

**the korean pentecost and the sufferings which followed by william blair and bruce hunt - posted by tbsounde2 (), on: 2012/7/4 8:43**

hey guys, so i recently read a book about the korean revival of 1907 which has been a huge blessing and eyeopener for me and i wanted to share it with you all. it is a book which is currently out of print as it was published in the 70's with the banner of truth trust by william blair who was one of the eye witnesses of the korean revival. it took me about 2 months and countless hours of work but i was successfully able to scan and convert everything to a small enough PDF file. the reason i spent so much time and effort is because i feel that it is a book that needs to be read today, especially by those of us in the western church. this is just one of many books that i have found on my journey into the past to dig up truth to help shed light on where the western church stands today and how far we have drifted from the purity of Word and of true gospel faith. i feel that we as contemporary christians are vulnerable to many errors, heresies, and false teachers and movements because of our ignorance of our past, namely church history. for example, we hear so much about revival this and revival that and people use the term quite loosely as it is a word that can stir up emotion, and doing this while remaining ignorant or misinformed about what true revival is as tested and proved by time. revival is not about empty manifestations and signs and wonders as some claim today, or about people gathering together to jump up and down and get hyped up for a cause but still going home unchanged. revival is an unplanned, sovereign, mighty work of God that causes peoples hearts to be radically transformed into His likeness in meekness, humility, brokenness, and righteousness, stirring up hearts in the fear of the Lord, complete surrender to His will, and to be small in their own eyes. it is my hope and prayer that God would open up the eyes of your hearts as you read this book and place a burden in you hearts for true revival, starting with ourselves. it is also my hope that God would place a deeper appreciation and hunger in all of us to look to the past rather than the present which is full of so much error and presumption so that we can be more firmly grounded as christians rather than be tossed to and fro by every wind of teaching. may God bless you on your journey!

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Thus says the Lord: Stand by the roads and look; and ask for the eternal paths, where the good, old way is; then walk in it, and you will find rest for your souls. But they said, We will not walk in it! Jeremiah 6:16

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EDIT:

Due to copyright restriction here is a link to purchase the book and to the banner of truth trust website, if enough people request a reprint it might happen:

<http://www.amazon.com/Korean-Pentecost-Sufferings-Which-Followed/dp/0851512445>

published by: <http://banneroftruth.org/us/>

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**Re: the korean pentecost and the sufferings which followed by william blair and bruce, on: 2012/7/4 8:43**

Saints this brother as brought a timely treasure to us. N. Korea has a thriving underground church but these brothers and sisters follow Jesus at a great price. Let us keep them in our prayers.

Also as we ask God for revival across our land let us realize that it will come at a price. The price will be persecution. But then persecution may bring the revival. For both go hand and hand.

Bearmaster.

**Re: - posted by tbsounde2 (), on: 2012/7/9 18:30**

amen, i think it was brother washer that said "Persecution has never hurt the church, only prosperity" which is so sad but true; a testament to our nature on this side of eternity and how we indeed are meant to suffer as but temporary residents on this earth as part of the refining process. but i can only hope and trust in the Lord that when persecution finally comes , i and others would have the strength not only stand firm in doctrine but to remain steadfast in love and humility just like our brothers and sisters that have gone before us...man...how i need His grace every day...

**Re: the korean pentecost and the sufferings which followed by william blair and bruce, on: 2012/8/21 8:39**

believe it or not, i actually have a copy of that joyous book.

its wonderful. i encourage any saint to seek out a Korean prayer meeting, especially you my SoCal brother.

there is i DO believe a website called nkmissions dot com, its been 7 years since i lived in SoCal...wonderful group of saints, and they have a prayer group, at the Yong Nak church....i THINK.....and when Koreans pray, oh my! there are real tears shed, its no joke, no playing games with God.

much love, neil

**Re: - posted by tbsounde2 (), on: 2012/12/15 19:17**

just thought i'd bump for others who haven't had the chance to read this book =)

**Re: , on: 2012/12/15 21:31**

i had the blessed occasion to purchase the paperback in 2007 and what a blessing it has been. in Jesus, i would love to remember WITH you, the history in this move of Go. but i would need to re-read this book....which would be just joy!!

the Korean Church is.....specail, thats the onoly word i can appropraite this second.

**Re: the korean pentecost and the sufferings which followed by william blair and bruce - posted by AbideinHim (), on: 2012/12/18 16:15**

"revival is an unplanned, sovereign, mighty work of God that causes peoples hearts to be radically transformed into His likeness in meekness, humility, brokenness, and righteousness, stirring up hearts in the fear of the Lord, complete surrender to His will, and to be small in their own eyes. it is my hope and prayer that God would open up the eyes of your heart as you read this book and place a burden in you hearts for true revival, starting with ourselves."

Brother,

Thank you so much for sharing this book with us. I am looking forward to reading it.

Mike

**Re: - posted by UntoBabes (), on: 2012/12/18 16:15**

A quote from chapters 9, 10

" The fall of 1906 was largely given up to country itineration.

No special meetings could be held except during a few evenings in the Central Church at Pyeogyang at the time of Dr Howard Agnew Johnson's visit immediately after the Annual Meeting in September. Dr Johnson told the Korean Christians about the blessings received in India and left a hunger in many hearts for similar manifestations of God's grace among us.

Christmas came and our scattered force assembled in Pyeongyang to share the season's joys together. Usually we spend the week between Christmas and New Year's day getting acquainted with our families again. and ~estin~ in

preparation for the busy days of the approaching Bible Class season. Frequently, the whole community will meet for a social evening, having the best time imaginable. That winter we had no heart for social gatherings. Prayer meetings were held each evening. When the Presbyterian Class began on the 2nd of January, the evening prayer meetings had to be discontinued; but so strong was our desire to pray that we decided to hold noon prayer meetings daily during the class for those who could attend. As Mr Lee says in his brief account of 'How the Spirit Came to Pyongyang,' 'these noon prayer-meetings were a very Bethel to us.'

The evening meetings connected with the class began on the 6th of January in the Central Church with more than fifteen-hundred men present. Missionaries and Koreans led these meetings all seeking to show the need of the Spirit's presence and the necessity of love and righteousness. The meetings were intensely interesting as meetings of times of crises always are. Nothing unusual happened. We were not looking for anything unusual. Only a hushed, solemn sea of upturned faces and eagerness to lead in prayer showed how the Spirit was working: . . .

On Saturday night I preached on First Corinthians 12: 27: 'Now ye are the body of Christ, and several members thereof.' endeavouring to show that discord in the Church was like sickness in the body- 'and if one member suffers, all the members suffer with it' - striving to show how hate in a brother's heart injured not only the whole Church but brought pain to Christ, the Church's Head. Shortly after going to Korea, I had an accident while hunting and shot off the end of one of my fingers. All the Koreans knew of this. Holding out my hand, I told the congregation how my head ached and my whole body suffered with the injured finger. The idea seemed to go home to them. After the sermon many testified to a new realization of what sin was. A number with sorrow confessed lack of love for others, especially for the Japanese.

We went home that night confident that our prayers were being answered. On the following Sunday night we had a strange experience. There was no life in the meeting. The church was crowded as usual, but something seemed to block everything. After the sermon a few formal prayers were offered and we went home weary as from a physical contest, conscious that the devil had been present, apparently victorious.

AT MONDAY NOON, WE MISSIONARIES MET AND CRIED to God in earnest: We were bound in earnest spirit and refused to let God go till He blessed us. That night it was very different. Each felt as he entered the church that the room was full of God's presence. Not only missionaries but Koreans testify to the same thing. I was present once in Wisconsin when the Spirit of God fell upon a company of lumbermen and every unbeliever in the room rose to ask for prayers. That night in Pyongyang, the same feeling came to me as I entered the room, a sense of God's nearness, impossible of description.

After a short sermon, Mr Lee took charge of the meeting and called for prayers. So many began praying that Mr

Lee said, 'If you want to pray like that, all pray,' and the whole audience began to pray out loud, all together. The effect was indescribable - not confusion, but a vast harmony of sound and spirit, a mingling together of souls moved by an irresistible impulse of prayer. The prayer sounded to me like the falling of many waters, an ocean of prayer beating against God's throne. It was not many, but one, born of one Spirit, lifted to one Father above. Just as on the day of Pentecost, they were all together in one place, of one accord praying, 'and suddenly there came from heaven the sound as of the rushing of a mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting! God is not always in the whirlwind, neither does He always speak in a still small voice. He came to us in Pyongyang that night with the sound of weeping. As the prayer continued, a Spirit of heaviness-and sorrow for sin came down upon the audience. Over on one side, someone began to weep, and in a moment the whole audience was weeping.

Mr Lee's account, written at the time of the revival, gives the history of that night better than any words. however carefully penned three years later, can do. 'Man after man would rise, confess his sins, break down and weep, and then throw himself to the floor and beat the floor with his fists in perfect agony of conviction. My own cook tried to make a confession. broke down in the midst of it, and cried to me across the room: " Pastor, tell me, is there any hope for me. can I be forgiven' and then he threw himself to the floor and wept and wept, and almost screamed in agony. Sometimes after a confession, the whole audience would break out in audible prayer, and the effect of that audience of hundreds of men praying together in audible prayer was something indescribable. Again, after another confession, they would break out in uncontrollable weeping, and we would aU weep, we could not help it. And so the meeting went on until two o'clock a.m. ' with confession and weeping and praying.'

Only a few of the missionaries were present on that Monday night. On Tuesday morning, Mr Lee and I went from bouse to bouse telling the good news to aU who were absent, (and to our Methodist friends in the city). That noon the whole foreign community assembled to render thanks to God.

I wish to describe the Tuesday night meeting in my own language because a part of what happened concerned me personally. We were aware that bad feeling existed between several of our church officers, especially between a Mr Kang and Mr Kim. Mr Kang confessed his hatred for Mr

Kim on Monday night, but Mr Kim was silent. At our noon prayer-meeting on Tuesday, several of us agreed to pray for Mr Kim. I was especially interested because Mr Kang was my assistant in the North Pyengyaog Church and Mr Kim an elder in the Central Church, and one of the officers in the Pyongyang Men's Association. of which I was chairman. As the meeting progressed, I could see Mr Kim sitting with the elders behind the pulpit with his head down. Bowing where I sat, I asked God to help him, and looking up saw him coming forward.

Holding to the pulpit, he made his confession. 'I have

been guilty of fighting against God. An elder in the church, I have been guilty of hating not only .Kang You-moon, but Pang Mok-sa.' Pang Mok-sa is my Korean name. I never had a greater surprise in my life. To think that this man, my associate in the Men's Association, had been hating me without my knowing it! It seems that I had said something to him one day in the burry of managing a school field-day exercise which gave offence, and he had not been able to forgive me. Turning to me. he said, 'Can you forgive me... can you forgive me?' I stood up and began to pray, 'A-pa-ge, A-pa-ge' (Å•Father, Father,') and got no further. It seemed as if the roof was lifted from the building and the Spirit of God came down from heaven in a mighty avalanche of power upon us. I fell at Kim's side and wept and prayed as I had never prayed before. My last glimpse of the audience is photographed indelibly on my brain. Some threw themselves full length upon the floor, hundreds stood with arms outstretched toward heaven. Every man forgot every other. Each was face to face with God. I can bear yet that fearful sound of hundreds of men pleading with God for life. for mercy. The cry went out over the city till the heathen were in consternation.

As soon as we were able, we missionaries gathered at the platform and consulted. 'What shall we do? If we let them go on like this some will go crazy." Yet we dared not interfere.

We had prayed to God for an outpouring of His Spirit upon the people and it had come. Separating. we went down and tried to comfort the most distressed, pulling the agonized man to the floor and saying, 'Never mind. brother, if you have sinned God will forgive you. Wait, and an opportunity will be given to speak.'

r Finally. Mr Lee started a hymn and quiet was restored during the singing. Then began a meeting the like of which I had never seen before, nor wish to see again unless in God's sight it is absolutely necessary. Every sin a human being can commit was publicly confessed that night. Pale and trembling with emotion. in agony of mind and body, guilty souls, standing in the white light of that judgment, saw themselves as God saw them. Their sins rose up in all their vileness. till shame and grief and self-loathing took complete possession; pride was driven out, the face of men forgotten. Looking up to heaven. to Jesus whom they had betrayed, they smote themselves and cried out with bitter wailing: 'Lord. Lord. cast us not away forever!' Everything else was forgotten, nothing else mattered. The scorn of men. the penalty of the law. even death itself seemed of small consequence if only God forgave. We may have our theories of the desirability or undesirability of public confession of sin. I have had mine: but I know now that when the Spirit of God falls upon guilty souls, there will be confession, and no power on earth can stop it."

**Re: the korean pentecost and the sufferings which followed by william blair and bruce - posted by Roaringlambs (), on:**

I purchased and read this book from Amazon, love it. I heard someone made a PDF, is that able to be made available? I can show proof of purchase a few months back from Amazon. Easier than retyping entire sections I need for research I'm doing on the subject. Just wondering.

**Re: - posted by Roaringlambs (), on: 2016/9/5 16:41**

Just pingin this thread again. I can prove I have the book, someone willing to share the digital copy?

**Re: , on: 2016/9/5 16:57**

Ask and ye shall receive. :-)

<https://dpark.files.wordpress.com/2006/08/01-1-yhlee.pdf>

This is a public version.

**Re: - posted by Roaringlambs (), on: 2016/9/15 7:48**

Thanks, Brother, but that's only a few pages of it... Someone borrowed my copy I bought (have the receipt) but never returned it... Really wanted to read it again on the plane as I travel to Seoul. Pray I remember who borrowed my copy. 8-P

**Re: - posted by Lysa (), on: 2016/9/15 8:13**

Not "the" book but 377 pages worth...

History and theology of Korean pentecostalism:  
Sunbogeum (pure gospel) pentecostalism

<http://dspace.library.uu.nl/bitstream/handle/1874/605/full.pdf?sequence=2>

**Re: - posted by Lysa (), on: 2016/9/15 8:22**

roaringlambs, email me at

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it's just like the one I have listed but this one goes to my phone.