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# Confession, a Book of Verses for Converting Souls!

### The love of God and the Lord will touch your heart while reading it line by line

Welcoming 2014 'The Year of Blessings', Dr. Jaerock Lee's 92<sup>nd</sup> book Confession has been published. The book has 100 poems that had been received from God in deep inspiration of the Spirit. They cause the readers to feel as though they are dated back to the Bible times. Dr. Jaerock Lee, Senior Pastor of Manmin Central Church has published more than 90 books including his steady sellers Tasting Eternal Life before Death, The Message of the Cross, and Heaven I & II. With his books that have been translated into 57 languages, he has actively engaged in the literary ministry. He is also well-known worldwide as a revivalist who has conducted many overseas crusades such as in Uganda; Japan; Pakistan; Kenya; the Philippines; Honduras; India; Russia; Germany; Peru; DR Congo; New York, in the USA; Jerusalem, in Israel; and Estonia. Confession is a collection of poems to awaken readers spiritually. The first chapter is entitled 'My Loving Father' which includes God's confession of love towards mankind and the love of the forefathers of faith who worked in the Old Testament time. This will cause readers to feel the love of God the Father who created man with His long-cherished desire and hope; the desire and hope He wants to share with people.

The second chapter, 'Lord, My Bridegroom', contains the professions of Jesus, who came to the earth as the Savior; John the Baptist who made ready for the way of the Lord; Peter and John who were the Lord's disciples; Mary Magdalene; and the Apostle Paul. The last chapter 'Father, Lord, and I' contains the beautiful confession of Dr. Jaerock Lee who has missed God the Father and the Lord and it shows the deeds of his ardent love for the church members. The book was published by Urim Books which spearheads the book ministry with prayer and dedication to shed the true Light all over the world. Urim Books is now receiving advance orders for the book on its website, www.urimbooks.com. Beginning on March 10, 2014, the book will be available in the Korean language in larger bookstores such as Kyobo Book Centre, Youngpoong Bookstore, Bandi & Lunis, Books Libro, Yes 24, and Aladdin.

### I Will Demonstrate My Love

My heart is so very great, but who is there that can understand this heart? I want to give, but there is no one to receive. I want to share, but there is no one with whom I can share.

No one knows My heart. My heart that is so broad, so great, so deep, and so profound. Those who will understand My heart, Through them, I will demonstrate My love.

I AM WHO I AM, I exist by Myself, but Due to My heart and My love I will take on the limitations.

The decision I have made today Later will show My space, My heart, and My love. I will be pleased with what I decided to do.

This song expresses the heart of God the Origin at a time before the beginning. God conceived a plan for human cultivation to gain true children with whom He could share His love. Then God the Origin became God the Trinity to execute His plan.

### Urim Books Participated in New Delhi World Book Fair 2014 in India



From February 15 to 23 in 2014, New Delhi World Book Fair 2014 was held in Pragati Maidan, New Delhi in India. The opening ceremony was attended by many local and foreign key figures such as Pranab Mukherjee, President of India and Chandresh Kumari, Minister of Culture. Urim Books publishes and distributes Dr. Jaerock Lee's multilingual Christian books and its President, Elder Joseph K. Noh, also attended. In its booth, Urim Books displayed Dr. Lee's books in Indian languages such as Hindi, Tamil, Telugu, Punjabi, Odia, Tangkhul, and Simte. In particular, his steady seller The Message of the Cross in 56 languages caught the attention of many visitors. Among the books displayed, The Message of the Cross and Hell in Hindi drew great attention from people. The book Awaken, Israel in English was sold out.

Also, many key personnel like Raju Pallam, Minister of Human Resource Development visited Urim Books' booth. Dr. Rajendra Kumar, Director General of National Library, India said that she wanted to have Dr. Lee's major books in the library so Urim Books promised to donate books to the library. At the book fair, Urim Books discussed national cooperation for the book ministry in India with Jitin Prasada, Minister of State for Human Resource and they tried to find methods of cooperation with local publishers, distributors, and e-book publishers including Amazon India (www.amazon.in). Urim Books also signed distribution agreements concerning Dr. Lee's books The Message of the Cross and Hell in Hindi with MSS Publications that distributes books to all bookstores in India and K.K. Publications.

Pranab Mukherjee, President of India, giving the opening speech

From left, M. A. Sikandar, Director of National Book Trust India; Elder Joseph K. Noh, President of Urim Books; Raju Pallam, Minister of Human Resource Development; and Joseph Park, Overseas Manager of Urim Books

## **Coming to the Light**

"But he who practices the truth comes to the Light, so that his deeds may be manifested as having been wrought in God" (John 3:21).



Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee

As plants grow, most stems tend to grow outward towards light. In a way, people are also much the same. According to the goodness and evil in their hearts, some follow the truth and tend to move towards the light and others follow evil and become stained with darkness.

When faced with a certain similar hardship, some take a negative and dark view and go astray while others overcome it and then encourage and help other people who are in the similar situation. The more evil one has in his heart, the more susceptible a person is to darkness. But, if there is more goodness, the person will come to the Light following the truth.

Then, what should God's children do to keep from being stained with darkness and go to the Light following the truth?

#### 1. The types of people who go to the Light

'Those who go toward the Light' refer to people who accepted Jesus Christ and practice the Word of God, who is the truth itself. Such people prefer light to darkness so they walk in the Light and bear the fruit of the Light.

That is why John 3:21 says, "But he who practices the truth comes to the Light, so that his deeds may be manifested as having been wrought in God." The Light here refers to God who is everlasting and perfect. First John 1:5 reads, "...God is Light, and in Him there is no darkness at all." James 1:17 says, "...with whom there

is no variation or shifting shadow."

God the Origin existed as Light since before the beginning. In order to gain true children with whom He could share His love, He came to exist as the Triune God: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. That is why Jesus, the Son of God, is also described as 'Light' in the Gospel of John chapter 1.

There are four types of people who come to the Light following the truth.

#### 1) Those who long to listen to the Word of God and meditate on it day and night

When people accept Jesus Christ, they receive the Holy Spirit as a gift. The Spirit is the heart of God. Thus, if one receives the Holy Spirit, he will naturally like the Light that is God's attribute and long to listen to the Word of God which is the truth.

Suppose you listened to the Word of God telling you to love even your enemies. If you cast off hate and achieve love as He says, you will have peace in the mind and be filled with joy from above. Thus, Psalm 19:9-10 reads, "The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring forever; the judgments of the LORD are true; they are righteous altogether. They are more desirable than gold, yes, than much fine gold; sweeter also than honey and the drippings of the honeycomb."

#### 2) Those who keep the Word of God they learned and practice it

The Word of God consists of four major classifications of things to 'Do', 'Not Do', 'Keep', and 'Cast away'. It is a duty of God's children who love Him to do what He tells us to do, not to do what He tells us not to do, keep what He tells us to keep, and cast off what He tells us to cast off. If we love God, we are not coerced to keep His commandments, but we can practice them with joy that arises from our hearts (1 John 5:3). For instance, God tells us to keep the Sabbath holy. We can do so because we feel happy going to church on Sunday, offering up worship services, and having fellowship with brothers of faith. There is no sense of being forced to give tithes and thanks offerings, and the offerings aren't given sparingly.

They give with thanks because they know the love of God who sacrificed His Son Jesus on the cross for them.

#### 3) Those who cherish God-given duties and work faithfully

Aquila and Priscilla were a marriedcouple who were recorded in Acts. When Apostle Paul visited Corinth, they were the source of strength for him to achieve God's work. They offered their house as a meeting place for believers and allowed Paul to preach the gospel there. Eventually, a church was established there.

They helped Apostle Paul faithfully such that Romans 16:4 reads, "Who for my life risked their own necks, to whom not only do I give thanks, but also all the churches of the Gentiles." They didn't spare their lives and dedicated themselves to the kingdom of God by helping Apostle Paul. Those who come to the Light cherish every duty God has given to them and work faithfully.

#### 4) Those who unsparingly sacrifice their own lives for the kingdom of God and His righteousness

Apostle Paul had persecuted people who believed Jesus Christ before he met the Lord. From the time he met the Lord on the way to Damascus, he was changed. No matter what the trials and afflictions he met with, he preached the gospel with his whole being. Until he was beheaded as a martyr, he had devoted himself to extending the kingdom of God. By doing so, the gospel was spread in the Roman Empire that was the center of the world.

If one truly has faith and hope for Heaven, he will give thanks, rejoice, and preach about the Lord even in hardship. This is because when people insult us and persecute us for the Lord's sake, we believe that God will repay us with a great reward in Heaven (Matthew 5:11-12).

#### 2. Blessings given to those who come to the Light

We are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for God's own possession, so that we may proclaim the excellencies of Him who has called us out of darkness into His marvelous light (1 Peter 2:9). For people who come to the Light like this, the most beautiful dwelling place in Heaven, New Jerusalem, has been prepared.

Revelation chapter 21 tells us the city of New Jerusalem that houses God's throne. There are 12 pearl gates to the city on which the names of the twelve sons of Israel are written and 12 beautiful foundation stones on which the names of Jesus' twelve apostles are written. The number '12' spiritually symbolizes 'Light'.

The number of the pearl gates and the foundation stones in New Jerusalem is 12 each, which means that only those who have become perfect in deeds and have come to the Light, that is, those who have become sanctified and been faithful in all aspects, can enter New Jerusalem. To enter New Jerusalem, we should cast away untruthful things that belong to darkness and come to the Light by diligently acting in the truth.

Jesus came to the world as the Light, and He taught the truth and preached the gospel of the kingdom. If people were following darkness, they couldn't realize His teaching. Those of goodness repented of their sins through the Light of the truth and gained salvation.

Even today, the Spirit gives birth to spirit in anyone who accepts Jesus Christ and follows the desire of the Spirit. Then, they can escape from darkness and live in the Light. They come to communicate with God who is the Light and they are led in the way that is prosperous by the voice and urging of the Holy Spirit.

Also, to the extent that we become sanctified and persons of the Light, we can receive God's wisdom and understanding (James 3:17). Moreover, when we dwell in the Light, we can make peace with God. So, we can have overflowing joy and peace in our hearts under any kind of circumstance, have peace with all men, and give unceasing thanks to God.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, I urge you to wisely cast away darkness every day and come to the Light with love for God who is the Light. I pray in the name of the Lord that in doing so you will enjoy prosperity in everything and eternal happiness and joy in New Jerusalem.

#### 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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Pray

with Heart

# **The Prayer God Wants**

Jesus habitually prayed on bended knees very fervently according to the will of God as described in Luke 22:39-44. His prayer teaches us how we should pray in terms of the right attitude and mind-set. Although Jesus is the Son of God, He prayed earnestly demonstrating a good example of prayer. Then, how should we pray as God's children? Elijah the prophet prayed so earnestly with his heart that he bent down on the earth and put his face between his knees. His prayer brought down the answer of a great downpour which ended a period of drought. When we offer up such earnest prayer with our hearts, we can receive answers and blessings.

> Abraham had unwavering and perfect faith in God, so he neither doubted the Word of God nor disobeyed. For he believed God the Almighty who can revive the dead, he obeyed God when He told him to offer up his only son Isaac as a burnt offering (Hebrews 11:19). So, God named Abraham the 'father of faith' and gave him all kinds of blessings including children, good health, wealth, and honor.

Many people doubt, disobey, and complain when things don't go in accordance with their thoughts. Some say they believe, but they turn and begin to doubt. Others are wavering between belief and unbelief just like the surf of the sea driven and tossed by the wind. James 1:6-8 says that for that man ought not to expect that he will receive anything from the Lord, being a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.

Jeremiah 33:3 reads, "Call to Me and I will answer you, and I will tell you great and mighty things, which you do not know." 'Calling to God' means that we should cry out in prayer to God with an earnest heart. When we cry out in prayer calling to God, we can't have idle thoughts and can't feel drowsy in prayer and we can naturally pray with our hearts.

Just as we eat bread by the sweat from our faces, we can

receive answers by crying out in prayer (Genesis 3:19). Prayer has to go through the camp of Satan, that is the prince of the power of the air, and reach the throne that stands in Heaven. Through such prayer, we can be filled with the Spirit. Trials and afflictions can be driven away and problems can be solved. When we cry out fervently in prayer we can receive the power of the Spirit and become the true witnesses of Jesus Christ.

# Cry Out in prayer

Pray in Faith

In order to have faith, we need to put in our own efforts. But more importantly, we should receive faith from God. This God-given faith is spiritual faith that is accompanied with deeds. If we have this spiritual faith, the assurance in receiving answers will come as written in Mark 11:24, saying, "Therefore I say to you, all things for which you pray and ask, believe that you have received them, and they will be granted you." God gives answers to each and every one according to their own faith when they pray. If we grow up in faith and pray with unwavering faith in any kind of situation, then God sees our faith and He gives us answers and causes all things around us to work together for good. By piling up prayer along the way, strength comes from above so that we can fight against sins, cast them off, obey the truth, and finally come to have God-pleasing faith. Such believers with perfect faith are followed by signs. That is, they will cast out demons, they will speak with new tongues; they will pick up serpents, and if they drink any deadly poison, it will not hurt them; they will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover (Mark 16:17-18).

If we set a specific goal in anything, we will push ahead with it more actively and it will lead to quicker achievement. On the contrary, with a vague goal, we can't set the right direction and it will be easy for us to get skeptical about why we started it when we are faced with even a tiny problem.

When we pray to God, we should have a specific purpose. If our heart does not condemn us and we have confidence before God by acting in the truth,

Pray with

Love

God promised to give whatever we ask Him of (1 John 3:21-22). If our goal and purpose of prayer are specific and clear, we will pray more earnestly and with more patience. To have confidence before God with a specific purpose, we should keep His commandments and do the things that are pleasing in His sight. This is because God knows our need beforehand. When He searches our hearts that have nothing that can condemn us, He can fulfill our needs.

Pray with a Goal

Hebrews 11:6 reads, "And without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is and that He is a rewarder of those who seek Him." As written, if we believe that our prayer will be answered and become rewards in Heaven, we will not feel tired in prayer nor feel that it is difficult to pray. Moreover, if we pray with love for souls, just as Jesus prayed fervently to sacrifice His life for all people, we can also offer up earnest prayer. The prayer of love that God wants is the prayer that seeks the kingdom of God and His righteousness first and the prayer for the church, the shepherd, and souls. The prayer offered up by the genuine love towards God, with hunger and thirst for righteousness, is the true prayer of love. It is to pray with spiritual love that is borne perfectly in the heart with realization of God's will for extending the kingdom of God. It is a prayer with the heart of the master.



Sister Ri Qiu Pong Paris, France

France. I have attended the worship services of Manmin Central Church via the online livebroadcasting since 2011. During that time, God

I am an Overseas Chinese living in Paris,

on Enlace TV. She had twisted her pelvis, so she couldn't kneel down and her right heel didn't touch the ground. The members there asked me to pray for her with the handkerchief. I hesitated for a

moment since I had never prayed out loud in front of many people before. But they implored me with faith and I was filled with the inspiration of the Holy Spirit.

I had saved what Dr. Lee had prayed about in my cell phone when he prayed to put strength in the handkerchief. At just the right time I had it and relying on it I prayed, "God the Almighty!

Though I lack many things, I want to follow the will of the Father. Please reveal Your glory through Your child. Father! Consider their faith and earnest hearts and work on her."

I suggested for them to pray together. Then, I read aloud Dr. Lee's prayer translated into Chinese that I had saved and I prayed for her. I sprayed Muan Sweet Water on her injured part. Now an amazing work occurred in her. She tried to bend and straighten her back and her knees. And she walked normally. Hallelujah!

On the way back to France, I could see a circular rainbow that was following my plane for 30 minutes. I felt like God was saying He was with me so I was very happy. I also experienced a happy thing in 2014. I delivered the holiness gospel to Sister Qinghua Liu from Qingdao, China and gave her Dr. Lee's books. I also advised her to watch Dr. Lee's sermons via the Internet. Then, she experienced astounding things. She underwent a surgery for uterine myoma on January 7 in 2014 and had excessive bleeding. She received three emergency treatments on January 18, 20, and 27 in 2014. The bleeding did not stop. I taught her about the importance of keeping the Sabbath. At dawn on February 2, 2014, she offered up Sunday Morning Service of Manmin Central Church via the live-broadcasting online and received Dr. Lee's prayer for the sick. At that time, she felt great pain as if her womb had come out. To her surprise, she found out that the gauze used for her surgery had come out. Then, she stopped bleeding. Hallelujah!

She is leading a happy Christian life these days. She reads Dr. Lee's books, offers Friday All-night Service, and evangelizes other people. I give all thanks and glory to God who healed me through Dr. Lee's prayer of power transcending space and time and blessed me to become a witness who preaches the works of power.

### "I received blessing of conception and my baby's gender even changed"

----- Deaconess Yoonyoung Choi (Yamagata Manmin Church, Japan) --

In 1990, Elder Jekyu Joo and I were married. He was working for Sendai Consulate General. I was not able to conceive even after five years of marriage. I was born in the seventh month of pregnancy and was born congenitally weak. I had also had heart surgery.

In May, 1995, I visited South Korea to attend the 3<sup>rd</sup> two-week **Consecutive Special Revival** Meeting in Manmin Central Church in compliance with the advice of my mother who had been healed of rheumatoid arthritis by Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee's prayer. I received his prayer and was healed of otitis media with cholesteatoma which



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is difficult to heal. Also, I received the blessing of conception and have given birth to three children.

When I was carrying my third child, Sister Kayoung, in my womb at the sixth month in January 2000, the ultrasound test revealed the child was a son. At the moment, it flashed through my mind that my mother would be concerned about me. She had always been worried about me since I had to raise children in a foreign country with a weak body. Now, I was having the third child and it was a son who is usually more difficult to raise.

So, I kept praying from the day when I found out that it was a son. It is God who gave me a son and



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who created men, so I was given faith that God would change a son into a daughter if I was to receive Dr. Lee's prayer. I went to Seoul, Korea and received Dr. Lee's prayer of power. My heart became at peace and I returned to Japan with joy. That following February, the ultrasound showed that it was a female, not a male! Hallelujah! I delivered a healthy and beautiful daughter in May, 2000. Sister Kayoung is now in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade, and she is the President of her class and receives trust and praise from her teachers. She also gives glory to God with dance in the Angel Glory Worship Team



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