

Thursday



Will God Listen to Prayers?

“Will God listen to a person’s prolonged prayer? Will the Lord inspire a person through the Holy Spirit or God’s Words no matter his prayer complies with the will of the Lord or not? If the subject matter of our prayer is a great and difficult issue; and when we are discouraged and God’s words come upon us, I doubt whether the promise for what has been prayed really originates from God’s Words or our own illusion? Does it come from our own purposes or even from the disturbances of Satan? If there is an outcome which is worse than what we have prayed for, should we still continue to pray? Perhaps the words by which we have been inspired may not come from God’s Words? Or we misunderstood?”

(Brother Lee)

⌘ Please pray that the Lord will help Brother Lee establish close relationship with God so that he can better understand God’s intention. Also pray that he will grow up by being rooted in the Lord’s words. Ask the Lord to answer his questions and enable him to better understand the true meaning of praying.

Flashlight Stun Gun

Yuzhong District Branch of Industrial and Commercial Bureau made successive inspections to a number of stationery stores in the surroundings of schools in Chongqing. They were there to check if any dangerous toys were for sale and eventually they found a high power baton-like flashlight stun gun. This “flashlight” which resembles a police stun gun, is actually a very popular toy. Once the button is pressed, the person holding the stun gun will be shocked by a current of up to 600 volts instantaneously. The toy is certainly with potential safety hazard. As a result, personnel from Industrial and Commercial Bureau have confiscated all these “toys” and educated these retailers on the spot.

(“Chongqing Moring Post”, May 15, 2018)

⌘ May the general sense of responsibility and alertness to danger can be enhanced amongst the public, especially for those “toys” producers and retailers. Pray also for a proper interpersonal development of children and to stop them from playing dangerous or unfriendly pranks on others.

Friday



Blessings for Mother

“There found a shadow on my mother’s liver during a recent medical check-up. She will be hospitalized for a thorough examination. Mother is a devoted Christian, she has peace with her. I am the one terrified. She has worked her life so hard for the family but I have been so uncaring and my dad is hostile to God. My grandmother does not believe in Jesus whereas my aunt is extremely superstitious. Although I trust that returning to Heaven is a happy thing and our Father will surely keep her in His arm, I still want my mother’s company for a few more years, to guide me and see me get married...”

(Audience “Guoguo”)

⌘ Please pray for “Guoguo” and his family members. May the Lord heal his mother and the Holy Spirit softens the hearts of those unbelieved. May God be with “Guoguo”. Grant him peace so that he has full trust and faith in Him on the matter of his mother.

Tense Situation

We thank God for calling many of His servants to serve ethnic minorities. Recently both overseas and local co-workers have faced a very tense situation for different reasons. Many overseas co-workers have to leave the places of their ministries within a very short period because the renewal of their visas has been rejected. The local co-workers have also faced questioning and monitoring. Although there are different situations in various places, they generally face a difficult condition. These co-workers do not stop in spite of the difficulties. They continue to care and serve with a cautious and flexible manner so as to allow the evangelical ministry and pastoral care for ethnic minorities to proceed.

⌘ Pray for the gospel ministries among ethnic minorities and those in Yunnan Province. Pray especially for the local co-workers who have preached the gospel to their compatriots of the same tribe because of their pure love for the Lord. They also witness Christ among the people of other tribes. Please pray that the Lord will keep both overseas and local co-workers. Also pray that when they serve the ethnic minorities, they will have peace from the Lord and will still fruit more for the His sake in the difficult times.

Saturday



God Has Changed Me

“I was born into a patriarchal family. I’m the second child, in the middle of two brothers. My mother is very strong at home and my father appeared to be forbearing. She therefore looked down on me and gave me lots of hurts. Since my childhood, as a result, I had been loaded with bitterness and hatred. I got married in 1989 and then divorced four years later. The child was three years old and was under the care of my ex-husband. When I was desperate, God chose me. With the love of God and help from church fellows, I gained the courage to live on. I used to listen to your programs by the radio. After becoming a Christian, God changed me and gave me a forgiving heart. I was reminded of the good things of my mother and I felt grateful for her truthfully. This year my father died and I went home to accompany and care for my mother. With God’s love, my heart is sweetened and my previous hurts healed.”

(Sister Wang, Hebei Province)

⌘ Thankful to the Lord for Sister Wang’s forgiveness for her mother. May the Lord’s love and promises be with her all along her entire life.

Gospel Broadcasting

1 **60 years with God:** Established in 1958, FEBC Hong Kong it has a history of 60 years. The journey of its gospel broadcasting has not been smooth in the Mainland. The organization has had to go uphill and downhill constantly. However, the faithful Lord has accompanied us constantly. In the days ahead, we should rely on the Lord solely and continue to rely on Him steadfastly to meet all kinds of challenges and difficulties. We should also strive to complete the mission of preaching the Christ to all over the world!

2 **Needs of Pastoral Training:** Liangyou Theological Seminary will continue to actively provide training to believers in the Mainland as the mainland churches are still in urgent needs of preachers and co-workers. Please pray for the study and services of about 4,000 active students. The training program of “The Ways of the Pastors” has had a very positive impact on the students. Please pray for the students’ study and growth.

China News and Prayer

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Dear Warriors in Christ,

Why do we insist on publishing this “China News and Prayer” leaflet? This is because we believe in praying. We believe in the power and effectiveness of intercession! In the past decades, the gospel ministry has developed rapidly, and the numbers of churches and believers have increased significantly in the Mainland. I strongly believe that the main reason for this is the prayers of believers all over the world. With the intercession of the believers, we have witnessed how the Heavenly Father has revived the Mainland churches, has called the co-workers who have the courage to explain the mystery of the gospel, has opened the door for preaching, and has also enabled the gospel to be spread quickly in different provinces!

Why do we insist on calling you prayer warriors? This is because we believe that intercession is spiritual warfare and that every person involved in intercession is a warrior. I believe that you must remember the story recorded for the Israelites. When they came out of Egypt, they had a battle with the Amalekites in Rephidim on the journey. Whenever Moses raised his hands on the mountain there, the Israelites could triumph. Whenever he put down his hands, the Amalekites could triumph. People involved in the intercession are not behind the battlefield. They are at the real frontline of the battlefield. They are the key to victory or defeat! Therefore I earnestly ask you to continue to pray for the Chinese people and sustain our ministry of gospel broadcasting. Do not put down your praying hands!

Recently, the related policies in the Mainland have been tightened. Please pray especially for those pastors and believers affected. Please pray that the Heavenly Father will protect them, and give them the courage and strength to continue to witness the Lord. Many institutions of Chinese ministries are also facing various challenges and pressures. They need your earnest intercession.

Wish you deeper love for the Lord!

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Sunday



Between Mother & Daughter

"Please pray for the relationship between me and my daughter. When my daughter was in college, she was in a good fellowship and well guided by a good spiritual mentor. Ever since the departure of her mentor, she started joining a family church. The leaders there however, have received neither theological training nor any gift on teaching. My daughter's spiritual life is not fed. In addition, she has been offended in some way by the church, making her bitter and spiky all the time. I admitted that I was secular, selfish and inconsiderate, and sometimes caused harm to my daughter. But they all happened before I became a Christian. I had also apologized to her as how teachers in your programs instructed me to. And now I really don't know what to do!"

(Sister Yang)

✚ Pray for the relationship between Sister Yang and her daughter. May her daughter learn to understand and forgive her mother's wrongs and to reconcile with mother because of the great love of God.

Stabbing Horror

At 18:00 April 27th, a terrifying stabbing incident took place outside Mizhi County No. 3 Middle School in Shaanxi province, causing 9 death and 10 injured amongst whom eight were in rehabilitation while the two critically ill. A knife-wielding attacker was 150 meters away from the school gate of the school. He attacked students who were heading home for the day. The man suspected of carrying out the attack was alleged to be a former student taking revenge for having been bullied at the school. After the incidence, the Health and Family Planning Commission of Mizhi County swiftly mobilized its entire medical force to carry out the rescue work. Spirit of mutual help in the community was fully demonstrated as many of the local citizens turned out to give blood to save the students.

("China Xiaokang Net", April 29, 2018)

✚ May the Lord comfort the parents of the deceased and let the wounded, physically and spiritually, recover speedily! Pray also that our schools could set effective measures to protect our students and stop them from being bullied on campus!

Monday



God's Love is Great

"I was baptized into Christ about three years ago. I thanked God for his unfailing love all along. This year, after making full commitment to God, my eyes were open and saw what He had already beautifully laid for me. Last Easter we had a play to perform at church. I was acting as one of the disciples who was on a return journey from Jerusalem to Emmaus. We had three performances in total and every time I played, I cried. I had been fond of a church sister for years and I even prayed to God to put us together. My Lord answered my prayer not long ago and He showed me the way to get close to her. We both now study Bible and join serving God together. Pray for sister and may her spirit grow strong in Him."

(Brother Cao)

✚ Pray that Brother Cao rests his faith on the Words of the Lord. Submit himself and let our Lord lead him his spiritual path as well as his marriage. May brother have good relationship with the Lord and follow His footsteps closely.

Wenchuan Earthquake

A magnitude-8 massive earthquake occurred in Wenchuan County, Sichuan Province at 14:28 on May 12, 2008. Over 80,000 compatriots lost their lives and millions of people lost their homes in the disaster. Ten years ago, people just came out of the shadow of the earthquake. Their homeland required reconstruction and their relatives lost their lives, they showed more sadness and grief. Ten years later, the people used various ways to remember their loved ones. In the past decade, the people in Wenchuan have worked hard to develop new businesses, demonstrate new features and create new life. More than 20 million people had returned to their homeland. As at the end of 2015, 3,542 babies have been born to the affected families after the earthquake.

("CCTV News", May 12, 2018)

✚ Please pray that the Lord will continue to comfort the families of the victims, and re-establish their spiritual health and ordinary life. Also pray that the Lord will enable the authorities to learn a lesson from the disaster and to effectively monitor the building safety in future.

Tuesday



Life Changed

"I used to smoke, drink and play mahjong. But I have totally changed after I have believed in the Lord since more than 20 years ago. If I have not listened to Radio Liangyou, I would not be the one I am now. I was in my 50s when I believed in the Lord. At that time, I believed in heresy and accepted these. Later someone told me that they were wrong and advised me to leave them. Then a teacher preached the true and pure gospel to me. Since then, I have been listening to the gospel radio every day. I have also led my daughter and husband to believe in the Lord. My two sons and daughters-in-law still do not believe in the Lord. I hope that they will soon believe in the Lord and establish their Christian families."

(Sister Han, Hebei Province)

✚ The changes of Han's sister have witnessed the Lord's mighty power. Please pray that her sons and daughters-in-law would feel the love and power of the Lord and that they will become humble to accept the Lord as their Savior.

Movie for Anti-drug Trade

Taking advantage of the convenience of express delivery service, drug dealers are using the service to do their drug trafficking business. In order to enhance the alertness of logistics practitioners on their roles on anti-drugs, a film-show was organized by people from Shajing Street, Bao'an District, Shenzhen. In "Phoenix Flower in Full Bloom", an anti-drug movie, there were detailed explanation on types of drugs, their hazards and identifying methods. There was a request for a kick-off of "500%"— 100% real name authentication for both sender and consignee, 100% scanning machine security check, 100% unpacked inspection, 100% video surveillance and 100% data docking. These practitioners were also required to strictly abide by the rules as well as all laws and regulations. A strong sense of responsibility was anticipated amongst the viewers too.

("Southern Metropolis Daily", May 15, 2018)

✚ Pray that by the mercy of the Lord our people from all walks of life are protected from the vicious influences of drugs. May the public awareness of anti-drug be enhanced.

Wednesday



Grandma is Gone

"My grandmother was gone. She has believed in God for several decades. She has been accompanied by many miracles. To be honest, I am a bit sad. Maybe I should not be sad. My father came yesterday and told us that when my grandmother was gone, she was particularly serene and she looked even better than usual. My grandmother's cross has been passed to her granddaughter who she has decided to believe in God. When my father went back, I gave him that cross. I have wished to give it to him before but perhaps suitable timing has not come. My father accepted the cross willingly yesterday. I really thank God! Please ask the Lord to comfort my father."

(Brother Qin)

✚ Ask the Lord to comfort Brother Qin and his family so that they can cherish their relationship more amid the pain. His family has experienced the Lord's love. We hope that all of them can grow up in the Lord and join together to build a Christian family.

Regulating E-hailing Services

Recently, a number of vicious incidents happened in the E-hailing business. As passengers' safety was jeopardized, there caused a widespread concern in the community. The Ministry of Transport has set some guidelines on its development, include: (1) Tighten the verification of drivers' background such as their driving experience, accident records and etc., to prevent inappropriate personnel and firms from sneaking into the industry. (2) Firms on E-hailing platform should guarantee that the vehicles and drivers they employed are well qualified. To comply with the requirements, satellite positioning and other scientific and technological means will be adopted to ensure the vehicles and drivers on-line are the exact as those off-line. (3) Education and training on safety should be strengthened.

("The Beijing News", May 16, 2018)

✚ At present, there are more than 70 firms that have obtained operating licenses in some cities. Please pray that the competent authorities are in close supervision of the inspection activities and to intensify consequences of any violation the laws and regulations on E-hailing business.