



“Power Jesus! We Are Happy Praising the Lord and Dancing with Joy”

Brother Yuil Cheong
(6th grader,
from Tongyeong Manmin Church)



Brother Cheong told us that children and teachers in Tongyeong Manmin Church came to Seoul to attend the Summer Bible School. He said, "...all programs were filled with fullness of the Holy Spirit. In particular, 'Power Jesus', where children praised the Lord with dance, was very special and filled me with the grace of the Lord. We gave glory to God singing the praises with all our hearts, minds, and souls.

I listened to the message and had time to repent. Since I was so blessed, I shed tears while praising the Lord. I even could see the dress embroidered with the Lord, the forefathers of faith, angels, and one of the four living beings like a lion, and I became filled with grace and fullness of the Holy Spirit all the more.

Also, I was moved by many of my friends who felt happy during the Summer Bible School. I was determined to become a man of goodness like the Lord so that I can become a spiritual warrior who delivers the love of the Lord to countless souls."



"I became filled with the Holy Spirit."



"We are members of the praise team, worship team, and dance team of Children Sunday School."



“I Was So Surprised by the Message! God Is Always Watching Me”

Sister Joosun Jeong
(2nd grader,
Children Sunday School)



Sister Jeong told us, "I have wanted to have pure and clean heart like those of my mom and dad, and other Manmin members through the 2011 Summer Bible School. In the Opening Service, I received so much grace listening to the message of Pastor Miyoung Lee who told us not to form any deficiencies of the body. She talked as if she had been watching our conduct and behavior in our everyday lives because she illustrated what I had done in my life as examples. I was so surprised.

The next day, Pastor Soojin Lee taught us how to tell a man of light from a man of darkness. Listening to her message, I realized I was more like a man of darkness. So I looked back on my life and repented with tears during prayer meeting. Pastor Lee prayed for me not to insist on what I think, but to cast away greed. I think God knows everything about me. I was surprised once again."



"I saw five-colored lights."



"I am so scared of Hell."



“The Bible Verses I Had Memorized Were Set at the Golden Bell Bible Quiz”

Brother Jinmyung Park
(6th grader,
Children Sunday School)



Brother Park said, "I won the first place in the Golden Bell Bible Quiz. The moment was overwhelming for me. I could achieve it because I had memorized the Bible verses with my mother for this Quiz. Of course, God helped me.

Above all, I was so impressed by the program titled 'Virtual Experience of Hell'. Watching horrifying scenes, I thought of the grace of the Lord who saved us. I shed tears together with my friends, and repented. I made a resolution to lead a life of goodness.

I personally received very special grace from God. Without God's help, I would not have been able to keep living, or I would have been born deformed. When my mother was pregnant I had Down's syndrome. But after she received the prayer of Senior Pastor Jaerock Lee, I was born healthy."



"We all took part in the Performing Arts Festival. Hallelujah!"



"We are serving with love and humility."



“The Performances of Friends Were Wonderful! I Am Looking Forward to Next Performing Arts Festival”

Sister Jakyung Yoon
(6th grader,
Children Sunday School)



Sister Yoon reported, "The Performing Arts Festival this year was more interesting and special than ever before. Friends sang a solo and played the guitar, the cello, and the violin.

They performed Korean traditional dance, ballet, modern dance, and even performed a play. They were awesome. Before the award ceremony, we listened to the commentary of Pastor Sunghil Lee. He said, 'Performing skill is important, but what matters more is your heart that you offer up to God.' He added that our skill had been more improved than last year."

Sister Suji Choi, who received the grand prize stated, "I give glory to God. I give thanks to those who prayed for me, taught me how to sing and dance, and helped me with attire and hair. In the prize I received is their love.

I also took part in it and won the Serem prize. Even though I was able to receive the grand prize, I was happy because I could feel God accepted my performance with joy. I am already looking forward to the Performing Arts Festival next year."



"We are the drum and fife band of Children Sunday School."



"We made dragonflies."

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“We Will Have Pure and Good Hearts Like That of the Lord!”

Children's Sunday School Had its 2011 Summer Bible School with the Programs Named 'Power Jesus', 'Performing Arts Festival', and 'Virtual Experience of Hell'



On July 26th children waved glow-sticks in the dark while praising the Lord with joy and thankfulness during the program 'Power Jesus' with Pastor Heesun Lee.

Children's Sunday School (Principal, Pastor Seongsik Jang) had its Summer Bible School from July 24th to the 27th. On the first day children had the Opening Service with Pastor Miyoung Lee. She delivered the message entitled 'Children Who Long for Spirit' based on John 6:63. She told them not to form any deficiencies of the body from the very beginning through proper education and experience. She also put emphasis on prayer with fullness of the Holy Spirit.

On July 25, Pastor Soojin Lee preached the message and led prayer. Under the title 'A Man of Light' taken from 1 John 1:7, she explained about spiritual light and spiritual darkness in easy to understand terms for children. She

emphasized, "No matter how much you hate darkness, if you do things that the enemy devil and Satan have control over and want you to do then you are a 'man of darkness'. In closing she said that she hoped the children would become 'men of light' because there is no darkness at all in Heaven. After the message, she led prayer with the handkerchief of power so that children could repent.

On the third day, the 4th Manmin Performing Arts Festival was held in the morning. Children demonstrated their talents singing a solo or a duet; dancing with fans; performing the dance of angels; playing the guitar, the violin, or the cello; and acting in a musical play. The grand prize went to a 4th

grader, Sister Suji Choi, who sang the song, 'I Love You.' The second prize went to the Miracle Worship Team that is made up of 3rd and 5th graders. The third prize went to The Team That Changed through the Love of the Shepherd who presented a musical play, and the fourth prize was won by Sister Jeongwoon Lee, a 5th grader who sang the God-given song, 'Earnest Hope'.

In the afternoon, Pastor Heesun Lee led 'Power Jesus'. Through a message titled 'Children Who Love and Trust God' they had the opportunity to check if they had jealousy, envy, hatred, deceiving hearts, or quarreling and then had time to repent. With the thankful hearts for the love of God and the Lord, they then gave glory to God singing the song, 'Jesus'

while waving glow-sticks in the dark.

On July 27, Manmin Prayer Center President, Mrs. Boknim Lee, delivered the message under the title 'Trust' based on John 15:1-8. She used the allegory of grape trees as an example and led prayer filled with fullness of the Holy Spirit.

It planted life in the hearts of children. In the afternoon, extra activities and the Bible study ensued. Through the program 'Virtual Experience of Hell' they came to know the kind of sins the enemy devil takes delight and realized they have to cast away such things.

Additionally, Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee financially supported the event providing the children with snacks and many adult believers from the first and second grand parishes

helped to feed them. After all programs were finished, some of the children stayed and helped teachers clean the sanctuaries.

Deaconess Soonmi Moon, President of the Teachers' United Association said, "Children experienced God's love with joy and happiness." The teachers took days off from their work for the Summer Bible School. Seeing children's smile, they made up their minds to lead children with the love and goodness of the Lord.

Children members of branch churches from South Ulsan, Mokpo, Muan, Gumi, Yeongam, Seosan, Tongyoung joined the Summer Bible School. It was also broadcast live through GCN (Global Christian Network).



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Trust

“I am the true vine, and My Father is the vinedresser. Every branch in Me that does not bear fruit, He takes away; and every branch that bears fruit, He prunes it so that it may bear more fruit. You are already clean because of the word which I have spoken to you. Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself unless it abides in the vine, so neither can you unless you abide in Me. I am the vine, you are the branches; he who abides in Me and I in him, he bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing. If anyone does not abide in Me, he is thrown away as a branch and dries up; and they gather them, and cast them into the fire and they are burned. If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit, and so prove to be My disciples” (John 15:1-8).

Because one-sided trust is not complete, complete trust is established between two people when both parties trust mutually. A servant of the Lord must have assured belief and reliance on the Lord, and he must also attain a level where the Lord can trust him and entrust him with the flock. This is complete trust that must be established between the Lord and His servants. It is in this way that servants can become one with the Lord. A servant who has become united with the Lord is likened to the branch that abides in the vine and then bears much fruit. Then, the servant can glorify God. Let me now speak about three aspects of trust.

The first aspect is the trust between you and Father God.

Your trust in God can be measured by your measure of obedience to the Word of God. To the extent you obey what the Bible tells you to do, not to do, to keep and to cast away, your trust can be recognized according to that amount. A person who completely trusts God lives by His will all the time whether someone sees or not.

It's because he believes God is alive and sees everything. He also believes the good will of God is in the Word of God. At times living by the Word of God may seem to cause you to suffer loss or even be a threat to your life. Despite even such realities in life a person who really trusts God, still follows the will of God.

Daniel and his three friends trusted like this. They wisely refused to eat the choice food from the king's table to avoid eating the things sacrificed to idols. They chose to give up their lives rather than to bow down to the image of an idol. They would bow down, serve and worship only God. Daniel didn't cease praying even though it resulted in him being cast into the lion's den.

How trustworthy they must have been in the sight of God! God Himself had considerable trust in them. They fully obeyed His will without fear and were willing to go through fire and water in obedience. God protected the three men even in the blazing furnace and they were not injured at all. God also guarded Daniel in the lion's den. After that God provided for them to sit in the higher positions than they had before.

The second is the trust between you and the Lord.

Your trust in the Lord can be measured by the belief in the Lord who will return to take you back to your home in Heaven. The Lord has entrusted His servants and workers to care for the souls He bought with the price of His blood. He asked them to perform the duty of testifying that the Lord resurrected and He is the Christ. And He promised He would come back at the destined time.

If you trust the Lord, you can never forget this Lord-



Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee

given duty even for a moment. The Lord has assigned each one with different tasks according to his talents. When the Lord returns, each of you will have to give Him an exact accounting of your duty. In Luke 12:48, He says, “From everyone who has been given much, much will be required; and to whom they entrusted much, of him they will ask all the more.”

If you really trust in the Lord, you have to follow His way. First of all, you have to resemble the holy and blameless Lord. Next, you have to sacrifice yourselves for the souls in the same way that the Lord did. If you completely trust in the Lord, then He will trust you too, and He will give you much strength and wisdom.

After the Lord's resurrection and ascension into Heaven, His apostles became assured the Lord is the Christ and boldly preached the Gospel under the life-threatening situations. Your trust in the Lord is necessarily followed by His trust in you. He accompanies you with strength and authority and then strengthens you to fulfill your duties as recorded in Mark 16:20.

The third and final aspect is your trust in the shepherd.

By what can you measure your trust in the shepherd? To the extent you follow fleshly thoughts, your trust in the shepherd decreases.

For example, suppose you think, ‘Why is the shepherd saying something like that? He is not telling the truth as I have known it. Who told him things that are not true?’ All those thoughts fall into the category of ‘fleshly thoughts’. Such people think they are right in their thoughts, so they cannot say “Amen” to the words from the shepherd.

What kind of person can be considered to have trust in the shepherd? At a single word from the shepherd, a person who trusts in the shepherd doesn't get ready to do something with any fleshly thoughts at all. A servant who fully trusts the Lord always accepts his messages by the spirit and thinks of everything in goodness. Even

if he finds he has different thoughts and opinions, he thinks he is the one who is mistaken and that the shepherd is right. He may also think, ‘There must be a reason he is saying it. He is telling that point to enlighten many others and lead us to the truth and the spirit.’

Those who accept the message by the spirit and understand it in goodness can later gain the spiritual meaning of the words of the shepherd they couldn't understand immediately. Such an understanding is gained because they trust the shepherd, and then believe all his words and obey. The continuity of those experiences makes your trust in the shepherd more complete. The shepherd can also trust those servants and pastors who trust him.

The apostle Paul had a few trustworthy workers. Prisca and Aquila, his fellow workers in Christ Jesus, supported him in spirit and finances. He confessed in Romans 16:4, “for my life risked their own necks, to whom not only do I give thanks, but also all the churches of the Gentiles.” This verse tells us how much Prisca and Aquila loved the apostle Paul and how deeply Paul trusted them.

I hope that you will trust God, the Lord, and the shepherd who always walks with God by obeying the word of the Lord and cultivating your hearts into the truth. I pray in the name of the Lord that by doing so you will receive answers to prayers and enter the most beautiful dwelling place, New Jerusalem.



News in Brief

Foreign pastors came to Manmin Central Church to take MIS courses

Pastors and church leaders of branch and associative churches from Israel, Russia, and Kazakhstan took intensive courses of MIS (Manmin International Seminary). For a month, from July 13th, they studied ‘The Message of the Cross’, ‘The Measure of Faith’, and ‘Spirit, Soul, Body’ and from August 1 to 3, they participated in the Summer Retreat and visited Muan Sweet Water Site to experience the power of God.



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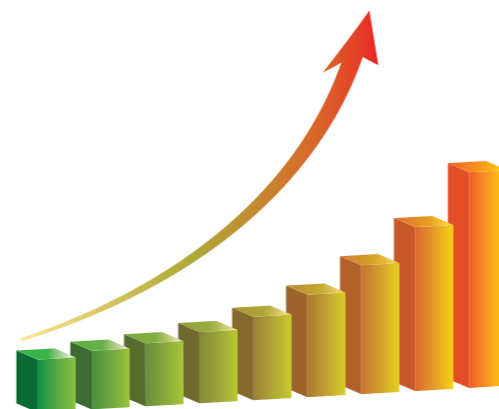
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The Confession of Faith

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)
“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)

“Have You Stood on the Rock of Faith?”



The first is a ‘Hot-Temper’

‘To have a hot temper’ means that evil feelings, like anger, arise from the heart. When someone cannot hold such anger in, he may utter in bad language or become violent. But, those who stand on the rock of faith do not have even temporary evil feelings in their hearts.

If we have to force ourselves to suppress hot-temperedness it may become difficult to hold it in or we may make remarks out of ill-feelings. We are then far from the level of ‘standing on the rock of faith’. If you think you are standing on the rock of faith yet your anger is revealed in your facial expression, the tone of your words, or your behavior, you are totally mistaken. Sometimes, there are some who get angry and show their hot temper, but say ‘I am not angry or annoyed at all, but I just want to teach others what is right’, or ‘I just get angry out of righteous indignation.’ If they make such an excuse, they prove to themselves that they are distant from the level of ‘standing on the rock of faith.’

The second is ‘Ill-Feelings’

‘Ill-feelings’ arises from the heart when various things of untruth in the heart arise with feeling or emotion. It is a broader concept than ‘hot-temper’. Uncomfortable feelings, resentment and disappointment are typical examples. When someone points you out and reproves you, you might have uncomfortable feelings. When others do not serve you, or they do not treat you the way you want, you might not be satisfied and disappointed. Or, when you do not get recognition from others, you do not receive what you feel you deserve, or you are wrongfully accused, you might have disappointment or resentment.

However, if we stand on the rock of faith, we will have the heart of unworthy slaves to a great extent as described in Luke 17:7-10. Then, ill-feelings like disappointment or uncomfortable feelings will not arise from the heart. But if you mistakenly think and deceive yourself saying ‘I have no such feelings’, even though you do have them, you won't be able to stand on the rock of faith.

Third are Hatred, Jealousy, and Envy

Even though you do not reveal what you have in the heart, when you continue to hate someone inwardly, it is like committing murder as recorded in 1 John 3:15. It has nothing to do with ‘standing on the rock of faith.’

Jealousy and hatred are categorized as evident deeds of the flesh as written in Galatians Chapter 5. You should cast away such evil. When you see someone is praised, if his wrongdoings come across your mind first, you have jealousy in your heart. It is the heart of the truth to rejoice with the truth.

You should rejoice when others surpass you, are loved by others, and get recognition or praise. You must not mistakenly think you have stood on the rock of faith if you do have such hatred, jealousy, and envy.

Fourth is ‘the Lying and Deceiving Heart’

If you deceive others or make up a lie for your own benefit, you haven't stood on the rock of faith at all. Some overstate their performance to flaunt themselves before others. Or, they try to minimize or conceal their fault. This is because they have lying and deceiving hearts.

If you deceive your supervisor, church, or shepherd, it means you are not aware of God's eyes. Even if the problem is solved through telling a lie for the moment, it will lead you to fall in trials and tests. Moreover, you might be able to make big lies. In order to stand on the rock of faith, you must not deceive others about even a small thing, or tell a lie to hide something.

We have to receive salvation by faith to be able to enter Heaven, and then we can also receive answers to our prayers. What level, then, do you think your faith is at?

Have you stood on the rock of faith? ‘Rock’ here refers to a foundation rock that is broad, flat, and large. It represents a firm and safe state. If we ‘stand on the rock of faith’ our faith becomes firm and strong and never sways in any circumstances. It is not difficult for us then to keep the word of God. We can also achieve victory in everything by faith.

To stand on the rock of faith we must cast off the sinful natures from our hearts. There are nine attributes to check that one must not have who does stand on the rock of faith.

Fifth is ‘Passing Judgment’

People pass judgment or condemnation according to their own thoughts and knowledge or in accordance with what is good and right in their own sight. However, God is the only one who searches the heart and knows everything.

Therefore, we have to know that passing judgment or condemnation comes from arrogance as stated in James 4:11-12. Passing judgment usually leads to slandering, measuring, and speaking ill of others. It ends up passing condemnation. In particular, you must not criticize others in the name of discernment. Those who pass judgment by looking at the outward appearance or by listening to false rumors still have a long way to go in their progress toward standing on the rock of faith.

Sixth is the ‘Changing Heart’

The most distinct feature of the fleshly things is that they change. Those who belong to the spirit keep what they decide to do without a change of heart. If you easily break promises with others, and you even break promises with God frequently, you should realize that changing attributes remain in you a lot. Those who stand on the rock of faith do not forsake faith in the Lord even in the threat and fear of death before them. They do not change. In other words, you can die a martyr for the Lord with such faith.

Seventh is ‘Adultery’

This refers to just looking at a person of opposite sex with lust in the heart or committing adultery in the thoughts. God strictly warns against sins related to adultery such as sensuality, immorality, and impurity.

To stand on the rock of faith, the first thing you have to get rid of is the adulterous mind. In Matthew 5:27-28 the Lord said that everyone who looks at a woman with lust for her has already committed adultery. Thus, you must not only stay away from adulterous acts, but also pull out the deep roots of adultery committed even in your thoughts or heart. So pull out the deep roots of adultery committed even in your thought or heart.

Number eighth is the aspects of ‘Greed, Covetousness, and Selfish-Motives’

People often reveal greed or covetousness for various things such as wealth, fame, authority, and power. Selfish-motives are the heart that pursues one's own desires and seeks one's own benefit. Selfish motives usually arise due to money. If we stay with the love for money because of greed and covetousness, we will naturally distance ourselves from God and fall in the worldly pleasure over time, becoming increasingly inclined toward lustfulness (Matthew 19:24).

Selfish motives cause all kinds of corruption related to money. Those who have selfish motives seek their own benefit and the benefits of those who are close to them. Therefore, you must get rid of greed, covetousness, and selfish motives from your heart.

The Last and Ninth is ‘Betrayal’

The heart of betrayal is related to the changing heart, but is associated more with craftiness. When a few evil attributes come together such as the heart of pursuing one's own benefit, arrogance, and so on, people betray others. In more serious cases, there are some who have received great grace from someone, but forsake the grace and betray him. It is a more serious evil than changing heart. To stand on the rock of faith, you have to root out the heart of betrayal completely from the heart.