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I love you, O LORD, my strength.
 (Psalm 18:1)

For to me, to live is Christ
 and to die is gain.
 (Philippians 1:21)

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Prayers Are Needed Missionary Eun Hee Jung Sent to Kenya



Missionary Eun Hee Jung receives her commissioning letter from the Hapdong Presbyterian Assembly.

Missionary Eun Hee Jung was officially consecrated for missionary service in Kenya. She is 34 years old and has been in missionary training since 1996. She completed several missionary training courses during this period since 1996, including attending the Hapdong Presbyterian Assembly Missionary Training Institute.

She left for Kenya just this past Saturday, July 3rd. She will be responsible for education, discipleship training and church planting. She requests that all church members pray for her mission work, cultural adjustment and that her relationship with the Lord will continue to be strengthened. She has just informed us that she arrived in Kenya safely.

2nd Bi-Annual Conference for Korean Pastors To Be Held August 23-25

This conference is the second one offered this year for pastors throughout Korea. The first conference was held this past February. This conference's theme will be "The Restoration of Preaching: Interpretation of the Bible and Biblical Preaching." The featured speakers will be Dr. Richard Pratt from Reformed Theological Seminary and Dr. Richard Craven from Westminster Theological Seminary.

The purpose of this seminary is to challenge all the pastors in Korea to be responsible for their preaching. It is also designed to encourage them to be loyal to the Word of God when they preach before their congregations. To be responsible and loyal to the Word of God, it is necessary for all pastors to be reminded of the humility of the Lord Jesus Christ. All pastors should regard part of their calling as continuously developing their ministry skills in a godly manner.

The Education Training Institute will be the department in charge of organizing this exciting

upcoming event. It is requested that church members pray that many pastors throughout Korea will register for this exceptional opportunity to provide additional training for them in preaching. The registration fee will be ₩30,000. Only pastors are encouraged to apply.



Dr. Richard Craven,

Professor of Practical Theology at Westminster Theological Seminary. Dr. Craven has had recognized success in his seminary ministry to students.



Dr. Richard Pratt,

Professor of Old Testament at Reformed Theological Seminary. Dr. Pratt received his M.Div from Union Theological Seminary and his Th.D from Harvard Theological Seminary. He is well-known worldwide for his expertise in Old Testament Hermeneutics.

Choong Hyun Evangelism Training Institute 2nd Semester Completed June 30th

The 2nd semester of the Choong Hyun Evangelism Training Institute was completed this past June 30th. The semester began May 12th. During the six week course, classes were held every Wednesday afternoon and practical field training was held for three weeks. During the field training, the students found 93 people responded positively to the gospel, including three foreign workers. This Evangelism Training Institute is becoming a more visible hand stretched out to the many neighbors around Choong Hyun Church.

Training for Missionary Survey Team Members For Students for 1st Semester Held July 7-10

The Missions Committee has just completed training for new potential survey team members to help evaluate fertile ground areas to plant the seeds of the gospel. All the students were missionaries or church members who have a strong interest in survey mission work and those who have completed LMTC and some English speaking ability. This training course has been successfully completed.

1999 ROTC Candidates Evangelism Project June 27-August 22

The Korea Military Christian Fellowship and the Military Evangelism Committee is currently holding evangelical and baptismal ceremonies for ROTC candidates, which began June 27th and will continue until August 22nd. A special evangelical service will be held July 18th, which will be supported by the Hapdong Presbyterian Assembly. The Choong Hyun Military Evangelism Committee will also participate in this special service. The Rev. Hyung Joon Jeon will deliver the message and the Hallelujah Choir and Orchestra will present an anthem. The ROTC candidates, who will later be officers, are particularly targeted so that their future influence will not only be for the nation of Korea, but even more so for the Kingdom of God.

Choonchun Juvenile Justice Center Summer Retreat To Be Held This Summer - Much Prayer Needed



Ephesians 6:18 says, "From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work." The Prison Evangelism Committee is currently searching for volunteers to assist with the upcoming Summer Retreat. Volunteer workers should be those who are solidly committed to Christ and who are filled with the Holy Spirit's willingness to serve wholeheartedly. They are also required to maintain contact with teenagers in the juvenile justice center after the retreat is over.

Since this retreat will be held inside a prison, it is very important that all workers continuously recognize their dependence upon the work of the Holy Spirit. In addition, it is also expected that the security guards will be helpful in facilitating the retreat and protecting the volunteers.

All the team members are planning to stay overnight in the justice center with their teenage counterparts, so that more sincere personal connections can be made.

Choong Hyun members are sincerely requested to keep the volunteers, guards and young prisoners in fervent prayer, that God's glory will shine in such a dark place.



by **Sung Kwan Kim**
Reverend

ONLY LIVE AS CITIZENS OF HEAVEN

(Philippians 1:27-30)

In Christian conversation the word "only" is a really great word. It takes the wonder out of other possibilities. It focuses your understanding to just one thing. "Only" is an empathetic word used by the Holy Spirit to describe a condition of joy. Paul knew how to use this word! His life found all its meaning in Christ; whether he lived or died. Preferring departure but needed on this earth to further the Lord's service, Paul strongly urges the Christians of yesterday and today towards one thing - holy living! This should be the

throughout His land in His Spirit.

Actually, it's important to notice that Paul is not talking to us as individuals but rather as members of the Church. His letter to the Philippians is not isolated to individuals but addresses the members of a community that are knit together as one body. He specifically says "standing firm in one spirit" and "one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel". In order to only live as citizens of heaven we must stand and strive as one. There is a need of united

Paul lived this faith. He wrote this letter while imprisoned in Rome under Caesar's law but he didn't care because he knew that Christian citizenship was heaven bound. He had power! He had patience as well as courage. We must find his banner against the common enemy and live only as citizens of heaven. This Christian energy, holy courage, is a gift of God. God shows His presence as He marches with the Christian host. His power manifests itself through our unity as one people, one spirit, one body, and one mind.

Holy courage implies a willingness to suffer; not alone but together: "For to you, it has been granted for Christ's sake, not only to believe in Him, but also to suffer for His sake" (v. 29). It is a high privilege to be called to suffer for Him as we work with Him. The Gospel is an unspeakable gift, an awesome privilege and responsibility. Think about it! Amazing grace that brings you from death to eternal life. Suffering comes from our Father in heaven. He chastens us for our profit. Suffering meekly born in the faith of Christ and out of love for Christ becomes a blessing.

Pray for the grace of perseverance. CHPC needs to earnestly endeavor the unity of the Spirit. We need to daily seek and keep the unity of the Spirit within our Church. Satan and his host are constantly and continually trying to weaken and destroy our Spirit. The Philippians were in the same basic conflict Paul was in from those who opposed the gospel, "experiencing the same conflict which you saw in me, and now hear to be in me" (v. 30). We, too, experience these same difficulties. That's why it is imperative that we understand the significance of what it means to only live as citizens of heaven.

"So then you are no longer strangers and aliens,

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very desire and targeted aim of every believer. To live as a Christian is the one goal that today's scripture message wants us to focus on.

It begins with a powerful exhortation, "Only conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or remain absent, I will hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel" (v. 27). "Only conduct yourselves" means "only live as citizens". Conduct is a political term that literally translates "live as citizens". This concept of spiritual citizenship is most clearly expressed in Philippians 3:20, where Paul writes, "For our citizenship is in heaven, from which also we eagerly wait for a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ." The message is clear: Christians are citizens of heaven! Paul cries out for us to only live as citizens of heaven; for this is the only manner worthy of the gospel of Christ.

The Philippians were Roman citizens who lived outside of Rome. They easily grasped the idea that you can be a citizen of a place; even when you don't physically live in that place. Similarly, Christians live away from the place of their citizenship, heaven. Remember how Abraham viewed himself as a stranger and a sojourner in the land of promise (Gn. 23:4), as did the patriarchs (Gn. 17:8; 28:4; 47:9; Ex. 6:4). Even when Israel resided in Canaan (the promised land), the people were to recognize that the land was God's and that they were merely aliens in it (Lv. 25:23; 1 Ch. 29:15; Ps. 39:12; 119:19). The heavenly Jerusalem, the city of the living God and the capital of an unshakable kingdom is our true home. We currently live in a foreign land and our earthly status is temporary. Through faith in Christ we inherit our true home and our heavenly status is eternal. We, like the saints of old, are just visitors commanded to love, trust and spread the Word of our Lord God

action. Union is strength and this strength is found in the Church - the body of Christ. CHPC members must stand fast and keep ground. We must strive together as citizens of heaven. For this is the union that breaks the power of the enemy. The enemy (Satan and his adversaries) wants to melt Christian energy and grievously impede the progress of the Gospel.

That's why our Christian union is so important! We are united together of the Spirit. The Holy Spirit of God abides in the whole church and each Christian is part of the bond of that union. If CHPC perseveres

the unity of the Spirit; we shall stand and strive together with one soul. We don't need to be afraid, "in no way alarmed by your opponents which is a sign of destruction for them, but of salvation for you, and that too, from God" (v. 28). The Lord God is with His people the Church. If God is with us, who can go against us? The devil is powerful and he has some very clever tricks and schemes to deceive and scare mankind but in Christ we have the power to defeat Satan's evil tactics! The power of sin was crushed at the cross. Jesus died so that we can live victoriously in His presence!

Salvation is from the Lord through faith in Him.

but you are fellow citizens with the saints, and are of God's household" (Eph. 2:29). Amen! Our time on earth is temporary. Our stay in this foreign land should motivate us to store our treasure in heaven. Our Father's house, the kingdom of heaven, is not of this world (Jn. 18:36). Jesus left this world and now resides by the right hand of God the Father. Believers can take comfort in His promise that he is preparing a place for them in his Father's house (Jn. 14:1-4). Why wonder about the living possibilities in this world? Let's only live as citizens of heaven! To do this we must stand, strive, and suffer together for the glory of God in Christ Jesus.

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Thought for Today

A Living Bible

Forwarded by Einstein Lavina
(Deacon, English Ministry Sunday School Teacher)



His name is Bill. He has wild hair, wears a T-shirt with holes in it, jeans and no shoes. This was literally his wardrobe for his entire four years of college. He is brilliant. Kind of esoteric and very, very bright. He became a Christian while attending college.

Across the street from the campus is a well-dressed, very conservative church. They want to develop a ministry to the students, but are not sure how to go about it.

One day Bill decides to go there. He walks in with no shoes, jeans, his T-shirt, and wild hair. The service has already started and so Bill starts down the aisle looking for a seat. The church is completely packed and he can't find a seat.

By now people are looking a bit uncomfortable, but no one says anything. Bill gets closer and closer and closer to the pulpit and, when he realizes there are no seats, he just squats down to sit, right on the carpet.

Although perfectly acceptable behavior at a college fellowship, this had never happened in this church before!

By now the people are really uptight, and the tension in the air is thick.

About this time, the minister realizes that from the back of the church, a deacon is slowly making his way toward Bill.

This deacon is in his eighties, has silver-gray hair, and a three-piece suit. A godly man, very elegant, very dignified, very courtly. He walks with a cane and, as he starts walking toward this boy, everyone is saying to themselves that you can't blame him for what he's going to do.

How can you expect a man of his age and of his background to understand some college kid on the floor? It takes a long time for the man to reach the boy. The church is utterly silent except for the clicking of the man's cane.

All eyes are focused on him. You can't even hear anyone breathing. The minister can't even preach the sermon until the deacon does what he has to do.

And now they see this elderly man drop his cane on the floor. With great difficulty he lowers himself and sits down next to Bill, to worship with him so he won't be alone.

Everyone chokes up with emotion.

When the minister gains control, he says, "What I'm about to preach, you might never remember. What you have just seen, you will never forget. Be careful how you live. You may be the only Bible some people will ever read."

On the Way to Kenya A Blessing to One Poor in Spirit

By Soon Young Kim
(High School, 2nd year)



I think the poorest among us in this world are the ones who have died without knowing Christ. I want very much to share the gospel with people who have never heard about Him. For the first time in my life, I applied for a short-term mission trip to Kenya. Since I am only a high school student, most people who have heard about my decision to go to Kenya have expressed concern because of my youth. I, too, felt concerned because this would take precious time away from me to study during the summer. I have come to understand that life will be difficult in Kenya, yet I am convinced by the thought, that even though it will be tough, I will have a great opportunity to share the gospel with others who have never heard it. This thought has encouraged me greatly to continue to make preparations to go to Kenya. I know that my Lord, Jesus Christ will also be pleased by my willingness to go. Lately, I have found myself increasingly confident to go. I submitted my application and had an interview, and then I had to wait for the decision of whether I would be selected me to go

or not. A few days later, I heard the wonderful news that I was accepted to be on the short-term Kenya team. I don't think they accepted me because of my youth or because I have some kind of special talents, but I believe I was accepted because I am the weakest member of the team. I believe this is a unique opportunity for me to be trained in the mission field. I sincerely hope that through this short-term mission, I will receive good training and become a better servant of God. I also hope that I will grow closer to my Lord.

I have very little time left to prepare for this mission, which includes learning a new language (Swahili). I will also need to prepare myself spiritually so I can be an effective witness to people I have never met before. I have a dream that through this short-term mission, people in Kenya will hear and receive the gospel, so that Jesus Christ will be their Lord and Savior. If this happens, then this summer short-term mission to Kenya will be a most impressive memory for me indeed.

Holt Children Services Members Visit Choong Hyun Church

Warmly Received July 3-4

Holt Children Services members visited Choong Hyun Church as part of their itinerary here in Korea. They did this to have the experience of worshipping with Korean Christians. Holt Children Services provides assistance to those who want to adopt Korean orphans. There were 26 families that included 61 people.

The entire group attended the English Ministry's morning service at 9:00 am. After this, they joined the 11:00 am Main Service held in the Main Sanctuary. They arrived the day before, Saturday, at 4 pm, and were officially received during the Welcoming Service held at that time. After the Welcoming Service, they were introduced to their new Choong Hyun host family members. Shortly thereafter, the Holt members left with their Korean hosts for that night.

The next morning, Sunday, they went to the English Service in the Welfare Center and had a fellowship coffeetime immediately afterward. After the coffeetime, the Holt members attended the 11:00 Service in the Main Sanctuary. Immediately after the service, they went to the Mission Center Building to enjoy a festive Korean lunch. As they left, each member was presented a Korean-

English Bible to take with them on their next journey to Kyongju.

This invitation to the Holt Children Services members was organized by the Missions Committee and the English Ministry. Other District Committee members supported their efforts. Sincere gratefulness is to be extended to all who made this important visit so successful through their practical expression of Christ's love to those from around the world and Korea.

Letter to the Editor from Frances Kim, New Zealand

"I ... read [aloud] an article I had found in your church's Choong Hyun Biweekly [during our church service] ... 'Beautiful Feet Deliver the Gospel' as the story about Tae Soon Lee seemed to fit in so well with the theme throughout the service that God can and does use everyone. The service went well, for which I thank God [for his] goodness and guidance, as it is only through his grace that this [service] went so well."

Heading To Sudan

By Tae Yang Park (Missions Pastor)

"Jesus loves you. Believe in Him and you will be saved." The short-term mission team for Sudan has been gathering together for language and cultural training. All the members have been diligent to learn some basic, but essential phrases in Arabic, including the opening phrase of this paragraph.



fellow Islamic countries, turning away much needed aid from Christian nations.

When the short-term mission team to Sudan went visit a village of refugees during last summer in 1998, the local pastor, Rev. Bang Gah Pu assisted the missions team. However, he learned shortly thereafter that his young grandson had died. That following winter, his own 5 year-old son was stricken with malaria, and suffered brain damage from the illness. He is now paralyzed and unable to speak. In Sudan, malaria is a very serious epidemic, which is not found in developed nations. The missionary, Young Dae Kim, also contracted malaria and this was why he has currently returned to Korea for treatment. The current short-term mission team has already arrived in Sudan to take up the work that Young Dae Kim has left behind.

The team members include Bum Jin Kim (college student), Ji Hyun Shin (Foreign Workers Evangelism Committee), Aiyda (Arabic language instructor), and myself. We plan to return to Korea this August 24th. Until then, we sincerely request prayers for our ministry, health and teamwork.

In Sudan, whoever believes in Jesus Christ will quickly find themselves ostracized from their village and family. As a consequence, many believers live in great fear to tell their friends and family about their new faith. The government is only willing to receive help from other

The Lord says, "Go!"

It is overwhelming to me that I am going to go to Kenya as a full-time missionary. I give praise to my Lord who has, by His grace, guided my life with sincerity and faithfulness.

I accepted Jesus Christ while I was working on my career. I then attended seminary. After I finished my studies, I had a dream of sharing the gospel with college students. Although this would have been a worthwhile lifetime pursuit, God lead me later on in a different direction. God is so gracious, even though He had a different plan for me later, I did work with college students for four years. During this period, He trained me and waited for me to mature in His purposes. In 1996, I finally realized that I should commit my life to the Lord as a missionary. Since then, God has worked with me in many different ways. He trained me to stand firm as His faithful servant. Through this, God lead me to Choong Hyun Church, which connected me to many valuable people who have continued to train me further in His purposes.

me in my witness to others. I pray and hope that I will always be a good and suitable instrument in the Lord's hands. Acts 9:15-16 says, "But the Lord said to Ananias, 'Go! This man is my chosen instrument to carry my name before the Gentiles and their kings and before the people of Israel. I will show him how much he must suffer for my name.'"

The spread of the gospel around the world is dependent upon God's miraculous works through His people. He gives many opportunities to His people to participate in this wonderful work. My dear sisters and brothers of Choong Hyun, I would love to encourage you to join me in this great mission through your prayers. Your prayers are the most essential support for my mission work in Kenya, for it is only through your prayers that we can truly communicate and see the wonderful and miraculous work of God in our lives.

June 1999
Eun Hee Jung

This past March 1999, I visited Kenya on an exploratory mission trip. I visited many Maasai tribes and found many good possibilities to share the gospel. This certainly enhanced my vision of what God wanted to do through me in missions. My heart has truly been connected to this tribe and I will diligently share the gospel with these Maasai people. I will always keep before me how Jesus saved even me. He came down incarnated from heaven to earth to die on the cross to save me from my sins. This always encourages



Operation World Japan



Japan, still the world's most powerful export-oriented economy, remains a spirituality needy nation. Up to 84% of all Japanese claim to have no personal religion, although Buddhist and Shinto practices are still widely revered. Less than 10% believe that a personal God exists, therefore the concept of sinning against the Creator God, is little understood. Most of the 2.5% of the Japanese population that claims to be Christian are women.

However, their Christian witness is often diminished by their Shinto/Buddhist backgrounds, which usually had very few required meetings, so church attendance is often sporadic at best. Pray that the hearts of the Japanese people will be genuinely convicted of sin and that they will practice faithful Christian service so that the truth of the Good News can be spread indigenously in this globally influential country.

Service Information

Sunday	Services in the Main Sanctuary 7:00 am, 9:00 am, *11:00 am, 1:00 pm, 3:00 pm and 5:00 pm *The 11:00 am service is simultaneously translated into English, Chinese and Japanese. The English Service is held in the Welfare Center (Deaconal Bldg. B 1) at 9:00 am.
Wednesday	Services in the Main Sanctuary 11:00 am and 7:30 pm
Friday	Prayer and Praise Service in the Main Sanctuary 7:30 pm
Daily	Early Morning Prayer Meetings in the Main Sanctuary 4:40 am

Foreign Workers Evangelism Department

Wednesday	Teachers Prayer Meetings - 8:30 pm
Sunday	Service in Amen Hall - 9:30-10:30 am
	Bible Study in Amen Hall - 10:30-12:00 noon
	Service in the Main Sanctuary - 1:00 pm