Thursday

I Have Been Saved

"One day I suddenly had flu and fever. It was very serious and I had vomited twice. I had taken anti-inflammatory drugs. Perhaps I was poisoned after I had eaten things which should not be eaten together. I felt like I was dying. Then I prayed to the Lord and I entrusted myself to Him regardless of life and death. My fever subsided gradually after I had been given an injection. I continued to pray to God and asked Him to give me assurances of Salvation. I had prayed in tears twice before the Lord and experienced the mightiness of God. There was devil's crazy harassment during this period. Later I realized that there was still something between me and God, and I confessed. I prayed that I would abandon those sins and that I would love God instead of the world. I am determined to leave those things! I know it is the Salvation by the cross of Jesus that has removed my sins. My sense of guilt and feelings of shame are gone. I know that Jesus is in my heart and I have been saved."

(Audience "A sister of Little Faith")

ℜ Thank God for the sister's experiences of healing and Salvation by the Lord. She has indeed received the assurances of salvation from the Lord.

Skewed Sex Ratio

Influenced by the traditional concept of patriarchal and child-rearing, especially the subjective factors such as illegal identification of fetal sex and unlawful termination of pregnancy, the sex ratio of births in Tongjiang City of Heilongjiang Province has been high. The sex ratio of the birth population of this port city of 210,000 is high in 2018, reaching 100:116.9 (100 for women) than the normal level of 102:107. As the basis for future gender ratio of the population, the present phenomenon implies a skewed gender ratio of the total population in the future. A few years ago, Tongjiang City had promoted the importance of gender equality on the one hand and curb a further discrepancy in sex ratio at birth on another by cracking down activities related to fetal gender determination and sex-selection abortion.

("The Paper", June 17, 2019)

ℜ Life is God-given. May every life be preciously valued and sex-selection abortion be eradicated.

Unfaithful Husband

Friday

"My husband had an affair and asked for a divorce three years ago. I refused. I have my fault, too. My husband was a Christian and we made the holy covenant before God. Soon after our marriage though, he had a one-night stand; and now is his mistress whom he met three years ago. Without discerning his body, he eats and drinks judgement on himself: he returned after running off, once, in the past two years. Yet, he keeps flirting with unknown women on video chat. He is hopeless and divorcing him is my earnest wish. There are two different voices in my head however, as I swore to God three years ago that I would try my best to keep the marriage."

(Audience "Disheartened")

ℜ Pray for "Disheartened". May God remove the pain that her unfaithful husband brought to her. Shower her husband with the holy spirit; give him the light to see his wrongs, strength to repent, and the love to re-build a loving family.

Bai Population

The Bai population is more than two million and over 80% of the Bai people live in the Dali Autonomous Region of Yunnan Province. Since Buddhism was spread to Dali in Tang Dynasty, the believers have been numerous and Dali has been known as Buddhist State. Catholicism and Christianity were introduced to Dali at the end of Qing Dynasty. A French Catholic priest, Ronnie P. Leyuilifer, came to Dali to preach In 1873. As for Christianity, an English pastor of China Inland Mission, Hua Guoxiang, went to Dali to preach via Burma in 1881. The churches ran charity businesses, built schools, and set up hospitals and orphanages. Dispensaries were also annexed to churches. From the early 19th Century to the forced departure of missionaries in 1951, Christianity was widely spread among the Bai people. Currently there are about 50,000 Bai believers.

ℜ Thanks to God's preparation. Many Bai believers actively produce radio programs for broadcast. They also plan to use other media to spread the gospel. Please pray for the production team and ask the Lord to protect every member. Also pray that new teams will join the production and increase new programs.

Saturday

Amputated Right Hand

"We are ethnic minorities living in the mountains. Due to a migration policy in 2003, we moved to another town. There are five people in my family, and dad is a servant of the Lord. On April 14, 2016, my son insisted to work outside despite our strong objections. On May 8, he got electrocuted and was hospitalized for 72 days. His right hand was amputated and his right knee-joint underwent a flesh surgery. Only was it 4 months after discharge could he literally stand on his own feet again. This March he went to Wenzhou to study theology but was rejected, saying that a single-handed couldn't wash his own clothes! Then he went to study in Wuhan. Nevertheless, only with junior high education, he was disheartened to realize how hard is for him to rebuilding his future. He is 20 years old, my only son, whom that we wish to offer to serve the Lord."

(Sister Li)

Hay the Lord comfort Sister Li and her family. Help her son who after the accident and the amputation, can stand on his own feet and has wisdom and knowledge to make his life useful to God.

Gospel Broadcasting

- 1 Broadcast Response: Thanks to the Heavenly Father. So far the average figure of the monthly audience response has been nearly 4,600, this year. The downloading volume of the programs has been nearly 1.5 million times. The number of people using various platforms has exceeded 600,000. The monthly average number of freshmen admitted to Liangyou Theological Seminary has also exceeded 60. Pray that the Heavenly Father will use different programs to bless the audience!
- 2 Children's Program: At the end of March, we began to launch a three-level children's growth program for primary students. It was the "Joyful Tree Holistic Growth Program" which was quite welcome by the audience. Please pray that the Heavenly Father will use this program to entertain mainland churches' needs for such type of course; and to benefit parents or teachers, and children. Please pray for the coworkers who have produced this program and the children involved.

China News and Prayer

Jul/Aug 2019



Dear Warriors in Christ,

Here comes July. The atmosphere of Radio Liangyou is as hot as the weather!

This year is the 70th Anniversary of Radio Liangyou. We have prepared a series of activities to celebrate and give thanks with the audience in this special year. Please pray that various activities will be carried out smoothly.

Perhaps some people may ask curiously why the audiences are invited to celebrate the anniversary and what the meaning is. The 70 years' journey Radio Liangyou has gone through has not been smooth. In the first 30 years, it was just the most difficult time Chinese churches had experienced and there was company by Radio Liangyou. In the next few decades, Chinese churches grew rapidly since Radio Liangyou provided all kinds of spiritual food! Nowadays, despite various challenges and difficulties, the review of history has let us know that the Lord has always been in sovereignty of history and that His grace is sufficient. Let the listeners be strengthened and continue to move forward. Let them encourage one another!

70 years - Our persistence!

70 years - Not a short period of time!

70 years - A seedling can grow into a big tree!

70 years - Children have become old people!

70 years - Countryside has developed into cities!

As for Radio Liangyou, it has become a companion that the audiences have trusted on the way to the Heaven!

I hope that you will insist on accompanying us with your prayers!

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Sunday

Request for Intercession

"I am a full-time mother. I listen to the radio every day when preparing breakfast for my family. Every time I listen, I am always impressed! There are three things I want to ask for intercession: (1) My husband is very busy with his work. He works overtime almost every day. Ask the Lord to make him place God in the first priority and rectify his mentality to serve God in his work. Pray that God will protect his body from being harmed by overtime work! (2) My child will go to kindergarten in September. I hope that he will go to a public kindergarten. But our household registered is not here and we do not want to resort to the relationship. I hope that God will prepare the most suitable for my son. (3) I am going to prepare to bear my second child. I know that children are inheritance of the Lord. I feel worried! Please ask the Lord to strengthen me and make my whole pregnancy safe." (Audience "Full-time Mother")

ℜ Pray for the family of the full-time mother. Please pray that her husband can witness the name of the Lord in his work; her son will be admitted to a suitable kindergarten; and she will carry her second child smoothly and experience the grace of God in her life.

Basketball Team of One

In 2017, Ye Sha was a happy high school freshman whose favorite pastime was playing basketball. Besides being athletic, he was also an academic star, a real model student at school. Nevertheless, Ye Sha was pronounced braindead less than three weeks before his 16th birthday. His father donated Ye Sha's organs to seven people whom, after learning the teenager was a basketball fan, five of the recipients formed a basketball team named after "Ye Sha". On January 27, 2019, this basketball team was invited to a two-minute demonstration match in the Chinese Women's Basketball League All-Star Game at where the story has received a viral attention on social network, making organ donation appreciated by the whole of society. In response, the number of volunteers has increased exponentially and within three months, there has been over 1.22 million of people registered as organ donors.

("Xinhua News", June 16, 2019)

ℜ May good deeds as such be widely acknowledged and appreciated to encourage more people to join in.

I Don't Want to Give in

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"I feel that my husband has not been family-oriented from the time of our marriage to the present. He has not thought about the education of our children. Neither has he thought that his wife needs his company. He has worldly values. I feel that living with such man is very painful. I do not know whether I should let go the children and go to his place to remedy our relationship first or I should hold on alone painfully at my home. I only have one idea in my heart at present. It is to divorce from him. Considering the children's education, I do not want to give in. I do not want to leave them to his mother. I want him to come back to bring up our children together with me. If his attitude is still very rigid like that in the past, may I divorce from him?"

(Audience "Golgotha")

ℜ Please pray for the marriage of "Golgotha". It is really bad for the couple to separate for a long time. Ask the Lord to open the way for them. Pray that they will abandon their persistence and build up their family with concerted efforts.

Yibin Earthquake

At 22:55 on June 17, an earthquake of magnitude 6.0 hit Changning County in Yibin, Sichuan Province. There were 11 aftershocks in Changning County and its surrounding counties. Another 5.3-magnitude earthquake occurred on the 18th, causing 11 deaths and 122 injuries. Some buildings were damaged, and mountains collapsed. The area is out of power while communication is not smooth. After the earthquake, the Sichuan Fire and Rescue Corps dispatched 148 vehicles, 669 people and 8 search and rescue dogs to the epicenter for rescue. On the evening of the 17th, the alarm was triggered in many places in Chengdu City within seconds of an earthquake hitting, giving a second-by-second or tens of seconds countdown shown through the community broadcast, mobile phone, TV and other channels.

("Beijing Daily", June 18, 2019)

ℜ In the hope of an orderly progress of rescue and relief work, the many caring people and volunteers were called not to enter the affected area on their own. Pray for the rescue and relief work and hope that more of the trapped be saved.

Does God Care?

Tuesday

"The church that our brothers and sisters watching over, though in fear, is going to be torn down. 'Moving out, or demolitions', we are told. Our county church is built for millions of dollars! Several thousands of brothers and sisters are earnestly pleading to God and seeking His will! Doesn't God care? We ask Him for mercy. In fact, our church obtains a license which is state approved. If the church is dismantled, our brothers and sisters will stray to nowhere as many family churches have been watched and religious meetings are disallowed nowadays. Please remember and pray for our county church. This is urgent! We have lost our family churches, and we may lose our county church very soon."

(Audience "Old Sister")

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Pray for the church of "Old Sister". May God protect the church from being demolished and His believers from dismantling. Pray the Lord to keep the churches in the mainland; by the faith in the Lord, His followers are strengthened for all circumstances.

Deception by Private Hospitals

Recently, six private hospitals in Linxia, Gansu Province have been investigated by police and 25 people have been detained. According to the Security Bureau, these six hospitals were suspected of being involved in illegal acts such as frauds, forced transactions and extortion. One of them was found to have the conduct of "fraudulently defrauding" the medical insurance fund. At present, the medical practice license of the hospital has been revoked. According to the incomplete statistics, 93 precedent cases have resulted from such cases from 2014 to May 2019. The tactics of defrauding the insurance fund is mainly to change and forge medical records; to increase the number of hospitalization days and prescribe the quantity of drugs falsely. Most of the involved hospital bosses, management officers and medical staff have been sentenced for fraud.

("The Paper", June 17, 2019)

ℜ Ask the Lord to pity the greed of people's heart. Please pray that the hospitals can concentrate on the mission of healing and saving people, instead of spending their thoughts on the use of illegal means to obtain benefits.

A Bit Tangled

"I want to ask a question: Can Christians be community workers? I am in Wuhan and in the street where I locate, there are recruitments for community workers. I have already signed up and will take the written test on Thursday. Now I am struggling with it. Is it appropriate for a Christian to work for the government? It is a junior post, responsible for communicating and serving residents in the community. I am also told that the job involves no political nor any ideological education. As a Christian, I avoid being too restrained or narrow-minded, but to reach out and establish relationships with others and know their needs. Thinking of this, I am a bit entangled."

(Audience "Little Sister", Hubei Province)

✤ Pray that Little Sister can be free from her doubts and courageously commit to serving the community, helping the residents and making her life a good testimony to God. In addition, Little Sister can also develop her spiritual disciplines and serve the weak through her work.

Quality Knockoffs

When the luxury-brand handbag that you are expecting arrives, by procurement service from Europe, you might just fall into an intrigue of "real fakes" from merchandising. packaging, billing and consignment etc. In fact, these quality knockoffs might be selling at only one-tenth of the original price of genuine counterparts. While forgeries of luxury-brand products are so prevalent on the market, there comes the booming of fake procurement service, too. Some procurement buyers may often go into circles of friends and feign being returned from overseas procurement, which may not be all true. Some places in China can even provide scene analogy, which is specially designed for procurement services. Between luxury brands and the police, a new topic - product authentication, is therefore to arise with concerns as verification of electronic evidence, operation of electronic forensics and identification of counterfeiters.

("China Business Network", June 16, 2019)

✤ Pray that the government can formulate effective measures to eradicate the problem of phony and to remove China's notoriety for fakes.