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Overseas branch churches working hard in mission and relief even in COVID-19

Overseas branch churches are focusing on expanding the kingdom of God despite the difficulties caused by COVID-19.

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Colombia Manmin Church installed broadcasting equipment in the home of Pastor David Jang from March 20, when national selfquarantine began. Sunday service, Wednesday service, and Daniel Prayer Meeting are broadcast live through YouTube, and more than 150 connections are made from the United States, Mexico, Honduras, Peru, Chile, and Argentina.

In addition, they are conducting "Reading the Bible and Reciting Scriptures," so that they can arm themselves with words of God during the self-quarantine period, which can be somewhat boring. They say, "I can pray with my family online," "It is an opportunity evangelize my unbelieving family by attending worship services online."

Kinshasa Manmin Church of the Democratic Republic of the Congo also conducts various worship services and prayer meetings online for the time being. It assists families who can't afford online worship service by providing worship service leaflets and the word materials.

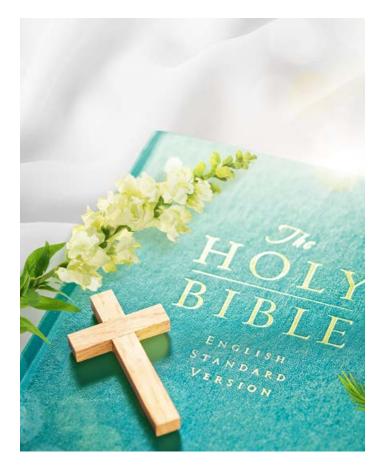
On April 18th, about 50 families in need of aid and love were provided rice, sugar, and soap.

Pastor Jin-beom Han said, "Our church members are waiting for the day when they will gather and worship together, as soon as the COVID-19 ends."

Cebu Manmin Church in the Philippines, where the curfew was issued due to the COVDI-19, has begun home service from the end of March, and assisted its members to give personal prayer every morning and 8:00 pm.

In addition, some relief funds, canned food, and ramen were provided to the members.

The pastor Rosetta Sung asked for prayer, saying, "I'm sorry not to



communicate with the members properly due to Internet problem."

On the other hand, in India, where traveling and activities are restricted due to COVID-19, the church members worship online through the "GCNTV HINDI" (Youtube channel).

Delhi Manmin Church (Pastor John Kim) calls to church members and 'GCNTV HINDI' viewers. The converted members experienced wonderful works of God, such as healing of diseases when they received prayers, and they gave thanks and glory to the faithful God.

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Manmin News, which conveys the works of the Holy Spirit, marks its 33rd anniversary

Manmin News, the mission paper for the salvation of souls and the channel of grace that connects the Manmin members all over the world as one in Jesus Christ, celebrates its 33rd anniversary.

Manmin News helps believers in spiritual growth with the contents of sermons of Rev. Jaerock Lee, vivid testimonies of the believers who experienced the power of God, missionary news at home and abroad, and various feature articles related to the Christian life.

Manmin News was first printed on May 17, 1987, and the first English edition news was printed in the early of 1991. In 2012, the

Internet Manmin News service was launched (www.manminnews.com).

Editions printed in Korean, English, Chinese, Japanese, and Russian receive good response from overseas Manmin members.

In addition, there are testimonies from overseas pastors that they are using the contents of the Manmin News 'Words of Life' when they preach, confessions of grace that they read the testimonies of the members and realized the love of the Lord, the testimonies of the evangelist that they feel the fullness of the Holy Spirit when delivering Manmin News to souls.





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The Message of the Cross (12)



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The Providence of Jesus' Being Scourged and Shedding of His Blood

"And He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, so that we might die to sin and live to righteousness; for by His wounds you were healed" (1 Peter 2:24).

Jesus came to the world in flesh and took all kinds of sufferings on the earth. He finally opened the way for human salvation by showing His love on the cross. Today let's delve into the providence of Jesus' being scourged and shedding of His blood.

1. Jesus was flogged and shed His blood

Before the crucifixion, Jesus was flogged all over His body. He was wounded so gravely to a point that His bones were exposed beneath His skin.

When a well-trained soldier in the Roman army wielded a whip called a 'scourge', it wrapped around Jesus' body one and a half times and tore at His flesh. At the end of the whip were sharp, hook-like metal objects that pierced His flesh and when the soldier snatched the whip away, these sharp metal objects tore off pieces of the flesh with them.

Why did Jesus have to be subjected to such grueling suffering and the shedding of His blood by such flogging? The latter part of Isaiah 53:5 reads, "...and by His scourging we are healed." Jesus was flogged and He shed His blood in order to give us healing of a variety of diseases.

Jesus said to a paralytic in Matthew 9:2, "Take courage, My son, your sins are forgiven." We see that He took care of the problem of sin before healing the paralytic. In John 5:14 Jesus also told a man who had been sick, "Behold, you have become well; do not sin anymore, so that nothing worse happens to you." This reminds us that even if we may have repented and received God's forgiveness of our sins, if we return to the sinful way of life, we may come down with a disease that is far worse than before.

For the root of disease is sin and because the atonement of disease required the shedding of blood (Hebrews 9:22), Jesus set us free from all types of diseases by being scourged and shedding His blood.

2. We should believe Jesus' being flogged for us and say we believe it

1 Peter 2:24 says, "...for by His wounds you were healed." Thus, anyone who believes that Jesus has redeemed us from our diseases by being flogged and shedding His blood no longer needs to be tormented by any infirmities or illnesses (Matthew 8:17).

Some people say, "I sin sometimes because I am weak. It is difficult for man to live completely by God's Word." However, note that Proverbs 18:21 says, "Death and life are in the power of the tongue, and those who love it will eat its fruit." When you confess in any conditions or situations, "I am strong and filled with the Spirit by the grace of God," according to your confession of faith, you will receive God's grace and strength, easily overcome fatigue, and transform the "impossible" into "possible."

In receiving prayer for healing, instead of confessing, "I believe I will be healed by the prayer," if you confess, "I believe that I've already been healed," God will do His work according to your confession of faith. Now, some may ask, "How can I say I've been healed when I still feel pain? Will I not be lying?" If they have correct knowledge of spiritual faith, they will be able to easily understand this.

As Hebrews 11:1 tells us, "Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen," faith is not in confessing of something only after witnessing it; it is the realization and conviction of things yet unseen as you hope for them by faith. Confessing with your lips, "I believe," when you do not believe from the heart will not bring about the realization of things for which you hope. Only when you confess with the faith by which you can believe, will things hoped for be realized.

If you believe from the heart and confess with

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your lips, "By the power of God, diseases and weaknesses have left my body," our Lord will do His work in accordance with your faith. If you are unable to believe or confess like this, diseases will not leave you because you still think, "I am still in pain. I haven't been healed." Without faith you can only be left in pain and suffering. Due to such negative thoughts, you will not be able to experience God's work.

3. Some say "I believe" but still are unable to receive healing

If people continue to suffer from sickness, even though they say they believe Jesus was scourged and through the scourging He redeemed them from their diseases, it is because they have not lived by the righteousness of God.

Exodus 15:26 says, "If you will give earnest heed to the voice of the LORD your God, and do what is right in His sight, and give ear to His commandments, and keep all His statutes, I will put none of the diseases on you which I have put on the Egyptians; for I, the LORD, am your healer."

In spiritual terms, "Egypt" here refers to the world in which we live and "the Ten Plagues" that befell Egypt refers to all diseases that exist in this world. If we keep and live by God's commandments, we will not become subject to any kind of diseases. Even if we fall ill, once we repent and turn from our ways, God will heal us.

Yet, you have to be righteous not in your own sight, but in God's sight. Human righteousness differs from person to person because the living circumstances and values under which people have seen, heard, and learned as they were growing up are different. One person may deem that his behavior is "righteous" but another person may feel it is "unrighteous."

Things are truly righteous only when God deems them "righteous", and the only criteria are the Word of God who is the truth itself. For instance, when their child comes home crying after getting beaten up, the parents become upset and try to have a word with the other children's parents. The righteousness of God, however, tells us, "Whoever hits you on the cheek, offer him the other also," "Seek peace," and "Love even your enemy." You may feel you are sustaining losses in following God's righteousness, but in the end God will recognize and raise you up.

Some may wonder, "How can I possibly keep all of God's commandments?" But keeping and living by God's commandments is not a difficult task. If you believe and live your life always reminding yourself, "The Holy Spirit always helps me and because God gives me grace and strength, I can do it easily," then it becomes easier. If you love God and fix your eyes on Heaven's glory and rewards, keeping God's commandments is not a difficult task.

If you are thinking, 'I have so many sins to throw away and it will take me ages to throw all of them out!' try making a list of the sins with which you have the most difficulty throwing out. This is the same as once the biggest roots are pulled out from the ground, the smaller roots also are easily pulled out. When people come out from the darkness and begin walking in Light, the wall of sin standing in their way to God will be destroyed. The faith by which they can believe will descend upon them and they will be able to experience the works of God.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, as He was flogged and shed His blood, Jesus redeemed us from all our diseases and infirmities. Since you met this Lord the Healer, I hope you will be healed of all your diseases completely and keep God's commandments diligently.

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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)

[&]quot;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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I am the one who could begin a new life thanks to the love of the Lord.

Before I believed in the Lord, I suffered from various kinds of diseases. After 7 years on the sickbed, it seemed only death that was waiting for me.

I couldn't hear well. I couldn't eat well. I couldn't walk well. I couldn't even go to restroom alone. Where in the world could I find hope?

It was God Himself that found me and met me.

I received the fire of the Holy Spirit, and I was healed of all of those diseases at once.

I knelt down, and cried. "Oh God, You truly live." My happy life began in the love of God from then.

I took my wife and children to nearby church, and attended worship service.

I didn't know any hymn. I didn't know how to pray. But it was overwhelming to worship God.

I kept the word of God, and practiced it as I learned it while receiving refinements.

I wanted to know more of God's word. I read the bible, and I prayed fervently.

As God said, "Love your enemies," all the resentments that I had for years deep in my heart were melted.

For the love of the Lord controlled me, from the moment I met Him, I obeyed the commandments of God. The more I obeyed, the more fervent my love for God, the Lord, and souls became.

I encountered so many things before I started Manmin Central Church, and I could understand the depth of God's heart.

I could afelt the heart of the Lord who shed tears for people that were distressed and dispirited like sheep without a shepherd.



I felt the heart of the Lord who mourned for Pharisees and scribes who did evil although He taught them the truth, manifested signs and wonders, and showed the evidences to believe.

Jesus knew that Judas Iscariot would betray Him, but He taught him the truth, and loved him till the end. I could feel the Lord's heart of love and forgiveness as well.

I could understand the loneliness of God desires His true children who can understand the Father's heart, and share with Him the eternal love and unchanging heart.

Meanwhile, I discovered in my heart the fruit of love which is like the heart of the Father.

To accomplish the kingdom of God, no matter how I suffered, I was patient, was not provoked, and didn't take into account a wrong suffered. I never had a single piece of mind that something wrong would happen even to an evil man. I rather waited and prayed for him to turn back.

I tried my best not to be arrogant and not to act unbecomingly before God and men, but to be most humble and to serve.

Whenever I heard the work of God was taking place in a church, I wasn't jealous of the church, but rejoiced with the truth, and prayed for the church.

I prayed for the church so that the church and its shepherd could glorify God all the more and better.

At the time I started Manmin Church, its members had weak faith, and they were short of many things. Yet I could wait with hope because I believed that God would make it great, and because I loved the people God entrusted to me as I cared for my own life.

In order to manage God-given duty well until the Lord comes back, I pray earnestly, and do my best. **Manmin News**NO. 670 MAY 24, 2020



After I met the Lord, my home became Heaven.

Deacon Bongsik Oh (Age 59, 22 Parish)

When I was young, I got an unexpected accident at work and lost my 3 fingers. I couldn't live a day without tears for years.

I indulged in drinking and gambling. I spoke to my family harshly, and treated them violently. My parents avoided my calls because I called them at night and swore.

I became weak, and suffered from various diseases such as anemia, tinnitus, herniated cervical disc, hemorrhoids, hernia, duodenal ulcer, and prostatitis.

I often got off a bus when there was no seat because I couldn't bear dizziness and nausea. When I walked a while I had to crouch down to take breath. When I did it, I couldn't lift my head because people looked at me.

I couldn't even do physical labor because I was sick. I couldn't afford a pack of snack for my kids. I hated myself who was incompetent and poor. I thought I should kill myself. But I couldn't because of my children.

The Lord Jesus pitied a person like me. I am the second of 5 siblings. I've loved the youngest sister very much, who is a pastor.

When she preached the gospel to me, I ignored her and talked to her flatly. When she visited me with my parish pastor, I slammed the door in their faces, but she continued to visit me, and I was a little bit moved. One day I said to the pastor, "I cannot go to church because I have to drink to get some sleep," and she said, "Come to the church only for 6 months."

In February 2007, I went to Manmin Central Church for Sunday service, thanks to my sister who prayed for me with tears for 10 years.

The sermon was at the worship service was Korean, but I didn't understand it at all. I could not even sit still.

In August of that year when I attended Men Mission Summer Retreat in Pocheon, Gyeonggi-do, I had an amazing experience that I could understand the words of God in the bible. At the prayer meeting, I received the Holy Spirit, my life changed completely.

Whenever I smelled food on a rainy day, I used to think of drinking, but for some reason, I didn't think of drinking at all. Since I began understanding the word of God, I came to long for worship since. When I felt like crying in prayer, I heard there is Daniel Prayer Meeting. So I attended it, and for many days I prayed with tears of repentance. It was not by my might, but by the work of the Holy Spirit.

A few months later, I received Dr. Jaerock Lee's prayer, and I was healed at once of all the diseases I had. Hallelujah

After regaining my health, I could go to work again. As I continue to listen to the word of truth, I was too ashamed to see my wife and children because I realized what I uesd to be before them. So I helped my wife with household chores such as cleaning, washing clothes and dishes. I repented with tears before my two sons.

At first, my family couldn't accpet me, but gradually opened their hearts to me. They accepted me as their wife, and father. And my parents also accepted the Lord when I preached the gospel to them. I finaly found the happiness that I couldn't feel before. Moreover, I now found a regular job.

I give all thanks and glory to God the Father who made me realize that every moment of my life is His grace, and to the Lord who saved me.



"The goat that didn't breathe survived when I played the 'Power of God' vidoe."

Shivahadur Singh (Age 35, Gonda, India)

I had hit a goat on the street while riding a motorcycle in early January of this year.

The goat neither breathe nor wake up, and the owner urged me to pay for the goat. In India, people eat goat meat more than beef. Since goats are used for many gourmet food, a goat is worth a month wage, and thus I was troubled.

What came to mind at that time was the 'Power of God' video. My friend once invited me to a church service, and the video was very impressive there. I took out my cellphone and played the video before the goat. and the owner of the traffic accident. And, something amazing took place.

The goat started breathing and stood up. Hallelujah! Naturally I didn't pay for the goat. The goat went back with its owner with no problem.

After this, I accepted the Lord, and began attending the services of Manmin Central Church along with my wife through GCNTV Hindi Channel. My wife also had an amazing experience of being free from 10-year-old body pain.