Pastoral Column

"We Must Pray!"

Rev. James Lee

Last week, a senior pastor from New Jersey visited to repair the mission center in the Navajo area. Every summer, a summer school ministry is held for the native Navajo children. There are destructive habits embedded within the native community; young children are exposed to alcohol, gambling, and promiscuous culture. Shocked by this reality, a missionary started this summer school as a cooperative project with our denomination. Driven by the belief that proper education is essential for these children to break free from these vicious cycles, they began teaching them English and math. Of course, this is carried out alongside Bible studies and various activities. This year, the summer school location was moved, and the pastor visited to help build classrooms inside the center.

After finishing the work, he came down a bit early, and we shared a meal and fellowship together. To be honest, the missionary serving in the Navajo region is deeply exhausted. Having carried out this ministry for over a decade, they are greatly discouraged because they cannot see any signs of change in the people. The missionary's passion for the native people is extraordinary, and their love for them remains unchanged. Nevertheless, the missionary's spiritual and physical health is not in a good state. After our meal, the pastor from New Jersey shared many words of wisdom with us.

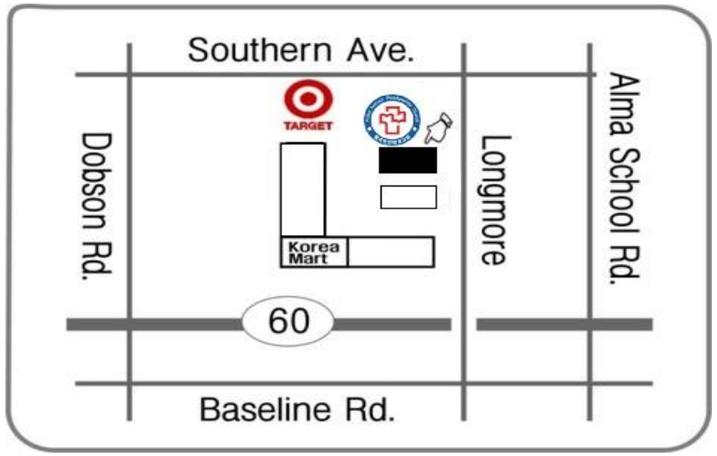
He is a pastor who, even after retirement, continues his ministry through construction using the talents he possesses. The words he shared provided a way to overcome weariness and hardship, not only for the missionary but also for me as I navigate immigrant ministry.

It is simple. "We must pray," he said, his voice filled with absolute conviction. He remarked that when you are spiritually and physically drained, you cannot pray. Your mouth simply won't open. You can't even bring yourself to think about the need to pray. Yet, he emphasized that we must pray anyway. "If your mouth won't open, you should at least recite the Lord's Prayer. Or even the Apostles' Creed. Prostrating oneself before God is the fastest path to recovery." On my way back after dropping the pastor off at the airport, the words that kept echoing in my ears the entire time were his words: "We must pray."

Worship Services & Schedule

Sunday worship Sunday School	11:00AM	Small Santuary
Early morning Prayer	06:00AM(Tue.-Fri.) 06:30AM(Sat.)	Main Sanctuary
Intercessory Prayer meeting	09:00AM(Sun)	Education Building
Disciple Training Man of Jesus	1:00 PM(Sun)	Education Building
New comers Class	1:00PM(Sun)	Education Building
Yedam Community	Every Second Sunday Fourth Sunday	Meeting Room
Korean School (Plan)	01:00PM(Sun)	Education Building
College & Adult	01:00PM(Sun)	Education Building

Church Map



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Ephesians 4:13
until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

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Sunday Worship

Sunday Worship 11:00 AM

'From the fullness of his grace we have all received one blessing after another.' John 1:16

Confession of Faith	Apostle's Creed
Hymn	Praise & Worship
Prayer	Deacon Young Lim Park
Scripture Reading	Genesis 12:10-20
Sermon	"A failed life!" -Rev. James Lee-
Welcome & Announcement	Rev. James Lee
Offering & Praise	"He Provides Rain!" Offering: Min Jin Kim /Sang Mi Lee
Benediction	Rev. James Lee

Worship Service Volunteers

	Prayer Sunday	Prayer Sat.	Offering	Lunch(Sunday)		Cleaning
				Serving	Dish washer	
5/24	Young Lim	Min Jin (5/30)	Min Jin / Sang Mi	Julia Janie	Timothy	Hephzibah (5/30)
5/31	Bo Hyun	Grace (6/6)	Robert/ Cindy	Shinwoo	Faith	Joshua (6/6)
6/7	Min Hyuk	Shinwoo (6/13)	Kang Sub/ Dasom	Ji Hyun	Hephzi-bah	Timothy (6/13)
6/14	Jay Jang	Jay Jang (6/20)	SeungHun/ HeeJin	Hee Kyung	Joshua	Faith (6/20)
Worship Guide: Bo Hyun Kim, Hee Jin Jeon						

Church Announcement

'"Welcome to the Community Becoming Like Jesus. We sincerely welcome you. We look forward to a beautiful fellowship and meeting after the worship service."

Welcome to New Members	**We welcome those who are visiting our church for the first time or just stopping by.**
New Family Bible Study	We are starting the New Family Bible Study. Date: May 31st, 2026. 1:00 pm (Every Week)
Bible Reading & Quiz	Please participate actively in Bible reading and quizzes.
Online Offering Instructions	You can send it to the email address below using Zelle or PayPal.. ckpcaz1200@gmail.com
Simultaneous interpretation	We provide interpretation services through a smart app. Scan the QR code to get started.

매일 성경읽기 및 중보기도(가정) 안내

25(Mo)	26(Tu)	27(Wn)	28(Tr)	29(Fr)	30(Sa)	31(Su)
2 Chron. 36	Ezra 1-4 SungBin	Ezra 5-7 Min Joon	Ezra 8-10 Sean	Nehemiah 1-4 Jamrs EJ	Nehemiah 5-7 Sunday Service	Nehemiah 8-10

Saturday Early Morng Prayer

30, May. Sat. 6:30am

Confession of Faith	Apostle's Creed
Hymn	Hymn 182, 191
Prayer	Deacon Min Jin Kim
Sermon	Mark 2:1-12 "Let us be strong believers!" Rev. James Lee

Bible Problem Solving (May 24)

2 Chronicles 34 – Esra, Nehemiah 7 Name:

2 Chronicles

1. Who found the Book of the Law of the Lord while the temple was being repaired? (2 Chronicles 34:14)
2. Who was the King of Persia who authorized the building of the temple in Judah and allowed the people to return? (2 Chronicles 36:23)

Ezra

3. What was the official title or position of Zerubbabel (Sheshbazzar)? (Ezra 1:8)
4. What did the governor tell the people not to eat until a priest ministered with the Urim and Thummim? (Ezra 2:63)
5. How did the older people react when they saw the foundation of the temple being laid? (Ezra 3:12)
6. To whom did the enemies of Israel write an accusation to frustrate the rebuilding of the temple? (Ezra 4:6)
7. Which feast did the people of Israel celebrate after completing the dedication of the temple? (Ezra 6:19)
8. What was Ezra's purpose for returning to Israel? (Ezra 7:10)
9. For how many months did the investigation concerning the men who had married foreign women take place? (Ezra 10:16-17)

Nehemiah

10. What position did Nehemiah hold while he was in Persia? (Nehemiah 1:11)
11. Tobiah, who opposed the rebuilding of the city, was from which nation? (Nehemiah 2:19)
12. What did each of the builders wear strapped to their side as they worked? (Nehemiah 4:18)
13. After hearing about the suffering and plight of the people, what did Nehemiah command the nobles and officials to do? (Nehemiah 5:10)
14. In how many days was the wall of Jerusalem completed? (Nehemiah 6:15)
15. Who was this person described as a faithful man who feared God more than many? (Nehemiah 7:2)

Answers from Last Week

1. Fortified cities and store cities 2. Micaiah 3. Judges 4. In the front of the army 5. Ahab's daughter (Athaliah) 6. Jehu 7. The Book of the Law 8. Serving Asherah poles and idols 9. By conspirators 10. Attempting to burn incense in the temple instead of the priests 11. Aram (Syria) 12. Consecrate the temple and remove all defilement 13. 7 days 14. Konaniah the Levite 15. The Valley of the Son of Hinnom