

Thursday



Can I Remarry?

“My husband and I divorced in 2016. At that time, I didn’t understand God’s truth. I just like other unbeliever in the world. I was afraid of implicating my family because I was in debt. So my husband and I had applied for divorce. After that, we lived together for another year. Later my ex-husband met someone. Then I left him to get a job. At first I thought about finding someone to form a family again. But I couldn’t meet the right one. I gradually have got used to my situation and think about serving God more. Recently, I met a brother in Christ on a Christian dating platform. He is widowed and his age also meets my expectation. I want to know more about him in order to start a family. But I’m afraid that it is not in line with God’s will. This is because the scriptures say that a woman who has been divorced should not remarry. Can I remarry?”

(Sister Li)

✚ Please ask the Lord to help Sister Li know more deeply God’s words and the truth and let her understand that marriage is sacred and needs to be respected. May the Lord personally guide her to understand God’s will.

Health Preservation

The “Young People’s Consumption on Health Preservation Report” published late last year reveals that over 90% of young people have awareness of health preservation while about 30% of them have made health preservation a habit in their daily lives, including the use of health products, taking Chinese medicine, having regular body check-up, doing fitness exercises etc. Besides, there are people who adopt the “punk health regimen” which means challenging the limits of one’s body on one hand and remedying it afterwards on the other. For example, they will take stomach invigorating pills and digestive tablets after overeating. All these are “healthy” ways people employed which they think will solve the problems that may be brought about by their wanton indulgence.

(“People Daily”, August 9, 2021)

✚ Pray that our God will help all of us to understand the importance of health and quit bad habits such as staying up late, smoking, drinking etc. Pray also that He will provide us with supportive friends and help us cultivate a good daily routine.

Friday



Must listen to him

“After praying, I don’t feel bad nor ache in my heart; only that I don’t have any strength to love my husband. He often hurts me and children with bad words, kicks me and slap me (with control because he doesn’t really want to batter me). I don’t feel pain physically but my heart aches. He demands that we must listen to him and there is no two-way communication. We are forced to obey him. I always tell him that I’m a human being, not a machine. He will scold me. This reminds me of the daily quarrels and fights between my parents-in-law which makes me feel that there is no hope in life. I’m not willing to live with such a person. I always ask: “Isn’t marriage a blessing from God?”

(Sister Wang)

✚ Pray that the Lord will protect Sister Wang and her child, that she has the wisdom to communicate with her husband and to refuse to be beaten and scolded. Pray that she has the strength to face her difficulty and God will keep her and make a way for her marriage.

Mongolian Bible

Nestorian missionaries started their missionary work in Mongolia as early as the 6th Century. Although the Mongolian tribes were scattered over the land, the dialects they spoke were quite similar. The earliest surviving Mongolian Bible, which includes the books of “Matthew” and “John”, was published by the Russian Bible Society in 1819. The current Mongolian Bible in circulation is the “New Testament” published in Hong Kong in 1952. The Mongolian Autonomous Region CC & TSPM organized the translation of the Bible into Mongolian in 2007 and 2011, the “Four Gospels” (trial version) in Mongolian was published. At the end of the same year, the “New Testament” (trial version) in Mongolian was completed under the auspicious of the United Bible Society.

✚ We thank God for watching over the Mongolian believers so that they can use their mother language to read God’s Word. In 2015, there was an app for accessing the audio version of the Mongolian Bible via the Internet. This has greatly facilitated the Mongolians to study the Word of Truth. Pray that the Lord will raise teachers faithful to their commission to teach the truth and help the Mongolian church to grow.

Saturday



Schizophrenia

“I find that my husband really has a problem. That is schizophrenia! He has already had this problem and has been admitted to a mental hospital for a period before our marriage. He hasn’t been taking any medicine. Currently he becomes irritable and doesn’t accept the persuasion of others. I have also found that he has a problem with his religion. I’m really helpless and painful. Our family burden is heavy. But he has no sense of responsibility! I cannot communicate with him, so I have tried my best to give in. We seem to be strangers to each other at home. My husband always plays computer games and watches TV dramas. When I look at him, I feel very upset. I muddle along every day! I live a messy life. I only bear such kind of pain silently! I also have to take care of my daughter”

(Sister Zeng)

✚ Please ask the Lord of Mercy to give mercy to Sister Zeng so that she can understand how to get along with her husband with love and encourage him to take medicine regularly. Pray that love will also touch her husband, and make him value his health and family.

Gospel Broadcasting

1 Spreading the Gospel: Even though the social environment has changed, the gospel broadcasting ministry of our organization remains unaltered. So long as the responsibility of equipping evangelists is not fulfilled, the spreading of gospel has to continue. With the new environment, the new atmosphere and the new normal, our work has to be carried out in a new format. We hope that our fellows will hear the good news and share with us the blessing of eternal life. May our God grant us the opportunity to work for Him.

2 Internal Reorganization: In response to the need of the development of our ministry, our organization has carried out an internal re-organization. Starting from July, we have set up a production department and technical support teams (including the engineering and IT teams). It is hoped that with the more comprehensive technical support, our future program production will have newly-added elements and modes. Let us pray together for the new colleagues who have received the baton of gospel broadcasting.

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Dear warriors in Christ:

After the sportsmanship-filled Olympics, it comes to September, and Autumn is approaching quietly. Many students have embarked on a new milestone with the start of the new school year. The young are full of vitality and eager to try. However, the spirit of “youth” is not limited by age. *“Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day.”* (2 Corinthians 4:16) May, in God’s kingdom, His sons and daughters be filled with His spirit and the spirit of youth!

“Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.” (Philippians 3:13-14) One who is filled with the spirit of youth has clear goals and in order to win God’s prize, one will not run directionless or fight by striking the empty air, but will restrain oneself and make one’s flesh submit to one’s will. Let us be clear with our direction and be restrained in running our heavenly path until the end!

“We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed, perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed...It is written: ‘I believed; therefore I have spoken.’” (2 Corinthians 4:8-9; 13) Those who are filled with the spirit of youth are strong in will and will not give up easily. *“But not”* is their characteristic. Let us stand up to the winds and waves with our faith which will radiate with brilliance in our ride on the rise and fall of the wave.

“Be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power...For our struggle is not against flesh and blood...pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests.” (Ephesians :10; 12; 18) Those who are filled with the spirit of youth have the spiritual discernment to perceive things, trust in the Lord always, not to make light of their enemies and pray earnestly.

Let us pray for the information in this material. God will surely accomplish according to His will and His time.

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Sunday



Poisonous Gas

"I called the authority up with my real name to report that a factory in our village was emitting poisonous gas. As a result, my name and phone number were leaked. The person I had complained about brought the village committee secretary to my house and they warned me not to complain again. They said otherwise, there would be no good results. The factory is next to my house. It starts to emit poisonous gas after mid-night every day. The poisonous gas is still very concentrated at 5 or 6am. The smell makes me feel uncomfortable and dizzy every night. My complaint has stirred up a lot of troubles. The elderly of my family advised me not to provoke these people who are gangsters. They said there was collusion between businessmen and the Government, so there would be no capital punishment even if someone was murdered. I'm afraid that there will be no way to redress an injustice."

(Audience "What to Do")

⌘ Ask the Lord of Justice to help the brother face bravely this case so that he will have peace without fear in the Lord and seek the Lord's guidance. Please pray that the Lord will lead him to the right path, and give him and his family fairness, justice and peace.

Sewage Treatment

In order to beautify the rural environment there, Maowan Village in Pengze County, Jiujiang City, Jiangxi Province, built up a new sewage treatment system and pit toilets have been transformed into flush toilets. The peculiar smell, which has plagued the village for many years, has disappeared. Earlier the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Affairs held a meeting to announce that according to the data as at the end of last year. The prevalence rate of rural sanitary toilets reached nearly 70%. However, there were problems with the reconstruction projects of toilets in some places, such as planning errors, misallocation of resources, quality defects, inadequate maintenance, etc.

("Economic Daily", August 6, 2021)

⌘ The public hygiene plan is more than just a superficial effort. Pray that the government officials will be willing to communicate with the real users, understand their needs, build suitable facilities for them without wasting resources, and improve the living environment.

Monday



Get Close to God

"Recently, I have the yearning to get close to God before I go to bed every night. I feel happy but at the same time, I'm anxious as I don't know what I should do, so I pray in short. The daughter of my aunt has been a Christian all along. She has been married for over 10 years. Her husband is a non-believer. In recent years, I discovered that she has given up her faith. I feel very anxious but the situation is not easy to handle. I know she wants to keep harmony at home and has gradually move herself away from the Lord. What should I do? I'm an old believer but still ignorant about a lot of things. Last week, I found that there are a lot of programs and courses in Radio Liangyou's website. I want to study some courses which are suitable for believers like me."

(Brother Chen)

⌘ The Lord of Help, we pray that Brother Chen can find a suitable course and that he will be humble in his studies. Pray that God's Word will be the light of his life and that he has the courage to encourage his sister to keep both her faith and family harmony.

Culture To Be Inherited

Ancient books are carriers of the culture and testimonies of time. But there are few people who show interest in the industry of ancient book restoration. A nearly 60-year-old person, who is surnamed Yin, is one of the people who can master the restoration techniques. Every time Yin gets an ancient book, he should first check and record its damages. Then he carries out the restoration procedures for the ancient book according to the plan. These procedures include cleaning, paper matching, repairing, hammering, edge trimming, compacting and binding, and etc. There are dozens of cumbersome procedures in the whole process. It takes several months to completely restore a severely damaged ancient book. Yin has joked that a sneeze and a deep breath may wipe out all efforts of the restoration.

("China News Net", August 6, 2021)

⌘ Precious ancient books witness the development of regional culture. They are unique and valuable assets. Please pray that more people will understand the significance of their restoration. Also pray that the history will be accurately recorded by training and nurturing the restoration and conservation talents.

Tuesday



Choose to Forgive

"I got pregnant last year, and I returned to my hometown to live with my mother. After that my husband became obsessed with gambling. My contact with him became less and less. He could not conceal his situation but said that he lost more than RMB 480,000 through gambling. I'm willing to endure hardships with him. I'm not afraid of living in poverty. Why does he go gambling? Although I have been pregnant and cried terribly, he has still gone away. I think I must divorce him. However, I'm afraid of God. As marriage is established by God, people cannot divorce just as they wish to do so. I have been praying in pain and God has comforted me. I have chosen to forgive him and encourage him. No matter how difficult it is. This is what my mother has taught me."

(Sister Zhao)

⌘ Thank God that Sister Zhao is willing to accept her husband and move him with love so that he can know his mistakes and repent. Ask the Lord to help her husband break his gambling bondage. Also pray that they will establish a family headed by the Lord.

Profit Prioritized Above All

The Beijing Municipal Commission of Housing and Urban and Rural Development announced recently that new measures would be implemented to plug the loopholes in the purchase of property through "false divorce". When a couple is divorced, neither party will not allow to buy a house in their city within three years from the date of divorce if the number of houses owned by the original family exceeds the policy of restricted purchase before the divorce. The related department takes such action because there are couples who want to evade the policy of restricted purchase. A couple may make use of their fake divorce to put their property ownership under the name of one party. The other divorced party who can restore the single status will regain the eligibility for property purchase.

("China News Net", August 6, 2021)

⌘ Marriage is a solemn and sacred promise. Please pray that everyone should be cautious about the relationship with their spouses. Also pray that they will not be blinded by greed, and that they will not lose their integrity and kindness.

Wednesday



Gospel Accepted

"My daughter has mental illness for 15 years. We were anxious to find a cure for her and resorted to worshipping Buddha. However, her condition didn't get better but got more serious. She refused to take medications nor seek medical advice. Her condition had so seriously affected our daily lives that we couldn't sleep at night. We thank God that last August we accepted the gospel. Through the care and concern of the pastor, brothers and sisters as shown during their visits to us and their unceasing prayers, God brought hope to our family. My daughter was willing to receive treatment in hospital and her illness is now under control. She worshipped Buddha before. We can only pray that God will change and capture her heart so that she will believe in Jesus Christ, has the peace and joy which comes from God and experience God's healing."

(Sister Xing)

⌘ Pray that the Lord will help Sister Xing's daughter trust in Jesus, receive God's miraculous healing and experience the peace and joy granted by God. Pray that Xing and her husband have a good church life, study the Bible with their heart and grow in the Lord.

Concerns of Delivery Labor

Delivery of takeout food is very popular in China. But the problems, such as their labor safety, social security and medical insurance, are becoming more obvious. For example, an accident happens on their way to the destinations of food delivery, but they cannot get the industrial injury compensations. The State Administration for Market Regulation have recently issued a report to request online catering platforms and their partners to establish a wholesome mechanism in seven aspects such as ensuring labor income and labor safety, maintaining food safety, improving social security and optimizing the working environment. These measures will be established to protect the legitimate rights and interests of all their staff.

("China Youth Daily", August 6, 2021)

⌘ Please pray that the food delivery companies will implement the related mechanism to protect the worker's right. Ask the Lord to open our heart and pay more attention to the situation of other labor.