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Dr. Jaerock Lee's Books Displayed in the Singapore Book Fair 2013 and Seoul International Book Fair 2013

'Go into the world with true bread for souls'

In the support of Singapore Manmin Church ministered to by Missionary Wong Ping Ping, Urim Books participated in the 28th Singapore Book Fair held in Suntec Singapore International Convention and Exhibition Center from June 5th to 10th in 2013

In the book fair, approximately 150 publishers from all over Asia exhibited books and periodicals on subjects of education, computer software, religions, and the like. Urim Books (See www.urimbooks.com) displayed and sold Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee's books; 17 volumes in Chinese and 28 in English, and the books drew visitors' attention and gained fervent response.

In particular, Dr. Lee's representative book *The Message of the Cross* peaked visitors' interest and sold the most. The book with the message of salvation through Jesus Christ has been translated and published in 51 languages including Hebrew, Arabic, and Tamil. They have been selling not only in Christian countries but also in non-Christian countries.

In May, 1987, Urim Books was organized for the sake of souls' salvation. Beginning with the publication of Dr. Lee's testimonial memoirs *Tasting Eternal*



Life before Death, his life-filled messages have been compiled in many books, such as *The Measure of Faith; Heaven I & II; Hell; Spirit, Soul, and Body I & II; and Seven Churches* through Urim Books. Additionally, Urim Books has issued collections of verbal testimonies from the church members; collections of the Christian columns that appeared in various news media; and children's and students' study books as well.

Also, they have been dedicated to releasing multilingual books and electronic books (e-books) to provide souls all over the world with spiritual bread necessary for this period related to Dr. Lee's words of life and powerful works.

Furthermore, Urim Books has promoted Dr. Lee's multilingual books by registering

as an exhibitor in many distinguished book fairs such as **Frankfurt Book Fair** in Germany, **Jerusalem International Book Fair** in Israel, **Book Expo America** in the U.S., **Beijing International Book Fair** in China, and **London Book Fair** in the U.K.

Currently, Dr. Lee's books have been printed in a total of 245 volumes in 53 languages. They are now being published and circulated through partnership with more than 20 publishers in the U.S., Canada, Italy, Ukraine, Brazil, Taiwan, Indonesia, Egypt, India, and the Philippines.

Urim Books partook in the 19th Seoul International Book Fair, the biggest book fair in Korea that was held in COEX Convention and Exhibition Center from June 19 to 23 in 2013.

The event is held annually and is organized and managed by Korean Publishers Association. And this year's theme was "Book, Human, and Future". About 500 publishers in or from 20 other countries gathered and introduced new releases plus older but interesting books in many different genre such as children's books and books encompassing the humanities, social studies, science, culture, and other arts together with many special kinds of exhibitions.

As the 'Guest of Honor', India had the biggest scale of exhibitions and programs planned including an exhibition of books concerning the history, culture and arts of India as well as seminars for Korean and Indian publishers and publication related experts. In addition, to celebrate the 50th diplomatic tie between Canada and Korea, various events took place so that visitors could experience Canadian culture. There were many other accompanying programs such as 'Meeting with Authors', 'Academy for Humanities', 'A Pop-up Book Story' and 'Making a Story Book for Children'.

For Urim Books it was its fifth time to be a part of the book fair and this year they displayed Dr. Lee's 87 books in Korean, 245 volumes in 53 languages, and 242 volumes of e-books in 43 languages.

One side of Urim Books' booth was adorned with a picture of Dr. Jaerock Lee's India United Crusade 2002 that was held in Marina Beach, India and was attended by a total of almost three million people. The booth provided an overview of the current status of the translation and worldwide circulation of his books. Many visitors showed interest in its e-books on the hi-tech gadgets such as iPads and Kindle Fires in the booth and people were on hand to work as translators for foreign visitors.

Urim Books' booth's picture



Goodness (19)

Mary Magdalene's Goodness (2)

“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).

When Mary Magdalene came to Jesus with the sincerity of such a good heart, she was forgiven of her sins, set free from every kind of curse, and healed of her diseases by the power of Jesus. And she became a healthy and beautiful woman.

Above all, her broken heart was renewed and came to be full of Jesus' love, which overwhelmed her life with thanksgiving and happiness. Afterwards, she attended to Jesus as her Lord and followed Him until the end with ardent love that nobody could stop or take away.

Then, what are the spiritual implications of Mary Magdalene wetting Jesus' feet with her tears, wiping them with the hair of her head, kissing His feet, and anointing His feet with the perfume?

1. Mary wet Jesus' feet with her tears, wiped them with her hair, and kissed His feet

Mary Magdalene lived hopelessly from day to day suffering from evil spirits. In the course of time she heard about Jesus who healed the sick and preached the gospel of the kingdom and it made her heart flutter. She believed that meeting Him would remove herself from the pitch darkness of her life, and she was looking forward to seeing Him. Though she was a frail figure, with money that she earned and saved from needlecraft, she prepared the costly perfume. Finally, she learned that Jesus was at the home of Simon, a Pharisee in her town.

Mary went to Simon's home with the alabaster vial of the perfume that she had prepared with her whole heart. When she arrived, there were many people. The moment they recognized her, they threw a disapproving glance at her as though they said, “It is not the place where a sinner like you can come.” But due to her strong scent of determination and longing for Jesus, they made way for her without knowing why.

The minute she entered the house, she was able to notice at a single glance that it was Jesus sitting across the room. When she saw the benign and gentle Jesus and felt that He would forgive and accept anybody, she began to shed endless tears. Because He was an extremely noble Person, she could not approach facing Him, but moved towards Him from behind until she stood behind Him.

As she approached and ended up at His feet, she burst into tears. Her tears were falling and wetting Jesus' precious feet. Since her birth, Mary had neither felt happiness nor received love from others. But now Jesus was right next to her and she could feel that He was full of love, knew everything about her, and would embrace her. Her sudden appearance bewildered people and the sound of her weeping filled the house.

They judged her, thinking, ‘Who is that woman? What is she doing?’ or ‘Oh, no! It's unseemly!’ After weeping for a while, Mary wiped Jesus' feet with the



Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee

hair of her head and kissed His feet. People could not control their shock and began to talk in whispers.

At that time, most people in Israel wore sandals, so it was very natural that their feet were covered with dirt. Moreover, there was not enough water to wash their feet. Thus, for Jesus' feet, it was the same. Actually, it was widespread custom that the house owner was to provide guests with water so that they could wash their feet, but Simon the Pharisee had not even offered Jesus water to wash His feet.

But Mary Magdalene drenched Jesus' feet with her tears, washed them with her hair, and even kissed them. In those days, Jewish women did not heedlessly reveal their hair. But Mary washed Jesus' feet with her hair.

Through her actions, Mary expressed her love and devotion for Jesus and her earnest desire to serve Him with a perfectly humble heart. It was furthermore the manifestation of her faith with which she would receive solutions to all problems by meeting Jesus. However, no one could have known her heart. They regarded her to be a bad woman who manipulated the man she was married to and caused him to do bad things. It seemed like they would have dragged her out right away if it had not been for Jesus.

Mary Magdalene did not care about the disapproving looks of people. Nothing mattered because Jesus would know her heart and her truthfulness and He would receive her love. She could feel satisfied owing to one thing: Jesus did not consider her a sinner although everyone else criticized her with a finger pointed at her. So, she did what she wanted without hesitation. That is, she wet Jesus' feet with her tears, washed them with her hair, kissed them, and anointed them with the perfume.

2. Mary broke an alabaster vial and poured the perfume on Jesus' feet

Mary Magdalene broke an alabaster vial of perfume and anointed Jesus' feet with the perfume. It

demonstrates not only her enthusiastic love but also includes spiritually deep meaning.

Here, ‘an alabaster vial’ that contained the perfume is a high quality container. It spiritually represents our body. ‘To break an alabaster vial’ means to devote ourselves to the Lord sacrificing our body. No matter how expensive the perfume is, only when we break the vial that contains the perfume can it come out. In other words, only when we break our self-framework of thoughts and speculation regardless of authority or decency and entirely give up our ‘selves’ will it be possible for us to make such a commitment. But still no matter how good it was, the vial was just a container for the perfume. What was of value was the perfume inside.

The Bible does not tell us how much the perfume was but the perfume was the most costly and high-priced at that time. The Gospel of John chapter 12 talks about the perfume that Mary in Bethany anointed the feet of Jesus, and it was a pound of perfume of pure nard and the price was three hundred denarii. A denarius was an average daily wage for a worker, so three hundred denarii was such a great amount of money that people could save only by accumulating all wages earned for almost a year without spending any.

We could feel how wholehearted Mary Magdalene's devotion was to buy such costly perfume. She constantly worked with her exhausted and sick body and saved money little by little. She was nervous and afraid that the man she had married might seize it and she even reduced her food. Through this, she could give the perfume to Jesus. That is why to give perfume means to offer entire and sincere dedication.

In other words, Mary's breaking the vial and anointing Jesus' feet with the perfume in it signifies that she gave all her body, heart, and mind to Him. Afterwards, Mary unchangingly served Jesus and followed Him even when He was crucified. When He was buried she came to the tomb and after waiting for the Sabbath to be over she came there again to anoint Him with perfume. Meantime, she was blessed to become the first person who met the resurrected Lord.

In addition, her actions carry remarkable spiritual meaning in the fact that the perfume could come out only when the vial was broken. The ‘vial’ symbolizes our body that wants to follow the desire of the flesh. Just as perfume can come out only when a vial is broken, our true love for the Lord can be revealed only when we get rid of the desires of the flesh.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, I pray in the name of the Lord that you will cast away the desires of the flesh and offer up a pure and holy heart to the Lord like Mary Magdalene who broke the alabaster vial containing the perfume and anointed Jesus' feet.

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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The Three Criteria for Prayer Worthy of Being Accepted by God

In order to achieve a good and beautiful heart, we need to listen to the Word of God, keep it in our hearts, and practice it. For this, we have to receive strength through prayer (Ref: 1 Timothy 4:5). Although you learn the Word, if you do not pray in the inspiration of the Spirit, you cannot be supplied with wisdom and strength that enable you to discover and apply the Word to yourself. Then, by looking into the following three criteria with which you can check if your prayer is acceptable to God, we hope you will lead a powerful Christian life.

POINT 1

Do you pray in the inspiration of the Spirit recalling the Word of God?

- Prayer is communication with God in spirit, so if we offer up prayer in the inspiration of the Spirit we can reach the understanding of the will of God even in a split-second. This is because the Spirit who searches all things even the depth of God teaches us. Therefore, the help of the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential in gaining the knowledge of our 'self' and changing our heart into the truth.

Just as John 14:26 reads, "But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I said to you," we should pray in the Spirit's teaching and His help. Only when we become filled with His inspiration

and strength during prayer can we receive power to be changed.

Here, in order to offer up such powerful prayer, we must have the Word of God planted in us first. Put differently, we should listen to the Word, engrave it in our hearts, spiritually digest it, and pray. When we pray recalling the Word, the Spirit can shed His light in our hearts and teach us about ourselves.

Suppose you pray to accomplish spiritual love. Instead of praying, "Let me remove hatred and let love come into my heart," it is better for you to pray, "Love is patient. I have learned that patience refers to not holding in anger, but the quality of being patient because the heart does not have anything that needs exercising

patience. Even if someone hates me, gives me a hard time, or curses at me, I have to understand and forgive him; it is love. Let me cultivate such love in my heart."

When we pray while keeping the Word of God that was explained in sermons, the Spirit gives us realization. He brings back to our memory something done impatiently or if we had a grudge against someone who hates us.

When we pray the Holy Spirit even reminds us of and teaches us about what we could not realize in the busyness of everyday life. Therefore, we can be changed in the power and help of the Holy Spirit who provides knowledge of our 'self' by offering up such prayer.

POINT 2

Do you specify what you need to God in prayer?

- When a blind beggar named Bartimaeus kept calling Jesus, He said to him, "What do you want Me to do for you?" Then he answered, "I want to regain my sight!" Jesus had known everything about the man but He asked him what he wanted Him to do and he answered specifically (Mark 10:46-52).

In another case recorded in Mark 9:17-27, a man brought his son who was possessed by a spirit to Jesus. Jesus asked the boy's father, "How long has this been happening to him?" And he said, "From childhood. It has often thrown him both into the fire and

into the water to destroy him." And he asked for His help saying, "Help us!"

Let's say you are faced with some troubles in your business and you need a helping hand. Right then, someone asks you, "What can I do for you? I want to help you". In this situation, none of you would reply, "Help me just as you please". Instead, you may state explicitly what you need and the reasons you need it. In the same manner, we need to pray with specific detailed contents to God.

The same applies to casting off sin and evil. Jealousy and envy are not just

gotten rid of when we pray, "Let me throw away jealousy and envy." You must lay down yourself before God, try to remember what you did and felt, and pray in a specific way.

If you want to be a perfect man who does not stumble in what he says, you might as well pray like this: "I want for myself not to use violent language. I do not want to make any excuse for my mistakes. I desire to stop joking around. I do not want to talk behind others' backs." When you pray specifically like this, God can pour His grace upon you all the more.

POINT 3

Do you offer up prayer that moves God's heart?

- In Luke chapter 18 there is a parable of an unrighteous judge. Even the unrighteous judge ended up bringing about justice for the persistent widow when she constantly bothered him to gain legal protection from him. With the parable, the Lord said, "Will not God bring about justice for His elect who cry to Him day and night, and will He delay long over them?"

An earnest prayer touches God's heart. When we pray fervently in earnest with all our hearts, will, mind and dedication, God gives us strength and grace.

Furthermore, it is important to offer

up prayer with the heart of goodness. This is because the fragrance of prayer of goodness can touch the heart of God. To offer prayers of goodness acceptable to God, we need to cultivate goodness in us and try to pile up goodness upon goodness every moment of our lives. Only when the words and actions of goodness become piled up in our life can we give prayers of goodness.

Let's say you pray for your misbehaving child. If you ask God to change him with uneasy feeling like embarrassment, frustration, or resentment, it is not the prayer of love. You have to repent first of your own wrongdoing, saying, "I failed

to set a proper example as a parent. It has affected him and that is why he has such a shortcoming." If you repent and then pray for your child with love, it can change your child.

Even if you are in trials, the prayer worthy of being accepted by God is the prayer offered with a humble heart and with thanksgiving so that it can bring to you a change. It must not be a prayer full of lamentation, sorrow, or self-condemnation.

We hope you will specify your hearts' desires in your prayer in the inspiration of the Spirit, offer up an earnest prayer of goodness, and lead a powerful Christian life in God's blessing.



From left, Pastor Oleg Hazin, his wife Olga Hazin, Rita Hazin, and Mark Hazin

“I am delighted to meet the spiritual leader who has love for Israel”

Sister Rita Hazin
(Ashdod Manmin Church, Israel)

I am a Ukrainian Jew. I did not know God well and I was disdained and despised all my life. But through my son I learned about God and about the Lord. One day, my son told me that he wanted to conduct a ministry in God's promised land, Israel!

It shocked my husband and me. Without any experience, my son wanted to move to a place where people speak in a different language from ours! I was so concerned about him. But we did not have any way to stop him.

In 1991, my son eventually left for Israel. While living in disappointment and in absent-mindedness, my son's words suddenly flashed through my mind. “Mom, all kinds of fear come from disbelief. Why don't you read the Bible?” For the very first time in my life, I knelt down and prayed. “Lord! I want to meet You. Please give me faith. I commit my son to You, Lord!”

From then on, I read the Bible and realized something really striking. It was that Jews like me are God's elect and God sent His only begotten Son, Jesus to the earth to save mankind. The Word of God became bread of life that provides me with life and gave me true peace.

In December, 1991, after the Soviet Union collapsed and many

countries opened their door in the international community. Then, many people left their home countries and immigrated to other countries. In Ukraine, crime was ever increasing, which made it hard for us to stay there. In 1997, we ended up moving to Israel where my son lived. In 1998, my family started a church in my house in Ashdod. But it was really tough to lead our lives in Israel. Pastor Oleg Hazin, my son, had to work to make a living so he could not focus completely on his ministry. I was so sorry to see him. We had an earnest desire to meet a spiritual leader whom we can follow in the will of God and be dedicated to souls' salvation.

In the meantime, in 2007, we met Rev. Dr. Jaerock Lee who visited Israel to conduct his ministry. We witnessed many healing works and powerful works manifested by his prayer and listened to his message full of life. Observing it, we arrived at the realization that he is the spiritual leader we had been looking for. He encouraged Israeli pastors with love, prayer, and financial support. Through his support the Israeli Pastors' Association was organized under the name of Crystal Forum in 2008.

In September, 2009, we even hosted Dr. Jaerock Lee's Israel United Crusade at the International Convention Center in Jerusalem. In Jerusalem, the capital city of Israel,

he boldly proclaimed that Jesus is our only Savior and performed amazingly powerful works of God. Many people were healed of cancer, arthritis, and diabetes. People threw away wheelchairs and glasses. Many powerful works that occurred in the crusade glorified God greatly. It was an unforgettable moment filled with emotion for us.

From that time on, the Israeli Christian ministry took a reverse in the flow compared to that of the past. Pastors have become actively involved in their ministries and Messianic Jews, who had been treated as an alienated minority group in Israel, praised God in outdoor places and lead happy Christian lives in the faith the Lord had given to them.

I am a 67 year-old woman, but with passion for souls' salvation I am studying God's Word by taking the courses offered by Manmin International Seminary (MIS). I placed Dr. Lee's books such as *The Message of the Cross, Heaven I & II*, and *The Measure of Faith* on my desk and preach the messages in our cell group service. When I pray recalling my realization that I gained through the books, the Spirit has helped me to stand firmly on the truth.

I give all thanks and glory to God who let me know Jesus Christ the Savior. I extend my heartfelt thanks to Dr. Jaerock Lee who is leading Israel with his precious message.

“I was healed of otitis media with cholesteatoma”



Deaconess Kyunga Cho
(Suncheon Manmin Church)

In October, 2011, I sneezed and at that moment I felt pain in my left ear. The medical check-up revealed that I had otitis media with cholesteatoma. The doctor told me that it could impact on my brain and cause me to die if it became more serious. He wrote a medical treatment request that asked for me to be seen at a bigger hospital a week later and have an operation.

Right at the time, Pastor Heesun Lee, the Guidance Pastor of Men's and Women's Missions (at that time) and Manmin World Guidance Pastor came to Suncheon Manmin Church for its 1st Anniversary Service. I received her handkerchief prayer (Ref: Acts 19:11-12) and the severe pain disappeared. But I heard a humming in my ears and I could not hear well.

Afterwards, I attended the Daniel Prayer Meeting every night and prayed to discover myself and be changed. In prayer, God let me realize my ill feeling towards my husband who had not led a diligent Christian life. He showed me my desire to be served, my self-righteousness, and the stubbornness that was in me. I repented and tried to understand and serve others with a humble heart.

Then, I came to Seoul and received the prayer of Dr. Jaerock Lee. On May 4, 2013, it was confirmed that I was completely healed of otitis media with cholesteatoma. The disease is impossible to be cured naturally, and even with operation it can cause aftereffects and danger of reoccurrence. I give all thanks and glory to God.



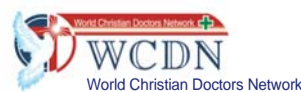
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