

Thursday



The Unbearable Past

"My marriage is such a mess that I really want to forget it all! My ex-husband often gambled while working outside, and when he lost money, he asked me to have sex trade for money. For the first time, I didn't receive any money; Then, I could get RMB100 per customer. After that, I divorced him and wanted to revenge on the man. I met the second man who drank and beat me every night. I got divorced again. In my third marriage, my husband doesn't live or eat at home, and I alone spent the previous New Year at home. I have been living at church since this New Year, and every day I ask myself if I'm still worthy to come to Him. However, my past will come out once I read the Bible, and my heart will feel restless again."

(Sister Fu)

✂ Our comforting Lord, please help Sister Fu rely on the Lord to let go of the past, to repent and start a new life again. Help her also look up to the Lord intently, and set up her mind to serve and follow the Lord.

To Boost Private Enterprises

At the First Session of the 14th National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference (CPPCC) held earlier, President Xi Jinping stated at the joint meeting of Civil Construction, Industry and Commerce Federation that it was necessary to optimize the development environment of private enterprises: remove institutional obstacles that restrict private enterprises from participating in market competition fairly; protect the property rights of private enterprises in accordance with the law; encourage and support the development and growth of the private economy and enterprises; guide private enterprises and entrepreneurs to correctly understand the target and policies of the government so as to put forth more effective measures for a healthy and high-quality development of the private economy.

("CCTV News", March 9, 2023)

✂ Hope that the government will continue to put in place appropriate long-term policies to give them the space and resources to continue their operation and development. In addition, these enterprises should not solely set eyes only on profit. They have social responsibility to fulfil too.

Friday



Inner Hostility

"Despite my love to praising God, there is always a voice to dishonoring Jesus in my heart. This hostility towards God is out of my control and not from my will. For example, when the church was closed because of the epidemic, my first thought was: it is better to close it forever. Another thought is: it will reopen, so that believers will not fall away from the care of living God. However, the sense of hostility is so great that there is no sincerity in prayers anymore. It seems that the voice belongs to Satan, not Jesus. What should I do? Is it due to my shortage of biblical knowledge that I'm straying from the Lord?"

(Sister One)

✂ Sister One needs the help of the Lord to remove her inner uneasiness and anger, to devote on worshipping and praising God, and to get closer to God to let Him be the only master of her heart.

Uyghur's Good News

Uyghurs live in Xinjiang and Kazakhstan. At the beginning of the last century, many missionaries from northern Europe and the United States defied the odds and entered the Uyghurs to be witnesses of Christ. Chinese churches also have co-workers like the Northwest Spiritual Workers who are working hard to spread the gospel. Although extremely difficult, fruits were borne, and there are still loyal servants serving in the local area one after another. In recent years, many missionary workers have been forced to leave. Their burden has not diminished though, and they are working diligently on the periphery. In fact, they have recently completed a retranslation of the Uyghur Bible, and through the Internet they also convey the salvation in poetry. Some Uyghurs would browse the internet out of curiosity, while some believers who are proficient in Uyghur speak with catechumens to lead them to a deeper understanding of the truth of the Bible.

✂ Thank God for these believers who love the Uyghurs deeply. The Lord uses them to sow seeds and cultivate silently. Please also remember those Uyghurs who browse the Internet out of curiosity. If they are found, they may have trouble or even be restricted from freedom. May the Lord keep the faithful ministry who preach the truth in-season-and-out-of-season.

Saturday



Believe it Instantly!

"When I was about 10 years old, I heard a program about the Bible at someone's home. I think that was the first time I ever heard of God's name, and I believed in Him and loved His name fondly at once. There was no Bible or church in the village. Maybe there was one in the city. When I grew up, I went to church several times. After getting married, I was beaten bruised and swollen by my husband if I intended to go to church. When I was 26-year-old, my father was seriously ill and was about to die. He went to church once, so I invited a pastor from the city to baptize my father. I was baptized on the same day. At that time, I bore no knowledge of the Bible. I only knew that it was holy to be baptized. I had a poor relationship with my husband. He has a mistress, and he was beating me a few days before I gave birth to his child. Now I want to divorce, but not sure if I'm allowed to after being baptized"

(Sister Li)

✂ We are thankful that Sister Li believed in the Lord as soon as she heard the program and led her father to be baptized. May the Lord help her grow in Him and learn His word intently and face the problem of her marriage with courage.

Gospel Broadcasting

- 1 Take Roots: Radio Liangyou has a thematic focus "Take Roots" for this year, with quarterly sub-themes: Taking Roots in Spiritual Family, Taking Roots in Truth, Taking Roots in God's Love, and Taking Roots in Eternity. May the Lord, through our broadcast programs, build up many spiritual lives of our listeners and nourish them onto maturity.
- 2 Studio Renewal: Two of our recording studios have their equipment upgraded recently, which enable improved efficiency and quality of program production. And our largest studio will also receive a total upgrade soon, where planning and preparations are at the final stages. Our aim is to equip this studio to meet the vision and needs of an innovative broadcasting era that is highlighted by fast communications. Pray that we may serve people of this age more efficiently, and that God will provide all resources for this project!

PRAYER NEWSLETTER

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Dear Warriors in Christ,

Why is prayer so important to Christians? In a world of noise and interference, prayer provides a quiet space where believers can listen carefully to God's voice and seek His wisdom. Prayer is the only thing that helps us focus our thoughts on Him.

When we pray, we try to open our hearts and let God play a role in our lives. Through prayers, we can experience the peace and joy that comes from God, knowing that God is truly by our side to guide our paths.

When we intercede for others, we entrust their needs to God and ask for His help and intervention. Just like our listeners who share with us their needs, difficulties, or unanswered questions, and we present them one by one before God. When we intercede for our audience, we experience God's faithfulness and power together.

Prayer is an inseparable part of every Christian's life. Prayer is strong and powerful, and it is an important way to connect with God. Whenever we are faced with difficulties, we ask for God's guidance, help and protection, and through this we can deepen our relationship with Him.

Please remember the power of prayer and take time to pray to God. Ask Him to guide and help you with the challenges you face. And pray for our listeners as your prayers can really make a real difference to others.

"And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people."
(Ephesians 6:18)

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Sunday



He Is Spoiled

"When my son was six years old, my husband and I encountered a car accident. My husband died and I were seriously injured. I became physically disabled. My child lived with his grandparents. Feeling pity for my son, his grandparents inevitably spoiled him. His personality became worse and worse when he was a teenager. He assaulted other people at every turn. My son pushed his grandfather over and caused him a spinal injury. Therefore I had to take my son with me and we lived in a dormitory unit. He lost his temper frequently due to the fact that he liked playing games. Later on he moved back to his own house. My son has dropped out of school since the second year of senior high school. Then he stays at home and lives a life of confusion. We separate on bad terms every time after I have talked to him."

(Sister Xi)

- ✚ Ask our loving Lord to help Sister Xi so that she will patiently wait for God's work. Ask the Lord to reverse her son's life so as to make him accept the Lord.

Do Good Deeds

There is a non-governmental emergency rescue motorcade in Taiyuan, Shanxi Province. The team members respond to every request and provide emergency rescue services for free on roads, including restoration of car batteries, tire inflation and tire replacement for vehicles. So far, it has completed more than 11,000 rescue cases. There are 27 team members at the beginning and they have grown to 87. Some of the team members, who are beneficiaries initially, have become volunteers. The founder of the motorcade said that he hoped to inspire more people to do good deeds. He said the next step was to develop an emergency rescue alliance for various places and cities across the province.

("China News Net", March 6, 2023)

- ✚ Please pray that more people are willing to use their time to take action and do their best to help others. Christians, in particular, should bear fruit in good deeds, put God's teachings into practice, and seize opportunities to spread God's love so as to let more people know Christian faith.

Monday



A Familiar Voice

"When I was a teenager, I used to listen to radio programs. But I didn't believe in Jesus at that time. After I had believed in the Lord, I bought a radio to listen to the Radio Liangyou. I find that the station is still broadcasting after 20 years. I'm very happy to hear its familiar voice which seems to be an old friend who has return to me. Sometimes the radio reception is not clear. So I search the stations on the Internet. Unexpectedly I cannot find the Radio 1 of Radio Yiyou. But I have found Radio Liangyou. At present I can use my mobile phone to listen to the programs clearly and conveniently. I hope that when I have problems with my faith, the radio station can help me establish a firm foundation of faith."

(Brother Xu)

- ✚ Thank the Lord for allowing Brother Xu to listen to our radio programs since his childhood and letting the gospel be kept in his heart. Please pray that his faith will take roots and grow on a foundation along his religious journey so as to fully bear a likeness of Christ.

Teaching Agricultural Technology

The agricultural departments in various regions are introducing policies one after another to improve the quality and quantity of agricultural products by motivating farmers to master agricultural technology and information. The local government of Guangxi has organized a scientific and technological team to provide training. The approach is no longer focused on classroom teaching as in the past. It has been changed to point-to-point services and practice. The members of the scientific and technological team go to fields directly to provide the farmers with the technical support which includes repair and maintenance of agricultural machinery, assistance in pest prevention and field management, and other assistance in solving planting problems, etc.

("China News Net", March 3, 2023)

- ✚ Please pray that the farmers can understand and put into practice the techniques and knowledge they have learned. Also pray that they can rely on agricultural production to maintain their livelihoods, manage everything on the earth in accordance with God's will so as to allow the natural ecology to grow endlessly.

Tuesday



What Should I Do

"I'm now 31 years old. I have started to listen to Radio Liangyou programs since my mother was being hospitalized in last November. Since then, I had also started to pray. Maybe I'm still not a devout Christian. I forget to pray occasionally. At present I'm very perplexed. My eyes underwent surgery last year. They have not completely recovered yet. I'm very afraid that my eyes will get worse and worse in the future. My mother also has mental illness. She may do some incomprehensible things. Recently I have found myself becoming more and more impatient and irritable. I take many things to heart. I feel that probably I have also had problems with my mental condition. What should I do?"

(Sister Min)

- ✚ Please pray that Sister Min will have the company of Christian brothers and sisters from her church so that she will get rid of the fear in her heart on her journey of faith. Please pray for healing of her mother.

Pet Food Safety

The China Consumers Association has recently released data showing that 6,617 cases of complaints involving pets were received in the first half of 2022. The major problem in the cases is related to pet food safety. Although there are relevant national standards for pet food, they are not enforced compulsorily. It is found that some unscrupulous manufacturers sell pet food online by mixing the genuine with the fake products. For example, the raw materials are mixed even with soil and wood chips that will cause sickness to pets. In one case, a consumer had contacted an online shop due to the problem with the pet food he had bought. He requested for a refund and compensations for the costs of medical treatment for his pet. But the case was left unsettled in the end because the pet's illness could not be proved to be related to the pet food consumed.

("Legal Daily", March 4, 2023)

- ✚ Please pray that the government will investigate the cases actively in order to find out and plug the loopholes. Also pray that it will establish an effective food safety mechanism so that the unscrupulous manufacturers will find no opportunity to take advantage of.

Wednesday



I Am A Failure

"I met my boyfriend in 2010. I got pregnant before we got married. Later on I gave birth to a baby girl. My husband had cast doubts on me. He didn't return home until the second half of 2016. He said he had stayed at his colleague's home for about half a month. He even sent me a video of his colleague's house. I didn't believe in him. I had chosen this marriage myself. It was a great failure for me to live such a married life. So I wanted to die to put an end to it. When I was about to commit suicide, I remembered that I once believed in Jesus. I thought if I committed suicide, I would not belong to God. So I gave up suicide. I have found a reason for myself to live on. I have to live for the sake of my parents and daughter."

(Sister Xin)

- ✚ Please ask the merciful Lord to have mercy on Sister Xin and let her experience the Lord's healing and acceptance. Pray that she will communicate with her husband frankly about their thoughts. Also pray that both of them will confess and repent before the Lord, and re-establish a marriage of mutual trust.

New Migrants Come

How to travel by the high-speed rail? How to rent a house? How to shop online? How to ride a shared bicycle? These are trivial matters which urbanites are accustomed to. But some migrant workers leave their hometowns for the first time to make a living in cities. They may not be able to handle these matters immediately. An evening school in Kunming has specially started a "new citizen lesson" in order to help the workers adapt to urban life. In addition, some companies have set up service stations to provide the workers with voluntary services such as provision of travel guidebooks, consultation about medical services and legal assistance.

("Worker's Daily", March 3, 2023)

- ✚ Many migrant workers have come to cities for the first time after the Spring Festival. Please pray that they can adapt to the new life as soon as possible, and that they will have reasonable remunerations and a safe working environment. Also pray that the Lord will take care of their family members in their hometowns and let them receive appropriate care in their daily life.