

Thursday



Heartbreaking

"My child played truant. Because he was addicted to mobile games, he was willful, selfish, and irritable. He also smoked. That often made us mad and sad. He plays games days and nights, and not eating on schedule. Hence, he becomes skinny. We are not wealthy. We live in the mountains, and I must work to support my family. My husband also blamed me for not disciplining well our son. Despite the constant prayers from church for the child, he remains the same. After all, he is only 14 years old. But because of him, I was sneered and mocked coldly in the church. I couldn't lift my head and am ashamed in front of God and man. Being a believer of God for more than a decade, what I have done to have such an unfilial son who defies God and abuses us. I have prayed heartbreakingly time after time. I'm very weak."

(Audience "Bitter Sister")

⌘ The Lord of Salvation, help the son of "Bitter Sister" to wake up from gaming, and to understand that this way of life will bring harm to himself and his family, and be willing to repent. May God help save the child and comfort Sister from being heartbroken.

Keep your Post Tight

China National Railway Corporation Co. Ltd. announced earlier that during the National Day holiday, 110 million passengers were sent by railways across the country. The highest peak was on October 1, and nearly 16 million passengers were expected to be sent. Behind the staggering numbers, the safe operation of Electric Multiple Unit (EMU) is the key. Zhang, from Longnan City, Gansu Province, is an "EMU doctor" who works to ensure the safety of every passenger. When the EMU returns to the maintenance base every day, he and his colleagues must conduct a comprehensive inspection, including the tests of the cab, as well as the status of the doors, integrated control cabinets, toilets, sliding doors and seats.

("China News Net", October 5, 2021)

⌘ Many people rely on railways for travel. Wish all practitioners to be smart and implement various safety measures rigorously. In addition to regularly inspecting trains and lanes, they also do not forget to strengthen the supervision of the signal system to avoid accidents.

Friday



Fertility Problems

"I wanted to have children, but because of my health condition, two years passed but I haven't got pregnant. Gastrointestinal problems seriously affect the quality of my life. My husband is nice to me, yet he holds no hope for my pregnancy. I'm sometimes influenced by him, but I'm confident, just need to be patient. Most of the time I'm very positive and optimistic, but whenever my husband is discouraged, I'm discouraged and scared. I saw a quote: *'But to the devious you show yourself shrewd'*. I have inexplicable temper tantrums, selfishness, and malicious speculations. Is it possible that the negative emotions weaken my health? I will inevitably be dispirited by time. Pray for the Lord's guidance."

(Sister Lin)

⌘ Ask the Lord who gives people hope to help Sister Lin experience the grace of the Lord in giving birth. May she be confident that the Lord will open the way and learn with her husband to rely on God to live a victorious life.

Dongxiang Bible

In the river valley area in the southern part of Dongxiang, Ningxia Hui Autonomous Prefecture, Gansu Province, it is the main settlement of the Dongxiang people. About 600,000 Dongxiang people are very enthusiastic Muslims. In 1949, every 30 Dongxiang people owned a mosque, and nine families paid for a Muslim imam (teacher). In the past, there were missionaries who worked hard to preach the gospel, and worked to translate the Bible for them. It was learned that the translation of the New Testament has been completed and the translation ministry of the Old Testament has been launched. But because of various difficulties, the missionaries were forced to leave the area, and only some local believers remain to work, hoping to continue this ministry.

⌘ There are only a few believers in the Dongxiang tribe. In the past, with the training and help of missionaries, they produced the audio Bible. Now this ministry is suspended. Please remember the Dongxiang Bible translation ministry in your prayers. Remember those committed Dongxiang believers who are persisting in this ministry under extreme poverty and pressure.

Saturday



Remarried Family

"The husband in my second marriage has a son who has been living with us since his 10 years old. My stepson is always destructive and hostile. He dropped out of high school and stayed at home playing online all day. He is now 25-year-old, but his father always makes excuses for his problems, let alone always pleasing his son with material terms. We recently bought a new car which the child wanted to take it for himself. When I used the car, he would push me to the ground and beat me; I thus left for 5 days. Then they fetched me home even the child was still enraged and told me to get out when he saw me riding the car. I didn't know how to live on such a life. And what if his cravings are unsatisfied in the future? The fear that he would do extreme things grips my heart. My existence arouses his anger. I'm lost, not knowing whether to leave or stay home until tragedy arises."

(Sister Zhou)

⌘ The Lord who gives people hope, grants hope and peace to Sister Zhou in her marriage. Ask the Lord to put her stepson in prayer, to move him, and to encourage him to show friendliness and have live-in peace.

Gospel Broadcasting

1 Keep Listening:

Although our popular social media platforms can no longer serve us, listeners persisted in searching us out. Consequently, listenership on our self-built platforms went up at an alarming rate. We give thanks to the Lord for His undertaking!



2 A Renewal Mode:

Thank God for using Liangyou Theological Seminary (LTS) for many years, so that we can equip many believers in Bible training. In response to the changes of the times, LTS will set up an APP as a self-study platform from next year to allow believers to study the Bible and test their own learning results. We also hope that such change can make Bible training and theological education more popular.



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Dear warriors in the Lord: Peace!

In the past two years of fighting the epidemic, mainland believers are so eager for the truth even under pressure and hope to be equipped. In order to allow more believers to receive systematic training, a self-study platform will be launched in January 2022. A new program will be allow believers to study and test their own learning progress.

In November, LTS is operating in a new mode. Teachers are doubly busy correcting homework; they must also be busy with setting multiple-choice questions for the new study program. Pray that the Lord will give the teacher wisdom to seize the opportunity to shepherd and teach his classmates.

In addition to the new platform, we have also strengthened the use of the two websites lts38.net and lts33.net for broadcasting our audio and video courses. Two collections of sermons from our college teachers in "LTS Pulpit" is now ready for download, allowing believers to both read and listen to the sermons.

Amid the epidemic and all the ups and downs, students of the fifth "The Ways of the Pastors" completed their online learning and made progress in preaching, teaching, counseling, and leadership. Pray that the Lord will help them to apply what they have learned and shepherd the church faithfully.

"Keep this Book of the Law always on your lips; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful. Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go." (Joshua 1:8-9)

I hope that we should not be afraid before challenges and adversity, but be strong and courageous, because God will be with us. Keeping and obeying the law of God is the way to victory.

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Sunday



Praying for Mother

“Members of my family have become Christians for more than a year. My mother has been disturbed by satanic influences over the decades. She can see figures of statues floating around like watching a movie. Strangers wonder whether she is mentally ill. We all know that my mother is mentally healthy. My parents and I were baptized and joined the church last year. Feeling a little better physically, my mother still sees those figures. I’m here to ask for help from Radio Liangyou. Please pray for my mother and ask Jesus to forgive her sin and help her get rid of those satanic idols. We are so worried. Mother is exhausted.

(Sister Huang)

✚ God you are victorious. You know clearly what Sister Huang’s mother is enduring. May the Lord help her, heal her and make her clean by freeing her from satanic influences. To help Sister Huang build her family in the triumph of God. May God be the supreme authority of the Huang family who can fight their battle with the Holy Spirit.

Uncommon Disease Outbreak

The Zhejiang Province, China Center for Disease Control and Prevention reported that nine confirmed cases of psittacosis, including one death, had been found in Lishui City. Originally carried by birds, psittacosis is a disease caused by the bacterium Chlamydia psittaci and can be transmitted to humans. Yet no human-to-human transmission has been reported. This is the first time case was detected in Lishui City. The center has taken follow-up action, including slaughtering the poultry raised domestically by the patients, Disinfecting the patients’ residence, the poultry sheds and backyards. Publicity and education to increase Villagers’ awareness of psittacosis prevention are also strengthened.

(“CCTV News”, October 6, 2021)

✚ May the Almighty stop the spreading of various types of infectious diseases and heal the patients. Pray that public awareness of health will increase, and the government will strengthen public health education and attach importance to environmental hygiene and disinfection.

Monday



Losing Faith

“Called by God, my wife and I started to serve the church when we were 22 years old and subsequently established two churches. Due to my weaknesses, I committed sins. God took away almost all the things He had given me. My wife left me. My child got rebellious. I have been sick and living in a care home. I’m so sick and wish to die early. I dare not pray and am afraid of God. My former church co-workers are unwilling to see me. The co-workers and friends who were once most friendly with me are hostile to me, curse me and wish me death. Sad and helpless, I don’t have anyone to talk to. I want a pastor to pray for me that I can serve the Lord again”

(Audience “Brother”)

✚ The helpful God You know well what “Brother” has been going through. We put “Brother” completely in your hands. May God forgive his past mistakes, encourage him, build him up and heal him, allowing him to get back on his feet again to serve You.

Pouring Autumn Rain

It is rainy in Northern China, particularly Henan. The average rainfall of Henan Province between January and September was 983 mm, increasing significantly by 50% which was a record high in 60 years. The flood period ended later than anticipated. Early last month, the Water Resources Department stated that the rise of the water quantity of both Weihe River and the mainstream of Yellow River caused the third flood of Yellow River this year. The flood is still moving downstream and heavy rainfall has affected a wide area at midstream. Hence, the level III emergency response has been activated continuously for drought disaster and flood prevention so as to control the flood relief of Yellow River. For safety sake, a number of working groups have been deployed for flood control and prevention.

(“Xinhua Net”, October 6, 2021)

✚ Seasonal rains always bring floods. Pray for the people being affected. Ask the Lord to bring the rise of righteous and merciful government officials who will make use of financial resources in a fair manner, accommodate disaster victims properly, rebuild roads and undertake flood management projects, etc.

Tuesday



Deeply Frustrated

“The poor relationship with my husband has deeply frustrated me. After resigning from his job in an overseas enterprise two years ago, my husband turned his interest into a career. He ran a business of selling tea leaves and tea accessories in his friend circles on WeChat. The business was not good in 2020. He then stays at home almost every day spending all time on his mobile phone. He stops me every time when I try to talk to him, and even beats me to end the conversation. He is willing to send our daughter to school and help her with homework. He only does what he wants such as picking up delivery items and clearing garbage, yet refuses to do other housework. I cannot tell what he is thinking and planning. Watching him spending all his time on the phone, I feel hopeless”

(A sister)

✚ Pray that the Lord who gives people hope will help the sister continue to pray for her husband and her family fervently. Bound the family with love, heal with her negative emotions and encourage her to appreciate her husband. Also pray that her husband will be touched by love and cheer up to get back to work.

Easier Delivery Services

China’s express delivery industry has prospered rapidly in recent years, lifting people out of poverty. Delivery of agricultural products bound for the urban markets is faster and consequently industrial products are sold in rural areas. Farmers’ incomes have increased and they are encouraged them to spend more. The industry revenue increased from RMB 198 billion to 1.1 trillion between 2012 and 2020. The number of parcels sent by express service increased from 5.7 billion to 83.5 billion. To improve the service standard, more than 400 routes of the delivery network have been refined and more than 600 new routes created, increasing the coverage of rural areas to 98%. Larger quantity of delivery items in cities and faster delivery are expected.

(“People Daily”, October 6, 2021)

✚ Convenience of living to farm villagers does not happen overnight. Pray to God that the development of express delivery can sustain and improve so as to meet the growing needs in the future.

Wednesday



Blaming Myself

“The subject of the class days ago was Ecclesiology and church discipline was discussed. Is it necessary for the church to disclose the sin a church leader has committed? I’m a preacher. I think about the sin I had committed and feel so painful and remorse. I don’t know whether I should tell the church my sin and whether I should confess to my husband. We have made our relationship slightly better. I can’t anticipate what will happen if my husband knows the truth. I have repented and walked away from sin, and yet have always felt guilty. I feel greatly ashamed and upset and blame myself every time thinking about the sin I committed. All these thoughts are dragging me down.”

(Sister Liu)

✚ Pray that the Lord who forgives people’s sins will keep Sister Liu from blaming herself and feeling guilty. Help her experience Jesus’ love. Accept her and forgive her sin. God will not despise a broken and contrite heart. Help Sister serve the fellow believers and build up one another. God please be merciful.

Energy Resource Shortage

The Dual Control System of Total Energy Consumption and Energy Intensity coupled with coal shortage and high prices have tightened the power supply situation, causing impact on people’s livelihoods in various provinces such as Liaoning, Jilin and Heilongjiang, the following cases were identified: food could not be cooked, lifts in residential buildings stopped operation and traffic was disrupted. According to the National Development and Reform Commission, coal supply will be kept stable through further increases in output, import, resource reserves and social storage. Major energy and power enterprises have already conducted meetings to discuss ways of implementation of the orderly electricity consumption regulations.

(“China Business Network”, October 7, 2021)

✚ Pray for the government officials that they can understand the needs of people, strictly implement good policies and maintain stable electricity supply, in order not to affect people’s livelihoods. Pray that people see God’s hands in everything and experience God’s grace when there is a lack.