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Manmin News celebrated its 600th anniversary! Its publication in 29 languages including the UN official languages



The first publication and 400th issue

Manmin News celebrated its 600th anniversary of spreading the power of God the Creator, the gospel of Jesus Christ, and the works of the Spirit to all the parts of the earth and guiding countless souls to the way of salvation. The newspaper began publication on May 17 in 1987. It was first published on a monthly basis and then a weekly basis. Celebrating its 27th anniversary in October, 2009, the newspaper was changed into a mission newsletter for all Manmin members and began being issued every week under the name 'Manmin News'.

Currently, Manmin News is published in 29 languages. With its high quality contents full of life, it works to bring about an upgrade of the level of faith of its readers. It includes the news about mission works in and out of Korea; Dr. Lee's 'Word of Life'; Christian Counseling; Feature Story that increase readers' faith; and Manmin members' grace-filled testimonies. The number of Manmin News readers has constantly increased.

Elder Yeongsun Kim, age 77, said, "I have gathered every edition of Manmin News from its first edition. I read them in the 'between times' and share grace with others because the papers carry such precious messages and testimonies."

A large number of people have come to Manmin Central Church, met the living God and received blessings through a copy of Manmin News. Among them, Elder Honggi Park, aged 54, testified to his healing, "I was healed of pollution disease after reading Manmin News that was placed at the door of my house and I registered in Manmin. I have evangelized 80 people in my family and relatives and enjoy blessings both in spirit and body." Deacon Hyunha Woo, aged 48, said, "I picked up a copy of Manmin News that had fallen on the ground. As a result, I attended the special revival meeting and listened to the spiritual message delivered by Dr. Lee. I was deeply moved seeing God guarantee his words with healing works."

Manmin News has been published in Korean on a weekly basis, and it is translated into English and both traditional and simplified Chinese the following week. Manmin News in Russian, Spanish, and Tagalog has been issued every other week; and in Japanese, French, Bisayan, Mongolian, Portuguese, Arabic, Indonesian, Thai, Estonian, Hebrew, Ukrainian, Urdu, Vietnamese, Dutch, Bulgarian, Finnish, and Danish issues are translated on a monthly basis. Also, Tamil and Hindi editions have been translated and published in India. Nepali, German, and Sinhalese editions have been intermittently issued adjusting to the situation of the local areas.

The website www.manminnews.com also provides Manmin News in 29 languages on the Internet. The missionaries inside and outside of Korea can download PDF format of Manmin News anywhere from the website and print and distribute as many copies as they want in their areas.

Dr. Daniel Sanguichai in Thailand said, "My life has become spiritually deep while translating Dr. Lee's books and Manmin News." Sister Raiwood Miler from Ukraine said, "Manmin News has encouraged many people in the world and helped a lot."

We give all thanks and glory to God the Father who has guided us to publish the 600th edition of Manmin News and we express heartfelt thanks to those who support Manmin News.

Manmin News_ My Christian Guide



"It is an 'essential nutrient' for my life"

Sister Lina Dabbagh (Israel)

I came to know of the many ministries of Manmin Central Church through Manmin News. I have borne a lot of successful outcomes by spreading the grace and love of God to the world. The section named 'The Word of Life' where Dr. Jaerock Lee's sermons appear has been truly full of life. Moreover, I have been personally experiencing many changes through the articles in Christian Counseling and Feature Story sections.

I have learned very significant and necessary things in leading my Christian life with the Lord and applied them to my everyday life. I even let people around me know about them.

The testimonies were amazing themselves. Their lives have proved the astounding power of God working with Dr. Lee and the ministry of Manmin, though I have not seen them in person. I am very joyful that Manmin News has become an 'essential nutrient' for my life. Hallelujah!



"It is a key to receiving answers"

Missionary Jabar Sirait (Indonesia)

I am going to talk about Deacon Benny Cefulet's testimony. While working, he fell under a giant container. From then on he suffered from severe pains which caused him to be unable to sleep and he suffered from high fever. He lost 22 pounds.

He went to hospital for a precise diagnosis in July, 2013. His doctor said that he had one-liter of liquid in his internal organs due to internal injury to his chest and advised him to have operation. He wanted to get healed with faith, however, because he had known the powerful works of God manifested through Dr. Jaerock Lee by reading Manmin News.

He received my prayer of the handkerchief on which Dr. Lee had prayed on July 14 in 2013 (Acts 19:11-12). A week later, the doctor said, with surprise, "No fluid! Not even a milliliter! You were completely healed!" Hallelujah!

Holy Spirit, Sign of Salvation and God's Gift

“Now He who establishes us with you in Christ and anointed us is God, who also sealed us and gave us the Spirit in our hearts as a pledge” (2 Corinthians 1:21-22).

Our God of love sent His only begotten Son Jesus to the earth as atoning sacrifice to save human beings who were on the way to death due to sins. It is because He wanted to destroy our wall of sins against Him and let us recover the lost image of God. That is, He opened the way of salvation.

After Jesus preached the gospel of the kingdom and fulfilled His duty as the Savior by dying without any sins on the wooden cross, God sent us another Helper, the Holy Spirit. God opened the way of salvation so that anyone can receive salvation by believing in Jesus Christ and enter Heaven, but God already knew that people would lack strength to continue to walk the way to eternal life until the end.

What then should we do in order to receive the Spirit who is the sign of salvation and God's gift, recover the lost image of God, and become His true children who can share everlasting love with Him?

1. The works of the Spirit who descended upon Mark's upper room

In Acts chapter 1, Jesus commanded His disciples not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait for what the Father had promised, that is, the Helper the Holy Spirit. He also urged them to receive power when the Holy Spirit came upon them and to become His witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth. They saw the ascension of the Lord and gathered in Mark's upper room. They all, with one mind, were continually devoting themselves to prayer to receive the Holy Spirit and power.

In the meantime, on the Pentecost, 120 people were praying fervently in Mark's upper room. The second chapter of Acts describes the situation like this: “And suddenly there came from heaven a noise like a violent rushing wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. And there appeared to them tongues as of fire distributing themselves, and they rested on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit was giving them utterance.”

When this happened, many devout Jews who were from every nation and staying in Jerusalem to celebrate the Pentecost were bewildered and some of them mocked and said, “They are full of sweet wine.”

But Peter, taking his stand with the eleven, raised his voice and said that they were not drunk, but God poured out His spirit on them as prophesied in Joel 2:28. He also declared that the prophesies in the Old Testament had been fulfilled by Jesus Christ.

By listening to these messages from Peter on the Pentecost, many people repented and received baptism in the name of Jesus Christ. The number of the people was as many as 3,000 (Acts 2:14-41). In this way, the Early Church was established by the Lord's disciples who received the Holy Spirit and the power, and the gospel could be spread in Jerusalem, all Judea,



Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee

Samaria, and even to the whole world.

2. The Holy Spirit, the sign of salvation and God's gift

John 1:12 reads, “But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in His name”. As said, anyone who listens to the gospel and accepts Jesus Christ can receive the Spirit and their names are written in the Book of Life. If God seals us as His children, He gives the Holy Spirit into our hearts as its pledge and helps us be born again as a new creature and live in His will through the Holy Spirit.

Our Helper the Holy Spirit protects and helps believers. Also, the Holy Spirit is the Spirit of the truth who searches all things, even the depths of God (1 Corinthians 2:10). The Spirit teaches us of sins, righteousness, and judgment, lets the spirits of those who have accepted Jesus Christ awakened, and helps them cast off sins and lawlessness and live in righteousness. He guides us to have faith and hope for Heaven, gives us strength to think, speak, and act in the truth every moment, and leads us to become men of spirit by giving birth to spirit in our hearts.

The Helper the Holy Spirit dwells in our hearts and teaches us the truth just like a private tutor. And He is a driving force to us so that we can unceasingly run towards Heaven. Therefore, when we are full of the Spirit, it is like a machine with the optimum engine, and He gives birth to spirit in us and we can quickly become men of spirit.

3. Our spirits must be renewed by the Spirit without quenching the Spirit

Once we accepted Jesus Christ and received the Holy Spirit, we have to possess firm faith in Christ. In order to become holy persons by means of the Word and prayer by the help of the Spirit, we should cast

away sins to the point of shedding blood (Hebrews 12:4) and we have to throw away every form of evil (1 Thessalonians 5:22). By doing so, we can receive the blessing of the prosperity of our spirits that causes all things to go well with us and brings us good health (3 John 1:2). We can also become men of spirit and whole spirit and please God like the forefathers of faith did.

But there are some people who received the Spirit but have not changed their hearts. They still live in sins and evil following the desire of the flesh since they have not followed the desire of the Holy Spirit. Some of them come to have lukewarm faith and stop casting away sins at some point though they tried to cast off sins in the beginning. They have not yet resisted to the point of shedding blood in their striving against sin (Hebrews 12:4). Some others even stopped fighting against sins, befriend the world, and commit sins leading to death again.

The Holy Spirit will be quenched if you keep committing sins without living according to the Word of God although you received the Spirit. 1 Thessalonians 5:19 reads, “Do not quench the Spirit.” If you do not change although you received the Spirit as a pledge for salvation, then, as written in Revelation 3:1, ‘you will have a name (reputation) that you are alive, but you are dead.’

Therefore, we must not quench the Spirit but we have to let our spirit be renewed by the Spirit, recover the image of God that had been lost since the first man Adam's transgression, and bear the fruit of the Spirit.

God the Creator manifested the amazing providence when all men fell under death due to transgression of Adam, the first man. God places the seed of life at the sixth month of conception into the spirit God sends us and plants it in the nucleus of a cell in the deepest heart that is central focus point of the body. When a person hears the gospel and accepts Jesus Christ, God sends them the Helper the Holy Spirit as His gift into the heart and lets the seed sprout and the dead spirit revive.

To the extent that we follow the desire of the Spirit and obey His guidance, He helps us bear the fruit of the Spirit. Anybody can grow up well in spirit as long as they obey the guidance of the Helper the Holy Spirit and He allows them to become men of spirit and whole spirit.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, God prepared Jesus the Savior and the Helper the Holy Spirit even before the beginning so that all men can be saved and enter the heavenly kingdom. Furthermore, He pours down the Holy Spirit like a waterfall so that we can increase our faith in the inspiration of the Spirit and achieve the providence of the end time.

As the Lord commissioned us, I pray in the name of the Lord that you will receive the Holy Spirit and power and become the witnesses of the Lord to every corner of the earth.

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 Embarrassing Reality of the Smartphone Era

Not long ago, I gave lectures to 4th, 5th, and 6th graders. I asked them to raise their hands if they have their own smartphones. It was unbelievable!—almost all of them did though the phones cost around thousands of dollars.

Now the smartphones are easily accessible even to kids. But the phones’ functions are beyond imagination of adults who just receive phone calls, take pictures, use free text message service such as Kakaotalk, or read daily news. Via the smartphones, children can have access to movies, soap operas, and games with pornographic or violent scenes that we cannot even bear to see and they are provided under the name of ‘culture’.

The contents people should never see are reachable with just pressing a few buttons. Shopaholics can enjoy online

shopping 24 hours a day. This is the generation when anybody can become addicts without knowing. Now the world becomes the place where people can do everything with smartphones that are the combination of broadcasting, communication, and tech-gadgets.

As the number of smartphone users increases, the hours of their use also increase. The smartphones convey information in a convenient and quick way. However, they cause people not to be able to take their eyes off of them when they are on buses or subways or behind the wheel when driving, and even when they have a meal with the family. You might have heard that some people hear imaginary ringtones of smartphones.

The playground in some schools are empty during breaks, and most students

sit separately and play games or surf the Internet with their smartphones. They ostracize their friends using SNS or use extremely violent language that should not be tolerated online.

Although they are grouped together, their eyes are on their smartphones. When they text somebody, they check their phones constantly and if the response is late they feel upset. So there are frequent misunderstanding and quarrels. They cannot control their emotions and impulses and they seemingly cannot function if their phones are left at home. Worse, they send long messages regardless of time and place. It causes people’s brains to change. This is the reality of people in this digital generation.



• Disadvantages of Quick and Convenient Information Delivery Gadget, Smartphone

Popcorn Brain is the current moniker for a brain so accustomed to the constant stimulation of electronic multitasking that they become unfit for life offline, where things pop at a much slower pace. The world of smartphones is full of stimulating content and it changes quickly and continuously. As people are getting used to it, the real world no longer stimulates their brains due to its slow speed. So, their emotions become dulled and they rarely respond to things in the real world.

A qualitative scientific research in China has given insights that too much time spent online can actually physically change the brain, reducing the gray matter and therefore limiting the thinking part of the brain. Children should be more careful about it since their brains have not been completely developed. Children with popcorn brains are slower than ordinary ones to react to flickering lights in an experiment where they should clap to the light

flickering. This also causes them to show ADHD (Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder), impulse control disorder, poor interpersonal skill, or anxiety disorder.

Also, the constant and repetitive stimulations caused by smartphones lead to the development of the left hemisphere. This leads to the side effects of the right hemisphere syndrome. A person who is “left-brained” is often said to be more logical, analytical and objective, while a person who is “right-brained” is said to be more intuitive, thoughtful and subjective. Excessive use of smartphones hampers the development of right hemisphere, which negatively influences kids’ creativity and sociability. It also impedes the balanced development of both hemispheres of brain which allows for them to process information.

What is even worse, Right Brain Syndrome can lead to ‘TIC Disorder’ or ‘Digital Dementia’. Digital Dementia here refers to the symptom of individuals

who rely heavily on technology, such as mobile phones or computers, suffering deterioration in the abilities to calculate and cognitive abilities such as short term memory dysfunction. For example, some are not able to remember their parents’, children’s or close friends’ phone numbers or even what they ate the previous day. Or, there are very few songs they can sing unless the screen shows the lyrics. They feel more comfortable using keyboards than to write by hand. There are many additional symptoms and disorders.

Heavy use of smartphones causes amblyopia, pain in the eyes, and eye fatigue. It also leads to forward head posture, and carpal tunnel syndrome. If we use smartphones surfing the Internet, reading web cartoons, playing games, and sending text messages before going to sleep, our brains wake up due to the bright lights from the phones. Then, we cannot have sound sleep, which leads to lack of sleep and problems in our daily lives.



• The reasons why we have to understand the signs of the end time and adorn ourselves as brides of the Lord

I can say to you, we who are in this generation, cannot avoid effects of such media and technology. No matter if it is by our own will or not, we are exposed to all kinds of electronic media gadgets and contents full of sins and evil. The side effects are unavoidable. If we are addicted to them we cannot help but be under their control. Frequent smartphone hacks are one of the evidences.

Revelation chapter 13 depicts the beasts that will control the whole world during the Seven-year Great Tribulation. It refers to antichrist or the supercomputer that the antichrist uses to save information of all the people of all nations and to dominate and rule over the whole earth.

The antichrist will enjoy absolute power and gain control of the world politics, economy, and military forces. This is because the enemy devil and Satan will help and cause them to dominate the world as they want. So, during the Seven-year Great Tribulation, the antichrist will have an unmatched level of authority and power. With this, they will oppose God and persecute believers in the Lord.

Therefore, the God of love has been pouring down the Spirit like a waterfall at this end time so that the power of recreation of the Spirit can be fully performed through the original voice and by it we can overcome the power of the antichrist. Ever since He resurrected

and ascended into heaven, the Lord has been preparing saved people’s heavenly dwelling places and He will come again to take God’s beloved children and hold the Seven-year Wedding Banquet in the air.

Then, as God’s beloved children who have accepted Jesus Christ, received the Spirit as a gift, and kept His commands, what should we do watching the signs of the end time written in the Bible?

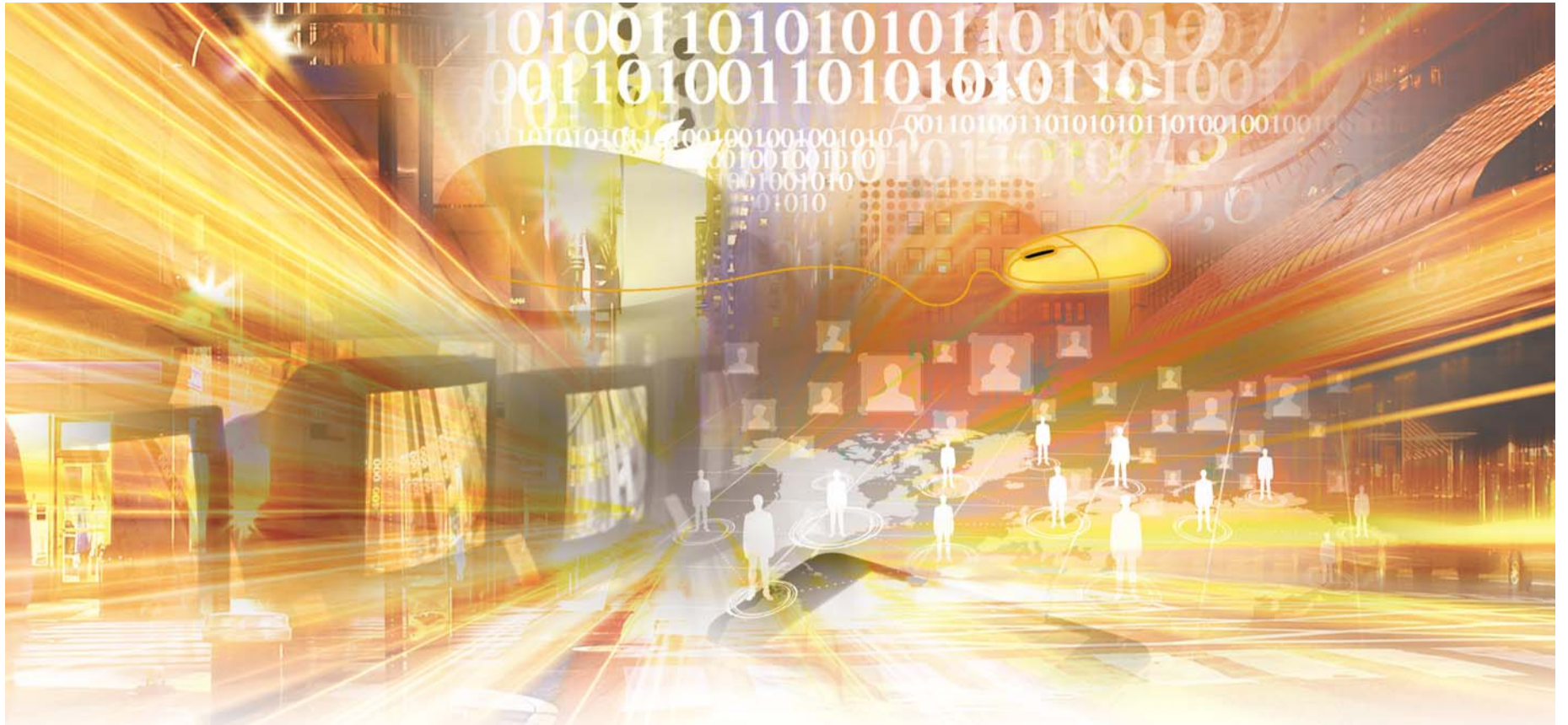
Apostle Paul delivered the earnest love of God in the inspiration of the Spirit:

“Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you entirely; and may your spirit and soul and body be preserved complete, without blame at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ” (1 Thessalonians 5:23).



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Mass Media Is Flooding the World. Why Is It Evil?

Have you ever thought about what God the Father dreamed of when He created the heavens and the earth and all things in them before the beginning? He desired to lead as many people as possible with even one more soul to Heaven, where it is clear and beautiful as crystal. He wanted to lead them to New Jerusalem where His glory dwells. And, He wanted to share love with them forever.

Then what is the dream of the enemy devil and Satan who oppose God? It is to lead even one more soul to Hell, the place of the eternal punishment, and even to the deeper level of Hell that was full of darkness and misery.

Development of electronic media and the signs of the end time

The electronic media catches the eyes and ears of people with fancy-looking and the drawing sounds of content that is under the cloak of information delivery and it instills sins into the hearts of people. At first, they feel alienated by such contents, but the alienation becomes diluted as they repeatedly watch music videos, soap operas, or films with a similar genre of content. Then, they come to accept the contents as things that could possibly happen and even consider the sins as being tolerable.

Just since 2000 the public attitude has been transformed by the outpouring of the mass-media portraying various social problems such as tattoos, premarital sexual relations, living together without being legally married, infidelity, divorce, abortion, and homosexuality to be acceptable. The development of the Internet and wireless Internet service has also caused viewers and users to come under this 'carpet-bombing' of Satan. Most of the contents have been

produced for individual profit and almost all of it is detrimental to our lives as Christians.

I cannot explain in detail here, but the antichrist's idea, symbol, and messages that are hidden within and permeate the popular culture are pretty shocking. Since the only media contents that are in demand anywhere in the world can make profits, there are many programs that stimulate sinful natures in human beings, and they are now tempting viewers with the cloak of high-technology and splendid visual appeal.

Today, Social Networking Service (SNS) drives the formation of public opinion very quickly and causes many incidents that occur to be spread without the reality related to the stories. Some romanticize sins leading to death like suicide, murder, and fornication and others support homosexuality. The positive view of RFID (**R**adio-**f**requency **I**dentification: the wireless non-contact use of radio-frequency electromagnetic fields to transfer data, for the purposes of automatically identifying and tracking tags attached to objects; i.e. 'chip technology'), so-called 666 Mark, is spreading like poison. As the end time draws nearer, the world is overrun with crimes that could never have been imagined in the recent past.

Dangerous films, dangerous young people

In July, 2013, Korea was shocked by the case of a teenage murderer and his case raised public concern. He strangled a girl to death after he tried to sexually assault her in a motel and she struggled against his rape attempts. He took a box cutter from the bathroom and brutally dismembered her corpse just as he had learned in a film. To easily move the body, he cut

chunks of her body and flushed them in the toilet. He placed some bones in plastic bags and kept them. The boy turned himself in to police after the launching of a massive search for the missing girl.

"The emotions that can make one feel like a human being have drained out of me. I did not feel any sense of guilt or sadness or anger, but I do have just a slight smile. I shall sleep tonight in full odor of blood."

He posted the writing on his SNS account. He was not consuming alcohol, and there are no records of mental illnesses. But while dismembering the corpse, he even texted his friends 16 times saying, "I am working on it," "I am in Hell," and "I will get punished in Hell". The police officers were struck with shock by the fact that one who was a teenager, was not drunk, and had no record of criminal history could have committed such grotesque crimes.

Hearing the news about him, people became curious about what kind of student he was and what kind of people usually hung around with him. But there was nothing and no one in peculiar. Surprisingly, he was remembered as a nice boy who took care of his friends. A film was thought to have impacted his criminal technique, something that caused netizens to get upset.

The film was 'Hostel' which was about travelers to Eastern Europe who were kidnapped, tortured, and murdered by a secret group of people. The movie that was produced for monetary profits and entertainment was the learning field in which a teenage boy committed a copycat crime—murdering and dismembering the corpse.

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