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## “We Pray Every Day in the Sanctuary like the Early Church Did!”

### Two-Session Consecutive Special Daniel Prayer Meeting Has Begun



In Daniel Prayer Meeting, a great number of members all over the world pray together through GCN and the Internet and they have constantly received answers and blessings. In the Special Daniel Prayer Meeting, particularly, they have a happy Award Ceremony on the last day.

Special Daniel Prayer Meeting for the first half of the year started on February 20, 2017 and is going to be held for 42 days until April 2. Manmin Prayer Center President Mrs. Boknim Lee leads the prayer and the attendees are receiving God's answers through fervent prayer that resonates and reaches the heavenly throne. It is held from 9 P.M. to 11:40 P.M. [Korea Local time] weekdays and 11 P.M. on weekends, but not held on Friday due to Friday All-night Service.

Daniel received the answer to his prayer in 21 days (Daniel 10:12-14), and the prayer meeting was named Daniel Prayer Meeting after Daniel's case. Manmin Prayer Center has held a session of a new prayer meeting every 21 days under different prayer titles, and conducts Special Daniel Prayer Meeting over two consecutive sessions twice a year. The first meeting of 2017 is being held under the main title of "The Fruit of the Shepherd's Tears".

The preliminary praise starts at 8:40, and on February 20, the first day, the attendees received the prayer of blessing from Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee who prayed from the Mountain Prayer House. On April 2, the last day, Dr. Lee is going to pray for blessings again.

Currently members of around 11,000

branch and associate churches in and out of Korea are attending the meeting via GCN and the internet ([www.gcntv.org](http://www.gcntv.org)). There are a number of attendees attending through recorded broadcast due to time differences. There are many members who have achieved the heart of the Lord, evangelized their family, received blessings in their businesses, received solutions to their

problems and fulfilled their hearts' desires by praying in the Special Daniel Prayer Meeting (Related stories on page 4).

Manmin Central Church members have gathered in the sanctuary with one mind every day like the Early Church members. They've prayed for national evangelism, the world mission, God's kingdom and righteousness.

Such prayers have helped them grow up spiritually and extend the kingdom of God. And it has been working as a driving force for the church to proclaim the Word of Life and the powerful works to countless people all over the world and to grow up as a mega-sized church that has approximately 11,000 branch and associate churches within only 35 years.

## Pastors, Missionaries, and Levite Workers

At 11 A.M., on February 15, 2017, the 25th Alliance Holiness Theological Seminary and the 10th Manmin International Seminary Graduation Ceremony was held in the main sanctuary. Pastor Joongwon Lee, the Director of Academic Affairs presided, Elder Boaz J. Lee prayed, and the Heavenly Voice Chorus gave special praise. Pastor Sangtae Kim, Dean, preached the message taken from 2 Corinthians 9:10 under the title "From What Is Small". Academic Affairs were reported and Dr. Esther Chung, President of the seminaries, presented diplomas of graduation to the graduates. The Board Chairman Award went to Pastor Kwankyu Lee (Photo), and President Award to Pastor Jiyong Lee.

As a result of their efforts to raise spiritually competent pastors, missionaries, and Levite workers (the church's full time

workers), many of the graduates in the 25th ceremony had already started their ministry as overseas missionaries, pastors in branch churches, parish pastors, guidance pastors of the central church, or Levite workers.

In 2017, Dr. Esther Chung was inaugurated as the President of Alliance Holiness Theological Seminary in the providence of God. She is planning to train not only more pastors but also many workers in many fields. In the

freshman and sophomore years, students are taught together for their growth in faith and improvement in competency, and from the junior year they choose between continuing as a pastor, a missionary, Levite worker, or a non-Levite worker. In the fourth year, they are appointed a position as either a pastor or a Levite worker according to their performance.





Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee

## Remember the Sabbath Day, to Keep It Holy (3)

“Remember the Sabbath day,  
to keep it holy. Six days you  
shall labor and do all your work,  
but the seventh day is a sabbath  
of the LORD your God;  
in it you shall not do any work,  
you or your son or your daughter,  
your male or your female  
servant or your cattle or your  
sojourner who stays with you.  
For in six days the LORD  
made the heavens and the earth,  
the sea and all that is in them,  
and rested on the seventh day;  
therefore the LORD blessed  
the Sabbath day and made it holy”  
(Exodus 20:8-11).

God wants His children to have faith to manage their circumstances and keep the Lord’s Day holy. Let’s delve into how to keep it holy.

### 1. We Have to Sanctify Our Body and Heart

The Jews designate the day before the Sabbath as the ‘Day of Preparation’. Even when they are travelling to a distant place, they come back home on the day of preparation and keep the Sabbath.

We need to take after their attitude and heart in putting the Sabbath in the center of our lives.

If we look forward to the Sabbath, we will prepare for it. We will also prepare the offerings we will give to God. We clean the house, wash the clothes, or take a bath or get a haircut to prepare for the Sabbath. It is important to sanctify our environment and body, but more important thing is to sanctify the heart.

To do this, on the Sabbath we should not take part in worldly entertainment. Those of you who keep the Sabbath holy with faith do not

watch TV programs on the Sabbath. You should not meet with others to enjoy worldly entertainment such as a sports game, a movie or to go on a picnic.

The Lord’s Day is the day to break the bread of life, praise and pray to God, share the conversation with the believers, and enjoy the spiritual rest. To keep our heart holy, it is important for us to control what we see and hear. Therefore, it is most appropriate to spend the Lord’s Day in the temple of God. It is also best to make other environments as spiritual as possible.

Some people may think, “What fun is it to spend the whole day in the church on a day off without any sort of entertainment?” But if we participate in worldly pleasures, can we have joy and rest? We may have pleasure for the moment, and we may think we are resting, but this is only momentary pleasure that soon disappears. It cannot solve the worries or problems of our lives. But the joy of resting in the Lord is the true joy given by God.

Isaiah 58:13-14 reads, “If because of the sabbath, you turn your foot from doing your own pleasure on My holy day, and call the sabbath a delight, the holy day of the LORD honorable, and honor it, desisting from your own ways, from seeking your own pleasure and speaking your own word, then you will take delight in the LORD, and I will make you ride on the heights of the earth; and I will feed you with the heritage of Jacob your father, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.”

If we keep the Lord’s Day holy, God takes over the responsibility for our life, health, children, and work. Then, we will have true joy and true rest with increased hope of resurrection and hope for the heavenly kingdom.

### 2. We Have to Keep Our Heart Not to Do Anything Evil

Even though we may be attending worship services and other holy meetings, if we have quarrels or get angry it causes God to sorrow. Also, if you spend the Sabbath with a broken heart due to worries about the things of the world, then, God cannot

accept your worship pleasingly. Thus, we have to be joyful and thankful while we do the things that we should do on Sabbath.

Even though we are in difficult situations, we have to rejoice and give thanks with faith. Then, God can make the impossible possible and change the situations, too. Of course, a true Christian who is full of the Spirit should be full of joy and thanks every day.

### 3. We Have to Offer the Whole Day Completely

We have to attend both Sunday morning and Sunday evening service. Some people just attend morning service and in the afternoon do their work or go out to get something to eat. They still open to earn more money, or they go to enjoy themselves. We cannot say it is complete keeping of the Sabbath.

If we just attend morning service or just evening service and then work or enjoy ourselves, we are not keeping the whole day holy. Even if you attend both services, if you think about the work you are going to do or the entertainment you planned for after the service, then you may even doze off in the service. Therefore, to keep the Lord’s Day completely holy, you have to attend both morning and evening service, and you have to worship in spirit and truth.

First, to worship in spirit and truth, you shouldn’t be late. You should come at least 10 to 20 minutes before the service to prepare yourself with prayer. Once the service starts, you have to attend all the proceedings attentively until it is over by the benediction or the Lord’s Prayer. Of course, this is with the exception of having to do the voluntary work for the worship service but even they should receive the benediction in the morning service.

Also, you should concentrate on the message without daydreaming or dozing off. You should pray during the prayer time, and when you praise God, you have to give your heart in the lyrics of the praise. If you have a neat appearance, you can offer to God a more beautiful aroma of worship.

For example, it is etiquette before God to take off your hat during the service, with the exception of some people who for medical reasons have to put on something on their head. Also, God will be more pleased if you wear clothes that please God.

One thing you have to remember is that you have to think of the sanctuary of God very valuable. Leviticus 26:2 says, “You shall keep My sabbaths and reverence My sanctuary; I am the LORD.”

In the Bible, we can see that the sons of Israel called the tabernacle, which is like the sanctuary today, the house of the LORD. The sanctuary is the holy house of God. In the sanctuary God dwells.

Therefore, while you are in the sanctuary, you have to be careful about the slightest action or word. You shouldn’t do anything that is ungodly including talking about worldly things. Parents should also teach their children not to play in the church or run uncontrolled about the sanctuary.

Also, you should always keep the sanctuary clean. You should not eat anything in the sanctuary. Of course, mothers may try to stop babies from crying by giving them something to eat in the nursing rooms. But in other sanctuaries there shouldn’t be any eating, especially during the worship service. It is not right to drink or eat anything while worshipping God. You should also care of the things and equipment that are in the sanctuary. Everything in the sanctuary is God’s. Everything is holy. If you want to use items outside of the church, you should get permission from the church.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, the Lord’s Day is a day when we are spiritually renewed and prepare for the following week. By listening to the Word of God preached, we can remind ourselves of it and come to dwell in it again. By praising and praying, we can be strengthened with spiritual power given by God so that we can overcome the world.

I pray in the name of the Lord that you will become God’s blessed children by keeping the Sabbath holy.

### 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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# A Vessel for Quick Answers

“Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence before God; and whatever we ask we receive from Him, because we keep His commandments and do the things that are pleasing in His sight” (1 John 3:21-22).

God can give answers to any kind of prayer for His beloved children, and He is pleased with giving answers. But we should understand how to bring down His answers quickly and put them in action. Let's look into some of the ways.

## ◆ Have Assurance in the Faith to Be Saved

The reason why God performs wonders and signs is that He wants one more single soul to have the faith by which they can be saved and go to Heaven. Although you experience His great works, however, it will be of no use if you change your heart and turn from God.

In Luke 17:11-19, Jesus healed ten leprosy men but nine of them left and only one of them returned and glorified God. The nine could be healed by the power of Jesus although they did not have the enough faith to be healed. Similarly, today most of those who are healed without such spiritual faith change and leave. Therefore, to receive answers from God, we should have faith worthy to experience His power. Only when we stand on faith with which we can be saved can we receive true answers and blessings.

Of course, one who has a mental disorder, who suffers from demon possession, or young children cannot have faith for themselves. Then, their parents or close relatives can pray for them with faith and love. When they cast off sins, become sanctified, walk in Light with longing for a better dwelling place in Heaven on behalf of sick people, they can receive answers as well.

Above all, they should understand what faith in the Lord is like, they should love God from the heart, and become God's beloved children.

## ◆ Live a Life with Unceasing Thanks and Praise

If someone is calculating, he gives only when he receives. When he receives one, he gives one. When he gives one, he wants to receive one back. This kind of person thinks one should repay grace, and if other people do not repay his grace he feels uncomfortable. He expects to receive grace from God because he has dedicated and sowed much. If he does not receive as much grace as he thinks he should, he feels disappointed and troubled.

The God of love forgives, and then forgives again. He even forgives those who hurt His heart with sinning as long as they repent. When we plant anything for God with faith and love, He will give us with a good measure pressed down, shaken together, and running over and with thirty, sixty, and a hundred times. The love of God is so great that we cannot fathom the depth of His heart and the greatness.

If you realize His great love, you will feel so happy when you think about His love and will not spare anything, even all your possessions and life. You won't think, 'I've done this much but there has been nothing done for me.' You may think only of what you can give to Him and do so diligently. You may unceasingly give thanks and praise because you always think about the grace that you have received from God without any cost in your life.

## ◆ Feel True Love from Your Heart

Mary Magdalene felt true love and truth when she met Jesus. She felt comforted and compensated for her painful life just because she met Him. Her love and service for Him never changed in any kind of situation. Because she had such a heart, she could be healed of all kinds of diseases all at once and become the first person who witnessed the Lord's resurrection.

As she did, we should feel the love of God from the depth of our hearts and achieve true love. We should cast off fleshly thoughts, and ask for spiritual faith. If you truly love God, you won't be disappointed even when you did not receive what you expected.

Suppose a person with congenital disability wants to receive healing. He has to have faith that is pleasing to God and move His heart. God's work of healing disabilities does not belong to any worldly knowledge or educated guesswork. Thus, if a person uses such worldly knowledge, he cannot have true faith.

He has to demolish fleshly thoughts and please God. Thereby, he should fulfill the justice that moves God's heart. If he fills the justice, then he will be given faith of healing and God will work on him.

## ◆ Destroy the Wall of Sin in Repentance and Pray with Faith

The Old Testament says a medium or spiritist and idol worshippers should be stoned to death so that they should be destroyed (Leviticus 20; Deuteronomy 13, 17). A family that worshipped idols severely has many trials and problems (Exodus 20:3-6). Although they come to believe God, their Christian lives may be disturbed and may doze off during worship services. They may not understand the Word although they listened to it for several years or they may not be able to pray.

Moreover, if one practices divination and enchantments in communication with evil spirits or sells his spirit, it is infringing on God's sovereignty and this crosses the line as a person. God's wrath will come upon him, and evil spirits think he is their prey. So they try everything to stop him from believing in Jesus Christ although the person tries to become a Christian.

For a person who has built such a serious wall of sins before God, it is a great blessing for him to be able to believe God and be saved. He should give thanks for the great blessing and constantly pray and offer up worship services with faith. Then, God will fulfill his heart's desire. But he may have to put much more efforts to receive the answer but if he prays without ceasing in faith, he can receive the grace of repentance and be led to answers and blessings.



## “By the Holy Spirit’s Fire, I Was Healed of Chronic Asthmatic Bronchitis, and Uterine Myomas Were Gone!”

Deaconess Eunhee Kim, age 57, Parish 29, Manmin Central Church

I used to neglect praying using my workplace as an excuse. When I was told by my parish pastor to pray I did not. I am sorry for not obeying. However, I started taking breaks from work to help my daughter take care of her baby and started to attend Special Daniel Prayer Meeting from about two years ago. I started to feel the joy given through prayer.

In 2016, I had a special longing for Special Daniel Prayer Meeting that was held from October 10. At that time, I had coughed for two months due to chronic asthmatic bronchitis and even lost my voice. I wanted it to be healed by God. With such strong longing, I went all the way to the central church in Guro-dong Seoul from my house in Sanbon, Gyeonggi-do by several buses and subways. But it was not difficult for me. When I arrived, I drank Muan Sweet Water of power with faith and prayed.

Since I had measles in early childhood, I have had chronic asthmatic bronchitis. Once I started to cough, it did not stop for several months. It had been my biggest life problem.

In the first 21 days, I could not praise and pray with my voice because of the coughing, so I felt sorry about it.

However, on October 31, when the second session of Special Daniel Prayer Meeting started, amazing work of the Holy Spirit happened to me. On that day, I was happy even when I left home for church. At the moment I stepped into the sanctuary, I received great grace. I started to shed tears and the grace of thorough repentance was given even during preliminary praise.

I repented that I had blamed others and become hot-tempered without living by the Word of God although the God of great love saved me and had been leading me to New Jerusalem. I prayed with tears and runny nose for a long time. I felt the fire of the Holy Spirit burning my whole body from head to toe. I felt like I got electric shocks.

Then, I stopped coughing and came to speak with my voice. I was so happy that I offered up my thanks with my voice every day and finished the second session of the Special

Daniel Prayer Meeting. I have been healthy with no problem at all ever since.

On December 7, I found one more amazing thing had happened to me. I had had three uterine myomas since ten years before and they had grown from 1cm to 3cm. I was told that I should have surgery if they had become a little bigger. On December 7, I went to Samsung Seoul Hospital for a regular check for the myomas. My doctor tilted his head and said there were no myomas in the ultrasonography.

I was so surprised that I told him to re-check it but he said none. At the moment, I was reminded that I had received the fire of the Holy Spirit during Special Daniel Prayer Meeting and came to feel healthy and light in my body. They were all gone then.

I still have many shortcomings but God gave me amazing grace so that I can run with fullness. I give all thanks and glory to Him. I give thanks to Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee who prays for me all the time and to Mrs. Boknim Lee who leads Daniel Prayer Meeting full of the Spirit every night.

## “I Couldn’t Walk Well But Now I Can Even Play Soccer!”

Brother Laigerma, age 11, Kinshasa Manmin Church, DR Congo



I had congenital lymphatic edema even from when I was much younger. My left leg was swollen and had an oozing sore. My grandmother took me to a clinic for those with physical disabilities and I had to take medicine always.

I wanted to play like other children but I could not walk well due to my legs. I felt painful and sad. I could not go anywhere

alone without someone else’s help. Only with my grandmother’s help, I could move. When pain was so great, I could not go to school.

In September 2016, my grandmother heard that a Korean pastor would visit the Church of the Living God and I would be able to be healed if I received her prayer. She suggested going there together. I went to a church for the first time and received

Rev. Heesun Lee’s prayer of handkerchief (Acts 19:11-12).

After the prayer, my legs felt so different. I was given strength in my legs and came to walk. I no longer had pain. It was like a dream. The swelling of my leg subsided and I came to play with friends and even play soccer. Now my mom and grandfather also go to church. I give thanks to the Lord.



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