

# The fourth Christmas blessing that my Lord gave to me

## Song Competition

At Concordia Middle School, 7<sup>th</sup> grade (also known as Junior 1) through 11<sup>th</sup> grade (also known as Senior 2), have a couple of intra-grade competitions. One of these is the Christmas song contest. For this competition each classes needs to select a conductor, a pianist, and two songs to sing for the judges. One of the songs needs to be a Christmas song, and other needs to be a religious song. Everyone in the class participates, and they spend over a month preparing to sing.

This year on Wednesday December 23<sup>rd</sup>, Concordia Middle School had Christmas Worship in the morning from 8:00-9:30. Then from 10:00-12:00, the 7<sup>th</sup> grade and 9<sup>th</sup> grade students had their competitions, in the Luther Chapel and Auditorium respectively. After a break for lunch the 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> graders had their performances in the auditorium, while the 8<sup>th</sup> graders sang in the chapel.

I absolutely love to listen to their songs. While 80% of the songs are sung in Chinese, there are some English ones and even a Taiwanese song or two. Over the years I have developed several personal favorites of mine, and have even learned the words to a handful of them. It brings such joy to my heart, hearing the students sing praises to God. In addition, it is something they will always remember, and I pray God will use the words of those songs to impact their lives and help them know more about who he is.

## Prayer requests:

1. Pray that God would use these songs as means to help the students of Concordia Middle School know about him.

**Picture:** *7<sup>th</sup> grade class performs for their Christmas Song Competition*



**Picture:** Last year's Christmas: 10<sup>th</sup> grade students perform Christmas songs.



Want to listen? Check out some videos on Youtube. The link below will take you to an 11<sup>th</sup> grade class' performance from last year. I taught several of the students in this class. Also there are more videos on the right of the webpage if you are interested.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Sruxe8IfILI>

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-Lost Son Skit

-Water and Word

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-Messiah on Christmas Eve