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“The Lord’s Resurrection Is Our Joy and Hope!” Easter Thanksgiving Service and Holy Communion 2017

On April 16, 2017, Easter Thanksgiving Service was offered in the morning, and the Holy Communion was held during Sunday Evening Service.

Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee delivered the message entitled “Resurrection 1 and 2” taken from Acts 1:11 in Sunday Morning and Evening Services. The services were broadcast live on GCN (www.gcntv.org). During the Holy Communion, the church members gave thanks to the Lord for His ministry and sacrifice partaking in the bread and grape juice that symbolize the flesh and the blood of the Son of

Man.

Waiting for Easter, the members spent Passion Week meditating on the meaning of the cross of the Lord. On Friday, April 14, they offered up a meal-or-more of fasting and gave thanks to the Lord for His suffering, His crucifixion, and the love and sacrifice of the cross.

In the first half of Friday All-night Service which starts at 11 P.M (Korean Local Time), Dr. Lee preached the message, “The Lord’s Tears” based on Hebrews 12:2. In the second half, the Easter

Performance was conducted by Performing Arts Committee on the special stage set up in the main sanctuary. The Lord’s heart was delivered through the performance with six new songs of Manmin Praise including “Tears Cover My Eyes” and “His Heart”.

Before Easter, the Women’s Mission delivered the joy of the Lord’s resurrection by giving decorated eggs, representing the resurrection, to workers around the church and public offices such as Hall for the Elderly, Guro Police Station, Fire Station, and Geumcheon Police Station.

Tasting Eternal Life before Death Printed in the Form of a ‘Pocketbook’



Part 1: At the Doorstep of Death

1. It'd be better to do your filial duty and die!
2. When I was young
3. The struggle
4. As time passes by

Part 2: The Miracle

1. Affection
2. Sick body and broken heart
3. Immortal wretched life
4. My elder sister
5. My life reborn

Part 3: Oh, God!

1. My new life
2. Please help me to forgive the others
3. Until the end of my journey

Part 4: Character Produces Hope

1. I was a sinner
2. The cross of the Lord
3. The living God
4. If you can?
5. Starting a church
6. The vessel

Part 5: God Has Accompanied Me

1. The blessed
2. The voice of the Lord
3. The Sovereign
4. The Revelation

Part 6: Precious Life

1. Recollection
2. My past
3. My present
4. My future
5. Thanks for everything

Part 7: My Beloved One

1. All the glory to God
2. By His will
3. Everlasting life in heaven

In celebration of the 30th anniversary of Dr. Jaerock Lee’s book ministry, Urim Books printed *Tasting Eternal Life before Death* in the form of a pocketbook and gave a copy to each household under the financial support from Cannan Mission which is made up of unmarried members above the age of 34.

This book is Dr. Lee’s first testimonial memoirs which describe his 7-year sick bed and his meeting the living God, his healing, God’s calling him as a pastor, and his opening this church.

The testimonial memoirs have been loved as a steady seller for 30 years. It has been published in 16 languages.

“I Urge You to Achieve a Sincere Heart in Full Assurance Quickly”

District, Sub-district, and Cell Leaders’ Devotional Service 2017



On April 9, 2017, the Sunday Evening Service was offered up as District, Sub-district, and Cell Leaders’ Devotional Service 2017. The devotees consist of 1,670 district, sub-district, and cell leaders under the

leadership of the Guidance Pastor Rev. Soojin Lee. They are from Grand Parishes 1, 2, and 3 which are divided by districts: the Chinese Parish (Korean Chinese and Chinese), the Foreigners’ Parish (foreign members living in Korea).

In the GCN’s live broadcasting, the service was presided by Elder Enoch S. Lee, President of Male Cell Leaders’ Association. Elder Honggi Park,

President of Male District Leaders’ Association offered up representative prayer, and Senior Deaconess Jaenam Jeon read the reading passage.

Dr. Lee preached the message “Sincere Heart” based on Hebrews 10:22. He urged attendees not to be dishonest, not to have a changing mind, and not to seek their own benefits in order to achieve a sincere heart and lead many souls to salvation.

They made up their minds to cast off dishonesty in heart, a changing mind, and to seek

the glory of God and others’ benefits to accomplish a sincere heart quickly.





Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee

“Jesus said to her,
‘I am the resurrection and the life;
he who believes in Me will live
even if he dies, and everyone
who lives and believes
in Me will never die.
Do you believe this?’”
(John 11:25-26).

“I Am the Resurrection and the Life”

from the tomb by himself.

Many Jews witnessed the moment of glory and came to believe Jesus. The news of the resurrection of Lazarus was spread all over the Jewish areas, glorifying God greatly.

2. Jesus Overcame Death and Gave Hope for Resurrection

When God created the first man Adam, there was no death. However, since he ate from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, his spirit who was the master of man died as God had spoken saying, “You will surely die” and communication with God was severed. Because of the Adam’s transgression, all mankind who are his descendants were destined to die as Romans 6:23 reads, “The wages of sin is death.”

To redeem them from sins, Jesus who is the Son of God with no sin at all, had to die on our behalf. When the Roman soldiers’ whip coiled around His body, He endured the pain for us. When thick nails penetrated His hands and feet and when the thorns as long as a finger dug into His head, He readily took every suffering.

Jesus took all the sufferings because we could be saved only by His death on the cross and His shedding blood on behalf of us. With the knowledge of this, Jesus came to the earth, took the way of the cross, and achieved the providence of God.

That is why Jesus said in John 11:25-26, “I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in Me will live even if he dies, and everyone who lives and believes in Me will never die. Do you believe this?” This passage is fulfilled for those who believe the Lord.

There are two types of resurrection: the resurrection of spirit and the resurrection of body. When we accept Jesus as the Savior and receive the Holy Spirit as a gift, our spirit is revived. This is spiritual

resurrection. When the Lord comes in the air, those who believed Jesus to be their Savior, received salvation, and then died, will be resurrected with an imperishable body. There are other people who will meet the Lord alive. Their bodies will be changed into imperishable bodies and meet the Lord. This is called the resurrection of body.

3. In Order to Participate in the Glory of Resurrection

By reviving the dead Lazarus, Jesus showed what the resurrection is like. Before His crucifixion, Jesus told the disciples about His resurrection several times.

But His disciples did not realize the spiritual meaning nor did they have faith in Jesus’ resurrection. So, when Jesus died, in fear they thought everything was over and the women unceasingly wept in sorrow.

However, Jesus overcame death and resurrected on the third day after He was crucified. At the sight of His resurrection, the disciples and women were completely changed and filled with true joy and hope. It was not until then that they had had come to believe the resurrection. They became assured of eternal life, the glory of Heaven, and the Lord’s second coming.

When Apostle Peter was crucified upside down and Apostle John was thrown into the boiling oil, they were not afraid of death but full of hope for resurrection. Apostle Paul had no time to lose heart when he was beaten many times, almost stoned to death, and had other near-death experiences. It was because he was filled with hope for eternal life and the promise of glory.

In addition to them, many believers suffered from hunger, thirst, and life-threatening situations for the sake of the Lord’s name. They could boldly preach the gospel because of their hope for Heaven.

1 Corinthians 15:19-20 reads, “If we have hoped in Christ in this life only, we are of all men most to be pitied. But now Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who are asleep.” We can also have hope for eternal life following the Lord who is the firstfruits of the resurrection. That’s because we can think everything on the earth rubbish.

When you received the Holy Spirit and salvation, you must have been full of joy. If you keep the joy until the end and overcome everything, on the last day you will take on beautiful and shining body and be caught up into the air while all heavens are filled with glorious praises. The Lord will console you concerning your efforts and tears and hold banquets every day. You will enjoy endless happiness in your heavenly dwelling mansions decorated with gold and jewels.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, when you have hope for the resurrection and wait for the second coming of the Lord, you can be said to have faith. Then you can cast away sins and believe the Lord will give you rewards even in harsh trials. Doing so, you will bear abundant fruit like the branch that abides in the Lord who is the true vine.

On the contrary, those who have little hope for resurrection and the Lord’s second coming may go back to the world failing to endure trials. They may try to avoid trials and give up. As the branch that separates from the vine cannot but wither, their lives will end and they will have nothing to do with resurrection and the Lord’s second coming.

I pray in the name of the Lord that you will have hope for the glory of the Lord, who overcame death and resurrected, and become spiritual warriors who can overcome death as well.

Easter is the feast celebrating of the resurrection of Jesus the Son of God who came to the earth and was crucified. In this edition, let’s look into the account of Lazarus who was dead came back to life so that we might have greater assurance in faith and hope for resurrection.

1. Jesus Revived Lazarus Who Was Buried in the Tomb

Lazarus was a brother of Mary and Martha. He loved Jesus very much and followed Him. One day Jesus heard that Lazarus was sick. It was a critical moment in time. However, Jesus went to him four days after he died and was buried.

Mary and Martha were in sorrow and said, “Lord, if You had been here, my brother would not have died.” They thought if Lazarus had been alive, he would have been healed by the power of Jesus. But since he was already dead, they thought his life was over.

When Jesus saw Mary and the Jews weeping for the deceased Lazarus, Jesus had the stone removed that was lying against the tomb. After He raised His eyes and prayed to God, He cried out with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come forth.”

Lazarus, who was dead and had been buried in the tomb, recovered life at once in obedience to the command of Jesus and his spirit came back to his body. He came out

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 Spiritual Warriors Investigated through Forefathers of Faith

Let's investigate the qualifications of spiritual warriors based on the examples of forefathers of faith who dwell near the throne of God.

Abraham Obeyed by Faith

Moses Was Humbler than Anyone Else

Abraham unchangingly believed the promise of God until the end. His trust in God was shown in his unconditional obedience to the Word of God.

When God told him to 'go forth from his country and his father's house', he obeyed and left his country (Genesis 12:1-14). When he and his wife were not able to conceive a baby, he believed the promise of God who said He would give a son and form a great nation through his descendants (Genesis 17). Even when God told him to give his son, who he had gained at the age of 100, he obeyed without comments or hesitation (Genesis 22:1-18).

God also trusted him. So in answer to Abraham's petition

He changed His will concerning destroying the whole of Sodom and Gomorrah which were stained with sins and evil and decided to forgive the whole city as long as He found ten righteous men in the city (Genesis 18).

If you truly trust God, you will act upon the will of God in obedience. Then, you will be able to boldly ask for whatever you want and you will receive whatever you asked for.

Moses was very humble, more so than any other man who was on the face of the earth and he was faithful in all God's house, so God spoke with him directly (Exodus 33:11; Numbers 12:3, 7). He had no evil, harbored everyone, and loved even enemies that tried to kill him. He

interceded on behalf of the Israelites who did not obey but stood against him and grumbled against God. He even asked God to blot him out from the Book of Life if it would mean the forgiveness of the Israelites.

God set up Moses as the leader of the Exodus and showed many powerful works through him. Thereby He demonstrated His love for him. When others grumbled against him, He considered it having stood against God and sternly warned them against it (Numbers 12).

Therefore, spiritual warriors obey the Word of God, cast off every form of evil, give out the fragrance of the Christ, are faithful in all aspects, and play the role of light and salt in all lives.

Elijah Led People Who Were Worshipping Idols

Enoch Sought only to Please God

Elijah had weak temperament, but as long as something was in the will of God he boldly preached it and showed the glory of God. When the people of God were corrupted in idolatry, he confronted 850 prophets of foreign gods to show the LORD is only true Deity. He brought down fire from heaven and brought the people of Israel back to God.

God walked with him and guaranteed him. When he prayed for it not to rain, the whole country was without rain and suffered from drought for three and a half years. When he prayed for it to rain again, it rained (1 Kings 18). When King

sent the captain of fifty and fifty men to capture Elijah, fire came down from heaven and consumed them (2 Kings 1:10).

As Enoch enjoyed increasing goodness in his life, he wanted to know God all the more. He eagerly longed for Him. He sought how to please God all the time, tried to find how to communicate more deeply with God, and put what came to heart into action. He filled his heart with goodness and love and came to intimately communicate with God.

Although he lived long before Jesus came to the earth, he

prophesied about the second coming of the Lord in Judah 1:14-15. It shows how deeply he communicated with God and how close he was to God even though he did not fulfill any great duty or manifest powerful works.

God loved this Enoch very much and wanted to keep him close to Him. After He walked with him on the earth for 300 years, He took him up (Genesis 5:21-24; Hebrews 11:5). Therefore, spiritual warriors communicate deeply with God, show the evidence of receiving God's love, and strongly and boldly proclaim the glory of God.

Apostle Paul Was Thankful for the Grace without Changing

Peter Was Martyred with Thankful Heart

After he met the Lord, Apostle Paul laid aside all he had including his fame, authority, and comforts, and regarded all his knowledge rubbish (Philippians 3:8). He unchangingly devoted himself to preaching the gospel. He was imprisoned many times and beaten with rods countless times, suffered in hunger, cold, and exposure. He underwent many sufferings and nearly died many times. Nevertheless, his heart of thanksgiving for the grace of the Lord did not change and his passion for the Lord never cooled down (2 Corinthians 11:23-28).

He gave himself to God without getting married, and he testified to God and established churches manifesting great power through all Europe and Asia.

Peter left his job and family and followed Jesus earnestly from the moment he was called by Jesus. However, he was caught by fear the night when Jesus was arrested and denied him three times (Matthew 26:69-75).

He thoroughly repented afterwards and was forgiven, but he regretted it so much. He eagerly preached the gospel and met martyrdom

being crucified upside down. He felt joyful and thankful to take the suffering with love for the Lord who had forgiven and saved him and set him up as His apostle.

Only when you love God with your heart, life, mind, and strength can you become spiritual warriors who lead souls to God and extend the kingdom of God.

Let's pray with the Word realized in the Lord and ask for the works of the Holy Spirit. Then, God will enable you to become spiritual warriors (1 Thessalonians 5:24). Let's become spiritual warriors and achieve the providence of God.

“I Gained New Life and Became the Messenger of the Lord’s Resurrection”

Senior Deaconess Bokrye Kim, Guidance Pastor of 5th Canaan Mission, Manmin Central Church



My family worshipped idols and we had unceasing troubles. We were in financial difficulties so I gave up going to high school and started working to make money. In my early twenties, I even had surgery to remove cancer cells around my neck.

I was so weak and took so many strong medicines that I suffered from many kinds of diseases. My parents tried many things to heal me like asking for the shaman dance. It was of no use. My mother even told me to just die if I couldn't live like a human.

I was considering suicide but I couldn't do so thinking about my family. I spent my life suffering. Meantime, in December 1986, my mother was guided to Manmin Prayer Center's meeting by Senior Deaconess Jeongnim Lee who was living in neighborhood. She called me and told me with an excited voice that I would be surprised to see Mrs. Boknim Lee.

When I went there, she was not a woman who made a living on behalf of her sick husband anymore. She was leading the meeting as the president of Manmin Prayer Center. She had met God and was living a new life.

Many people were there in attendance. Mrs. Lee prayed for me and I felt something like fragrant mint surrounding my whole body. My body came to feel light. All at once I was healed of heart disease, stomach disorder, headache, and ringing in ears that had followed the cancer surgery. Hallelujah!

After I registered in the church, through Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee's messages,

I tasted true peace and happiness that I had never felt before. If I had committed suicide I would have gone to Hell, but I was healed of all diseases and received salvation! I was so grateful for the grace of giving me the joy of eternal life. Meantime, God opened the way for me to repay His grace.



There was a community library in the building where I worked. I donated Senior Pastor's testimonial memoirs *Tasting Eternal Life before Death*. Since this opportunity, I organized Book Ministry Team with the members of the Mary Mission that I belonged to. We donated Senior Pastor's books to the central office of community libraries, army bases, prisons, and overseas countries such as Japan, Africa, and Argentina. We felt excited and grateful thinking that the book could give true life to dying souls. The members who joined it were blessed to gain recognition in workplace and received spiritual

blessings.

In 2010 however, I looked back upon myself watching the shepherd who sacrificed himself for the members' renewal. I had thought I was leading a proper Christian life in my own way but I realized that I had strong self-righteousness and self-framework that had been formed when I had overcome difficulties on my own. My ego was so stubborn. I started to destroy such things. In those days, my late mother had been sick for several years. Although I was having troubles, I tried to find reasons to give thanks. As I did this I felt more thankful to the Lord for saving me through His crucifixion and to God for letting me meet the precious shepherd.

I had not shared love with anybody else as I grew up. I had a tendency to feel more of a sense of responsibility in leading my Christian life. But as God's love came to fill my heart, I felt sinful nature slip away from my heart. I tried to fill my heart with trust in the shepherd who manifests countless signs, wonders and powerful works, and prayed earnestly. Eventually, God blessed me to achieve the heart of spirit.

In addition, he opened the way of blessing that I had never imagined. In October 2016, I was called by God as a layman Guidance Teacher of 5th Canaan Mission although I am 63 years old. I was not prepared at all but I am trying to take care of the souls entrusted to me with the shepherd's heart and deliver the love given to me. I give all thanks and glory to God who wipes my tears, comforts me, and blesses me to deliver the love of the Lord.



Sister Anchi Chun, age 53,
Taiwan Manmin Church

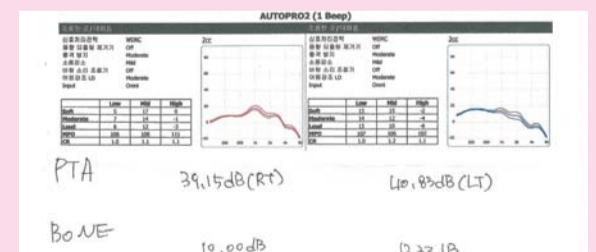
“I Came to Hear with the Ear That Was Deaf for 47 Years!”

When I was five years old, I was picking my left ear for fun. A boy who was passing by me hit my arm by mistake. I had my eardrum split and it bled a lot and caused much pain. Afterwards, I could not hear at all with the left ear. I was uncomfortable because I had to rely on my right ear.

In January 2014, I was guided to Taiwan Manmin Church by Deaconess Yangintong and heard about many healing testimonies. I was surprised to hear that many incurable diseases can be healed. Particularly, I was interested in the testimonies of deaf ears coming to hear.

I longed to be healed. I prepared myself with fasting and vowed prayer for the Leadership Conference 2016. I finally arrived in Korea and on July 3 went to Sunday Services of the church. When I saw Senior Pastor in person whom I had only seen on GCN-TV, I became filled with the Holy Spirit. When I shook hands with him, happiness was overflowing in my heart.

On July 4, during the first seminar of Senior Pastor, I experienced something amazing. I put earphones in my ears and a big sound came into my left ear. I was so surprised that I put the earphone in left ear into my right ear. The sound was the same. I was blessed to hear through the left ear through which I could not hear for 47 years. Hallelujah!



Her left hearing ability recovered, and both ears are the same in the pure tone bone conduction and air conduction audiometry.



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