

Manmin News

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The church had the 2018 Christmas Service at 11 AM on Dec. 25 (Tue), and the service was live-broadcast on GCN TV.

Pastor Soojin Lee, the chairperson of the Pastor's Association, delivered the message after the Nissi Orchestra played "Silent Night! Holy Night!" for the special performance of the service. Pastor Soojin Lee wished all the members to overcome the days of human cultivation with the power of Jesus's love, for Jesus came to this earth in human body and took the wretched sufferings of the cross because of His love toward us.



The church also had the Christmas Eve service and the celebration events from 7 PM on Dec. 24 (Mon). Rev. Dr. Esther Kooyoung Chung, the president of the United Holiness Theological Seminary and former President of Seoul Women's University, delivered the message under the title, "The News of Great Joy Which Will be for All the People" (Luke 2:8-12), and it was followed by the celebration performances with the titles, "Birth of the Lord" and "Celebrations." Praise Leader Rose Jookyeong Han, Power Worship Dance Team, Sound of Light Chorus, Crystal Singers, and Prayer Center Praise Team, Nissi Orchestra, and Chorus singers sang praises and performed instrumental music and skits to give thanks and glory to the Lord.



God's Providence Never Stops

12 Major News of Manmin in 2018

1 Counseling Campaign

In the beginning of the year, our church concentrated on preaching and counseling the members as a part of soul-winning effort. Some special counsellors were selected from women's district leaders, sub-district leaders, and cell group leaders, and they visited many households for spiritual counselling.

They focused on the prayers, preaching, and visitations for counseling even in extremely cold weather. Especially, men's cell, sub-district, and district leaders made visits to their church members

after their work on weekdays or on Saturdays, during their free time. They won many new souls and brought back the lost ones. Those who participated in the campaign said they received many blessings including being filled with joy and happiness, recovering their first love, and experiencing God's love.

Especially, the members of the Chinese parish experienced countless works of God's power and were transformed through God's Word, which caused them to have a great revival and to be united as one in love like the Early Church.

2 Powerful Handkerchief-Prayers

After the Sunday morning service on Feb. 18, the Senior Pastor Rev. Jaerock Lee prayed on the handkerchiefs for God's power to be contained in them. These handkerchiefs were prepared by those members (Young Adults' Mission members and older) who long for the powerful works of God.

In Acts 19:11-12, we read that evil spirits left and various diseases were healed through the handkerchief that had been taken from the body of the apostle Paul. In the same way, mighty and amazing works of the Holy Spirit have been taking place through the handkerchiefs on which Rev. Lee

prayed.

Even the lay members of the church and not pastor or leaders put the handkerchiefs on sick parts and prayed with faith. Then, they experienced various works of the power of God including divine healing.

Furthermore, many meetings were held where the speakers prayed with the handkerchief for the crowd, in domestic branch churches and in other countries including Kenya, D.R. Congo, Singapore, Malaysia, Indonesia, and Pakistan. Many believers received healing and answer to their prayers, and gave glory to God.



Senior Pastor Rev. Jaerock Lee praying on the handkerchiefs for God's power to be embedded in them

The Book of Acts tells us of the extraordinary works that took place through the handkerchief that had been taken from the Apostle Paul's body.



Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee

Give Thanks for God's Grace

**"Praise the LORD!
Oh give thanks to the LORD,
for He is good;
For His lovingkindness is
everlasting. Who can speak
of the mighty deeds of the LORD,
or can show forth all His praise?
How blessed are those
who keep justice,
who practice righteousness
at all times!"**
Psalm 106:1-3

What is the reason that we cannot help but give thanks to God looking back on the past year? It's that every moment has been His grace, and in each moment we've been in His guidance and blessing.

Psalm 50:23 says, "He who offers a sacrifice of thanksgiving honors Me; and to him who orders his way aright I shall show the salvation of God." When we honor God with our thanksgiving, He opens a door of blessing that is greater than what we've already received. Now, what do we have to thank God for?

1. He Gave us Blessings for Our Souls to Be Prosperous As Well As Salvation

God gave us not only the grace of salvation but also He is leading us to the kingdom of heaven, by letting us become a believer who has true faith like the 'wheat'. When a farmer harvests, he will gather the wheat into the barn and burn the chaff away. In the same way, God will gather only wheat-like believers into heaven, namely those who obey the words of the Bible and practice God's will.

Today, many people do not believe when they hear the gospel, and even among the believers, there are many people who do not live by the

word of the Lord. It's because they do not understand the will of God. They do not know how their souls can prosper or how to take hold of heavenly kingdom by force.

They don't even know that they have to circumcise their heart. Therefore, they don't try to live by the word nor cast off sins. Their souls cannot prosper even after a long time, and thus their spiritual faith can't increase, thereby being unable to receive answers from God.

But it is different for those have understood and realized what the purpose of human cultivation is by listening to many messages and witnessing powerful works of God. They don't think they are leading a good Christian life just by attending worship services and performing some church duties. They take hold of the best heavenly dwelling place, the city of New Jerusalem, by force, by putting the word of God into practice.

When these believers who have understood the true meaning of a Christian life and whose souls have become prosperous finally arrive at heavenly kingdom, God will pay them back with inexpressible glory and rewards for their endeavor. Therefore, we should be thankful from the center of our heart, for God has nursed us with the word of truth and blessed our souls to prosper.

2. His Grace to Let Our Faith Grow With His Word, God has let us know clearly the way of salvation and how to get into better heavenly dwelling places. Sometimes, He also allows us times of trials to let our faith grow.

Some people cannot really discern how much measure of faith they have. Having just little faith, they think they have great faith. They are confident that they are wheat believers who are saved thinking, "I keep the Lord's Day and give tithes," and "I pray and do my God-given duty."

Of course, reflecting ourselves on the word, we can understand to some extent which level of faith we are at right now. However, we can check our faith more precisely in trials. Under trials, our hearts become more humble and poorer,

and therefore, God's grace can come upon us for us to be able to realize our hidden shortcomings and change.

During the trials, we might not make confession of faith; we might not be thankful; or we might even change our minds. Through these acts we realize that we disobey God's will knowing what it is. Of course, at the moment of realizing our inner self, we sometimes experience heart-tearing pains with so much sorrow. However, through this experience we can cast off untruth that is deeply planted in heart, gain greater and firmer faith, and receive the fullness of the Holy Spirit.

After we pass the trials, we look at things in different ways and our attitude toward others changes. We can see everything with the eyes of faith, and now we can accept and act with humbleness towards those whom we could not accept before. We can deeply feel that the lust of this world is just like fog and we gain much more earnest hope for heavenly kingdom. We can understand the heart of the Father more deeply and give thanks to Him from the depth of our heart even more.

If we rely on God, He will hold us firm, and give us grace and strength to let us overcome any kind of difficulties (1 Cor. 10:13). God the Father knows better than anybody our situations and conditions, and He feels our pains together. Also, our Lord and the Holy Spirit make earnest intercessions so that we will overcome trials with faith. Therefore, we can receive all kinds of trials with thanksgiving and overcome them with faith, hope, and love.

3. God's Grace that Let You Repent and Have Hope of Heaven

Even though the wall of sin was very big and some of you were in a situation where you could not be saved, God opened the gate of His compassion to those who asked Him humbly, so that you could repent of your sins. He gave you not only the grace to repent of your sins but also He let you recover your hope that you had before. He gave you grace to recover the lost trust between you and Him, to store up rewards, and to run toward the heavenly kingdom

with new hope.

In Exodus chapter 32, the sons of Israel made a golden calf and worshipped it because Moses' return from Mt. Sinai was delayed. They had already witnessed so many signs and wonders including the Ten Plagues. However, when Moses was not present for a moment, they sinned, stopped praying, and worshipped idols. They were about to be destroyed right away, but Moses risked His own life to save the people in asking God to save them. His act moved God's heart, and He showed mercy and compassion that goes beyond justice, and gave the sons of Israel a chance of repentance.

I cherish the members of the church so much, and I have been doing my best to lead them to heavenly kingdom. While pastoring so many souls, I can deeply feel the heart of Moses who prayed to God risking his own life.

There are believers who do not have true faith but commit sins even though I teach the truth day and night with tears and pray and fast for them continually. However, even at these occasions, I had to kneel down before the Father and ask Him with tears, without even having time to get discouraged or disappointed. Then, God gave them a chance of repentance and opened the door of hope for them to go into better heavenly dwelling place. I could not express my emotions and gratitude for that moment.

Without the grace and compassion of God, nobody can stand before Him, receive salvation, or go into heavenly kingdom. Moreover, with one's own righteousness and power, nobody can enter into New Jerusalem. You can be saved only by the grace of God. Only by His compassion can you be forgiven of all sins and iniquities and recover the hope of heaven that you lost.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, I hope you will be full of thanks for the grace of God who let your spiritual faith increase. In the forthcoming New Year, may you please God and receive answers to all your prayers and give glory to God to the fullest extent, I pray this in the name of the Lord!

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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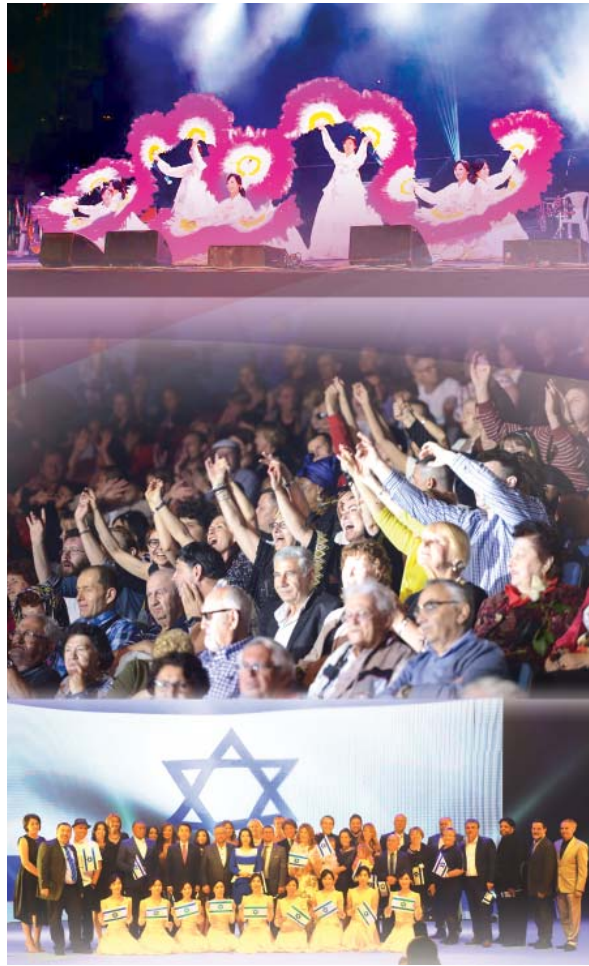
3 GCN TV Attends NRB and International Christian Conference in Peru

GCN TV has been actively accomplishing their ministry, and a part of it has been having fellowship and cooperation with other Christian broadcasters worldwide.

They participated in the 2018 NRB Convention and Exhibition held in Nashville, USA, from Feb. 26 through Mar. 2, and newly initiated cooperation with various Christian broadcasters, exchanging technology and programs with them.

Also, GCN TV was invited to the International Christian Conference held in Peru from August 17 through 19. They played the videos of the powerful ministry of our church and the performances of our Performing Arts Committee, which brought about great responses and applauses.

GCN TV, since its opening in 2005, has been creating and transmitting to more than 170 countries programs of the Word of Life and the powerful works of God. There have been continuous responses of the viewers whose lives have been changed through those programs, sending their gratitude and testimonies.



5 The Church Invited to Israel's 70th Anniversary

Our church was invited to the celebration events of Israel's 70th anniversary, which was held by March of Life organization of Germany and the Helping Hand Coalition of Israel and sponsored by the government of Israel.

Our representatives introduced the ministry of our church and the Senior Pastor Rev. Jaerock Lee in the opening event held in International Convention Center (ICC), Jerusalem, and in the Knesset, and in the VIP Convention. In the finale event, Power Worship Dance Team performed a Korean traditional fan dance that received a big round of applause.

Our church has been praying for evangelism in Israel since our opening. Rev. Jaerock Lee conducted evangelical meetings in all corners of Israel for 3 years beginning from 2007. He preached that Jesus Christ is the Savior along with the manifestations of the power of God, and finally he spoke in the "2009 Israel United Crusade" held in ICC.



6 2018 Manmin Festival

Our church held "2018 Manmin Festival" at the Yeuido Park intersection in front of the Parliament on June 16.

This event was held under the title, "Manmin is preaching the living God, Manmin is practicing the love and goodness of the Lord, Manmin is spreading the holiness gospel and the works of God's power!" It was an event to make known the ministry of our church that has been proclaiming the living God all over the world in obedience to the words of God in the Bible.

There was a video presentation of the testimonies of the church members who have experienced the power of God and received new hope in life through the prayers of our Senior Pastor Rev. Jaerock Lee, followed by the praises, worship dances, and other various events.

4 2018 Easter Service

The resurrection of the Lord teaches us that there is an eternal life; that all the hard-work done in the Lord will bear the fruit; and that all of the sufferings in the Lord will become our glory.

On April 1, 2018, through the message delivered by our Senior Pastor Rev. Jaerock Lee for the Easter under the title "Resurrection of the Lord" (1 Cor. 15:41-44), the church members realized the providence of God in allowing the crucifixion, which turned into the glory of resurrection.

In the 2nd part of the Friday all-night service on March 30, more than 300 members of the Performing Arts Committee performed the Easter performance "The Lord's Cross" on the special stage prepared in the main sanctuary. It was attended by pastors and believers from Russia, Belarus, Kenya, France, the United States, and Singapore. The scenes of the ministry of Jesus, His suffering of the cross, and resurrection and ascension touched many attendants' hearts.



7 WCDN Conference

Our church's affiliated World Christian Doctors' Network (WCDN) held the 15th International Christian Medical Conference in Warsaw, Poland on June 16 and 17, under the theme "Spirituality, Medicine, and Science."

WCDN is a meeting of inter-denominational Christian doctors from all over the world who medically clarify and confirm divine healing cases. They hold a conference in various parts of the world once a year.

This year's conference was attended by more than 400 medical professionals from 17 countries, and various divine healing cases were presented, including recovery from acute pulmonary heart disease through our Senior Pastor Rev. Jaerock Lee's prayer, and cases of cerebral hemorrhage, a fracture of humerus, cholecystitis, and recovering good eyesight. They gave glory to God who is alive even today and healing the people spiritually and physically.

8 2018 Manmin Summer Retreat

2018 Manmin Summer Retreat was held on Aug. 6-8. It was attended by many leading pastors and believers from 25 countries. There were the manifestations of explosive works of God's power, and those who experienced such power gave glory to God with their testimonies.

The jumping park of Muju Deokyoosan Resort had the temperature of 23-26 degrees Celsius, which was the most pleasant weather condition, while the whole country was suffering from extremely hot weather. It was indeed God's protection just as the land of Goshen was protected as in Exodus 8:22.

After the message, the speaker Pastor Soojin Lee prayed with the handkerchief on which our Senior Pastor Rev. Jaerock Lee had prayed. Numerous diseases were healed, and 24 deaf-and-mute people from other countries came to hear better or hear for the first time.

The works of the Holy Spirit also took place to the believers who were participating in the retreat on GCN TV and on the Internet in other countries, and it is reported that many diseases were healed including AIDS.



10 Receiving New Strength to Overcome

In this year as was the case in the previous years, the members of Manmin have been concentrating on the Word and fervent prayer, adhering to the fundamentals of Christian faith.

In this past September, we had the 18th Bible Quiz Competition, and in October and November, the church held a church-wide Bible Reading Campaign. We've also continued to have the Daniel Prayer Meeting every night, the 2-term continuous special Daniel Prayer Meetings that were held once in the first half and once in the second half of the year respectively, and even the day time prayer meetings, all of which were led by the President of Manmin Prayer Center, Mrs. Boknim Lee.

We've also had a time of special praise during the 2-term continuous special Daniel Prayer Meeting, led by Pastor Soojin Lee the chairperson of the Pastors' Association. On June 1, the church also had the "Special Friday All-night Service Praise and Worship." By offering up to God praises of faith, the church members received new strength to overwhelmingly overcome as well as answers to prayers and healing works.



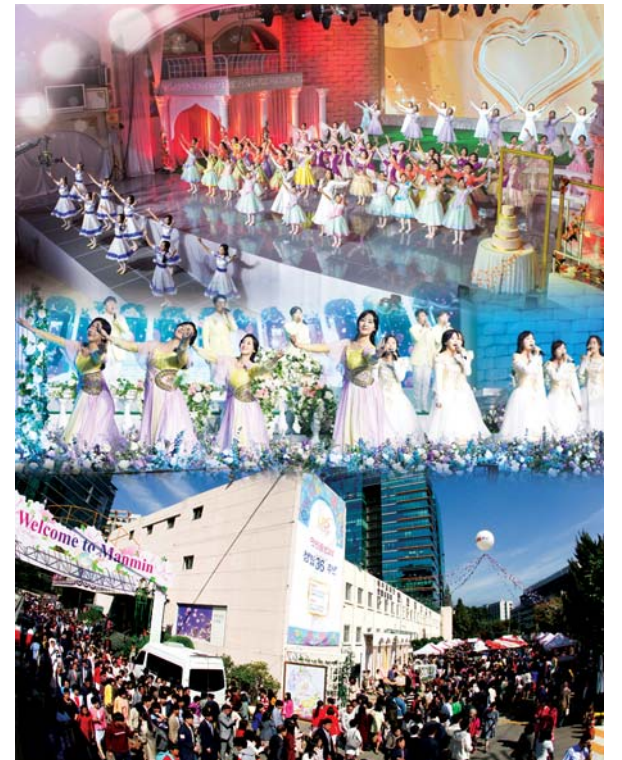
9 36th Church Anniversary and Celebration Events

We had the 36th anniversary of the church on Oct. 7, which was attended by guests from 22 countries. With splendid celebration events we gave thanks and glory to God the Trinity who is leading the ministry of Manmin.

The 1st part, the worship service was live-broadcast on the Internet and by GCN TV that covers more than 170 countries. There were congratulatory messages sent from 31 countries. The 2nd part was the celebration events performed on the special stage in the main sanctuary with the title, "The Banquet Hall along the Flower Roads."

The performance was created by some 290 performers and technical staff to express with joyful praises and dancing the scenes of the heavenly banquet hall. It was certainly a high-quality Christian cultural performance that added to the hope of heaven of the church members.

And for the 36th anniversary, we installed a mega-size LED display panel as the backdrop of the main sanctuary, which can express various images including the Lord's Second Advent in the air.



11 Overseas Members Being Changed

Increasingly more believers and pastors around the world experience the power of God by listening to the messages of our Senior Pastor Rev. Jaerock Lee on the Internet through YouTube, Facebook, and other Social Network Services.

There were people from Ecuador, Argentina, Chile, Ukraine, and Malaysia who were healed of blindness, Celiac disease, chronic anemia, sinusitis, etc., or were set free from the evil spirits. Many testimonies are sent to our church from all over the world.

Some home churches had revivals and became official branch churches in Moldova, France, Switzerland, and Taiwan. New home churches were established in Argentina, the United States, and Pakistan. A new local sanctuary was set up in Honduras, and another branch church opened in El Salvador. Our work to make the whole world our parish still goes on.

12 Charitable Works for Dental Implants and Dentures

Since its opening, our church has been helping those who are in need with the love of the Lord. From the first half of this year, by the support and sponsoring of our Senior Pastor Rev. Jaerock Lee, our church has been helping some 170 senior citizens who can't afford dental treatments, helping them get dental implants, dentures, or dental crowns.

Those who received the dental care say they recovered not just dental health but also their confidence and energy. Deacon Hyeonmo Lee (Age 74) said, "I've got a dental implant that fits perfectly, and I am so thankful that I can eat anything." Senior Deaconess Shinae Kim said, "I had to cover my mouth when I was laughing because I looked like a really old woman, but now many people say I look much younger and more beautiful."



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