I had sharp and extreme pain, and I couldn't hear well. People had to call me several times. I made mistakes because I couldn't understand what others said. I had problems when I had conversation with others.

I found in a hospital that my right eardrum was ruptured. I received treatment, but it didn't do me any good.

In September, 2015, my neighbor Shurenchechec lead me to Mongol Manmin Church. I registered to the church, and I saw a circular rainbow which made me feel that God is truly alive, and that God is always with me.

As I attended live broadcasting services of Manmin Central Church in Korea, Dr. Jaerock Lee's messages were so touching. It was impressive that many people were healed and blessed, and that people were singing praises during Friday All Night Service. I wished I could be healed of my ear.

In 2018, I attended the 'Special Daniel Prayer Meeting' because I wanted to be healed of my ear problem. "Father God, I wish I can become a witness to Your Power and glorify you like others." I prayed earnestly like this everyday.

On the last day of Special Daniel Prayer Meeting, Mongol Manmin Church had its own reward ceremony, and I was selected to receive a reward. I was so happy, and I was assured that God would answer my prayer this time.

A few days later, I listened to sermons with my earphone on. I used to hear only on the left ear, but I could hear the message clearly even I used my right ear with my left covered.

It was so amazing, and I tested my ear many times more, but I could surely hear well. God is truly alive!

God led me to the church where there is the word of God and His power. And He healed my ear which any medical treatment couldn't cure. I give all thanks and glory to God!