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“So Happy to Share Love with Neighbors”

Love Sharing Event with Kimchi, Relief, Scholarship, Talent Donation



Through the efforts of the Women's Mission, kimchi was made with love and shared with about 1,300 households near the church that are in need through several organizations.

On November 18th and 19th in 2015, the church had its '18th Love Sharing Event' with Kimchi. The members of Women's Mission gathered in the backyard of the church.

A member from Haenam, Jeonnam Province sent cabbages that she had grown herself. She has supported the event every year with thanks since her grandson was healed of scalding by the power of God. The church's Levite workers also joined in moving cabbages and putting them in the salted water. The Women's Mission members put the pepper, vegetable and spice sauce on the cabbages. From very early morning, they made kimchi with love and happiness and the kimchi making process was completed.

The kimchi was bagged and put in boxes. Each box of kimchi weighed 11 to 12kg. Then through Shindaebang 2-dong Community Service Center, Guro-gu Vocational Training Center

for People with Special Needs, and Korea Rehabilitation Agency, it was delivered to households that the church helps and to around 1,300 families in need such as families with a young head of the household and elderly people living alone.

Mr. Kanghyuk Lee, Chief of Shindaebang 2-dong Community Service Center said, "Manmin Central Church gives rice and the kimchi that the church members made with love to needy people through us every year. The kimchi is well-known for its very good taste, and they know that it is made of good ingredients and with great love. They said it is a lot more delicious than the one they could make."

Guro-gu Vocational Training Center Head Chan-geun Park stated, "Thank you for giving us this kimchi that is so filled with love again this year. We are very grateful to Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee and the church members. It tastes super good so people love it."

Dr. Jaerock Lee has tried his best to help others who are in need since the opening of the church. The Charity Department provides young family heads-of the household and the elderly living alone with some financial support, rice, and side dishes the first week every of month. The Scholarship Department gives scholarship money to elementary, middle, high school, and college students who are exemplary students in need of financial help.

Following such deeds of Senior Pastor Dr. Lee, many members including adults, young adults, and even students try to practice love by helping others and giving support to them. A member of the Charity Department said, "The amount of the members' offerings for support has constantly increased. In this economic slump, our members have received blessings by the grace of God."

Some members also share love through donation of their talents and skills. The teachers of Students' Sunday School help students study, or consult with them about schools and achieving dreams. They also teach them how to write effectively. Some members joined and helped students after school as mentors, which has helped improve their grades in school.

Pastor Jaejung Lee, Principal of Students Sunday School said, "The talents and knowledge the members have are good and they are a precious resource for students to increase potential of achieving their dreams

and visions. I hope more people will join in this mentoring program and talent donation."

The Condolence Committee helps with funeral arrangements. The Rehabilitation Mission holds regular events for inmates. And there is a Hair Designers' Mission that does the hair for the elderly in a welfare center for the elderly on a monthly basis.

Manmin members feel warm and peaceful even in the winter because they share with love and practice the love of the Lord. It's because God, who is pleased with love, good deeds and charitable works, has given them answers, blessings, and joy.





Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee

“But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law” (Galatians 5:22-23).

Fruit of Faithfulness

this duty he had the heart of God and guided the people with all his love and effort. That is the reason why, when the people committed sins, he felt as if it was his own fault, and he wanted to take the responsibility for it.

It is the same with Apostle Paul. Romans 9:3 says, “For I could wish that I myself were accursed, separated from Christ for the sake of my brethren, my kinsmen according to the flesh.” Those who are faithful will not just think, “I’ve done enough,” but they will work with all their heart.

2. It is faithfulness when one circumcises the heart and is faithful in the truth.

Suppose somebody joined a gang and dedicated his life to the boss of the gang. Will God say he is faithful? Of course not! God can recognize our faithfulness only when we are faithful in goodness and truth. The most important thing in being faithful in the truth is the circumcision of the heart.

Revelation 2:10 says, “Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life.” Here, to be faithful until death does not just mean we have to work hard and faithfully until our physical death. It means we try to accomplish the Word of God in the 66 books of the Bible with all our life. As Paul said ‘I die daily,’ we have to put our flesh to death completely and become sanctified. This is spiritual faithfulness.

What God desires of us the most is holiness. We have to realize this point and do our best to circumcise our hearts. Whatever duty we are carrying out right now, we have to be faithful without change while also accomplishing holiness.

In event of difficulties that occur or some trials of the heart, we will not give up our precious duty just because of it. On the other hand, if one neglects circumcision of his heart, he won’t be able to keep his heart when he is faced with difficulties and hardships. He may forsake the relationship of trust with God and give up his duty.

To have the faithfulness acknowledged by God, we must seek spiritual faithfulness, which means we have to circumcise our hearts. Circumcision of heart is a must for children of God who are saved. If we cast away sins and fulfill our duties with a sanctified heart, we can bear

much greater fruit than when we fulfill them with fleshly thoughts.

Suppose you sweat working hard all day on Sunday. But you broke peace with people. If you serve the church while complaining and harbor resentment, much of your rewards will be subtracted. But if you serve the church with goodness and love having peace, all your work will be an aroma acceptable to God and each of your deeds will become your reward.

3. Faithfulness is working in accordance with the master’s will.

Suppose the master directed his worker to do work within the household, but this worker went out to work in the field all day. He did not obey the master’s will, and it is because the master’s will was different from his own ideas or, he had self-centered motives. Then, even though he worked so hard, he is not a faithful worker. He is only following his own thoughts and desires, and he can forsake the master’s will any time.

In the church, we need to work faithfully according to the heart of God. We should be faithful by understanding the heart of superiors in spiritual orders and by obeying them. No matter how hard we work for our duties, if we work as we want, we cannot refresh the heart of the master.

In the Bible we read about a person named Joab. He was a relative of King David and the General of the Army. Joab was with David through all the dangers while he was being chased by King Saul. He had wisdom and he was valiant. He served David very well, but David was not very comfortable with him. It was because his service was not from the bottom of the heart. Joab did not hesitate to act insolently before David when he wanted to achieve personal goals. When it was beneficial for himself, he disobeyed David. Finally, Joab rebelled against King Solomon, David’s son, and was put to death.

When we do God’s work, the most important thing is not how hard we work, but it is whether we are following the will of God or not. When we work in the church, we should also follow our leaders before we follow our own ideas. This is true faithfulness.

4. Being faithful to oneself in all aspects is faithfulness.

In Numbers 12:7, God says about Moses, “He is faithful in all My household.” To be faithful in all God’s household means to be faithful in all aspects related with the individual person. In the church, when we have many duties we still have to fulfill all our responsibilities. Even though we don’t have a particular duty in the church, it is one of our duties to be present where and when we are supposed to be present as a member.

Not only in the church, but in places of work and school, everyone has their duties. In all these aspects, we have to fulfill our duties as the members. To be faithful in all God’s house is to be faithful as God’s children and as leaders or members of the church, of the family, in the work place, or in school. We should not be faithful only in one or two duties and neglect other duties. We have to be faithful in all aspects.

To the extent that we cast off flesh and change into spirit, it is not something difficult to be faithful in all aspects. Although we invest just a little time, we can surely reap the fruit if we sow in spirit. Also, those who have changed into spirit seek others’ benefit and view things from the standpoint of others first. Thus, such people will take care of all their duties even if it means self-sacrifice.

One person has two duties in each of two different groups. If she cannot physically be present with one group, she will try to be some kind of help to that group in other ways and in the heart. We can be faithful in all God’s household and have peace with everybody to the extent that we have goodness.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, the reason why we bear the fruit of the Holy Spirit and work faithfully up until the point of death after we receive the Holy Spirit as a gift is to lead countless people who the Lord bought by paying His blood, to the way of salvation. Psalm 101:6 says, “My eyes shall be upon the faithful of the land, that they may dwell with me; he who walks in a blameless way is the one who will minister to me.” I urge you to bear the fruit of faithfulness in heart and practice the Lord’s love. In doing so, I pray in the name of the Lord that you will dwell in the most beautiful heavenly dwelling place, New Jerusalem.

Today let’s delve into the fruit of faithfulness, which is one of the nine fruits of the Holy Spirit, and how it is different from the faithfulness in the sight of worldly people. Those who are spiritually faithful are treasures in the kingdom of God and they give out a fragrant aroma.

1. Faithfulness is doing more than just that which is entrusted to us.

We don’t say workers are faithful just because they fulfill the duties for which they are paid. We can say they did their job or even did it well, but we cannot say they are faithful for doing what is expected and are paid to do. Only those who do more than what they are paid for can be recognized as ‘faithful’.

Such workers don’t work with reluctance nor do they think about the minimum that has to be done to get paid. They have a desire coming from the heart to fulfill their duty with all their heart, mind, and soul, without sparing their time and money.

In the case of Moses, he put up his life when he prayed to save the sons of Israel who had committed sins. “Then Moses returned to the LORD, and said, ‘Alas, this people has committed a great sin, and they have made a god of gold for themselves. But now, if You will, forgive their sin and if not, please blot me out from Your book which You have written!’” (Exodus 32:31-32)

Actually, Moses’ duty was to bring the people out from Egypt and lead them. When Moses was fulfilling

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)

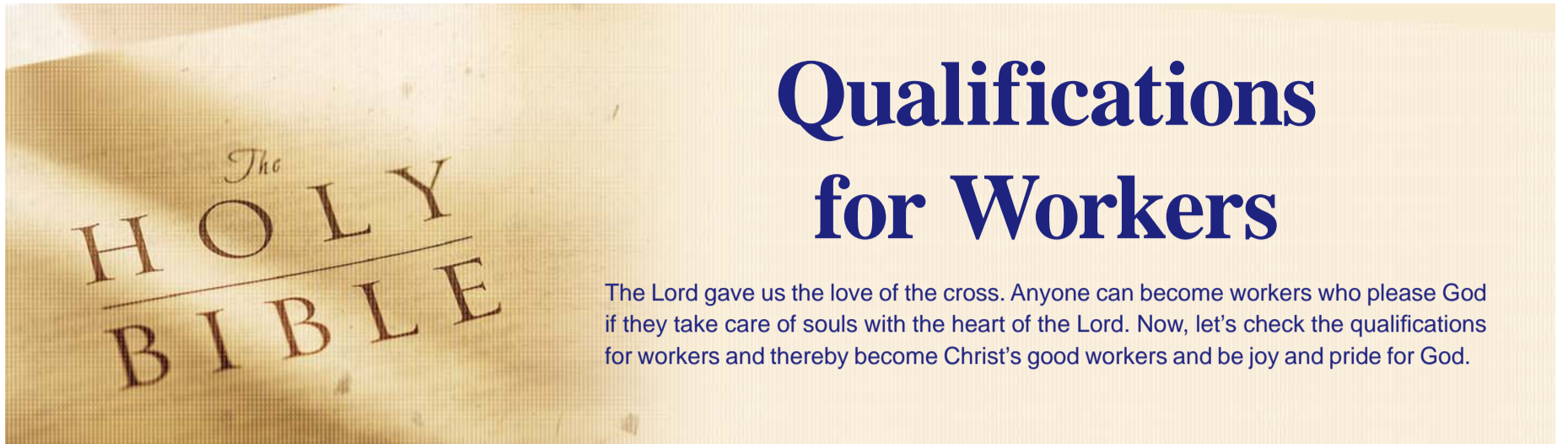
“And there is salvation in no one else; for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men by which we must be saved.” (Acts 4:12)

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Qualifications for Workers

The Lord gave us the love of the cross. Anyone can become workers who please God if they take care of souls with the heart of the Lord. Now, let's check the qualifications for workers and thereby become Christ's good workers and be joy and pride for God.

First, do you cry out in prayer and pray unceasingly?

1 Corinthians 4:20 says, "For the kingdom of God is not a matter of talk but of power." If a worker does not pray, it means that he or she works with his or her wisdom and power, not with God's power. Only when workers receive the power from God, can they break Satan's schemes and lead souls to salvation. (Ephesians 6:12).

God's workers should meditate on the Bible day and night and pray to live by the Word always. And, only by crying out in prayer do they hear the voice of the Holy Spirit and receive the urging and guidance of the Holy Spirit. Only then can they understand the will of God clearly and receive His power. Thereby they can take a lead in the salvation of souls.

Second, do you keep the Lord's Day holy?

Remembering Jesus overcame death and resurrected and keeping the Lord's Day holy is our deed of faith by which we are able to acknowledge God's spiritual authority. Remembering and keeping the Lord's Day holy is the fourth of the Ten Commandments. (Exodus 20).

From Monday to Saturday, we work diligently for six days and on Sunday we should offer up worship services, pray, and share love with other believers. We should abstain from worldly pleasures, and neither sell nor buy things. We do not skip Sunday Service due to other events.

Third, do you give the whole tithe?

The God of love wants to give as many blessings as possible, but since He is also the God of Justice, He gives blessings when we sow by faith according to the spiritual law. Giving a tenth of our income to God is the deed of faith by which we acknowledge God's material authority.

Therefore, the tithe is closely related to salvation. We have to put aside the tithe first and then use the rest of money. If we do not offer up whole tithes, it means that we rob God. When we give not only a tenth of our salary but also a tenth of all income including gifts we received and meals someone bought for us, we can say we give a whole tithe.

Fourth, do you fight against sins to the point of shedding blood?

After we listen to the Word of God and realize the truth, we have to pray fervently and try to cast off every form of evil, even sinful natures. If we judge and condemn others but we do not consider it serious, we are not fighting against sin to the point of shedding blood. We may judge and condemn others repeatedly in similar situations.

If we find ourselves judging others again although we repented rendering our heart and kept it in our heart, we have to try hard to remove the sinful nature even by offering up vowed fasting and prayer. When we try our best, the Holy Spirit will help us and God's grace and strength will come upon us so that we will be able to cast the sins away and become sanctified.

Fifth, do you sacrifice yourself, obey, and work faithfully in all aspects?

In order to achieve the will of God, we need to obey the Word in the Bible. We should speak and behave in the truth. We should not insist on our own righteousness, but obey following the order. Then we can become God's workers who resemble the Lord (Matthew 12:30).

Faithfulness is to do more than things entrusted to us as well as to fulfill our duties. Therefore, to work faithfully in all aspects means to fulfill our duties in all respects that we are assigned including in the church, family, and workplace. For this, we have to sacrifice our time, money, and efforts.

Sixth, do you harbor many souls with love and virtuous generosity?

Love and virtuous generosity are qualities workers must have. If you as God's workers have spiritual love, through you souls can have life and change their hearts. Just as the heart of parents holds their children, such workers always hold the souls in their hearts. They understand others' shortcomings and embrace them so they do not break peace with anybody, which requires them to have virtuous generosity. One who has such love and virtuous generosity does not judge or condemn others with evil, so the people around them have rest and peace. Many people come to naturally rest in them.

Seventh, do you have leadership to help achieve a goal?

Leadership is one's ability to have his group members work effectively to achieve a goal with the most satisfaction. So, a church worker should have this leadership so that he can understand God's will, present a proper goal to the members, and lead them to participate in accomplishing the goal. The spiritual leadership does not come from one's personality or nature. It comes from their desire to obey the will of God and the extent that they rely on God.

Eighth, do you humble yourself before God and serve souls?

Humbleness is to exalt others and lower oneself. When his faith grows and his spiritual experiences increase, he comes to find that what he has known and experienced is just a small part of the vast spiritual world. Then, they are able to demolish their speculations, frameworks of thoughts, and common sense.

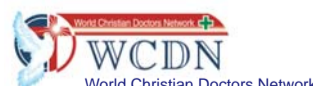
If you humble yourself in this way, others' shortcomings will not be seen. If you see some, you will understand them and pray for them. You always consider others better than you, so you will follow them. Thus, although you are given a great power, you will not misuse the authority and will listen to the words of a little man.



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“Things Impossible Can Be Made Possible, Even Better”

Brother Gui Freedom, age 61, Hainaut Manmin Church, Belgium



In May 2014, I was guided to Hainaut Manmin Church’s first anniversary by Deacon Fabrice Flandre. I was surprised to see the Word, prayer, and praise alive in the church.

Afterwards, I was faced with a big difficulty personally and I started to attend the church in April 2015. Since then, my life has been completely changed. In fact, I blamed God when my brother died, and for my family background. But my life changed into one full of thanks.

In Hainaut Manmin Church, I listened to Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee’s message in Manmin Central Church’s worship services via the recording of GCN service. Listening to them, I realized the love of God. I also read his autobiography *My Life My Faith* in French, and then I started to devote myself to prayer.

Many questions that I had had while reading the Bible were all answered through his messages. I was really amazed by the fact that Heaven is divided and people will go to different dwelling places according to their different measure of faith. The Senior Pastor’s words, “Things impossible can be made possible, things possible can be made even better.” in particular became my life motto and I was given many blessings.

In June 2015, I was diagnosed with diabetes. I often felt tired and lost much hair. I woke up every hour at night, drank water, and went to bathroom. It was painful. But I did not take any medicine. I received Senior Pastor’s recorded prayer for the sick every Sunday by faith. And I also read the Bible and prayed before I went to sleep.

In late October, I heard that my level of glucose level became normal. Hallelujah! I became healthy, and now I am volunteering to take care of the sanctuary. I give all thanks and glory to the living God.

Not long ago, up until just a few months ago, I was having a financial difficulty running a beauty shop for eyelashes. But, as I obeyed what I realized through the sermons, God gave me many blessings and much happiness.

In May 2015, I was listening to Dr. Lee’s past messages, and I realized that I had not given tithes in the way God wants. I should have put aside a tithe first from my income, but I didn’t.

I used the money that I earned every day first, and later I gave a tithe calculating the monthly income. I did not think it was wrong because I couldn’t predict how much I would make a month. I thought it was ok to calculate later and give it. I mistakenly thought that I gave the whole tithe.

Through the message, I learned clearly about a whole tithe, and from the next day I practiced it. I put aside a tenth of my income every day and offered it. From that time on I have received noticeable blessings from God.

In those days, I had invested my money in many things, and I was swindled and I was having a hard time. I found greed and selfish-motives in my heart. I repented and tried to cast them away. Then, I was blessed to have the opportunity to open a business without much

money.

In May, an acquaintance let me know about a small space in a beauty shop. I could use the space with the low price of just 300 dollars a month. While other eyelash shops put efforts and money into promoting their services every month, my shop belonged to a big beauty shop so I could not put up promotion signs.

However, God worked for me and it was amazing. My customers were satisfied with my service, and introduced my shop to their friends and even posted good reviews about my shop. From then, my service appointment periods were all booked. I could not even accept walk-in customers. It was really amazing. My tithe had been around 300 to 400 dollars, and it doubled. And God’s blessing did not just stop here.

Meantime, I worked late and I sometimes skipped prayer meetings. I began not receiving customers late at night. As soon as possible after I finished working I left and attended Daniel Prayer Meeting. From then, many customers made reservations for morning time slots and not at night. That is, God blessed me and filled me so that I would not lack. Hallelujah!

Moreover, as I was moved by

Senior Pastor who has unsparingly helped the poor and performed ministry for the kingdom of God and souls, I started to follow his way. As I gave charitable money to people or groups who were in

need, God gave me more bonus. I received more financial blessings and love piled up in my heart. I became full of happiness and joy.

I give all thanks and glory to God who rejoiced with my small deeds.



Deaconess Sunjin Park (age 32, Young Adults’ Mission) is volunteering for the church members’ lunch as a member of Joshua Volunteers’ Group