

Thursday



God Wakes Me Up

"I followed my aunt to believe in Jesus 20 years ago but I have forgotten God after my marriage. My wife had brain cancer in 2017. I used up all my money, selling my house and car for healing her. I was under great pressure and fell off while riding a motorcycle. I was almost killed. At present it is found out that I have uremia. I cannot do any job. All expenses are covered by my elder sister. I also have a 13-year-old son. Please ask the Lord to show mercy, forgive my sins and heal me. God has waked me up in this way. If these things have not happened, I will not return to God. I used to live a pleasure-seeking life all day. Currently, I have been back to God's arms. Please ask God to open a way for me."

(A brother from Heilongjiang Province)

✞ Please pray that the brother can trust and rely on God more in this difficult period. Ask the mighty God to heal him and his wife so that they can recover physically, mentally and spiritually. Also pray that they will re-establish a good relationship with God.

An Emergency halt to School Re-opening

The school re-opening time in most provinces and cities across the country has been confirmed recently. However, the plan cannot keep up with the changes. An emergency halt to the school re-opening in many provinces and cities such as Sichuan, Yunnan, Shandong and Harbin was called. The re-opening schedule would be announced according to the changes in the epidemic situation. Some parents expressed that it was understandable for the adjustments to be made for the safety of students, and that these were worth recognizing and reasonable. But some parents complained that such a sudden halt to the school re-opening really caused troubles.

("Tencent News Network", April 14, 2020)

✞ The number of imported cases is increasing. There are reasons for postponing the re-opening of schools. Please pray that schools in various places can prepare well for their resumption. Also pray that students can learn online effectively at home and develop their self-study capability so that they will not get slack with the school suspension.

Friday



Facing My Inner Heart

"I was formerly afraid that my family members would not let my mother take psychiatric drugs. Therefore I told a minor lie in my family chat group, saying that she needed to take anti-anxiety drugs because of her anxiety and mild Alzheimer's disease. My elder sister said it would be fine if the drugs could control her sickness. My younger brother said it was necessary to buy her some nutritious food. My nephew deliberately came from school to comfort my mother. My family members' support has given me encouragement. In addition, my problem is excessive anxiety. I hope that my mother's anxious mind can gradually get better under the control of the medicine. Moreover, I need to touch my deepest anxiety and fear in my heart, and to face my inner shame of being sick."

(Sister Feng)

✞ Please pray for the mental health of Sister Feng and her mother. Pray that they will be healed soon with the support of their family.

The Nu's Troubles

The Nu nationality is an ethnic minority with less population but more types of dialects used in China. With a population of more than 30,000, it is an ancient ethnic group living on both sides of Nu River in Yunnan. The Nu nationality generally has a three-self church in each village of Dashan. They have benefited from the past missionary, James Outram Fraser. Ordinary Nu people have no opportunities of job development because living in the mountainous area of Dashan. There is a problem of fake alcohol, leading to troubles, alcohol poisoning and domestic violence. In addition, the problems of gambling and divorce are getting worse. The problem of gambling is not uncommon even among Christians. There are also hearts bound by sins in the simple life of Dashan.

✞ Please pray for the Heavenly Father's mercy for the Nu nationality and their churches. Although they have heard the gospel and the churches have ever prospered very early, all kinds of sins have brought emptiness of hearts and broken relationships, harming the next generation. The churches have also lost their ability to witness. Pray that the believers trapped in sins will return to Christ, and that more non-believers will see the true light and be committed to follow Christ.

Saturday



Perplexed by Paganism

"I am Sister Li from Jiangsu. Please pray for the believers in our church. Some of our believers were perplexed by paganism previously. During the recent period, I have seen many old believers in the circles of friends and WeChat groups still sending messages of paganism. Therefore I feel sad. Please pray for the pastors and believers of our church. Ask the Lord to give the pastors God's love and grace so that they can give the believers spiritual food on time. Also pray that there is a rise of more young people equipped with the truth and that the Internet will be used by more people to pass the good messages of Liangyou Radio. May God bless every God's servant of the station with more strength physically, mentally and spiritually. Thank you!"

(Sister Li from Jiangsu Province)

✞ Ask the Lord to help the believers have a solid foundation of faith to make them uninfluenced by the trends of paganism. Also pray that the Lord will use the love of pastors and co-workers to guide and educate the believers to understand the truth and stay away from the perplexity by heresy.

Gospel Broadcasting

1 **Broadcast Response:** Liangyou Radio programs have not been interrupted during this difficult period. It continues to broadcast to the vast territory of China. The audience figure of various platforms exceeded 1.8 million in February, an increase of 28 percent over January! The figure of users also rose by 20.7 percent. In addition, Sooradio's audience figure also increased by 53.6 per cent in February when compared with the same period last year!

2 **Sooradio:** The thanksgiving live program on the 3rd anniversary was broadcast online on March 21. A total of 231 students have been trained for the past three years and 172 of them have started to host the programs. A total of 140 different types of programs have been broadcast, comprising 1,820 episodes totally! The average monthly audience figure is 22,543 in 2019. Thanks to the Lord!

China News and Prayer

May/June 2020



Dear Warriors in Christ, COVID-19 has spread rapidly in more than 200 countries and regions in the world. Many people of various places express worry, fear and even despair under the measures of "city lockdown", "border lockdown" and "maintaining interpersonal distance". May the prayer of Apostle Paul (Romans 15:13) bring us hope. We know that the real hope comes from God. Only He can fill our hearts with joy and peace amid this severe epidemic situation. In the light of uncertain circumstances ahead, we can be firm with our hope because of not only human supplies and power, but also faith in God and the power of the Holy Spirit. Therefore, let us persist more in praying, enduring and waiting during this period.

Intercession for all people: (1Timothy 2:1) All people are in the abyss of sufferings because of the epidemic situation. God hopes to see all the people being saved and understanding the truth. Christ Jesus has sacrificed Himself as the redemption for the people. Please raise your hands to pray for our compatriots.

Pray for revival: "Revival should come after sufferings!" The universal church has been severely affected and hit by the epidemic. Let us self-examine, listen and learn amid this situation so as to be renewed and revived spiritually. Then we can become a "brighter lamp stand" during and after the epidemic situation.

Pray for co-workers: Co-workers and pastors all over the world (including Mainland China) are working hard to explore new modes of preaching and shepherding amid the epidemic situation. Please pray for these co-workers who face various difficulties and challenges. Ask Heavenly Father to give them wisdom and strength to take up their mission!

Executive Director
Rev Raymond Lo

Sunday



Pray for Family

“Please pray for my brother who seems to be keen in Christianity yet, may God expand his heart and help regain his love to his wife. My sister got spinal disc herniation while her husband is diabetic. The little grandson MengEn who is at the age of two or three is physically unwell, care and attention thus always needed. My nephew whose wife is a non-Christian is not that serious in his Christian belief. May our Lord give his wife a repentant heart. Pray for God to move the heart of my granddaughter, for she has wasted her entire holiday on playing with mobile phone! Please pray for the marriage and work of my son. He has engaged for almost two years. Pray that my daughter-in-law-to-be has the highest respect to God as well as to her future husband. Pray that both my husband and son bear a serving heart towards Jehovah.”

(Sister Tang, Shandong Province)

- ⌘ Pray for Sister Tang’s family and ask the Lord to lead this family to grow in the love of the Lord. Love each other, grow in faith and attract unbelieving family members to the Lord.

Flood Discharge

On April 10, after seeing the forecast of a rainstorm warning, the staff of Dongkou County Emergency Management Bureau in Hunan used WeChat to inform the deputy manager of Pingxi Power Generation Company to open the gate to release the water. Such a sudden acceleration of water flow and a rise of water level quickly brought away the five people who, given with no warning, stayed playing at the downstream. A citizen who intended to help was washed away too. As of the 15th, on-site salvage work continued. There have been 4 people killed, 1 child still missing, and 1 person saved. The staff involved in this flood discharge have been removed from their positions and are presently under investigation.

(“Pengpai News”, April 15, 2020)

- ⌘ It is reported that five of the six who fell into the water are relatives. The mother of the lost child still awaits news of his son. Despite the process of delinquency investigation, lives have been lost. May the mercy of God unto all the affected, and by this lesson may such kind of tragedy be avoided in the future.

Monday



Hard to Grasp

“Today’s sharing on the radio moved people to tears. Looking back at the past, I have long been frightened by others’ excessive possessiveness in relationships. I have kept myself from others until recently I start to step out of my comfort zone. Say in the group of my elementary school classmates for instance, these old classmates like to see me participate and have fun in their activities where they always sing, drink and dance. It’s hard to decline their invitation especially when they offer to pay my share. I don’t want to take advantage of their generosity, the expense on these activities is not minor though. It’s difficult to grasp! I don’t join them often; they thus have some opinions about me. For the sake of the gospel, my response to others really requires the wisdom of God.”

(Sister Gao)

- ⌘ May the Lord help Sister Gao to face the choices in daily life. Be wise and know how to make decisions according to God’s will. Learn to please God without being far away from the crowd. And amid friends be a beautiful testimony of Him.

Disguised Lockdown

Heilongjiang has been under the attack of imported COVID-19 cases lately. The city of Harbin has lockdown while many communities within have temporarily prohibited from all entry of outsiders. Residents going in and out their blocks are required to show passes and do temperature checking. As of April 14, Heilongjiang has an accumulated report of 340 confirmed cases of imported new coronary pneumonia, most of which were originated from Russia and through the border into city Suifenhe. Suifenhe is now badly affected with inadequate detection capabilities of nucleic acid, nor is there enough centralized isolation or hotels to rest those medical staff between their rotations. As a result, the adjacent Jilin province started to pick up some quarantine jobs transferred from Suifenhe yesterday.

(“Ming Pao News Network”, April 16, 2020)

- ⌘ Pray for the mercy of God to stop the epidemic as soon as possible. May China and Russia work together to tighten the prevention and control measures at border ports to prevent cross-infection and avoid the spread of epidemics.

Tuesday



The Lord heard

“My son found a 6 mm nodule in his lungs during CT yesterday. The doctor said it would be fine if it wouldn’t get bigger, and he recommended a review three months later! Please pray for my son! I here also share a witness for Christ: on the way my son and his friend drove to Anhui the night before yesterday, a large container truck was trailing their car on the road. Due to driver fatigue, the truck then crashed into a vehicle in front of the red light and almost smashed it to scrap. The truck driver had all the fault. Thank the Lord for His protection that my son and his friend got minor injuries only! Thank the Lord for listening to my daily prayer!”

(Brother Li)

- ⌘ Pray for Brother Li’s son. May the nodule in his lungs be healed as soon as possible. Thankful that through the car accident of his son that brother experienced the peace and protection from the Lord. This is by the grace of God. Grateful for his son too for having a godly father on earth.

Playfulness Ignited the Disaster

A forest fire broke out on March 28 in Muli County, Sichuan Province and was eventually put out on April 6. More than 2,800 people and 1,300 rescue vehicles battled the blaze which spread to an area far beyond the red line of 50 hectares. This is a particularly serious fire causing an inestimable loss of property. An investigation found that it was an accidental fire caused by an 11-year-old boy who used a lighter to ignite pine needles and branches to smoke a squirrel out of a hole at the back of the mountain. Because the convict is less than 16 years old, the public security organ is likely to withdraw the verdict. Nevertheless, the accountability of the relevant personnel is indispensable from a legal point of view.

(“Beijing News”, April 12, 2020)

- ⌘ Having caused such a disastrous loss to the society, the child also inadvertently put him and his family as well as his community under enormous pressure and anxiety. Apart from the legal aspect of the case, attention on the psychological and educational development of the child on natural disaster prevention may need to concern about too.

Wednesday



Struggling for Years

“After the divorce in 1976, my ex-wife learned of my wife’s death and called me back to Henan to see her and our son. That son has got married and with children now. But for me, I’m scared to face them as I have owed them too much. In addition, I worry that my son in Yunnan will scold me when he finds this out. Lots of struggles over the last three years. Now I decide to entrust all the burden to the Lord and let the Lord lead the way. I will return to meet my son, and hopefully my ex-wife. Speaking of my ex-wife, she has left home for more than thirty years to avoid being abused by her husband. She begs on streets to earn her own living in Henan. Three years ago, she returned to her husband’s place to find my contact. I didn’t ask her for address or phone number though. Now I ask God’s mercy to protect her during her daily begging and to let me meet with her, my son and my grandchildren when I return this time.”

(Brother Bo, Henan Province)

- ⌘ May God lead Brother Bo back to Henan to find his ex-wife and son and grandchildren. May God grant him wisdom to cope with his family relations.

Doping

From April 11th to 13th, Nanchang Customs seized in a row 8 shipment of permitted epidemic prevention materials to Europe. Among the inspected, 6 permits of these exported non-medical masks were in fact packaged and labeled as medical-use masks, 1 permit on N95 masks was declared as KN95 masks whereas another 1 was in truth stuffed with the unqualified “three-nos” masks. At present, all problem masks have been sent for subsequent disposal. The Customs warns the enterprises that any illegal tricks on epidemic prevention materials such as false concealment, adulteration or over-reporting of substandard products etc. will be dealt with strictly according to law and regulations.

(“Penguin”, April 14, 2020)

- ⌘ It is a good deed if we could stretch out our helping hand to where the epidemic situation is tense, such as Europe and the United States. Pray to God that manufacturers of these epidemic prevention materials will export their products on one’s conscience, and fight against the epidemic with the rest of the world hand in hand.