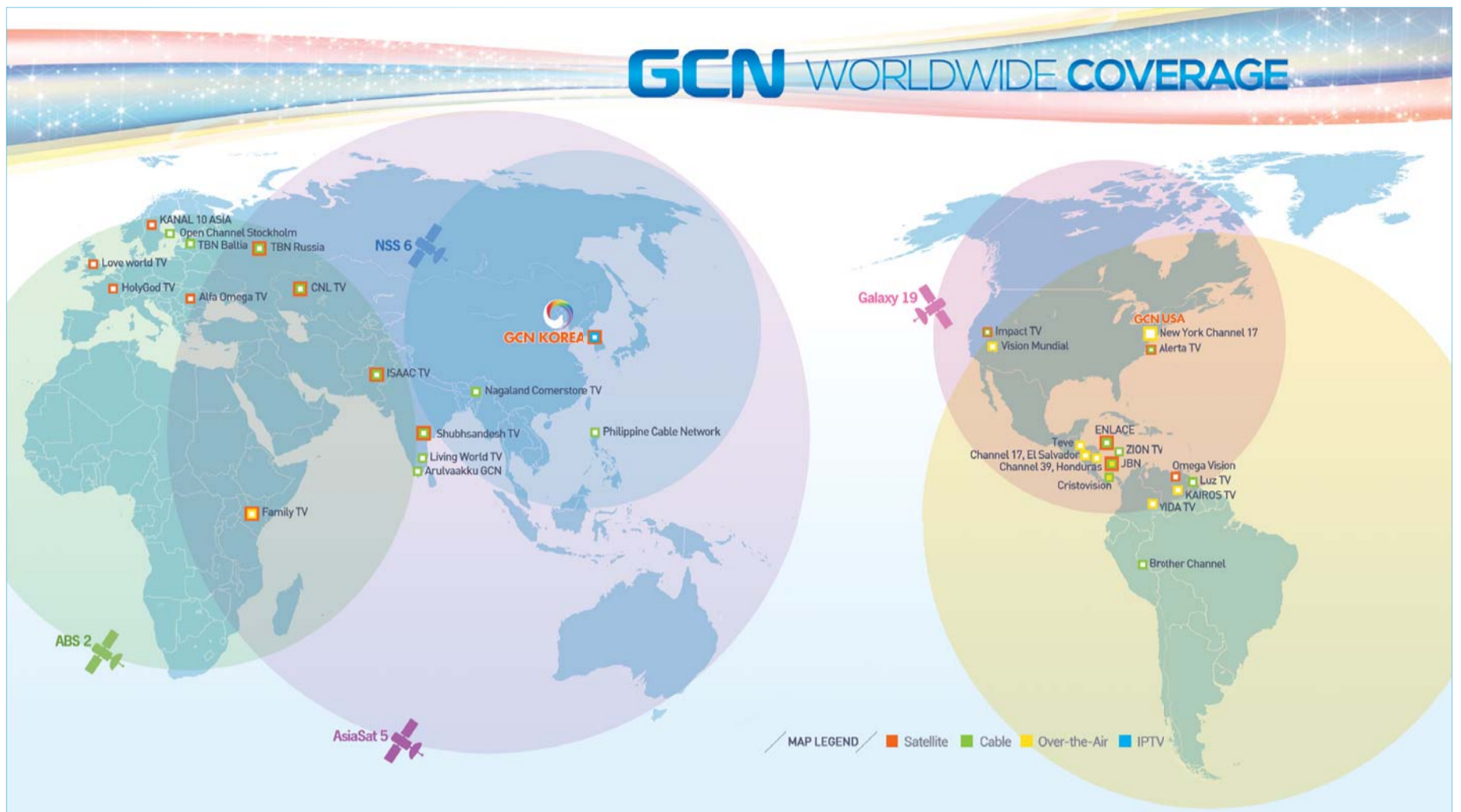


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## Through GCN (Global Christian Network) the Holy Spirit's Works Cover Over 170 Countries, and Many Testimonies Are Overflowing

A great number of GCN viewers in approximately 170 countries have been renewed by the holiness gospel and the powerful works. GCN (Global Christian Network, [www.gcntv.org](http://www.gcntv.org)) has produced and aired a variety of programs with Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee's sermons, his powerful ministry, and the performances rendered by Manmin Central Church's Performing Arts Committee.

In the North America, in the U.S. particularly, GCN is aired 24 hours via New York public TV No. 17, Glory Star satellite, ROKU, and Amazon Fire TV. In Asia, Africa, Europe, and Oceania, GCN is aired via NSS6, ABS2, and AsiaSat5. GCN airs its programs through public, satellite, and cable TVs in cooperation with more than 40 broadcasters. GCN also provides its programs for many broadcasters: TBN Russia and CNL TV in Russian-speaking countries; Holy God TV in Europe; Love World TV in the U.K.; Isaac TV in Pakistan; Enlace which is the leading Christian broadcaster in Latin America, JBN in Honduras, CH17 in El Salvador, and Christo Vision in Costa Rica.

Sister Christina Perez in New Jersey, USA, said, "I watch GCN on the public channel 17. I

gain realization and peace in heart through Dr. Jaerock Lee's sermons." Sister Samira Tchiko in Chicago, USA watches GCN via the satellite, Glory Star. She said she waits for Dr. Lee's sermon program most all day. Many people long for the word of life and express their gratitude for the sermons.

Brother Carlos Gochez in El Salvador stated, "I watch GCN on Enlace TV. I was amazed at its remarkable programs, and the power and godliness deeply touched my heart." Brother Carlos Sarmiento said, "Dr. Lee's spiritual life has greatly influenced my life." Sister Virginia Diaz received much grace from GCN programs on Enlace. She was guided to Colombia Manmin Church. Her daughter was healed of hip dysplasia when the mother received Dr. Lee's prayer.

Brother Anton Begu's family in Ukraine has become fans of GCN after watching its programs on TBN Russia. He said he had enjoyed financial blessing in his business since he realized and began to follow the will and love of God through Dr. Jaerock Lee's sermons. Additionally, many visitors to In Victory, a leading portal website for Russian-speaking Christians ([www.invictory.org](http://www.invictory.org)),

have sent requests for Dr. Lee's prayer by email and have experienced healing and answers.

Good News TV, which is the first Christian TV station in India, airs GCN's Worship and Praise program, in India and many other countries including those in the Middle East and Africa. A Hindu channel named Shubhsandesh TV broadcasts Dr. Lee's sermons through cable and satellite TV. From April 2017, GCN's programs started to be broadcast by Air Tell TV that is a household satellite TV station. Many viewers have sent enthusiastic responses, and many of them have been healed of their diseases through Dr. Lee's prayer for the sick after his sermon. Sister Kalpana Samaya was healed of depression; Sister Tara, of insomnia and Sister Shoba Shakar, of earaches.

Dr. Lee's sermons and GCN's various programs are broadcast 12 hours a day on Arulvaku GCN, India. President Abraham Vincent said, "Our viewers have received many kinds of blessings through Dr. Jaerock Lee's prayer for the sick. They have been set free from demon possession and healed of cancer, lung diseases, and stomach diseases. Even infertile couples came to have a baby."



Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee

“From the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffers violence, and violent men take it by force” (Matthew 11:12).

# The Kingdom of Heaven Suffers Violence

which was the era of the Law. People were saved through the deeds of the Law. They had to keep all the laws, and if they committed sins by violating the law, they had to offer sin offerings to be forgiven of their sins. On the contrary, the New Testament is the time of the Holy Spirit and of grace. That is because by believing in the Lord Jesus we can be forgiven of our sins and be saved through the blood of Jesus and the power of the Holy Spirit.

But concerning the time of the Holy Spirit and the time of grace, many people think if we believe in Jesus we can be forgiven and saved although we commit sins. However, in the New Testament, even if we did not commit sins in action, evil in heart is considered as sin. If we hate a brother, we are committing a sin of murderer (1 John 3:15). Everyone who looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart (Matthew 5:28).

When you accepted Jesus Christ, you were forgiven of sins, and received the Holy Spirit as a gift. Then, you must not follow fleshly desire, but act following the Holy Spirit. Galatians 5:19-21 warns that the deeds of the flesh are evident, which are immorality, sensuality, idolatry, strife, jealousy, carousing, and things like these, and those who practice such things cannot inherit the kingdom of God. In other words, they cannot enter Heaven but they will go to Hell. There are many other parts in the Bible that warn us that those who commit sins have nothing to do with God. It means that we have to get rid of not only the sins in action but also evil in our heart, the thoughts and natures.

Then is it more difficult for people to be saved in New Testament times than in Old Testament times? It is not so. In the Old Testament days, they had to keep the law with their own ability and effort, but in the New Testament days, we can throw away sins not by with our own strength but by the power of the Holy Spirit. When we accept the Lord with faith and try to cast off our sins with the power of the Holy Spirit, we will be able to throw

away not only sins in action but also the sinful natures in our heart.

## 2. The Spiritual Meaning of ‘Violent Men Take It by Force’

‘Taking the heavenly kingdom by force’ doesn’t simply mean going to Heaven. The heavenly kingdom is divided into many levels and there are relatively better places than others. So, we have to long for and take better heavenly dwelling places by force. The heavenly kingdom belongs to spiritual heaven, and this spiritual heaven belongs to a dimension different from this physical world. Even the spiritual heaven is divided into many heavens (1 Kings 8:27; 2 Chronicles 2:6; Nehemiah 9:6).

Especially, 2 Corinthians 12:2 talks about the spirit of the apostle Paul going up to the ‘third heaven’. Because he mentioned the third heaven, there must be the first and second heavens, and there can also be heavens above the third heaven. Among many heavens in spiritual realm, the Apostle Paul went to the third heaven that has our eternal dwelling places. The apostle Paul saw Paradise in the third heaven (2 Corinthians 12:4).

Just before Jesus died on the cross to achieve the providence of human salvation, one of the criminals hung on the cross said at the last moment, “Jesus, remember me when You come in Your kingdom!” Then, He said to him, “Truly I say to you, today you shall be with Me in Paradise” (Luke 23:43). He barely had faith to receive salvation but because he died immediately, he could not live according to the word of God. Also, he did not work for the kingdom of God, so he had no heavenly rewards. Paradise is the place for those who just accepted the Lord and barely gained salvation.

Also, in Revelation chapter 21, we see a record about the city of New Jerusalem. It is a holy and glorious city and the most glorious dwelling place in Heaven. The city houses the throne of God, and is the dwelling place for those who have great faith by having achieved

sanctification of heart and being faithful in all aspects. Between this New Jerusalem and Paradise, there are other levels of dwelling places. To the extent that you overcome the enemy Satan, struggle and cast off sins to the point of shedding blood, and change your heart into the truth, you gain the qualification to enter into better dwelling places.

This is the meaning of ‘taking the heavenly kingdom by force.’ The faith of those who are just saved is as big as a mustard seed. But if they sow the seed in the field of their heart and take care of it and grow it, their faith will grow as big as a tree that has grown thick and has no problem in storms. Just as many birds nest and rest in big trees, those with great faith can embrace many souls (Matthew 13:31-32). If you lead many souls to the way of salvation, you will dwell in bigger and more beautiful places in the heavenly kingdom (Matthew 5:5).

Even if you imagined the most beautiful, fascinating, and the happiest place, it could not be comparable with Heaven. Even the lowest dwelling place of heaven, Paradise, is much more beautiful than the most beautiful place on this earth. So, how can we explain with words of men the glory and joy of the city of New Jerusalem where God’s throne is? If you clearly come to know about the heavenly kingdom, you will bear in mind things on this earth are meaningless. You will cast away all worldly desires and meaningless lust, and change yourself according to the Word of God and try to take the heavenly kingdom by force.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, the heavenly dwelling place will be decided at the end of human cultivation. Even though you have little faith, you can even go into New Jerusalem if you keep on advancing toward the heavenly kingdom diligently from now on. I pray in the name of the Lord that you will save time and diligently advance toward heavenly kingdom and take the best dwelling place by force.

The enemy Satan does not dare come near to Heaven, God’s kingdom. Then, who dares use violence and take it by force?

It means that God’s children can enter better heavenly dwelling places to the extent that their faith increases by winning in the spiritual battle against the enemy Satan.

## 1. You Can Take Heavenly Kingdom by Force with Faith

Whoever believes in Jesus Christ can be saved and go to the heavenly kingdom. But the enemy Satan tries to disrupt people to keep them from believing the gospel. They always tempt people to sin, even those who already accepted the Lord. In order to defeat this enemy Satan, we must fight against sins to the point of shedding blood and cast off every form of evil. To the extent that we achieve sanctification and fulfill our duties, our faith increases and we can enter better dwelling places.

In today’s passage, Jesus said, “From the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffers violence”. John the Baptist is a person who prepared the way of Jesus. He testified to Jesus so that Jesus would accomplish His duty. So, ‘from the days of John the Baptist until now’ symbolizes the days of Jesus Christ and the New Testament era where we receive salvation with faith.

‘Before John the Baptist’ refers to the period of the Old Testament,

## 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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# The Grace Given by the Holy Spirit

The Holy Spirit helps us have the knowledge and understanding of God who is Spirit and the spiritual realm so that we can believe and confess that Jesus is our only Savior (Galatians 4:6; 1 Corinthians 12:3).

In celebration of the day of Pentecost on Sunday June 4, 2017, let's give all thanks and glory to Father God by delving into the grace given by the Holy Spirit.



## The Holy Spirit Pours Down Grace like a Waterfall



As recorded in 1 Corinthians 12, the Holy Spirit gives us various gifts. One of them is speaking in tongues. Those of you who have prayed in tongues must have felt the spiritual joy and celestial happiness. With the gift of visions, you may see Heaven or spiritual beings, like angels.

We are filled with God-given joy when we praise God and pray to Him and work for Him in the fullness of the Spirit.

Also, through the powerful works of the Holy Spirit, you can feel the spiritual world, which has no impossibilities and which is mysterious and wondrous. By His work, you will have the assurance of the absoluteness of the Bible so that you may have no

lingering attachment to the world and lead a happy life full of the hope for Heaven.

The Holy Spirit searches even the depths of God (1 Corinthians 2:10), so He lets us know God's secret providences and helps us understand the heart and will of God. Through His help, we can understand how great God's love is and how deep God's goodness is.

The Holy Spirit lets us realize not only God's love but also His justice. He lets us know how we can live a blessed life, without getting involved in disasters in this rough world. Through the Holy Spirit, God is pouring down grace like a waterfall. We have to be thankful that the Holy Spirit dwelling in us is giving us abundant grace.



## The Holy Spirit Intercedes and Groans for Us



As the Holy Spirit is the truth (1 John 5:7), when God's children follow the truth, the Holy Spirit rejoices greatly. When the Holy Spirit rejoices in us, our heart is also filled with joy. On the contrary, the Holy Spirit groans in us if we follow the untruth. When the Holy Spirit groans, our heart also feels troubled. At this point, if we repent of it and practice truth, anguish will go away and peace and joy come upon us.

Even though we might commit a grave sin due to our weakness, He intercedes for us with groaning too deep for words and He prays to God that God will forgive us and give us the strength to turn back from sins. If we didn't listen to His voice, the Holy Spirit

always knocks on the door of our heart so we can again open our heart and obey.

The Holy Spirit knows how sin-filled this generation is and how wicked the hearts of people are in this end time. For this reason, He is continually asking forgiveness for us and praying for us to earn more chances. The Holy Spirit does not give up on even those souls who are trying to give up on themselves. He groans for them, intercedes for them, and guides them to the right way which God the Father wants.

You should be deeply thankful for the love of the Holy Spirit who still wants to lead you to New Jerusalem in Heaven even if you have many shortcomings.



## The Holy Spirit Always Knows Our Heart and Helps Us in Every Hour and in Every Place



The Holy Spirit works in our lives in various ways so that we can feel the love of God. The Holy Spirit comforts us, encourages us, and helps us.

In a time of trials when nobody knows your heart, you can feel comfort because of a rainbow in the sky because you believe that God has made the rainbow just for you. Sometimes, He comforts or encourages us through people around us. At times you might get what you wanted from other people. Or, you might receive some extra income, which is the exact amount you need urgently. Then, tears might well up, and you will be touched by the delicacy and kindness of God who knows all your situations.

You sometimes feel that a certain content of the message is being spoken exclusively for you. When you sing praises, certain lyrics touch your heart very deeply. In your prayers, you might pray for the necessary things as if Holy Spirit has put those words

on your lips. When some leaders or pastors who are full of the Spirit intercede for you at prayer meetings, they read your mind as if they have been inside your heart.

Then, you can feel the deep love thinking, "God the Father knows all my heart. He is encouraging me that I can do it. He is beckoning me to come into New Jerusalem." All these things are the hands of the Holy Spirit who knows and understands our hearts. The Holy Spirit knows not only our words and actions but also the deepest part of our heart and the situations that others do not know.

Just remember that there is somebody who is looking at you with the eyes of God the Father and who is holding you with the heart of the Father God, and who is always with you. He is the Holy Spirit. Acknowledge this Holy Spirit and rely on Him to advance towards New Jerusalem more vigorously.

## “Your Brain Imaging Said It Seemed Impossible, But Now You are Normal!”

I did not have true faith although I attended worship services due to my wife's request. I heard many times that I should read Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee's book *The Message of the Cross* since it contains the basics of Christianity but I did not. In early April, 2017, I experienced a great change that I had never imagined possible while reading the book.

In the book, I realized why I can be forgiven of my sins and saved through Jesus' crucifixion, why diseases come from sins, and why I should go to church. Such topics that no other Christian books can clarify were all covered. I stayed up late at night and read the book three times. I found I had lived my life in a wrong way. I wanted to believe God by my own will, not to appease the desires of others.

On April 8, it was Saturday morning. I felt nauseous and had a headache. I thought it was indigestion but in the evening it got worse. I could not sleep due to a severe headache. And I felt dizzy when I went to the bathroom, so I had to hold my hands onto the wall.

On Sunday morning, April 9, I staggered while going to church. My body tilted to left. My wife asked me to go to hospital but I wanted to rely on God. When I arrived at the church, however, I had to lie down. People said it could be a stroke and led me to the Senior Pastor for prayer. He prayed for me earnestly with his hand on my head.

On the morning of April 10, I felt nausea and vomited, so I went to see a doctor. He said my cerebellum was damaged due to cerebral infarction and I would have aftereffects from it. He meant that cerebellum plays an important role in human body's motor control and because mine was damaged I would be stricken by paralysis soon. I was moved to Intensive Care Unit. The doctor said to me, after my test result was revealed, “According to your brain image, it should not be possible for you to talk and have a clear mind. But you can talk and you are normal. It's really amazing.” He asked me several times if I had some problems and my



Brother Seungwoo Lee, age 56, Parish 10, Manmin Central Church with his wife Deaconess Jeongye Jeong, daughter, granddaughter, and son-in-law

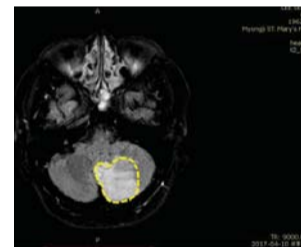
arms and legs lost strength or felt numb, but I said I was okay. He thought it strange. Two days later I did not even have a headache, and I recovered and came to walk for myself.

When I read *The Message of the Cross* again in the patient's room, it deeply touched my heart and I shed a lot of tears in my heart. I felt like every single line was given to me who had been born again by the grace of God, so I underscored important parts and kept them in my heart. I regretted that I had not known the love of God before and lived as I wanted. I felt thankful to Senior Pastor who renewed my soul with his powerful prayer.

On the fourth day, I felt good and wanted to leave hospital, but the

doctor did not allow it, saying, “It could be dangerous. Let's observe your progress more.” I was moved to the general ward. I had no problem at all in walking, eating, and talking. He continued to say it was his very first time to see this kind of situation, and I left hospital on May 2. I started working as usual. I work, take a walk, and exercise. I feel so good and am very healthy.

Without Senior Pastor's prayer, I would live with disabilities due to the damage in cerebellum caused by cerebral infarction. I feel so grateful that I am living a normal life with no aftereffect. I give all thanks and glory to God.



MRI: cerebral infarction in his left cerebellum

Brother Seungwoo Lee is working out



## “I Was Healed of Diabetes and High Blood Pressure”

Deaconess Delma Dungug, age 70, Cebu Manmin Church, the Philippines

I suffered from diabetes and high blood pressure for the last ten years. I sometimes collapsed, and my legs were swollen.

My life was not easy. In August 2011, my grandson, Immanuel Japra (left in the picture), guided me to Cebu Manmin Church.

He had spent all his time drinking alcohol and playing computer games but since he went to the church his life was totally changed. As I started to go to the church, my life was also changed. In the church, I felt peace and worries were all gone.

I received a lot of grace

from Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee's sermons on GCN and felt amazed by his powerful works. I began to keep the Lord's Day and pray as well. On February 7, 2014, I trembled suddenly during Daniel Prayer Meeting due to high blood pressure and finally lost consciousness. It was a critical moment. But Pastor Rosetta Sung prayed for me with the handkerchief of power (Acts 19:11-12) and sprayed Muan Sweet Water for me (Exodus 15:25). I immediately came around and became normal.

In June 2016, my leg got hurt. There was inflammation and a sore oozed. The leg was soon swollen seriously. It was so painful that I could not walk well and

sleep well. Since the weather was humid and hot, bugs smelled the affected part and came to it. So, I had to wrap the bandage around it. The affected part was not improved due to diabetes, and the bandage stayed wet due to the oozing sore.

I repented that I had not understood, that I had judged and had conflicts with others. I felt discomfort. I sent a prayer request to the central church in Korea to receive Senior Pastor's prayer. On Sunday October 2, I received the prayer with faith. The part began to dry, and pain disappeared. I came to walk and sleep well. I was also healed of diabetes and high blood pressure. Now I am very healthy. Hallelujah!



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