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Building Dream and Vision for Gifted Education in the Lord

Manmin Kindergarten's New Curriculum & Sunday School's Summer Courses



Manmin Kindergarten's new curriculum has won great response from kindergarteners and their parents. Beginning on July 7, 2014, the preschool has offered a variety of new lessons and activities in cooperation with Performing Arts Committee.

The program includes *Easy Fun Bible Study* guided by the Kindergarten Principal, Pastor Jaehee Hwang, and the Children's Sunday School Principal, Pastor Hyunjin Kim; the language learning courses: *Musical English, Hello English*, and *Nǐhǎo Chinese*; music lessons: *Tinkling Piano*, *Zinging Violin, Tumtum-boom-boom Percussion*; and others, like *Ah Yap! Taekwondo* and *Exciting Dance*.

Brother Yukyeom Choi, aged 7, said, "I like to do many things. I am so glad to learn so many of those

things in Manmin Kindergarten. My favorite classes are taekwondo and violin. I can't wait to go there. I get up early and pack my taekwondo uniform myself without help."

Deaconess Soyoung Kim, aged 48, moved to Seoul from Suwon because of Manmin Kindergarten. She stated, "I wanted my child to be able to learn various things. I was worried that it would cost me a lot. Now I no longer worry because Manmin Kindergarten has opened all such good courses. My child excitedly shows me what he learned by speaking in English. He is also taught not only Korean alphabet and math, but how to build good character. If I had taught him myself, he wouldn't have learned so many things. Thanks!"

The summer courses for middle and high school students were also offered between July 25 and August 14 of 2014. Students were taught English and math as before and enjoyed new programs concerning how to control their own learning, career development, cooking, and applying make-up & hair care. There was also a mentoring program and they visited GCN.

Students' Sunday School Principal Pastor Jaejeong Lee said, "I've found every student grows in a different environment and have different hobbies, talents, and personalities. So, I've pushed ahead with the various new courses desiring for them to set and achieve their own goals, and become capable workers for God's glory. They liked it!"



Bible Study Book, Departing for Beautiful Heaven! Has Been Published

However fancy and gorgeous it is, nothing on the earth is comparable to the beauty of Heaven. It will be so wonderful for children to gain hope for this Heaven.

With this purpose, Dr. Jaerock Lee's 4th elementary children's book *Departing for Beautiful Heaven!* was published in Korean on August 22, 2014. The book has three chapters: 'Heaven, The More You Know, The More You'll See', 'Heavenly Environment & Life', and 'Heavenly Dwelling Places & Crowns'.

Such questions from curious children as 'Who can enter Heaven? What will we do? and what kind of transportation is there?' are all answered in the book. The illustrations of the sea, the Garden of Seasons, and the amusement park in New Jerusalem stimulate their desire to enter Heaven. The book is a great source to plant, in children's hearts, the love of God who wants to share eternal life in Heaven with them.

With a deep interest in spiritual education for the youth, Dr. Jaerock Lee has published a series of Bible study books for pre-school children, one for elementary students and one for youths.

THE WORD OF LIFE NO. 402 AUGUST 31, 2014 Manmin News



Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee

"We have come to know and have believed the love which God has for us.
God is love, and the one who abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him"

(1 John 4:16).

Towards the end of the World War II, the Allies pushed their way into a German concentration camp holding Jews. They looked for survivors, but all the people there were dead in the gas chambers. One of the soldiers who was checking the camp found some writing on the wall in a corner and became solemn.

"The love of God is greater far than tongue or pen can ever tell. We cannot record God's love even if the oceans were ink, and the skies were parchment." We don't know who wrote it. Probably it was one of the inmates who were suffering from forced labor and hunger. While his friends were dying and he was spending hopeless, brutal days, he did not write any complaints or resentment, but only thanks for God's love.

We should also engrave God's love into our hearts and profess our love for Him with assurance at any moment and any case. To do so, what should we do in detail?

1. We have to remember the love of God in giving us His only begotten Son

John 3:16 says, "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life." God the Creator, the most glorious God, loved this world so much. He had mercy on those souls who were falling into sins and lawlessness, and finally He gave up

Engrave God's Love

His only begotten Son.

Parents who have raised children might have felt that kind of pain to some extent, but is there anyone who would allow your precious child to be put to death? Imagine somebody says he will give you wealth and honor or anything you wish if you crucify your son. Would you, could you do it? If you love your son, you would never be able to do it.

Now, if you were supposed to give up your son on behalf of a convict sentenced to death who had committed murders, what would you say? Most of you would probably say, "It is nonsense!" But God did what seems to be at this level of nonsense. He gave His Son to be brutally executed in the place of us who were stained with such sins as hatred, anger, adultery, jealousy, envy, and carousing. At the moment of crucifixion, the pain that God had was so great that even the sun lost its strength. There were earthquakes and the rocks were split.

Bearing with such pain, God gave up His Son to give life to us who were sinners. Because of this love, we can now call God the Creator our "Father". We must never forget this love. I hope you will engrave it in your heart again and again and give Him praises of thanks forever.

2. We have to remember the love of the Lord who sacrificed His life for us

Even though God wanted to save the world, we couldn't have been saved unless the Lord obeyed God. The glorious Son of God the Creator forsook all the heavenly glory and came down to this earth in a lowly human body. This in itself is such a great sacrifice. And, His creatures spat on Him, mocked Him, scourged Him, and finally stripped Him naked and they crucified Him.

If the Lord had not loved the souls who were stained with sins, He could have destroyed them any time by bringing down fire from heaven or with the heavenly army. But Jesus did not do that. He became the atoning sacrifice, taking on all the sins of the world because He knew the heart of God

who loved the souls and that is why He willingly took all the sufferings.

Jesus made us rich by living in poverty. We were set free from diseases through His scourging. We can receive a heavenly crown because Jesus wore the crown of thorns. He was nailed through His hands and feet and shed His blood, through which we received forgiveness.

I urge you to put in your heart His face covered with blood and His eyes filled with love seeing the souls from the cross.

3. We have to remember the love of God who has prepared a place for us in Heaven

We are to be so thankful that He saved us from Hell, and furthermore, God is preparing a glorious dwelling place in Heaven for us. When we believe in the love of God and the Lord and walk in the truth, our heavenly dwelling place will be built according to our deeds.

Now, what is it to believe in this love and to walk in the truth? It is to eat the flesh and drink the blood of the Son of Man. John 6:54 says, "He who eats My flesh and drinks My blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day."

Unless we eat the flesh and drink the blood of the Son of Man, we do not have life or hope of resurrection. Spiritually, to eat the flesh of the Son of Man is to take in the Word of God as spiritual bread. It is not just to commit the Word in the Bible as knowledge but to renew our heart with that Word. That is, it is to cast off evil from our heart and replace it with goodness and love. In order to do so, we have to drink His blood at the same time.

This means when we learn the Word of God, it has to be accompanied by the deeds to obey the Word we've learned. Figuratively speaking, when people eat food, they have to consume liquid as well. Our body can absorb the nutrients and pass the body waste only when liquid is supplied.

In the same way, once we learn the Word of God as the truth, we have to try to practice what we learned. Only then will the Word of God we learned really become life and the strength in us. The untruths that were in our heart will go away and the truth will replace them.

In 1 John 1:7, we can understand we have life in us not just when we eat the flesh but when we also drink the blood of the Son of Man. The Scripture says, "...but if we walk in the Light as He Himself is in the Light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin." Here, to walk in the Light means to obey and practice the Word of God.

Jesus forgave us of our sins by shedding His precious blood. But in order for us to be forgiven through His blood, we have to walk in the Light. When people do not receive the answer they want, or if they are persecuted for their faith, they complain saying, "God does not love me." But I hope none of you will speak such foolish words.

God sacrificed His only begotten Son to make us His children. When His children, whom He bought with the price of the blood of His Son, walk in the truth, then He answers anything they ask of Him in the name of the Lord. As their souls prosper, God makes all things go well with them and makes them healthy. The Lord sacrificed His life understanding the love of God, and He is building a dwelling place in Heaven for us. Every day He is looking forward to the day when He will share eternal love with His true children in Heaven.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, those who truly realize the love of God do not look at the world. Jesus was crucified because of our sins, and how can we commit sins again? If we believe in the glory of Heaven, how can we crave the worldly things and have lingering attachments to the world?

Remembering this great love of God, I hope each of you will love God in return with all your heart, mind, soul, and life. I pray in the name of the Lord that, in doing so, you will dwell in the most glorious New Jerusalem in Heaven and share that love with God forever.

English

The Confession of Faith

- Manmin Central Church believes that the Bible is God-breathed Word that is perfect and flawless.
- 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.
- Members of Manmin Central Church confess their faith through "The Apostles' Creed" each time they come together and believe in its content verbatim.

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"[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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God's Blessing Given According to Love and Justice

The 28th chapter of Deuteronomy presents the unfailing methods to receive blessings from God and the kinds of blessings to be given us as we prepare our vessels for them.

Let's examine three keys to receiving God's blessings—the Words and commandments of the Bible, obedience, and faith—and check whether our vessels are well-prepared to receive the blessings.



"Now it shall be,
if you diligently obey the LORD your God,
being careful to do all His commandments
which I command you today,
the LORD your God will set you high
above all the nations of the earth"
(Deuteronomy 28:1).

Here, 'all His commandments' refers to the Words in the Bible. The Bible was not written by the will of any men, but people who were inspired by the Spirit wrote down the will of God (2 Timothy 3:16).

In the Bible, the phrase, "...declares the LORD" is repeated numerous times. This tells us that the Bible is certainly the Words of God and they contain the heart and will of God. So God is telling us that we have to listen to all the Words.

Now, what does it mean by 'listen'? It is not only to hear with the ears. But it means we have to

listen carefully and act upon it.

Just as it is said that faith comes from hearing, we first have to hear the Word of God, read it, and meditate on it diligently. More importantly, we must put it into practice immediately by keeping it in mind as we learn it.

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Next, the commandments are the things that God Himself specifically ordered us to do. The Ten Commandments are the best example.

We can feel the force from the word 'commandment' itself. So it is not something about which we have an option. It is something that we simply must do. Moreover, it is God's commandment so we must keep it.

Most of the commandments of God are directly related with the life, death, blessings and curses. If we have the willingness to keep them, they are not really difficult to keep. If we feel the love of God contained in them, we will feel joy in keeping them (1 John 5:3). God gave the commandments for our good (Deuteronomy 10:13). So, if we understand this heart of God and voluntarily obey His commands with joy, then our vessels are ready for blessings and we can enjoy the blessings.



"All these blessings will come upon you and overtake you if you obey the LORD your God" (Deuteronomy 28:2).

The true and strict meaning of obedience is to do and accomplish things you cannot really do considering the actual situation with the eyes of faith.

In other words, it is not doing something you are able to do, but to do something with faith you otherwise could not do. There are things that we cannot obey if we utilize human thoughts and theories, but we can obey such things with faith and this is true obedience.

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But in fact, although men think certain things are absolutely impossible, in the sight of God those things are things that can be done. It is not you but God who gets them done, so there is nothing impossible if you obey with faith (Mark 9:23). We must check to see if we have disobeyed just because things were against our thoughts, benefits, and plans.

As Isaiah 1:19 says, "If you consent and obey, you will eat the best of the land," if we joyfully obey the Word then we can enjoy abundant blessings on this earth.



"God is not a man, that He should lie, nor a son of man, that He should repent; has He said, and will He not do it? Or has He spoken, and will He not make it good?" (Numbers 23:19)

God's Word is always and certainly fulfilled (Isaiah 55:10-11). To believe in God is to believe the Word of God completely. To believe the Word of God is to perfectly believe His words are fulfilled in His plans and providence according to His will. We cannot interpret the Words of God as we see fit and according to our standards. The thoughts of men and of God are just too incomparably different (Isaiah 55:8-9). Thus, even if the Word of God is different from our thoughts for the moment, and

even if things seem to be going in an unexpected direction, our faith must not be shaken. Then God will cause all things to work together for good at the best time.

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But in most cases, people's faith will be shaken if things are not done in the way or at the time they expected. Their trust in God is shaken. But God says doubleminded people should not expect they will receive an answer from God (James 1:6-8).

God promised Abraham would have a son of promise, but God's

Word was not fulfilled right away. It was fulfilled after a long time had passed, at the most appropriate time in God's sight. Abraham finally got his seed of promise, Isaac, because he believed in God until the end.

Those who are doing businesses should remember this. If you have committed your business to God with faith, you should not make decisions as you see fit. You have to wait until God gives you an answer at the most appropriate time.

"Dr. Jaerock Lee is the best example of the shepherd! I admire him!"

In the navy as an officer I met and accepted the Lord, and later became a pastor. I met Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee during his Russia United Crusade 2003. My church registered as a branch of Manmin and I became Manmin's missionary to Russia in March 2007. Since 2008 I have served as Chairman of United Holiness Church of Jesus Christ, Russia.

Rev. Soojin Lee, President of the Pastors' Association of Manmin Central Church came to St. Petersburg in June of 2014 and led a Handkerchief Healing Meeting and Pastors' Seminar, in which local pastors were bond together. On my visit to Korea for Summer

Retreat in early August of 2014, I was accompanied by two pastors who had received great grace in Rev. Lee's meeting.

During the Retreat I realized what it means by following the shepherd spiritually. I had listened to Dr. Lee's messages online and read his books in Russia, which I found to be quite different from learning from him in person.

God poured down great grace on us by the Spirit's works throughout all events including the Seminar, Divine Healing Meeting, Sports Day, and Camp Fire Worship Concert. Dr. Lee's praising that was offered with all his heart and gave the members hope for New Jerusalem in the Concert, especially, impressed me a lot. I engraved in heart what being a true shepherd is like and made up my mind to be a sincere shepherd who is able to plant hope for Heaven in my church members.

Dr. Lee has shown the love of God all over this sin-filled world with the mighty weapons—holiness gospel and powerful works of the Holy Spirit. I admire him. I would like to spread the holiness gospel and Manmin's ministry in Russia and Russian-speaking countries. I hope to be a perfect instrument to spread the love of God to the world. Hallelujah!



Pastor Bladimir Osipov, Chairman of United Holiness Church of Jesus Christ, Russia





Fetus with very little water (at the 30th week of gestation)

"Despite the water having broken I delivered a healthy boy by powerful prayer"

Deaconess Chaerin Kim, aged 32, 1-1 Parish, Korea

I was pregnant and I felt some fluid running down from my body on the evening of April 2 in 2014. Surprised, I went to hospital the next morning. The doctor told me that it was preterm premature rupture of membranes. He said the water had broken and there was nothing he could do—"Talk to your husband."

Amniotic fluid is the protective thick liquid contained by the amniotic sac of a pregnant female. It is essential that fluid be breathed into the lungs in order for a fetus to develop normally. But my fluid leaked at only the 19th week of gestation and it seemed impossible for me to keep the fetus in my womb. Nothing, however, worried me because I had received Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee's prayer at the 10th week. I just deliberated on what caused it and believed God's works would be fulfilled. I talked about it to Pastor Heejin Lee, Performing Arts Committee's Chairperson. She advised me, my husband, and both families to check if we had given whole tithes and kept the whole Sabbath.

My parent-in-laws bought us a house when we got married. I thought I would give a tithe for it later, not having enough money then. It had slipped my mind for the last three years but now came back. I repented and gave the tithe and a peace offering to God. It was just the right time; we had quite a bit of money we had saved for moving. I repented of having been stingy about thanks offerings. Our family members also repented examining their tithes and Sabbath days.

I talked to Dr. Lee who was back from mountain prayer at the 21st week. He prayed for the water filling again and my baby growing up well with no abnormality. I also received his prayer at the 22nd and the 23rd weeks. Then the waters filled the sac little by little and reached the minimum level around my baby's lips. I stayed in the observation unit in hospital from the 23rd to 29th week. My doctor had theretofore suggested inducing labor, saying my hindwater was too low and my fetus was in danger. But after the prayer my baby grew up well and moved actively. The doctors said that it was considered curious and amazing.

Deaconess Hyunjung Lee, who had delivered a healthy baby through the prayer after water leakage at the 19th week, came by with her daughter and encouraged me saying, "You are sure to deliver a healthy baby like I did. I wish you will overcome it with faith and joy."

On July 9, at the 33rd week, I delivered a healthy boy with no difficulty. We named him Seongeum which is a Korean abbreviation of 'the heart of the Holy Spirit'. My son and I are very good with no problem at all.

I was renewed feeling God's love during the around 100 days from water leakage to safe delivery. I worship and pray with a new heart. I feel more of God's love on the course of my believing life. I give all thanks and glory to God who caused all things to work together for good.



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