感恩的心

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要辦 ⌈ 教會特刊 ⌋ !感謝主。有教會裡的主內姊妹郭明惠，提出了這項不簡單，卻很有意義的教會工作。年初明惠邀請我也要寫一篇時，當然我就一口的答應了下來，且還選了 ⌈ 感恩的心 ⌋ 為題，每天都思想著有多少要感恩的。很奇怪且感傷的是三，四個月過去了還寫不出來。可能是有太多要寫，有關個人的，有關家庭的，有關教會的，社會的，國家的，還有世界的都有很多要感恩的。何等大的恩典，能有 ⌈ 聖經 ⌋ 神所啟示的話語幫助我瞭解，看透，使我能感謝諸事的發生與存在。知道凡事是要讓信靠主的人得益處。當然還有不懂的事物，也就成了日後探尋解答的課題，且知道有一日與主相見，面對愛我的天父時，祂就會讓我知道凡事的美妙。

現在寫些什麼呢？ ⌈ 感恩的心 ⌋ !有首歌以此為名。歌詞是︰

我來自偶然像一顆塵土 有誰看出我的脆弱

我來自何方我情歸何處 誰在下一刻呼喚我

天地雖寬這條路卻難走 我看遍這人間坎坷辛苦

我還有多少愛我還有多少淚 要蒼天知道我不認輸

感恩的心感謝有你 伴我一生讓我有勇氣做我自己

感恩的心感謝命運 花開花落我一樣會珍惜

另外一首台灣人所喜愛的歌是 ⌈ 愛拼才會贏 ⌋ 。歌詞是台灣國語︰

一時失志不免怨嘆 一時落魄不免膽寒

那通失去希望 每日醉茫茫

無魂有體親像稻草人

人生可比海上的波浪 有時起有時落

好運歹命總嗎照起工來走

三分天註定七分靠打拼 愛拼才會贏

談到 ⌈ 感恩的心 ⌋ 不免要從很久很久以前思想起，最起碼要想到的是祖父母如何的來到台灣，友如何有了父母在台灣生了我及兄弟姊妹，一切都引起了使我感恩的心。尤其要我感恩的是創造天地萬物的神，經過主耶穌的救恩，讓我能成為祂的兒女，又賜給我一個讓我能把生命連接得更貼切的屬靈的家庭，就是我們的教會。 ⌈ 台灣福音信義基督教會 ⌋ 從郭應啟牧師的帶領下，我的靈命有著顯著的成長，更瞭解神的愛，聖經的話語，牧師娘郭黃娟娟所帶領的詩班，對聖詩的學習，使我的心靈更得到安慰與滿足。感恩的心也就時存我心。馬太福音十章八節的 ⌈ 白得白授 ⌋ 寫成的聖詩短歌，也成了我最喜歡的歌，其歌詞是用台灣國語寫的︰

在耶穌的名，神赦免我

在耶穌的名，我有重生

在耶穌的名，我來尋你

神吩咐我，分福音給你

祂講白白白白你有得著

白白分給人

在主的名來做好的見證

人就知主是的(teh)活

在耶穌的名，賜我氣力

在耶穌的名，我來找你

祂對我講，氣力分給人

太多主的恩典讓我數算不完，有感恩的心實在真好。

A Thankful Heart

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translated by Grace Kuo

A special edition of church magazine! I am thankful to God that our sister in Christ, Grace Kuo, is willing to take on this meaningful work for the church. In the beginning of this year when Grace asked me to write an article, I agreed right away and told her I would use "a thankful heart" as the title for my article. Almost everyday I thought about things I could be thankful for. But strangely and sadly, after three or four months had passed by, I still could not write the article. Perhaps it is because there are simply too many things to be thankful for; whether it is about personal matters, or about family, church, society, nation, or the world, there are so much to be thankful for. What an amazing grace! God, through the Bible, reveals His Word to help me understand, see through, and be thankful for the happenings of many things in life. I know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him. Of course there are still things that I do not understand; these will continue to be subjects for me to seek answers for in life. But I know someday when I meet with the Lord, when I shall be face to face with my heavenly Father, He will allow me to know the beauty of all things.

Now what should I write about? I know of two popular songs in Taiwan called"a thankful heart" and "only hard work will win". Speaking about"a thankful heart", I begin to think back to many, many years ago, about how my grand-parents went to Taiwan, and how my parents raised me and my brothers and sisters. Thinking about this helps me to have a thankful heart. I am especially thankful to God, the creator of heaven and earth, who has granted me His salvation through Jesus Christ so that I can become His child. He also has given me a family in the Lord for the growth of my spiritual life. In "Taiwan Lutheran Church", under the leadership of Pastor Ying-Chhi Kuo, my spiritual life has grown tremendously. I understand more of God's Love and the truth in the Bible. My soul has been comforted and content through learning hymns from Mrs. Kuo. I have a thankful heart and I'd like to share my favorite short song Freely, Freely" based on Matthew 10:8 with you:

God forgave my sin in Jesus' name,

I've been born again in Jesus' name;

And in Jesus' name I come to you

To share His love as He told me to:

He said, "Freely, freely you have received Freely,

freely give;

Go in My name and, because you believe,

Others will know that I live. "