

September 1, 2020

Dear Zion Presbyterian Church family members,

When we live in the world, we may think the word, "enemy," and use the word, "enemy." In fact, there is nothing more hateful than enemy. But, on the last Word preached, God told us that the hateful more than enemies is to forgive them and more than that to love them. In the world, to love enemy is pervasive wisdom. Jesus, differently from the worldly wisdom, tells his disciples to pray for their enemies even to be saved by Jesus Christ. The prayer, of course, is only true when we do to God in the name of Jesus Christ. So, only Jesus' disciples can love their enemies by prayer. More importantly, when Jesus indicates "enemy," He deems all hindrances, human or not, of Jesus' disciples from living as Jesus' disciples. Whether or not they are fearful persecution and sweet temptation, we meet them in our lives. Whenever we do, we are supposed to pray for their restoration and redemption because that is the way for Zion, Jesus' disciples. So, we feel the heavy burden. Then, we are supposed to remember and look at Jesus Christ who took the cross for His past enemies, not to mention relying on Him, in order to walk the way of Jesus' disciples without stopping. This is the prayer of the session for you, beloved Zion members.

#### **❖** News Shared

# 1. The New Minister For Lord's Day School Appointed

Minister John Lee, who was called by God to the kingdom ministry, checked and received the calling of God with serious prayer, and accepted to Westminster Theological Seminary, the cradle of the Reformed Theology, for his Master of Divinity from September 2020 under the guidance of the session, was appointed by the session as the youth minister as of September 1<sup>st</sup>. This is the grace of God poured upon Zion. One student who was educated and trained in Zion from his middle school became a person who preaches the gospel and serves his younger fellows. It is the biblical model for the church to set a minister over its congregation from within. Please pray that God would use him to serve Zion Youth for building up the beautiful and plentiful faith community within.

### 2. Zion Korean School(Online)

This has been planned for 15 weeks (September 11<sup>th</sup> ~ December 18<sup>th</sup>). Please pray for this plan to be prepared well, have enough students, and abundantly proceeded by God's grace!

# 3. Fellowship After Worship

The session decided temperance in the fellowship one more month, September. Please understand and pray for this decision.

4. We do offerings to God in the sanctuary, by mail, and via bank transfer.

## **❖** The Hybrid Lord's Day Worship Service

- 1. In order to provide our better members the most comfortable environment, we solemnly ask all of our members continually keep "wearing the face mask throughout the worship service" and "social distance." In addition, it was very thankful that all of attendees followed this request.
- 2. When entering the sanctuary, after checking body-temperature, if the fever (100.4 °F) is detected, please follow guidance of worship team leader. Please check your health condition, if you feel fever or chill, have cough, have underlying medical condition, then please worship at home via YouTube.

In Jesus Christ,