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Young Christians' Eyes Remain Fixed on God And Hope for Heaven

Canaan, Young Adults, Light & Salt Missions' and Students' United Devotional Service

On June 2, 2013, Canaan, Young Adults, and Light and Salt Missions and Students Sunday School offered their United Devotional Service in the main sanctuary of Manmin Central Church during Sunday Evening Service.

The young devotees filled the main sanctuary. They raised heart-felt praise for the love of God the Father towards the souls of this earth singing the Manmin Praise song "Providence for the End Time" and glorified His great and amazing power singing "Power 3".

Speaker Dr. Jaerock Lee preached under the title of "What We Should See" grounded on Colossians 3:2. He told them to focus on God who gives them Heaven without looking at fleshly things that are perishing. He continued to say, "Those who look up to God receive blessings in body and spirit and for them New Jerusalem, the best dwelling place in Heaven, will be guaranteed. Just as a fragile and despised woman named Mary



This united devotional service demonstrated the greatness of God's love and expectation towards young members who live in this end time and filled them with hope for Heaven and renewed vision. (Photos above, the devotees of the four missions are offering up special performance.)

Magdalene; a tax-collector, Matthew, who was hated by his own people; and an uneducated fisherman, Peter all became precious persons after meeting the Lord, those who set their minds on God alone can become precious people. I hope you will lead a valuable life by

investing what you have in only the things above."

Moreover, he pleaded with Manmin's young members to preserve their body and heart holy though they live in this sin-filled world and to come forth as God's true children.

The devotees had prepared for the service with prayer, fasting, and offerings. They said in complete accord after the service that they had deeply felt the love of God the Father who cherishes each one of them and that they have come to have earnest hope for New Jerusalem.



Bishop Dr. Myongho Cheong (Top left, the left person on the podium) is preaching about the measure of faith and local pastors are taking notes from the lecture

Bishop Dr. Myongho Cheong's ministry in five cities in eastern DR Congo

From May 6 to 16, 2013, Bishop Dr. Myongho Cheong, Chairman of United Holiness Church of Jesus Christ, Africa led seminars for Congolese pastors in the five cities in eastern DR Congo: Bunia, Butembo, Beni, Goma, and Bukavu. He gave the lectures on 'The Measure of Faith' (Romans 12:3), emphasizing on the powerful worldwide ministry of Rev. Dr. Jaerock Lee, Chairman of United Holiness Church of Jesus Christ.

Through the seminars, the bishops from other denominations and delegate pastors in attendance probed and checked their measure of faith and the work of repentance occurred with them. They showed a desire to work together with Manmin Central Church by constantly hosting such seminars. The attendees

said this kind of interdenominational seminar was unprecedented and it served as an opportunity for different denominations to become united as one. Additionally, the powerful handkerchief prayer of Bishop Dr. Cheong brought many healing works among them (Ref: Acts 19:11-12) and pastors in attendance gave their testimonies of grace.

Democratic Republic of Congo is a country where Dr. Jaerock Lee's DR Congo Miracle Healing Festival was conducted with a total of around 700,000 people in attendance on Triumph Boulevard 1997 in Kinshasa in February 2006. The event glorified God greatly. During the visit Dr. Lee was invited to the presidential residence by DR Congo President Joseph Kabila.

Goodness (18)

Mary Magdalene's Goodness (1)

“And there was a woman in the city who was a sinner; and when she learned that He was reclining at the table in the Pharisee's house, she brought an alabaster vial of perfume, and standing behind Him at His feet, weeping, she began to wet His feet with her tears, and kept wiping them with the hair of her head, and kissing His feet and anointing them with the perfume” (Luke 7:37-38).

Mary Magdalene lived in the depth of misery where no light was shining without any pleasure and hope. Her family disfavored her, abused her, and treated her like she was not a part of them. She married a man whom she thought she could rely on but he was a gambler and a violent, foul-mouthed and evil man.

At the very bottom, in the pitch darkness of her life, she met Jesus who is love itself. She wet His feet with her tears, wiped them with her hair, and anointed them with perfume. From that time on she followed Him and served Him with all she had. Eventually she became the first one to see the resurrected Lord.

Then, how could Mary give out such strong fragrance of goodness even though she was born in the worst of circumstances and lived a miserable life?

1. Mary's goodness: despite her adverse home environment, she never blamed or held resentment toward her parents, brothers, and sisters

Mary was born in Magdala near the Sea of Galilee. The name 'Mary' was very common those days, so she was called Mary 'Magdalene' with her birth place added to her name so that people could distinguish her from other people named Mary. Magdala was a flourishing town which was the center of fishing industry, and in the entire town idol worshipping was rampant throughout the generations. The whole area was lost deep in idolatry, so darkness totally captured the town.

Just as recorded in Luke 8:2, “And also some women who had been healed of evil spirits and sicknesses: Mary who was called Magdalene, from whom seven demons had gone out...” Mary Magdalene also suffered great pain caused by evil spirits. Here, the passage saying that seven demons had gone out from Mary Magdalene means her family including her parents had devoted themselves to worshipping idols and they separated themselves entirely from God. Thus, many kinds of curses came upon the family and nothing went well with them.

Mary was born in the worst surrounding spiritually and she was inflicted with a number of diseases due to her weakness. She couldn't eat well because she had stomach diseases, so her body parts did not function well and it caused her to become ill in appearance. Furthermore, she came down with skin diseases so her appearance was detested by others. She was weakening and even her period as a woman stopped and her body could no longer function as a woman.

Since she was weak and feeble, Mary did not appear before her neighbors and she just lived in seclusion at home. She even belittled and degraded herself as though she were not there in the town. Furthermore, she was treated inhospitably and disdained by her parents and siblings. So, when something bad happened to her household, she felt like it was all her fault. In this way, even her parents, brothers and sisters held her in contempt and disdain.



Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee

Not once did Mary hold any resentment toward them. She attributed all negative things to herself and thought only about how she could keep from giving her family difficulty and the way she could relieve their burdens caused by her. Finally she decided to leave them. But she had nowhere to go, so she just wandered from place to place, begging for something to eat and was reduced to being treated like a beggar.

2. Mary's goodness: while living in misery due to a man she met, she blamed herself

Mary Magdalene met a man and tried entrusting herself to his care. Far from helping her, however, he rather gave her hard time. He neither cared for her with love nor comforted her with heart-warming statements, but he just took advantage of Mary who was frail. He idled around and lapsed into gambling. When he lost all his money he intimidated her into earning or getting some money and often beat her while using foul language.

The man disdained and scorned her rather than feeling thankful to her since he lived off her earnings. He mistreated her saying, “Why do you have so many diseases?” When things around him did not go as he wanted, he got bad-tempered, burst out in anger, cursed Mary, beat her, and vented his anger on her. He was that evil, so he committed many kinds of crime. When his transgressions were revealed, he blamed everything on Mary.

In that way, Mary was perceived as a greedy and sinful woman who made her livelihood by manipulating the man with an evil scheme. Nevertheless, she imputed everything to herself and took the responsibility for his offenses. In the end, she was considered a great sinner although she did not commit any sin. As time went by, she suffered from greater and greater heartache and her health condition became more serious. Without sensing her good and beautiful nature, people criticized her with fingers pointed at her and deemed her a cursed woman.

But Mary still did not feel bitterness toward the

man though she was oppressed, beaten, mocked, and disdained by him. In such a situation, she neither gave up nor shed tears in desperation, but she devoted herself to taking care of the man. She had compassion for him and made a meager living through needlework.

3. Mary was set free from all diseases, pain, and unhappiness by meeting Jesus

In such a tough situation, there was some good news that was delivered to Mary Magdalene. It was about Jesus. She heard that a great prophet-like One who had performed amazing works had come and He could do things impossible for men like allowing for the blind to see and the mute to speak. She came to know that there was a certain town He visited and some sick people there were healed by Him.

Because Mary was of goodness, she believed all such things she heard. In faith she longed to see Jesus. Now Jesus was going to come to Mary's town. Mary could not express how overwhelmingly joyful she was when she met Jesus. She had waited for Jesus with a great yearning. Don't you think she must have given a confession of faith before Jesus such that Jesus could not have just passed by her?

When Jesus touched Mary, all her diseases were cured immediately. She came to digest everything she ate very well, gained strength in her body, and all body functions became normal. Her period began again. But even with all this there was something to be even more grateful for; it was that her broken heart was healed.

To her who seemed like nothing, Jesus gave love to her that she had never received from anybody in the world. Mary was overjoyed due to Jesus who presented her the biggest gift that she had never received.

Mary Magdalene bent her whole heart around Jesus and thought, ‘He is the only One who would never abandon me and who loves me. With all my life, I will serve Him who did not avoid me though I was so wretched, healed me with His hand of love stretched out to me, and renewed my soul.’ She made up her mind, resolutely threw off everything, and spent every moment dedicating herself to only Jesus. Since she had recovered her health, she could do more work and through her private earnings she contributed to supporting Him and His disciples as written in Luke 8:2-3.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, Mary Magdalene did not reproach her parents and brothers and sisters even in the worst family situation imaginable. Although she was regarded as a sinner and despised because of the man whom she had met, she blamed herself for everything. She dedicated herself to helping the man. In the end, she became a blessed woman with the grace and love of the Lord. I hope you will also cultivate a beautiful heart that is pleasing to God. I pray in the name of the Lord that by doing so God will exult over you with joy and His love and blessing will overflow in your life.

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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'I was born into a poor family and now I don't have money to afford even bus fare. It's so pathetic!' Thinking like this, his shoulders drooped as though he shouldered all burdens of the whole world and he walked in anger. 'Phew! I am exhausted. I have just passed a bus stop. How many bus stops are there left for me to get home?' When he arrived at home, he was entirely worn out.

Mr. Negative

One day, two men were waiting for a bus to go home. But they found out that they had no money. They realized it too late. Now, though it is quite distant, they have to go home on foot. Now then, what kind of thoughts do you suppose each one had as he walked?

'Ah, it's all for the good! It's not so bad. I haven't felt well. It is a good chance to take a walk.' He is joyfully walking and even running some. 'I have already passed five bus stops. I think I can walk until I pass ten more bus stops.' When he gets home, his body feels refreshed and he feels light as a feather.

Mr. Positive

Their thoughts reveal how different the result can be depending on how they think and how they accept the given situation even though they are in identical situations. That is, the way of thinking is an important thing to consider in our lives. However, our thoughts are not changed instantly and neither will they change just because we want to change them. This is because to change them, the first thing we have to do is to demolish untruthful thoughts and change our hearts. Otherwise, it may seem that you've changed your thoughts but it's only for the moment, and soon the thought will revert to your original way of thinking. Then, what does it mean to change your thoughts and how can you do it?

The Secret to a Christian Life

Change Your Thoughts!

In a bid to lead a successful life, we need to rule over our hearts and thoughts. Proverbs 8:13 says, "The fear of the LORD is to hate evil; pride and arrogance and the evil way and the perverted mouth, I hate." Only when we hate evil while longing for goodness can we cast away sin and evil and become sanctified. Therefore, our heart's sanctification must be accomplished first, yet at the same time we still need to break off untruthful thoughts.

Step 1

Change into a positive way of thinking!

A positive way of thinking in the Lord refers to not seeing problems or trials in the reality of the situation, but with faith seeing oneself who will be changed through the series of problems and expecting blessings to come after passing through the trials. Let's suppose someone betrayed you. You must not rancor in pain thinking, 'How dare you deceive me?' Instead you'd be much better off trying to realize the love of God, see him with spiritual love, and change

the thought. Switch the thought to one along the line of: 'Fleshly love on the earth simply changes depending on its own benefit. But, God the Father's love does not change at all in any kind of situation. That is true love!'

In Philippians 4:12, the apostle Paul said, "I know how to get along with humble means, and I also know how to live in prosperity; in any and every circumstance I have learned the secret of being filled and going hungry, both of having abundance and suffering need." In hardship, Paul learned how to give thanks in everything and feel content. By going through relativity of things, you can grasp true value and be able to give thanks in everything from your heart. Are you stuck in a difficult situation? Then, expect to grow more maturely and have a broader mind

that embraces every single thing through the incident.

The same applies when you work for the kingdom of God. If there are no workers who enthusiastically evangelize people and visit the members in your mission, why don't you make it an opportunity to experience the power of God who can make you stronger? When you change your thought in a positive way and recognize God, He will pour blessings upon what you do in faith.

It is to note that while achieving a sanctified heart, you might lose heart and feel disheartened because of evil found in you. Even in this case, think about your future self that will be changed quickly and give thanks. When you see everything with faith in a positive thinking, rejoice, and give thanks, you can receive answers quickly.

Step 2

Replace your current way of thinking!

Habitual pattern of thinking creates automatic reaction when we see something. Suppose you see someone who is extroverted and you think he is acting up. This is because you usually feel that way when you see people like him. Also, if you repeatedly have conflicts with someone, it may be because you do not take notice of their strong points within your own fleshly thoughts, which hinders

you from drawing closer to them.

In order to change the way of thinking that interfering fleshly thoughts has formed, try to 'close the door to the thoughts' first. Above all, take an objective view of yourself. Imagine that you are watching yourself and there are doors around you. When untruthful thoughts come to you, close the door to the untruthful thought and change the thought into a spiritual thought.

If you practice it constantly and try to close the doors of thoughts, such thoughts cannot force their way through even a single try of 'closing the door'. Together with the practice, you try to change your thoughts into spiritual thoughts. So, the doorway to fleshly thoughts will vanish and the way to spiritual thoughts will be

made open. Of course, it cannot be done with your own willpower. But it is possible only when you pray fervently in the power of the Holy Spirit.

If we stick to our own existing way of thinking it is impossible for us to find spiritual answers. Because you have thoughts in a fleshly way, no matter how trivial things they are, such thoughts have been accumulating and the way to fleshly thoughts has been built. However, if you try to change every thought into positive thoughts no matter how small it is and change your untruthful habitual thoughts into habitual spiritual thoughts, the old way of thinking will be replaced by spiritual thought. When you pray fervently with such an effort, you will be able to experience the power of God in the help of the Holy Spirit.

Pastor Tariq Mashi
(CCCI Church in Pakistan)

I am a pastor of a church in Karachi that belongs to CCCI (Christ's Commission Church International) in Pakistan.

From April 5th to the 15th, 2013, CCCI hosted Pastors' Seminars and Miracle Healing Crusades here in Pakistan with Pastor Taesik Gil, who ministers to Daejeon Manmin Church of the United Holiness Church of Jesus Christ, Korea.

On this mission trip, Pastor Gil was to preach in the Pastors' Seminars and Miracle Healing Crusades in Lahore, Sheikhpura, Multan, and Karachi. A spiritual awakening and many divine healing works occurred, which glorified God.

I used to be too weak to stand even for 30 minutes. But Mrs. Primrose Samson, Chairperson of CCCI entrusted publicizing and managing preparations for Morning United Crusade for churches in Karachi to me. It was her consideration for me to be healed of my disease and glorify God by my showing faith and pleasing God.

From the beginning of 2013, I had often had a fever and also had aches all over my whole body. On March 7, 2013, I was diagnosed with hepatitis C. The hospital told me that I would have to get a shot every other day for eight months. After I had the injection, aftereffects followed and they were

“I was healed of painful hepatitis C through the prayer of handkerchief”



Pastor Tariq Mashi (left) and his family

terrible. I suffered from high fever such that I could not get out of bed and my whole body was in pain. I also felt pressure on my chest as though I had something heavy on me. When the symptoms had lasted for a month I could no longer endure the pain.

On April 8, at dawn, I called Mrs. Samson and said that I wanted to stop getting the shots and to be healed by faith. She comforted me

and prayed and my family also agreed to my decision. Then, she committed the arrangement of the crusade held in the morning to me and helped me receive the answer just as I had confessed.

On April 11, at night, my family, church members, and I went to Jinnah International Airport Karachi to welcome Pastor Gil who was coming as the speaker for Pastors' Seminars

and Miracle Healing Crusades. At that time, I had no energy so I could not carry his baggage.

At 1 o'clock in the morning on April 12, 2013, Mrs. Primrose Samson talked to Pastor Gil about my disease, hepatitis C. He prayed for me with the handkerchief of power on my head.

Then, an astounding thing occurred! I came home and slept very comfortably. When I woke up, I felt refreshed and all pains were gone. I was actually able to run up stairs. Hallelujah!

On Sunday, on April 14, 2013, the Morning Crusade for churches in Karachi was held under the host of CCCI in Baptist Bible Church ministered to by Pastor Khurram Gill. Pastor Taesik Gil preached amid countless people. There were so many that they filled the sanctuary and the church yard. Many people had to return to their homes because there was no more room for them.

After preaching, he prayed from the stage for the sick. A lot of people were healed and received answers and glorified God. I also received the prayer with faith and I became even healthier. With a thankful heart, my family saw off Pastor Gil at the airport when he left Pakistan.

Now, anemia that had been caused by hepatitis C has disappeared and my face looks well again. I came to eat well and have become healthy. I am performing my ministry with happiness. I give all thanks and glory to God who healed and blessed me.

“Blessings are overflowing after I cast off useless worldly things and came to see only the Lord”

Brother Seongje Shin (12th grader)

When I was a 7th grader, I became a skilled wrestler with exceptional talent and I was a rising star after receiving prizes in *Seoul Wrestling Competition* and the *National Wrestling Contest*. I attended church in those days, but I hung around with friends and had attachment to the worldly things and increasingly distanced myself from my Christian life and studies.

In March, 2010, I entered high school. I felt troubled since I could not adapt to the environment that was much tougher than that of a middle school and also the life pattern in a school dorm. In the end, I took a leave of absence from school three months after the entering. In July, 2013, I attended Mini Divine Healing Crusade Dr. Jaerock Lee led for students after Sunday Evening Service.

He urged students not to be stained with the world full of sin and evil, but to love God, grow up pure, lead a diligent Christian life and study well. Also, he earnestly told us that there are definitely Heaven and Hell and we must not do anything that leads to Hell.

I was greatly moved by his word. A thought came. “I must not live anymore like I've done.” I decided to renew myself. Afterwards, I came to hate the dorm life that was filled with drinking, smoking, and games. I stopped meeting with my girlfriend and made up my mind to live a life with my eyes on the Lord. To avoid the life of the dorm, I changed my specialty to judo.

In March, 2011, I transferred to Deokil Electronic Engineering High School that has its own judo team. From then, I was diligent in practicing, studying, and leading a Christian life. As a 10th grader, I took the first place in the school and received a scholarship. Practicing judo was difficult for me because my body was used to techniques of wrestling, but I tried hard with patience.

In March, 2013, finally, I won in the 77kg class at the 29th Seoul Judo Association Presidential Competition and was elected as a student president in school. In May, 2013, to God's glory I was awarded a Good Conduct Award and scholarship from Seoul Southern Area District Attorney's Office.

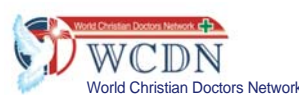
I give thanks to the Lord who has blessed and led me to live in the Light as God's child.



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