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“My Believing Life and Ministry Were Renewed!”

Filipino Pastors Paid a Visit to Manmin



Welcome to Manmin Central Church



On May 21, 2016, many pastors from the Philippines arrived at Incheon International Airport in Korea. They attended Manmin's worship services and prayer meetings. They looked around the church and received much grace. Many of them were healed of their diseases and received answers to prayers through Dr. Jaerock Lee's prayer (Photos 1, 2, and 7). Most of them had joined Manmin Summer Retreat 2015 last year and experienced signs, wonders, and powerful works (Photos 3, 4, 5, and 6).

Manmin Central Church has been visited by many pastors and believers from both in and outside of Korea—from all over the world. On May 21, 2016, pastors from the Philippines paid a seven-day visit to the church.

They have been listening to Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee's sermons and reading his books. Through them they have experienced renewal and blessings in their lives and longed to learn the ministry of Manmin.

During this visit they met with Dr. Lee and received his prayer of blessing. They also attended worship services and Daniel Prayer Meetings.

They witnessed the amazing place where seawater fish and freshwater fish live together in the same water at the Muan Sweet Water Aquarium. They toured GCN broadcasting that covers more than 170 countries (www.gcntv.org). They attended Manmin Prayer Center's Meeting and had time with the Center President, Mrs. Boknim Lee.

Pastor Emmanuel Gonzales, age 49, President of Makarios Pastors' Association in Laguna City

“After I listened to Dr. Jaerock Lee's messages, I came to pray better and grew



in faith. I also received financial blessings. His books *Heaven, The Measure of Faith*, and *The Message of the Cross* include the messages

that I could never have understood on my own. They were of a great help for my ministry. I would love to be one with Manmin and deliver his books and the holiness gospel over the world including China.”

Pastor Gonzales has taught Dr. Lee's sermon “The Message of the Cross” to other pastors. He added, “I experienced powerful works of the Holy Spirit when I prepared for the lectures and taught the pastors the message. Many people love it.”

Pastor Jelmar Fain, age 47, Vice Bishop of Maranatha Churches' Association



“On May 22, during Sunday Evening Service, I received Dr. Jaerock Lee's prayer for the sick after the sermon. After the prayer, I was healed of neck ache that had troubled me for a month.”

It was his first visit, and he said, “When

I met with Dr. Lee in person, I thought he resembled the Lord very much. I also felt that he maintains a close relationship with God and communicates with Him. I was amazed to see seawater fish and freshwater fish living together in the Muan Sweet Water Aquarium. It is the power of God and His love.”

Pastor Medelino Trinidad, age 54, Philippines International Full Gospel Church



“I have preached the holiness gospel in my church. My church members have received a lot of grace and my church has experienced revival,” said Pastor Medelino Trinidad. It brought back memories of how he felt during the Manmin Summer Retreat 2015.

“It was my very first time to have dragonflies land on my fingertips and my forehead. Just as God sent manna and quail to the Israelites, He sent big swarms of dragonflies to the retreat venue for the members' happiness. I was assured that Dr. Jaerock Lee, who prayed for it to happen, is a man of God.”

Pastor Ellery Garvida, age 48, Jesus Christ's International Gate of Blessing Church



“In 2015, after I joined Manmin Summer Retreat, I visited Muan Sweet Water Site where the bitter salty water from the sea was changed into sweet drinkable water by Dr. Jaerock Lee's prayer. During the visit, I submerged myself in Muan Sweet Water Pool seven times. I was then healed of 12 years of diabetes. My eight-year-old niece was healed of asthma after she drank Muan Sweet Water that I gave to her. One of my members was in hospital with dengue fever (a tropical disease). After he drank Muan Sweet Water, the fever broke and he was discharged.”

Pastor Raymundo Candelaria testified that his church members received great blessings through the holiness gospel (see his testimony on page four). Other pastors also said that their own lives as well as their ministry were renewed through the ministry of Manmin and their churches experienced revival. Let's give all thanks and glory to God who has led Manmin with the word of life and the powerful works.



Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee

The Providence in Jesus Wearing the Crown of the Thorns

“The soldiers took Him away into the palace (that is, the Praetorium), and they called together the whole Roman cohort. They dressed Him up in purple, and after twisting a crown of thorns, they put it on Him”
(Mark 15:16-17).

All mankind had become sinners. Jesus came to the earth and took the many sufferings to redeem them from their sins. If we know what He did for us in detail, we can realize the depth of God’s love all the more and lead an enthusiastic Christian life. Let’s now delve into the providence of Jesus wearing the crown of thorns.

1. The reason why Jesus wore the crown of thorns and shed blood

As the Son of God it only makes sense for Jesus to wear a crown of honor and glory. However, in the midst of His suffering Jesus wore a crown of very sharp thorns. As the long and sturdy thorns penetrated Jesus’ head, the pain of His scalp being ripped apart was accompanied by the streaming blood that drenched His face. Why did Jesus wear the crown of thorns and shed His blood? This was done for the forgiveness of the sins of man that they have committed by their thoughts.

Within man’s brain is a memory device that stores and applies knowledge. All the information an individual has seen, heard, and learned from birth is stored with a degree of feeling, and this is “knowledge”. The circumstances and the environments in which each person was raised and educated differ from person to person. Even if two people were educated by the same person in the same environment, the kind of feeling with which each person accepted information is different and that is why they will have different sets of values and standards by which

they distinguish good from evil.

“Thoughts” are the reproduction of knowledge on a need basis. Because the knowledge each individual possesses is different, people will think differently even if they witness the same events. This difference is why the culture of the country in which you have cultivated knowledge can become the subject of criticism in another. That is, what you may have learned to be culturally improper in your homeland may be deemed proper in another. In addition, since most of the thoughts of people in this world are governed by Satan, they are often in conflict with the truth.

For instance, when someone else is commended, Satan governs untruth and brings people feelings of dissatisfaction or dismay. If people had only knowledge that is of truth, then Satan would not be able to control their thoughts; they could always rejoice within the truth. Thus, we should diligently listen to the Word and make bread of it. We can transform ourselves by worshipping God in spirit and in truth and accepting the Word with only “Yes” and “Amen.”

2. How to throw away sins committed by thoughts and have spiritual thoughts

When listening to God’s Word, some people will say “Amen” if the messages are in agreement with their thoughts. However, if the message does not agree with their knowledge or experience, then they may not be so readily able to accept it.

We find in the Bible a scene in which Jesus told His disciples of the providence of His bearing the cross and Peter responding, “God forbid it, Lord!” This may have sounded like a thoughtful remark of a follower uttered in love for his teacher, but Peter’s words were a result of his mind set on the flesh that sought to prevent the will of God from being accomplished. For this reason Jesus rebuked him and said, “Get behind Me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to Me; for you are not setting your mind on God’s interests, but man’s” (Matthew 16:23).

As recorded, the thoughts that are against the will of God are fleshly thoughts. To fleshly people, the mind

set on the flesh may sound wise and good but it is hostile toward God and has nothing to do with Him. Romans 8:7 reads, “Because the mind set on the flesh is hostile toward God; for it does not subject itself to the law of God, for it is not even able to do so.” In other words, we have to throw out all fleshly thoughts and any of the knowledge and information we had long deemed correct if it is in conflict with the will of God (2 Corinthians 10:5).

Since meeting God, I have never doubted His Word by mixing fleshly thoughts. I could believe without any doubt that God is almighty because I experienced the power of God who healed me at once of all my diseases. With that faith, I relied on God only with prayer in any kind of situation and He performed amazing works as I believed. When we rely only on God without fleshly thoughts, He will definitely work for us.

In order to cast off all sin we commit with our thoughts, we must first make our hearts holy. In 1 John 2:16 it tells us, “For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes and the boastful pride of life, is not from the Father, but is from the world.”

When the heart is filled with evil and attributes to take after the ways of this world, it is natural for people to harbor fleshly thoughts. When there is “the lust of the flesh”, worldly cravings and desire for the things that are contrary to the will of God look pleasing to the eyes. People will then naturally pursue such cravings and when the cravings of sinful man intensify, they become even more compelled to carry out fleshly deeds (Galatians 5:19-21). “The lust of the eyes” is an attribute that agitates the heart through what a person sees, hears and experiences through the senses that cause him to seek fleshly things even more. Due to “the lust of the eyes,” people become worldly and increasingly seek lustful things.

“The boastful pride of life” is an attribute that seeks to boast of oneself in accordance with all the pleasures he has in this world. This “boastful pride of life” drives people to elevate and flaunt themselves, seek recognition, and take hold of fame and authority. Once you have thrown out the lust of

the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the boastful pride of life, you will be able to harbor spiritual thoughts with which God is pleased.

3. God prepares beautiful crowns for us in Heaven

Because Jesus wore the crown of thorns for us, we are forgiven of the sins we committed in thoughts and we will be able to wear beautiful crowns when we enter heaven. There are a variety of crowns that have been prepared for us. The type of crown each of us will receive will be determined by the type of life we have led.

For instance, there are “imperishable” crowns for people who have fought to throw out their sin after accepting the Lord and listening to the truth (1 Corinthians 9:25); “crowns of glory” for people who have thrown out their sins, lived by God’s Word, and given glory to Him (1 Peter 5:4); and “crowns of life” for people who have loved God to the utmost degree, have been faithful to God to the point of death and sanctified by throwing out every form of evil (James 1:12; Revelation 2:10). There is also “the crown of righteousness” for everyone who has become wholly sanctified and fully carried out their God-given duties with the kind of faith that was pleasing in God’s sight (2 Timothy 4:8).

Revelation 4:4 mentions heavenly “elders” wearing “golden crowns.” Here, “elders” refer to people who possess gold-like, unchanging faith which God recognizes, who have become wholly sanctified, and who have been faithful in all aspects. Depending on the extent to which they were sanctified and how faithful they had been, God will reward each of them with different crowns.

Brothers and sisters in Christ, by wearing the crown of thorns, Jesus not only redeemed us from the sins we commit in our thoughts, but He also allowed for us to wear beautiful crowns in Heaven. I pray in the name of the Lord that you will destroy fleshly thoughts that are hostile toward God and obey Him with spiritual thoughts and enjoy sun-like shining glory in Heaven.

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)

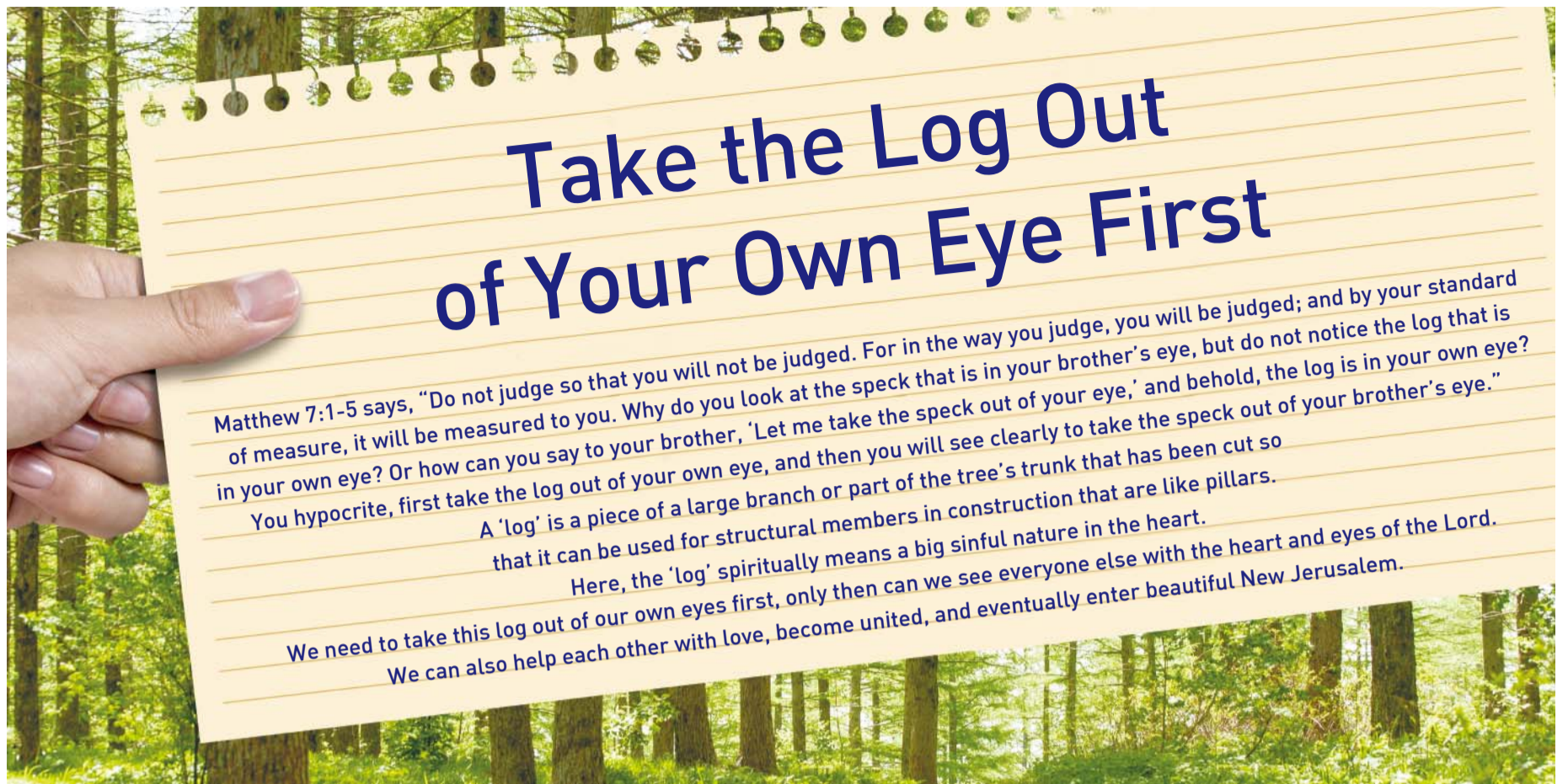
“And there is salvation in no one else; for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men by which we must be saved.” (Acts 4:12)

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Take the Log Out of Your Own Eye First

Matthew 7:1-5 says, "Do not judge so that you will not be judged. For in the way you judge, you will be judged; and by your standard of measure, it will be measured to you. Why do you look at the speck that is in your brother's eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye? Or how can you say to your brother, 'Let me take the speck out of your eye,' and behold, the log is in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your brother's eye."

A 'log' is a piece of a large branch or part of the tree's trunk that has been cut so that it can be used for structural members in construction that are like pillars.

Here, the 'log' spiritually means a big sinful nature in the heart.

We need to take this log out of our own eyes first, only then can we see everyone else with the heart and eyes of the Lord. We can also help each other with love, become united, and eventually enter beautiful New Jerusalem.

The 'Log' Causes You to Judge and Measure Others

'Judging' is to distinguish what is right from what is wrong. When you 'judge' others, you form an opinion about them and it is usually a negative one. 'Measuring' is to guess and assume something regardless of what is true. You think a person probably did something because of pre-conceived reasons without the facts or true substantiation.

Those who judge and measure others should be aware that they have 'a log in their eye'. If one has a big root of sin and evil in heart, he or she usually reveals others' shortcomings and points them out.

Of course, we sometimes need to tell someone about his shortcoming to help him realize it because we love him. However, if we have a log in our own eye, we may point him out from evil and even give him pain causing him to stumble rather than help him gain realization.

If you have such a log, you may not be aware of it and not be able to realize what you have done is wrong.

Although others may make you aware of such things through advice, you may think it does not apply to you. You may just think, 'I love God and live by His Word. I have faith.' However, if you have such a log, it is likely that you have closed the door of your heart. Then, you cannot discover your shortcomings and you may keep judging and measuring others.

However, if you have spiritual love, you may love anybody and any ill feelings like hatred may not arise even if some people act arrogantly, show off, or do something bad. If you don't have the log, you can see their good characters, understand them considering their measure of faith, and pray for them with consideration.

Therefore, we must know that if others' specks are seen, it may indicate that you have a log in your eye and you should take the log out of your eye. Then, your eyes of heart will open and you can see everything more clearly and discern well in spirit and body (Ephesians 1:18-19).

'Taking Out the Log' Means to Take Out the Root of Your Sinful Nature

If you take out the large root of certain sinful natures in your heart, its fine roots will disappear together with it. It is like when a large tree root is pulled out, its fine roots also are pulled out together with it. So, you should focus your efforts on taking out the root of the sinful nature that is the hardest one for you to pull out. Then, its rootlets will naturally be pulled out too. Again, taking the log out of your eye means taking out the large root of a sinful nature in your heart.

For instance, if you take out the large root 'hatred' and replace it with love, other sinful natures such as jealousy or envy will also be discarded. Thus, you don't have to worry thinking about when you can get rid of all the sinful natures in your heart. If a log used as a support pillar in a building is removed, it will be destroyed. In the same manner if you stay focused on removing the sinful nature that you find it the most difficult to remove through intensive prayer and fasting, you will quickly change and achieve the heart of spirit.

After you take the log out of your eye, you will not judge and condemn others. Even if you see their specks, you will not tell others about them. You can give advice with true love and then they will be moved, realize their shortcomings, and become renewed.

If you think a certain sinful nature is deeply rooted in your heart because you have committed such sins many times, you should put more effort into getting rid of it. If you unchangingly continue to do so, you will be able to

experience the sinful nature being removed by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Picture a bowl full of dark and dirty water. As you keep pouring clean water into it, the water will eventually be made clean. The same applies to casting away sinful natures. If you practice truth and love constantly, the sinful nature will be gotten rid of and you will be able to achieve the heart of spirit.

If you pour both dirty water and clean water into the water that was made clean, the water cannot be changed into clean water. In the same way, if you accept the untruth while you try to remove sinful natures in your heart, you cannot throw them away.

1 Corinthians 2:15 says, "But he who is spiritual appraises all things, yet he himself is appraised by no one." Those who have taken the logs out of their eyes cannot reveal any kind of evil to others. They discern everything by the truth, the Word of God, without judging or condemning based on any personal knowledge or thoughts. They can discern things properly in the heart of goodness and love. Therefore, they can make true conclusions, and they are judged by no one.

Some evil people judge men of God in hatred, but it comes from their evil and has nothing to do with God (John 3:20). Only God can judge us. We as His creatures are just doers of the law. Therefore, if some evil people speak against and judge the law, they are just building the wall of sins against God (James 4:11).

“Through the Holiness Gospel, Blessings Have Come to My Church Members”

Pastor Raymundo Candelaria, age 43, Golden Faith Church in the Philippines

It has been 19 years since I became a pastor. But until just two years ago, I had struggled between the Word of God and perceived reality when I tended my church members. In February 2015, Pastor Emmanuel Gonzales told me that a great seminar was going to be held and I went.

Dr. Jaerock Lee's famous sermons "The Message of the Cross", "Lectures on Leviticus", and "The Measure of Faith" were delivered by Pastor Chanhung Cho of Cavite Manmin Church. The message was very clear. After the seminar, I read Dr. Lee's books *The Message of the Cross*, *Keep Watching and Praying*, and *The Measure of Faith*. The contents are purely based on the Bible, which touched my heart so much.

The core is the answer to the question "Why is Jesus our



only Savior?" And the holiness gospel puts an emphasis on the circumcision of heart done through throwing away sins and evil. It has taught me how to lead a blessed life by pleasing God and has given me hope for Heaven.

In August 2015, I participated in Manmin Summer Retreat with other pastors from the Philippines. At that time, a national heat wave warning was put in effect in Korea. However, it was very cool and refreshing at the retreat venue.

I experienced heavenly winds. I also saw swarms of dragonflies coming down, and a few of them sat on my body. I was also moved by the church members from in and out of Korea since they were united as one with love and served each other humbly.

I felt so thankful to God who guided me to Manmin Central Church. Back in the Philippines, a great change happened to my church and me. My prayer has been changed, and since I understood how to arm myself with the Word, I have tried to live by the will of God.

Moreover, I came to deliver the holiness gospel with more confidence. Many church members

received grace and their Christian lives were renewed. Since then they have enjoyed many blessings in their lives. They feel very happy, and seeing their joy makes me happy as well.

Again in May 2016, I visited Manmin Central Church with pastors from the Philippines. Senior Pastor Dr. Lee's life deeply touched my heart. He always prays, serves his church members with his life, love, and sacrifices, and he gives all the glory to God with a humble heart.

I attended worship services, Daniel Prayer Meeting, and even the Manmin Prayer Center's meeting. I also went to Muan Sweet Water Aquarium where seawater fish and freshwater fish coexist. I came with my wife. She said she felt God's presence during Daniel Prayer Meeting. She felt as if she was being held in God's bosom. She said she prayed with tears in the Holy Spirit's fullness while she was listening to Manmin Praise.

I want to follow this beautiful example of Manmin Central Church. I give all thanks and glory to God who allowed me to meet the true teacher in this end time, hear the holiness gospel, experience the powerful works, and live for souls.

“I Relied on God, and He Gave Me the Victory!”

Brother Hyunkyu Kim, age 19, Students' Sunday School, Manmin Central Church

My mother registered in Manmin Central Church when she had me in her womb. Since I was born, I grew up in the Lord and when I was an 8th grader, I started fencing. When I began it, I just liked it. But when I had to practice until late at night after school, I was so exhausted and wanted to give it up. As I overcame it though, my skill improved and it was rewarding.

In 2016, I've become a 12th grader who was supposed to concentrate on the college entrance exam. I have wanted to enter Korea National Sport University. I knew I had to show a good performance in fencing championships or matches so that I can be admitted to the university. Through countless testimonies, I knew that many church members



achieved their goals with faith. So, I also relied on God with faith. Before I had thought that I had no time to pray because I had to both study and practice fencing.

However, I realized that the God of love knows my heart and my situation. Since then I came to pray on my bed and even while I was walking.

In March, 2016, the first match of this year, "The 45th Korean Fencing Federation President National Fencing Championship" was held. I received Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee's prayer recorded on Automated Response System during training and during the real match. And I won the gold medal! I was so happy and became confident.

In April, the 10th Korea Junior Fencing Federation Championship was held. I thought I would do the same as I had done in the previous championship. But before the match

my coach suddenly told us to give our cell phones to him. So I could not receive Senior Pastor's recorded prayer. I thought for a moment that I might borrow a cell phone from someone and receive the prayer, but I thought again that it might be okay since I had won a gold medal in the previous match. I did not take it serious and started the match. But I failed in the round of 32. I reflected upon the reason and realized that I had tried it for myself without much reliance on God. I was sorry but still thankful because I realized the reason for the failure.

On May 7, the 54th National Fencing Championship was held. It was the last match that could have great influence on

college entrance. I did not want to have any regrets after the match just as I had done in April. I wanted to completely depend on God. In the morning, I received Senior Pastor's prayer for the day. I listened to his prayer for my match repeatedly all day and then entered the match. Everything was going well during the match. I felt so good and my body felt light. I was strengthened by something and I could stay focused very well.



Brother Hyunkyu Kim at the game (right)

I won the gold medal in the sabre individual match for male high school students, and won the silver medal in the team match.

Hallelujah! I give all thanks and glory to God. I give thanks to Senior Pastor who prayed for me.



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