# Manmin News

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## **Playing Only For the Glory of God!**

27<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Praise-Specializing Nissi Orchestra

In the evening service of the Sunday March 3, Nissi Orchestra gave glory to God with their special performance, celebrating their 27<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

#### Contribution to Development of Christian Culture

Nissi Orchestra was organized on March 1, 1992, in order to honor Psalms 150:3-5, which says, "Praise Him with trumpet sound; Praise Him with harp and lyre. Praise Him with timbrel and dancing; praise Him with stringed instruments and pipe. Praise Him with loud cymbals; praise Him with resounding cymbals."

They performed in the 1992 World Holy Spirit Revival Crusade, 1995 Peaceful Re-Unification Jubilee Crusade for the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Korean Independence, many National Breakfast Prayer meetings, Korea-Russia United Concert, Korea-Japan Exhibit Soccer Match opening for 2002 World Cup, and Happy Concerts.' The list is extensive and the number of their performances mounts up to more than 100.

They also performed in Nagoya,



Japan; Manila, Philippines; and St. Petersburg, Russia for the crusades with Rev. Jaerock Lee.

### Giving Glory to God with Inspirational Performance

Nissi Orchestra adds God's grace to every worship service with their performance along with the choir. They also have organized a Brass Ensemble, the 'Miracle' electric string team, and Violin Duet that also present special performances from time to time.

Some of the Orchestra members have become faithful after they experienced God the Healer. Young Heon Son (clarinet) was healed of parotid tumor, Minkyeong Lee (percussions) healed of uterine cyst and her fetus's Down Syndrome, Miyoung Ahn (violin) of calcified tendinitis, Jung Ah Lee's (viola) daughter of pyogenic abscess in hip joint, and Eunjeong Kim (French horn) of a broken toe—all healed by the prayer of our Senior Pastor Rev. Jaerock Lee.

## 19<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Muan Sweet Water

Beginning at 11 AM on March 7, the 19<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations and worship service of Muan Sweet Water were held in Muan Manmin Church in Muan Goon Jeollanamdo Province. It was commenced by the presider Pastor Myeongsool Kim that was followed by the prayer of Pastor Taeshik Gil, and then a special song by Jinhee Kim before Pastor Miyoung Lee, the vice chairperson of the Pastors' Association of Manmin Central Church delivered the message.

Before the message, Pastor Miyoung Lee read the handwritten message of Rev. Jaerock Lee saying, "Muan Sweet Water is a proof of the living God and confirms many events in the Bible. Please do not forget the grace given to us through Muan Sweet Water and keep marching on toward the kingdom of heaven." Then she delivered the message with the title, "Chance".

It was then followed by congratulatory message of Dr. Yoonsuk Chae, the president of WCDN, and the benediction of Pastor Sangtae Kim, academic dean of United Holiness Theological Seminary.

The Crystal Singers' and the Sound of Light Chorus presented splendid performances of singing and Korean fan-dance for the  $2^{nd}$  part of the service.



Muan Sweet Water: Sign that Confirms Infallibility of Bible

Pastor Myeongsool Kim,

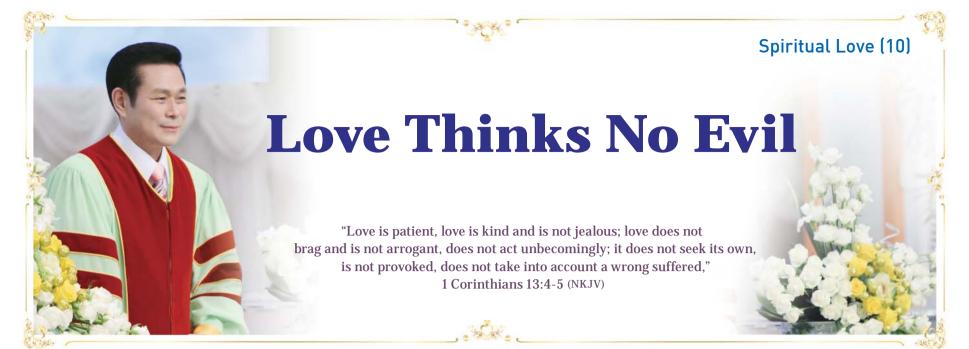
Muan Manmin Church



In Exodus 15 is a record of the event in which God through his servant Moses changed the bitter water of Marah into sweet water. The members of Muan Manmin Church prayed for their lack of fresh water, and the faithful God heard them. On March 5, 2000, through Rev. Jaerock Lee's prayer that transcends time and space, God changed the salty well water that was like that of the seashore into sweet water. When we've applied it with faith, various diseases were healed and problems resolved.

Before this anniversary, the local government issued an order for reduction of fine dust for 3 days. I asked the Senior Pastor to pray for good weather conditions. And by 8 AM on March 7, all the warnings of heavy fine dust were lifted all over Jeonnam province and we had the event under such a clear sky.

## The Word of Life



Senior Pastor Rev. Jaerock Lee

I've met many kinds of people during the course of my ministry. Some people feel the touch of God and burst into tears just by thinking about Him while some others are somewhat concerned wondering why they're unable to feel God's love deeply, although they do believe and love God.

We might sometimes face hardships in our Christian lives, too. We can overcome such situations if we remember the love of God who never denies us. But the truth is, the magnitude of our love for God is decided by the extent to which we cast away sins and evil. We will not have a halt in our faith but feel God's deep love to the same extent that we live by His word and cast away evil from our heart.

Now, what does it mean by 'Love thinks no evil'? Here, evil refers to all things that are not in accordance with God's will.

#### 1. Evil thoughts are thoughts opposite God's will

#### 1) Wishing something will go wrong for somebody

Suppose you have a quarrel with somebody and you came to hate them. So you wish they will fall on the streets. If something bad happens to one of your neighbors who were not on good terms with you, you think they deserve it. Or, for one of your classmates who get better grades than you, you wish they will not do well in exams.

If we have love, we will not have such evil thoughts. Nobody would wish for their beloved people to get sick or get involved in accidents. You'd wish for your wife, your husband, and your children to always be healthy and safe. You rejoice over other people's troubles or unhappiness due to lack of love.

If you lack love, you'd want to spread others' shortcomings. If you pay attention to gossip or slanders in a certain group, you have to check your heart. Of course, sometimes you need to find out their problems so you might be able to stop them from going the wrong way and help them. However, if you pay attention in other cases than above, it is very likely it's because you like gossip. Those who are good-hearted and have love will try to cover other people's fault.

If we have spiritual love, we are not jealous when others are well-off. We just want the best for them. Jesus told us to love our enemies and pray for those who persecute us in Matt. 5:44. Romans 12:14 says, "Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse."

#### 2) Passing judgment and condemnation

What if you see a Christian going into a place where they should not be going? You'd think it's suspicious to the extent that you have evil in heart. If your heart is better than this case, you might have some suspicion but soon changes your thoughts into good ones. However, if you have spiritual love, you'd have no evil thoughts whatsoever.

Even if you hear something negative about other people, you wouldn't easily pass judgment until you check out all the facts. Most parents wouldn't easily accept it if they hear their children have problems. But rather they'd think the one who is informing them is bad. It is human nature to think in a good way about those whom we love.

Today, people frequently pass judgment and they very easily slander others. It is not only done in personal relationships. People often slander famous people publicly. They also create groundless rumors and spread them without even trying to confirm the source.

The rumors on the Internet give rise to negative comments and some people even commit suicide. People pass judgment and condemnation with their own standards and not by the word of God. Now, what is the good will of God?

James 4:12 says, "There is only one Lawgiver and Judge, the One who is able to save and to destroy; but who are you who judge your neighbor?" Only God can be the judge. It is evil to judge our neighbors.

Even when they clearly did something wrong, for those who seek spiritual love, arguing over right and wrong does not matter

at all. They only think of what is beneficial for others. They want those souls to be changed and be loved by God.

Furthermore, perfect love will not only cover others' faults and forgive them but also help them to be able to repent. They'd teach them the truth so they can be changed by it.

If we cultivate spiritual love completely, we wouldn't have to try to look at others in goodness. No matter how much they are lacking, we just believe them and want to help them because we love them. If we have no thoughts of passing judgment and condemnation at all, we can be happy no matter what kind of persons we meet.

#### 3) All the other thoughts that are opposite God's will

Evil thoughts also include all the thoughts that are not in accordance with God's will.

Most people say those with high moral standards are good. However, neither morality nor conscience is standards of goodness. Some parts of them are directly against God's will. The only absolute standard of goodness is the word of God.

When we first accept the Lord, we realize that we're sinners. Even those who used to think they lived a good life would have to profess that they are evil sinners in the light of God's word. Everything that is not according to the word of God, the absolute standard of goodness, is evil and sin (1 John 3:4).

What is the difference between sin and evil then? In a general sense, both sin and evil are the untruth that is opposite of the word of God. It is darkness, which is opposite to God who is Light. However, in a strict sense there is a clear distinction between sin and evil.

Likened to a tree, evil is like the root under the ground whereas sin is like the branches, leaves, and fruit that are visible.

Without the root, the tree cannot have ranches, leaves, or the fruit. In the same way sins come from evil. Evil is the nature deeply rooted in our heart, and when it is actualized specifically it is sin.

#### The Confession of Faith

- 1. Manmin Central Church believes that the Bible is God-breathed Word that is perfect and flawles
- 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.

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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If somebody speaks foul language or shows violence, it tells us the hatred in their heart is actualized as the sin of those words and actions (Luke 6:45). Sin is identified by the standard called God's commandments. Sins are categorized into two: things of the flesh hatred, jealousy, and lust; and works of the flesh—quarrel, throwing tantrums, theft, and murder.

We know that having evil in heart doesn't mean we will necessarily sin. If we can control those evil natures by hearing God's word and through manners, then we won't commit sins easily. In those cases you might mistakenly think you've cultivated holiness when you don't commit any actual sin. However, we are truly holy only when we cast away the evil natures deeply rooted in our heart.

Everyone has inherited evil natures from their parents. They are usually dormant, but in some extreme situations they will surface. Even if we don't openly commit sins, whatever is not perfect in the sight of the perfect God is evil. That is why God urges us to cast away all forms of evil (1 Thess. 5:22).

God is love. The summation of all God's commandments is 'love' (1 John 3:23; Rom. 13:10). After all, lack of love is evil and sin. In order to find out the extent to which we have cultivated spiritual love, we can just check the extent that we think in evil. We wouldn't think any evil when we love God and the souls.

#### 2. To Cultivate Love That Thinks No Evil

#### 1) We must not see or hear anything evil

When we see or hear something evil, we shouldn't keep it in mind but try not to remember. Of course, our thoughts can't be controlled as we wish all the time. The harder we try, the more we might be reminded of them. However, if we keep on trying and praying not to think evil, the Holy Spirit will help us. We should never intentionally see, hear, or remember evil things, and cast away even the evil thoughts that flash through our minds.

#### 2) We must never participate in evil deeds

2 John 1:10-11 says, "If anyone comes to you and does not bring this teaching, do not receive him into your house, and do not give him a greeting; for the one who gives him a greeting participates in his evil deeds." The Bible tells us to take caution against evil and to not accept it at all.

Men make their 'self' based on the untruths they acquire while they're growing up. And Christian life is to cast away these untruths and sinful natures after accepting the Lord. However, a great deal of endurance and hard effort is required to cast away sins and evil. We're more accustomed to untruths than to truths living in this world. It's easy to accept untruths but it's hard to cast them away.

If you spill just one drop of ink on white clothes, it is very easily spread by the black pigments. Trivial-looking evil can easily develop into great evil. It spreads to other people very quickly (Gal. 5:9). Therefore, we must be on the alert even for little evil. We must hate evil in order to cast away all forms of evil (Psa. 97:10; Prov. 8:13).

If we passionately love somebody, we like what they like and we dislike what they dislike. In the same way, those children of God who have received the Holy Spirit feel afflicted by the lamentation of the Holy Spirit when they commit sins. In this way they realize God hates sins, and they try not to commit sins. Also, we must try not to accept any more evil in addition to casting it away.

#### 3. Supply God's Word and Prayer

Gal. 6:7 says, "...for whatever a man sows, this he will also reap." If we sow evil, we will reap calamities (Prov. 22:8). All kinds of diseases or hardships that we and our children suffer are caused by our own evil. All the worries of life grew up from the seeds of evil we sowed. Of course, sometimes disasters might not come right away but only after the amount of evil has mounted up.

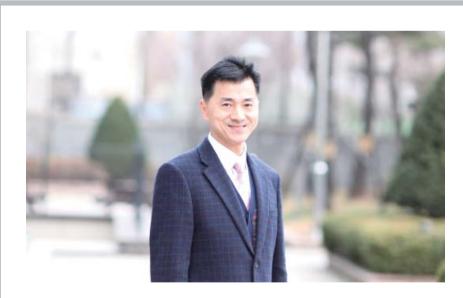
Many people do not realize these principles, and they are not reluctant to do evil deeds. They consider it justice to pay back evil with evil. However, God says in Prov. 20:22, "Do not say, "I will repay evil"; wait for the LORD, and He will save you." He wants us to do only good.

God controls the life, death, and blessing and curses of men according to justice. Therefore, we will necessarily reap good fruits if we do good deeds (Exo. 20:6). In order for us to keep ourselves from evil, we have to hate evil first. And then, we should supply two things to our soul: God's word and prayer.

We can cast away evil thoughts and have good thoughts by meditating on God's word day and night. We can learn the good ways and what true love is from God's word. When we pray about the word of God we learned, we can realize the evil in our actions, words, and thoughts. Then, by praying fervently in the fullness of the Holy Spirit, we can cast away evil from our heart.

#### Dear brothers and sisters,

In order to cultivate spiritual love, we must not see or hear anything evil, and we have to cast away all forms of evil. I pray in the name of the Lord that you will quickly get rid of evil through God's word and fervent prayers and lead a happy life.



"God Blessed Me to Be Promoted to General Manager"

#### I've been working in the general affairs office of West Seoul news. Country Club for the past 24 years, since 1995. The mother company manage

has been making good profit so I had no worries in my workplace. However, on Dec. 25, 2018, it was announced that the company was acquired by another company. 5 executive officers were fired on that day. The acquisition team occupied the offices immediately. There were rumors that junior managers would also be fired. The whole

company went into chaos. I thought there must be God's will in this too. I just committed everything to God and prayed with faith, expecting great blessings. The headquarters company in Incheon suggested I could join them in the headquarters. However, I had my duty in my parish. Also I wanted to keep the employees of my company, so I decided to remain.

Several days later, the headquarters company gave me amazing

Deuksup Kim (Age 51, 23<sup>rd</sup> Parish)

news. I was appointed as the general manager by the new management! There were many other executive officers above me, and it was practically something impossible, but God blessed me in such a miraculous way. Hallelujah!

After I registered in the church in January 2013, I was healed of rhinitis that I had had for the past 10 years and shoulder pain that had lasted for 5 years. I tried to walk in the Light and attended all kinds of worship services and Daniel prayer meetings. I tried to fulfill all my church duties. I just wanted to follow our Senior Pastor, Rev. Jaerock Lee's teachings that we children of God must walk in the Light.

I give thanks to our Lord who always guides me to look up to the things above and to recover God's lost image. I give all thanks and glory to God the Father who has always answered me and blessed me whenever I asked with faith.

## Tremors in Head and Hands Due to Parkinson's Disappeared!

Soonja Kim (Age 74, 10<sup>th</sup> Parish)

For about the last 10 years or so, I've had severe tremors in my head and left hand due to Parkinson's disease. My head was shaking non-stop. I couldn't even pick up a mug with my hand. I took the medicines the doctors prescribed but it only got worse.

My 2 daughters were attending Manmin Central Church, and they always prayed for me and urged me to come. But I was too embarrassed to go to a place filled with people. One day in 2016, I had strong desire in my heart to go to church since my good daughters were earnestly asking me.

I registered in the church and began to listen to the sermons. I also heard and saw the testimonies of those people who were healed of their health problems through the Senior Pastor Rev. Jaerock Lee's prayers. Whenever I attended meeting for the sick in the Prayer Center and repented of my past wrongdoings, I felt my hand condition was getting better.

God's grace came upon me. I always came early for Sunday services and Friday allnight services and read the Bible or read the Manmin News in the sanctuary. Sometimes I'd pray holding onto God's word.

My district leader, Jungsook Hwang, sometimes came to me to share God's grace. My parish pastor, Dalcheon Lee, also helped me and prayed for me with the handkerchief on which the Senior Pastor prayed (Acts 19:11-12). I was greatly encouraged. I'd listen to the sermon series of the Senior Pastor 'Message of the Cross' and receive the prayer for the sick after I came back home.

And beginning January 2019, I heard there

were going to be special healing sessions in the last Friday all-night service of each month. I prayed for the healing, and my 2 daughters (Yoonyoung and Moonyoung Bae) also supported me with their prayers.

Soonja Kim with her 2 daughters

On Jan. 25, finally, we had the special healing session in the Friday all-night service. When Pastor Soojin Lee prayed with the handkerchief of God's power, the Holy Spirit's fire fell upon me and the tremors in my head disappeared! In the special healing session on Feb. 22, the tremors in my hand were gone. I felt light since then, and my head and hand have had no tremors even without any medicine. Hallelujah!

I give all thanks and glory to God the Father who has healed my disease with God's power that no medicine could cure.

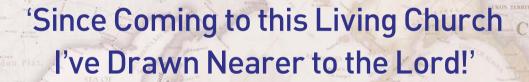




Victor's family, hoping to become good fruit of the Lord

I attended church because I wanted to meet the living God but I couldn't find Him anywhere. One day, I came across the sermons of Rev. Jaerock Lee on Christian channels CNL and TBN Russia. They were about the Measure of Faith. The contents were very spiritual and the pastor was very humble.

To my regret I couldn't hear the sermons any longer since the satellite dish broke and I was on business trips often. However, 3 years ago, we got high speed Internet cable to our village. I was praying to find a church filled with life, and I was reminded of Rev. Jaerock Lee whose



Victor Chevchigashev (Age 47, Republic of Khakassia, Russian Federation)

sermons I heard. I searched the Internet and found Manmin Central Church's website. I was thrilled! Listening to Rev. Lee's sermons all my questions were answered.

I was especially touched by the 9 Fruits of the Holy Spirit and the Spiritual Love. I also learned I had to cast away selfishness and selfrighteousness. I was convinced this was the church I wanted to attend, so I registered in April 2016. Later, my wife and children also registered in the church and are attending the Friday all-night service and Sunday service on the Internet.

At that time my fingers were always swollen and festering around the fingernails as I was doing construction jobs. I also had psoriasis in the legs. I received many kinds of treatments but only in vain. While I was listening to the sermons of Rev. Lee, I heard we have to rely on God only with faith. I decided to be healed only by faith and threw out all the medicines. Then I received Rev. Lee's prayer for the sick during the worship service. My fingers and fingernails were restored, and the psoriasis was also healed. Hallelujah!

As I experienced the power of God, I wanted to go to Manmin Central Church and be baptized. In the autumn of 2017, I went to South Korea and attended the worship services, various meetings, and Daniel prayer meetings in Manmin Central Church for a month. It was the happiest one month in my life.

Along with my son, I am taking the courses of MIS, Manmin International Seminary, to more systematically learn the word of God. My family is learning the holiness gospel to become the good fruit of the Lord. We're hoping and praying for a branch church to be opened in Khakassia.

I give all thanks and glory to God who has blessed me to lead a life in faith. I also give thanks to the Senior Pastor who is nurturing me with the words of life.



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