

# The Power of God

In celebration of the 24th anniversary of *Manmin News*, we will cover testimonies of those who have experienced the explosive power of the Holy Spirit by believing in Jesus Christ. In particular, we will introduce the believers who were healed of serious problems concerning their hearing. They lost hearing completely, but it was recovered to normal by the Power of Creation and they came to hear again.

## HEARING IMPAIRMENT

### Hearing of a Deaf Couple Has Been Restored!

Deacon Jonggon Kim and Deaconess Mideok Lim (Mission of The Deaf)



Deaconess Mideok Lim (43 years old) fell down when she was eight. Due to the accident, her auditory nerves were damaged. She ended up losing her hearing completely and even suffered from memory loss. In 1993, she got married to Deacon Jonggon Kim (45 years old). He also suffered from hearing loss like her.

In May 2001, she happened to see the leaflet publicizing 'Dr. Jaerock Lee's 9th Two-week Special Revival Meeting. Senior Deaconess Eunok Lee and

Soondeok Park were also trying to evangelize her. They wrote a note saying, "Last year, thirteen deaf people came to hear through Dr. Lee's prayer in Nagoya Miracle Convention in Japan. They gave glory to God."

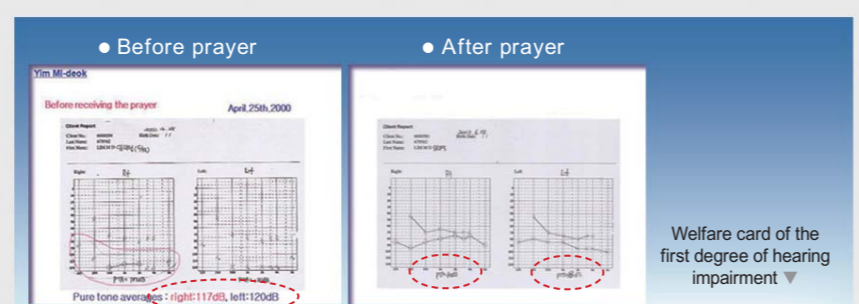
In the end, she attended the Two-week Special Revival Meeting with her husband and in person witnessed deaf people regain hearing. The couple was soon convinced that their hearing would also be recovered to normal as well. They received Dr. Lee's prayer in the meeting, came home, and went to bed. That very night, amazing works took place. Her husband was awakened by the sound of the alarm which their children set!

On May 17th, the last day of the revival meeting, Deaconess Mideok Lim received Dr. Lee's prayer. A few days later, she heard the sound of "shhhh" in her ears and she felt some waves of sound.

She will never forget the day that was

filled with happiness and joy. She even recovered her memory after attending Manmin Central Church. She is filled

with a grateful heart to the Lord and has been volunteering for members of Mission of the Deaf.



#### Doctor's comment on the case

"Deaconess Mideok Lim had Pure Tone Audiometry. The test result shows that her right ear PTA was 117 dB and her left ear 120dB, which means that she could not hear at all before Dr. Lee's prayer. After the prayer, however, her right ear PTA came to be 80dB and her left ear PTA 88dB, which means that she came to be able to hear rather loud sounds. As a result, her command of a language has been greatly improved.

- Deacon Miseok Seo, doctor at the department of Family Medicine



### "I Came to Hear in Both Ears after 16 years of Suffering! Joy and Happiness Overflow in Me!"

Sister Lagesi Wari (Chennai Manmin Church, 32 years old)



I was born into a Muslim family. When I was 13, I fell down from a tree and had a head injury. Two years after, I lost hearing in my left ear because of the after-effects of the accident. After I got married, I lost hearing in my right ear as well.

In the early June, 2010, I registered in Chennai Manmin Church being led by Brother Nisha. I was converted to Christianity and began to attend the church. I came to have peace in my heart witnessing God's powerful works and listening to the message preached there. I also came to have faith reading Dr. Jaerock

Lee's book *The Message of the Cross*. Afterwards, I received Dr. Lee's prayer for the sick during Friday all-night service on July 2nd. After the first half of the service, I was going outside when all of a sudden I could hear the whistles of Brother Wijae! I was astounded and amazed. I could hear again! I just received the prayer far away from Korea. My hearing was recovered to normal through the prayer transcending space and time. I am filled with joy and happiness because I came to hear. I can communicate with others. I give all thanks and glory to God who regenerated my auditory nerves with the power of creation.

### "I Came to Hear out of My Right Ear in which I Completely Had Lost Hearing!"

Sister Choonja Park (5-1 Women's mission, 71 years old)



I suffered a middle ear inflammation in 2004. Moreover, my eardrum had ruptured, so I could not hear out of my right ear. When I began to attend Manmin Central Church two years ago, I met the living God and experienced His power that healed me of arthritis, high blood pressure, and stomachache.

Afterwards, I laid my hands on my right ear and received Dr. Lee's prayer by faith whenever he prayed for the sick after the message.

In the early March of 2011, I found out the wonderful works happened!

Senior Deaconess Okjin Hwang gave me her earphone asking me to try listening to Dr. Lee's message in my right ear. At the moment when I put the earphone in my right ear, I could hear his voice. Hallelujah!

Hearing in my left ear also got better than before. I have been distributing *Manmin News* to people around me with a grateful heart to the Lord who let me experience healing and powerful works as well as gave me blessings of salvation.

# Manmin News

## The Fruit of the Gospel was Borne through the Power of the Holy Spirit Pastors' Seminars and Miracle Healing Crusades were Held in Pakistan and Sri Lanka



The mission team of Manmin Central Church traveled a few areas in Pakistan and Sri Lanka to hold Pastors' seminars and miracle healing crusades from April 26th to May 11th. They preached the gospel with the explosive power of the Holy Spirit. Countless people met the living God and accepted the Lord as their own Savior. ■ Picture 1: Pastor Taesik Gil praying with the handkerchief of the power ■ Picture 2: Lahore Miracle Healing Crusade was held on the Full Gospel Assembly Ground ■ Picture 3: The Passion Praise Team giving glory to God ■ Picture 4: The Pastors' Seminar was held in the Ramada Hotel Colombo, Sri Lanka ■ Picture 5: Pastors in attendance taking notes during the message.

On May 11th, the mission team of Manmin Central Church came back from its 16-day mission trip to Pakistan and Sri Lanka.

On April 27th, the first handkerchief healing meeting was held in Lahore, the state capital of Punjab in Pakistan. The meeting was attended by 15,000 people.

Under the title of 'Jesus Christ' taken from Acts 14:12, the speaker, Pastor Taesik Gil, ministering to Daejeon Manmin Church, talked about the reasons in answer to the question 'How did Jesus become our Savior?' Then, he prayed for the sick with the handkerchief on which Dr. Jaerock Lee had prayed. (Acts 19:11-12) After his prayer on the stage, many attendances testified to their healings. A Muslim woman said, "I could not kneel down and move well for decades because of backache. But now I came to be

able to kneel down and move well!" A demon-possessed man was released from the power of the evil spirit. Many people in attendance gave glory to God testifying that they had been set free from female diseases, high blood pressure, arthritis, stomach diseases, poor eyesight, and all kinds of pains.

On April 28th, the Lahore Pastors' Seminar was held with 400 pastors in attendance. When Pastor Gil talked about Jesus' last seven words on the cross, the participants were so touched that they clapped and gave a shout of joy. They felt grateful to him due to the message which they had never heard before.

The mission team could see how Manmin's broadcasting ministry was aired in Pakistan firsthand. They had time with Anwar Fazal, President of Isaac TV which covers countries in

the Middle East and Asia as well as Pakistan. He is quoted as saying, "Since Dr. Lee's sermon program started to be broadcast, a large number of testimonies have been received. Pastors in the Middle East asked us to have the program broadcast with Arabic translation, so I have been praying for it." Pastor Tariq Zia ministering to Jesus Evangelical Manmin Church in Lahore said, "We connected the GCN satellite receiver with the system in the local cable broadcasting station, so that the 500 households are able to watch GCN."

He also led handkerchief healing meetings and pastors' seminars in Lahore Jesus Christ Church, Jesus Evangelical Manmin Church, and The Water of Life Church.

The members of the mission team gave thanks to God while observing many Pakistanis

remembering the wonderful moments in the '2000 Pakistan Crusade with Dr. Jaerock Lee' and bearing fruit of change in their hearts.

Moreover, right after they left Pakistan, they heard in Bangkok that Osama Bin Laden, leader of Al-Qaeda, had been killed and terror threats were hovering there. They gave all the glory and thanks to God who had protected them and let them lead Christian meetings with around 15,000 people in the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.

Pastor Gil and the mission team went to Sri Lanka and led the miracle healing crusades in Raddolugama Community Hall, Wattala Hendala Provincial, Ramada Hotel Colombo, and Horana Town Hall. Hundreds of people attended. Right after the handkerchief healing prayer of Pastor Gil, the blind came to see, the deaf hear, and the para-

lyzed walk. All kinds of pains and diseases departed from the sick, and evil spirits even departed from them.

On May 7th, the Colombo Pastors' Seminar was attended by 400 pastors. This means that the majority of the local pastors attended the seminar. They received grace from the message confessing, "His message cannot be given by anyone but God. Keep teaching us the message."

In particular, the Passion Praise Team joined the mission trip in Sri Lanka and gave praise in Tamil and Sinhala and danced for God. They offered a special moment to attendees.

All members of the mission team witnessed the biblical works of the blind coming to see, the lame walking, and the deaf hearing as recorded in Matthew 11:5. They gave all thanks and glory to God.



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## SEVEN CHURCHES

# The Letter of the Lord to the Church in Ephesus (2)

**“But I have this against you, that you have left your first love. Therefore remember from where you have fallen, and repent and do the deeds you did at first; or else I am coming to you and will remove your lampstand out of its place—unless you repent. Yet this you do have, that you hate the deeds of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate. ‘He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To him who overcomes, I will grant to eat of the tree of life which is in the Paradise of God.’” (Revelation 2:4-7)**



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- He conducted crusades in Tanzania; Argentina; Los Angeles, Baltimore, Hawaii, and New York City of the USA; Uganda; Japan; Pakistan; Kenya; the Philippines; Honduras; India; Russia; Germany; Peru; the Democratic Republic of the Congo; Israel; and Estonia.

The lessons of the Lord for the seven churches were written in the book of Revelation Chapters 2 and 3. The seven churches refer to churches in Ephesus, Smyrna, Pergamum, Thyatira, Sardis, Philadelphia, and Laodicea. The message embeds the love of the Lord, who wants to awaken believers as well as churches that are in slumber today.

Last edition, we talked about the Lord's praise given to the church of Ephesus. It was praised for 'enduring and toiling to practice the truth, not tolerating the evil men, revealing false apostles, persevering for the Lord's name's sake and not having grown weary in their efforts'. Then, the Lord rebuked them.

### 1. But I have this against you, that you have left your first love

The Church of Ephesus received commendation from the Lord, but they later heard the stern warning that the Lord would remove their lampstand out of its place if they forsook the first love and lost their first deeds. Why was the Church of Ephesus rebuked?

The pastor and the members of the Church of Ephesus loved God, struggled against sin and evil, and tried hard to dwell in the Word of God. But as time passed by they fell farther away from the truth. At some point, they stopped gathering, praying, and trying to live in the truth. They even befriended the world.

Over time God wants His children to become more fervent in casting off the worldly things, living in the truth, trying to have greater

faith, and becoming holy. However, they will be put under the temptation and trials of Satan from time to time until they fully accomplish what God wants them to do. Thus, they should bear in their mind that if they are not on the alert, they might fall into trials and lose their first love.

If you are stuck at the same level, you have to pray more fervently before God in order to receive grace and power from above and receive the help of the Holy Spirit. To do so, you should remember from where you have fallen and repent. It's because only when you destroy the wall of sin before God, that was built by forsaking the first love and losing the first deeds can you receive strength and grace with which you can run filled with the Holy Spirit. You must not repent with just some effort applied, but you must rend your heart and bear fruit in keeping with repentance. By doing so, you will be filled with the first grace, the truth, and the Holy Spirit and recover the fervent believing life that you led in the beginning.

### 2. Therefore remember from where you have fallen, and repent and do the deeds you did at first

A man and a woman love each other so much, and they become united as one in marriage. But as time passes their minds begin to change. That is to say that they 'forsake their first love'. If they just keep the first love that they had, their relationship will remain good all the time, and there would be no problems.

It's the same with our love for God and the Lord. Some say they have fallen into tests because of the actions of other brothers in faith. Others say that they started missing the services a couple of times in order to earn money on Sunday and now it has become difficult for them to keep the Lord's Day holy. Still others say they had a problem with the pastor, or they have fallen into tests because they doubted the message preached.

According to 1 John 2:15-16, the most fundamental reason that we lose our first love is that we again take in the untruths that we have been casting off. Even if we are full of the Spirit now, if we look at the world again and take in worldly things, we may fall into the world again.

A person may have been circumcising his heart diligently with the fullness of the first love, but after a couple of years, he may find that he is staying in the same state and has been making no spiritual improvement. Similar kinds of trials are repeatedly given to overcome, or a person may see forms of evil reappear that he thinks he has already cast off.

Then, he may think he needs to take a rest from the effort. He even tries to gain comfort or rest in the fleshly things of this world. He may think he wants to gain just a little bit of that comfort and rest, but as he follows the trends of the world a couple of times here and a couple of times there, he may well fall back to the ways of the world completely.

### 3. I will remove your lampstand out of its place—unless you repent

The Lord rebuked the Church of Ephesus that forsook its first love and He tells them to repent. He added that, otherwise, He will remove the lampstand from its place. This phrase has two primary meanings.

The first meaning of the phrase 'To remove your lampstand out of its place' is that 'God will remove the Holy Spirit from the heart of each individual.' The 'lampstand' here refers to the Church, the body of the Lord. And the body of individual believers is a temple of God and the Holy Spirit dwells in their hearts as recorded in 1 Corinthians 6:19. In this sense, 'to remove your lampstand out of its place' means that God will remove a temple from them, in other words, that the Holy Spirit cannot accept their heart as a holy temple and cannot dwell within them. The Holy Spirit will depart from their hearts when they lose the first love and dwell in sins befriending the world after having received the Holy Spirit.

**If we repent and turn away before the Holy Spirit is quenched, God gives us His grace and another chance. But if we do not repent and turn back, the Holy Spirit will be taken away. The Lord will eventually remove the lampstand out of its place.**

The second meaning of the phrase 'to remove your lampstand out of its place' is that the Holy Spirit will be taken away from a church in which the first love cools down, the works of the Holy Spirit disappear, and the revival also stops. Once the works of the Holy Spirit stop, the church falls into spiritual slumber, and it is not easy to rekindle the fiery prayers and recover the fullness of the Holy Spirit again. Since they have lost the first love and God removed the lampstand, the Holy Spirit does not hover over the church anymore.

Then, Satan soon begins to work to cause divisions and quarrels in the church, and the situation may get to the point that the church is destroyed. Though not as serious as this situation, if the Holy Spirit cannot work in a certain church any

*The church in Ephesus was full of fervent prayers and passionate love for the Lord in its early days, but as time passed they forsook the love for the Lord and they had to be reprimanded by the Lord.*

*In our times there are many churches that fail to restore their first love for the Lord.*

more, it means that the church has already abandoned its duty.

Therefore, bearing in mind that the end of the ages is drawing nearer, as recorded in 1 Peter 4:7, the church and believers that have lost the first love have to quickly repent and turn away so that God will not remove the lampstand out of its place.

### 4. To him who overcomes, I will grant to eat of the tree of life which is in the Paradise of God

Nicolas, one of the selected deacons in the early church argued, "The spirit is clean, sinless, and sanctified. Men commit sins because their visible body has sins. Sin has no relation with the spirit inside men. Therefore, when God calls our spirit, the body will go back to a handful of dust, and therefore, no matter how many sins the body commits, our spirit will be saved."

But the Word of God tells us that even after we accept Jesus Christ as our Savior, if we keep on committing sins, the Holy Spirit will be quenched. If we commit the sin of crucifying the Lord all over again, we will not even be able to repent. (Hebrews 6:4-6)

The argument of Nicolas was a distortion of the Word of God. To practice His Word requires for believers to have toil and endurance. If you teach that they can be saved even with sinning, people who love the world and are living in darkness are easily tempted. Even those who were trying to cast off sins could be deceived and go back to the world again.

If anybody teaches this kind of theory and people agree to it in a church, the whole church will soon be stained with sins. Today, any kind of work that cunningly distorts the Word of God to deceive the believers can be considered to be accomplishing the deeds of the Nicolaitans.

Even if a man has a high position or a title in the church and is full of the Spirit to be praised by many, until he has completely changed into spirit he may receive the work of Satan and leave the truth. Therefore, we should always be awake not to fall into the test and temptation.

We should be cautious about one thing as well. It is of course right to hate what is against God's will like the deeds of Nicolaitans. But we should discern with the Word of God very well so that we will not disturb the Holy Spirit with arrogance. It's because, if we judge and condemn a church or a pastor that is followed by the works of the Holy Spirit we are building up a great wall of sin against God.

Therefore, after we listen to the Word, we should not just keep it as knowledge. In order to overcome, we have to plant it in our heart, let it bud, and reap the fruit with the help of the Holy Spirit. Here, to overcome means to recover the first love and to live in the truth again. When we listen to the Word of God, engrave it on our hearts and practice it by the help of the Holy Spirit, we will overcome the world that is full of sins.

'Those who overcome' refers to those who recover the first love. The Lord promises to these people, "I will grant to eat of the tree of life which is in the Paradise of God."

The fruit of the tree of life is present not only in Paradise but in every place of the heavenly kingdom including New Jerusalem, and why did the Lord promise that He would let them eat from the tree of life in Paradise? Here, 'to eat of the tree of life which is in the Paradise

of God' has two meanings.

First, it means that they would go into Paradise, the lowest dwelling place in the heavenly kingdom. The heavenly kingdom has categorized and distinguished dwelling places that will be given to each one according to each one's measure of faith. (Refer to Heaven) Paradise is the place given to one of the criminals who repented at the side of Jesus' cross.

Because the believers in the Church of Ephesus had lost their first love, when they repented and turned away, they would be at the state of barely receiving salvation.

The second meaning of Paradise is in reference to the whole heavenly kingdom in general. This message was not only for the Church of Ephesus but for all the churches that recover the first love and go into the heavenly kingdom, and everyone who enters into Heaven will be able to eat from the tree of life.

Dear brothers and sisters,

It is time to check if you have what the Lord rebuked the Church about in you. If you have lost your first love, remember from where you have fallen, repent, and lead a fervent Christian life. I hope you will be filled with the love for God more and more over time and please Him by living in the Word of God earnestly in a bid to work out your salvation with fear and trembling.



Dr. Jaerock Lee's New York Crusade 2006 held in the most world-renowned arena Madison Square Garden was featured with true repentance and amazing healing miracles, and live-broadcast to 200 nations.

## 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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