

Thursday



Lord's Grace

"Thank you, Heavenly Father, for loving me and my family, thank the blood of the Lord Jesus for cleansing us, and thank the Holy Spirit for protecting and watching over us every day. My mother-in-law who has believed in the Lord for decades, is 82 years old. She got up the night before and accidentally fell whilst urinating, but was not hurt at all. I thank the Heavenly Father for his protection, keeping my mother-in-law safe, and thank the Lord Jesus for the grace of letting us experience the Lord's care. The family said we must tell this testimony so that more people can understand that believing in Jesus is the protection of our life, because He is the life, He is the way, and He is the eternity."

(Sister En)

⌘ Grateful for Sister En, a family that believes in the Lord has experienced the Lord's care and protection and witnessed the heavenly Father's protection of her mother-in-law from injury. Together, they praised the wonderful deed of the Lord Christ. May the Lord use their testimony to be a blessing to many.

Suppressing Newcomers

Recently, a labor rights news caused a heated discussion on the Internet. When Lin was about to end his probation period, he was fired by the company for on the grounds that during a certain day of work, he was considered to have an "unsatisfactory work attitude" for going to washroom too frequently, and the company refused to pay compensation for the dismissal. In China, disputes arisen by the probation period are not uncommon. Illegal dismissal of employees, non-payment of wages or arbitrary extension of probation period by certain management agents seriously infringes on the legitimate rights and interests of workers. Although the worker has the right to choose labor arbitration, a few fresh comers choose dumb tolerance in exchange for a certificate of termination without negative comments.

("China Youth Daily", June 10, 2022)

⌘ Pray that the Lord will illuminate the workplace and remove all injustice, so that no one will use power to oppress others. For youths who have just graduated and entered the workplace, pray that they will work seriously and diligently, and have the wisdom to know how to deal with tough times.

Friday



Couldn't Care Less

"My parents are always worried about my marriage. They would persuade me to leave my husband. We have been living in different cities for five years due to our jobs. The most regretful person in this marriage is our daughter. This man is arrogant, selfish and irresponsible. He has a big temper and has little interaction with me. When I brought forth our marital problem to him, he didn't know how to fix it. I really don't see any good in him. I have a lot of bitterness in my heart, but he just couldn't care less. I feel like I have found the wrong husband. I'm admonished by my parents and really don't want to live with him anymore"

(Audience "Helpless Sister")

⌘ Pray that "Helpless Sister" can face her marriage staunchly, confess her feelings to her husband and build their relationship with communication and love. Pray that the Lord will strengthen sister to bravely manage her marriage in the Lord.

Uyghur Bible

Fellow workers engaged in the Uyghur ministry are very excited to report that with the newly completed volume, the Old Testament, which is now translated in modern Uyghur, has left only one book to work on. It is estimated that the work will be completed in early 2023. The team is currently working on a careful review, proofreading and revision. At the same time, the co-workers said that under the current circumstances, printing is a problem, and it will not be possible to distribute the printed version of the Bible among the Uyghurs, so the current online copy will be used. It is understood that the app is still viewed by tens of thousands of people, and that about 100 downloads of the Bible are recorded on mobile apps every month.

⌘ Thanks be given to a group of faithful co-workers for their perseverance in completing the holy work of Uyghur Bible translation. Pray that the Lord will continue to strengthen them so that they can finish on schedule, that the printing process will proceed smoothly, that the Bible delivery ministry will dispatch the Bible to the Uyghurs safely, and that browsing and downloading of the Uyghur Bible on the Internet will be smooth and secure.

Saturday



Rare Disease DMD

"My little son was diagnosed with DMD (Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy), one of the world's rare diseases. I have been unable to let go for almost a year since his diagnosis. I don't understand why God has given such plight to me. Are there any miracles and wonders at present? Will God heal my son? I used to serve in my church, but now I'm weak and don't know how to move on. Being confused, I'm living without hope! I'm also indebted to God's work. Here is a mountainous area. There are still a few elderly people in my church with no one taking care of them; they are brothers and sisters in the Christ. Since my child has become sick, I seldom go to my church to serve them. There is little spread of the gospel and believers are few. My mother has guided me to believe since my childhood. After I have grown up, I get married in this mountainous area. I'm very weak spiritually."

(Audience "Bitterness")

⌘ Please ask the Lord of hope to strengthen the sister's heart, uphold her, comfort her and give her confidence to take care of her son with a way out. As the elderly in the mountainous area need to be shepherded, also pray that the Lord will motivate the sister to become strong again and return to her serving post.

Gospel Broadcasting

1 **Workers from the Lord:** After 20 years of faithful service in FEBC Hong Kong, Rev Raymond Lo has retired from the position of Chief Executive with effect from June 1, 2022. In the past two to three years, a handful of our staff and missionaries have reached their retirement age. Pray also for other staff in succession that they may carry on the good work with wisdom and strength from above.

2 **Broadcast by Radio waves:** As the challenges the ministry must tackle become increasingly difficult, pray that the Lord will undertake that all various platforms may operate as expected. For an even better radio coverage, we plan to reinstate broadcast via HLKX, our AM Radio Yiyou 2, with increased power. Please remember the ongoing testing and future operation.



PRAYER NEWSLETTER

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Dear Warriors in Christ,

Recently, the "LTS App" was down, and enquiries poured in from all directions. We quickly issued a notice to let everyone know the situation and soon we received a reply: "I thought there was something wrong and I couldn't use it anymore, so I was on the verge of tears!" Can you imagine how desperate they were when the App couldn't function? Besides, a student hastily wrote to hand in his coursework, hoping that we would deal with it immediately, because he was planning to apply for a master's degree in bible counseling suggested by the pastor. He only finishes secondary school. The school staff thinks he can try to apply with his LTS certificate. A small virtual college, not seeking accreditation from anyone, but God has used it for the past 40 years and made it recognizable by various organizations. This is more than what we could have wished for. This is what God has done with our hands.

The "Village Bible School" started broadcasting in 1982, and the work of many predecessors, supported by unsung colleagues, has made it the Liangyou Theological Seminary (LTS) as it is today. From a radio program to a systematic theological equipping course, from the traditional mode of learning to the self-learning App platform, 40 years of hard work and God's endless grace has enabled the Seminary to continue to guard the countless believers and leaders in need of theological edification.

Today, we may feel what we have done is small and unseen, but what matters is that God sees and uses it, fear not it is a small mobile phone app, or an obscure seminary. May our efforts endure and waiting upon serving the work of the Lord!

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Sunday



Lord's Healing

"I accidentally broke my leg last year. It was very painful to lie in bed daily during that time. I felt not only the pain in my leg, but also the loneliness in my soul. This was because I had been distant from God before my leg was bruised. I had been very weak in my spirit and hadn't read the Bible for a long time. When I was recuperating, I was inspired by the Holy Spirit. Therefore I began to be tranquil in my heart and read the Bible to know God's words. The Lord had sought me and healed my leg. Normally, injured bones require 100 days to recover. But I was able to walk in 52 days because the Lord had healed me. I'm 53 years old. Currently my leg has restored to the same condition as before. Everyone is surprised at this and I have preached the gospel to them."

(Sister Meng)

⌘ Thank God for restoring Sister Meng's lost faith. "With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible." Thank the Lord's mercy and healing which have let the sister witness the Lord.

A Scam To Cheat Money

In recent years, some scams which target the elderly have emerged one after another. Some scammers target the elderly who are unwilling to go in person for their convenience. They cheat their savings under the guise of "business agents". One of these cases occurred in Huangshi City, Hubei Province. Mr Jiang owed a huge sum of money because of his addiction to gambling. Then he lied to the local elderly that he had a way to help with their endowment insurance. Actually he made their money his own. Later, a community cadre discovered the issue. It was then revealed that Mr Jiang had defrauded others many times, involving about 40 people and the amount as high as more than RMB 400,000. There are many similar scams in other areas of Mainland China.

("Legal Daily", June 8, 2022)

⌘ Please pray that the police can release relevant information on time, and that the elderly will have the wisdom to discern and can be more vigilant. Also pray that people can care more their elderly relatives and that they can timely see through the scams to prevent the elderly from being cheated.

Monday



Hardly Integrate Into My Family

"When I was one year old, I left my family and grew up with my aunt. My aunt has treated me like her own child. She passed away. So I want to go back to my own mother. But I always feel that I'm estranged from those sisters. I have tried hard to integrate into them but to no avail. I have also tried my best to please them, but they still ignore my messages. I pray to God for guidance, but I'm still struggled. God requires us to even love our enemies. Besides, they are my own sisters. I don't know what I have done wrong. My financial condition is much better than theirs. Do they think I have given my mother too little money? I really feel that I'm so petty and low in front of them. I don't know what to do."

(Sister Rong)

⌘ Please ask the compassionate Lord to comfort Sister Rong and let her do her part well in the Lord. Pray that she will understand the reunited family relationship needs time to develop. May God give her the strength to exalt the love of the Lord among her family.

An Incident in Tangshan

A fighting incident triggered off national outrage in Tangshan City, Hebei Province early last month. Four young women were dining at a barbecue restaurant when the incident broke out. After a man had failed to strike up a dialogue with one of them, he beat up her and her companions. A CCTV footage showed that the harassment and beating lasted for about four minutes with some people looking on but no one helping or stopping the incident. After the video had been exposed on the Internet, it aroused the public concern about the issue of public order. Later the police arrested nine perpetrators and launched a half-month operation to rectify the social security. The police also publicized special channels for receiving public reports of gangsters' forces.

("Qianjiang Evening News", June 13, 2022)

⌘ Please pray for the personal safety of people and law enforcement officers' action taken to deter crimes. Also pray that God's salvation will come to save lost souls so that they are willing to reform themselves to turn over a new leaf, forsake evils for good, and stand firm when they encounter temptations.

Tuesday



Not Reconciled To Get Married

"I was urged to get engaged at the beginning of the year. I had made this decision because I was over age. I know I shouldn't break the engagement easily. We have only known each other for half a year. When I think it over, I find the decision too hasty. Some of his conditions make me very worried, such as his economic situation and skeleton of the past, etc. My economic situation is better than his, so I cannot accept this. The nearer my wedding date comes, the more anxious I feel. I dare not to offend God or people. But I feel wronged and cannot reconcile myself to get married. It is really sad to see my parents' worry. Asking myself honestly, I feel I like him. But there are still many struggles. I feel a huge tension which has been created between taking the marriage vow and facing the real self. What should I do?"

(Audience "Perplexed Sister")

⌘ Ask the Lord to teach the "Perplexed Sister" how to understand God's will. Marriage is divine and cannot be taken lightly to satisfy the worldly views. Please pray that the Lord will give the sister spiritual wisdom to establish her marriage in Christ.

Disputes Over Parking Space

A video clip of the quarrel went viral on the internet. someone was dissatisfied with his neighbor in Shenzhen for occupying his parking space repeatedly. This dispute over parking space has revealed the lack of parking space in Shenzhen. The reason behind is the illegal sales by property developers. The public parking spaces, which cannot be sold externally, have been given to the owners who buy apartments. So the public parking spaces become private ones. The same situation also occurs in other residential areas. Expressing dissatisfaction, some owners still park their vehicles in the private parking spaces, and they even destroy the locks on the private parking spaces. Therefore disputes happen frequently.

("The Paper", June 7, 2022)

⌘ Please pray that the government will have foresight to see the needs of future development and formulate appropriate land planning. Also pray that real estate developers will not violate the rules for the sake of money.

Wednesday



It's Perplexing

"My church is indeed desolate. I have been puzzled by the fact that although our church isn't good, unity is still needed. I have heard a teacher who preaches the truth constantly criticizing the church for its bad. Of course, these imperfections exist. She left the church because she had been emotionally traumatized in church. She might not have been healed. Now she is only responsible for teaching some truths in our church because of her theological knowledgeability. She often criticizes the church as not being as good as the society. It may be true, despite what she said makes sense, I feel uncomfortable. As I'm still young, I can't really tell what is right and what is wrong, but I wonder should one comment on the church in this way to influence other believers?"

(Little Sister)

⌘ Pray that the Lord will give her the spiritual depth to be able to bear right and wrong. May the church build up its co-workers in the truth of Christ. Pray for the Lord's mercy and healing upon this preacher and let her experience restoration of a broken relationship.

Accident

A delay in rescue occurred in Zhengzhou, Henan Province last month. The student called the emergency number 120 because of her discomfort during the incident. She could not answer the questions clearly because of her fuzzy consciousness. But the operator still asked her to confirm her location and even said that she had "no problem". Emergency team was not dispatched more than two hours after the call. The emergency personnel did not come until the student's roommate called again. In the end, the student had been sent to the hospital for treatment for nearly half a month. Unfortunately she passed away a few days ago. The Health Commission has established a special investigation team and fired the operator involved. Relevant personnel have also been held accountable.

("Yangcheng Evening News", June 8, 2022)

⌘ Ask the Lord to ensure that everyone has a pure and upright heart, and a diligent and loyal attitude so that they will not slight and neglect their work. Also pray that they will not look on without lifting a finger in times of crisis, and be able to provide timely help.