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Centers of Christian Influence

Like a light that permeates the darkness

Jairyong Lee, President Northern Asia-Pacific Division

There are multitudes of unreached people in large cities. These people are greatly influenced by a secular and materialistic lifestyle, and their daily concern is how to survive in a highly competitive society. Naturally their lives are extremely busy from day to day. We need to share the gospel message with these people who are living in spiritual darkness, but how can we effectively reach them with the Three Angels' Messages?

Ellen White advised us to be creative in developing new mission strategies to reach all kinds of people we encounter: "The church of Christ on earth was organized for missionary purposes, and the Lord desires to see the entire church devising ways and means whereby high and low, rich and poor, may hear the message of truth" (6T, 29). In order to reach the various people groups in society with the gospel message, we need to create new mission projects and initiatives. One method may not be able to draw all kinds of people to Christ.

Direct evangelism, or presenting straightforward Christian messages to people, has been widely used in evangelistic meetings, but in some instances, it has not been very effective. Some people are indifferent to the message, and others even express unhappiness when they are approached with tracts and religious literature. How can we intentionally mingle with them in a natural way and make them our friends?

Centers of influence! We need to establish more centers of influence to attract people to Christianity. Like a light that permeates the darkness, we should endeavor to use the light of truth to approach people who are suffering from spiritual darkness.

Jesus said, "You are the light of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand,

and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven" (Matthew 5:14-16).

The Northern Asia-Pacific Division Multi-Cultural Family Service Center in Ansan City, Korea, is effectively functioning as a center of Christian influence. It was established in 2008 to meet the needs of foreign workers in the city. The center provides various services, such as Korean language classes, dental and medical support, legal counsel, kindergarten classes, job training programs, Bible study classes, etc. Hundreds of foreigners receive free services at the center every month, and many of them are attending the worship service on Sabbath. In the last six years, the church at the service center has baptized between 30 and 40 people every year. It truly serves as a center of Christian influence to the people.

Ellen White wrote, "Christ's method alone will give true success in reaching the people. The Savior mingled with men as one who desired their good. He showed His sympathy for them, ministered to their needs, and won their confidence. Then He bade them, 'Follow Me.'" (MH, 143). Jesus mingled with people, and He met their needs. He constantly gave them heavenly influence.

"Through the social relations, Christianity comes in contact with the world. Everyone who has received the divine illumination is to brighten the pathway of those who know not the Light of life" (DA, 152).

Jesus said, "I am the light of the world" (John 9:5), and He is telling us, "You are the light of the world" (Matthew 5:14). Let all our churches, church institutions and church members' workplaces become centers of Christian influence where non-Christians can find the true God.

NSD MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Northern Asia-Pacific Division of Seventh-day Adventists is to communicate to all people in its territory the everlasting gospel of God's love in the context of the Three Angels' Message of Revelation 14:6-12, and as revealed in the life, death, resurrection, and high priestly ministry of Jesus Christ, leading them to accept Jesus as their personal Saviour and Lord and to unite with His remnant church; and to nurture believers as disciples in preparation for His soon return, and to equip and empower them for service.

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13th Sabbath Projects *Launched* in **MONGOLIA**



Three NSD officers and directors participate in the groundbreaking ceremony together with Elbert Kuhn, MM president, two special guests from the North American Division (NAD), Alex Bryant, NAD executive secretary, and Tom Evans, NAD treasurer, and others.

For several years, Mongolia Mission (MM) had two special prayer requests. One was for a dormitory building in Ulaanbaatar, which could be used as a Center of Influence. The other was for a youth training center. Both prayer requests were answered in 2014.

The population of Ulaanbaatar, the capital city of Mongolia, is more than 1.2 million, almost half of the national population. As a nomadic country, most of the higher education systems have gathered in the capital city. Students from the countryside who have not found shelter in the university dormitories have to find shelter on their own, but rooms in the city are limited and very expensive. That is why Adventist members around the world decided to pray for a dormitory in Mongolia.

In 2009, MM received the 13th Sabbath Offering to build a dormitory building. It took a long time to find suitable land in the city. Eventually, after several years of consideration, MM decided to add two more stories on top of the MM office building. The 13th Sabbath Offering from the fourth quarter of 2009 helped their dream come true, and the dormitory opened on September 1, 2014. Forty-five students, most of them non-Adventists, found a home in the Adventist dormitory. The dormitory will be a Center of Influence in which non-Adventist students experience the love of Christ.

Since the first two baptisms in 1993, church membership in Mongolia has gone up to more than 2,100 members in 2014. As if reflecting the national median age of 27.1, the majority of the church members are young

in their twenties. As the members increase in number, MM has an urgent need to train future leaders. Another problem is finding a suitable place for summer camp meeting, a special time of spiritual growth for church members. Because summer in Mongolia is very short, it is very hard to reserve a camping site. To kill two birds with one stone, training future leaders and finding a place for camp meetings, MM planned to use the 13th Sabbath Offering from the first quarter of 2012 to establish a youth training center.

Hearing about the plan, the Sound of Zion Choir, conducted by Dr. Im BongSoon, a cellist and music professor at Sahmyook University, held a concert in Seoul to raise money for the project. In addition, Mrs. Kim HyoSoon, a deaconess in Seoul, Korea, donated an apartment which had enough value to purchase land. The Lord had already prepared a land of 60,000 square meters, forty-five kilometers away from Ulaanbaatar and two kilometers from the main highway. In the near future, the highway will be developed as the main highway of the country, which will connect Russia and China, crossing Mongolia for transportation, pipeline for gas and oil, and electricity.

Dr. Jairyong Lee, president of Northern Asia-Pacific Division, participated in the groundbreaking ceremony on November 11, 2014, together with Elbert Kuhn, MM president, and two special guests from the North American Division (NAD), Alex Bryant, NAD executive secretary, and Tom Evans, NAD treasurer, and others.

Opening of *Mongolia Mission Dormitory* and Groundbreaking for *Mongolian Youth Training Center*



The historical shoveling moment at the groundbreaking ceremony



Youth singing group, Descendants, gives special music in very cold -15° C weather wearing Mongolian traditional dress.

Dr. Jairyong Lee, NSD president (left), and Elbert Kuhn, MM president (right), deliver the congratulatory message that the Mongolian Training Center would be the center of mission, vision and passion



Dr. Lee expressed his wish that the Mongolian Youth Training Center would serve as a Mongolian missionary training center and that someday Mongolian missionaries would go to many countries to share the love of Jesus Christ.

According to Pastor Kuhn, MM president, MM plans to construct a building that includes a cafeteria, meeting rooms, accommodation for about 200 people and a

gym. Summer houses for camp meeting, showers and bathroom facilities will be added. When the construction of the Youth Training Center is completed, many kinds of training will be held there, including Global Mission Pioneers who will go to unreached areas to plant churches, AIAS distant learning courses for pastors, spiritual retreats and camp meetings.

Retention in Mongolia Mission



Pastor Joo Minho, assistant to the NSD president (left), is invited for follow-up training.

In Mongolia, 130 members were added through UB14 Mission to the Cities evangelistic meetings, which were held September 5 to 13, 2014, with 13 meeting places in Ulaanbaatar and one in Erdenet, Mongolia.

Pastor Nyamdavaa, Adventist Mission coordinator and ministerial secretary of Mongolia Mission, invited Pastor Kwon Joonhaeng, NSD Adventist director, and Pastor Joo Minho, assistant to the division president, for follow-up training. They visited Mongolia to attend the Mongolia Mission Annual Council and stayed there three more days, from November 13 to 15, 2014, to train newly baptized members.

During the follow-up meetings, they reviewed the relationship between Christ and members, the identity and mission of the Remnant people, and how to share their new beliefs with friends. Pastor Kwon stated that “early follow-up training as soon as they are baptized helps retain members in the church and trains them to be witnesses for Jesus Christ.” Around 30 new members together with pastors in Ulaanbaatar attended the follow-up training meetings.

MISSION TO THE *Cities*

Taipei14

Pastor Tu Muheng, who was appointed to coordinate Taipei14, the Mission to the Cities (MTC) evangelistic meetings of Taiwan Conference, invited Dr. Jairyong Lee, president of the Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD); Robert Costa, the General Conference MTC coordinator; and Kwon JohnHaeng, NSD MTC coordinator; to train pastors in Taipei, the capital city of Taiwan. They visited Taipei several times for revival meetings and trainings.

Pastor Ko Mawfeng, pastor of Songshan Adventist Church, which is located next to Taiwan Adventist Hospital, worried about the renovation of the old church building as he faced the Taipei14 evangelistic meetings. After he and his church members prayed together, the answer to prayer came through Mr. Jiang Qingfu and Taiwan Adventist Hospital. Mr. Jiang, the husband of a deaconess at Songshan Church, donated 100,000 US dollars for the renovation of the church even though he was not a church member. Dr. Huang Hui-Ting, president of Taiwan Adventist Hospital, decided that the hospital would donate 170,000 dollars for the renovation of the church. Although the church was located in the same place as before, passersby began to notice that there was a beautiful church. Pastor Ko Mawfeng organized a series of evangelistic meetings, three days each during three weekends in October 2014. Songshan Church, a Chinese-speaking church, and New Life Church, an English-speaking church, prepared evangelistic series together. Pastor Jason Canfield, the new pastor of New Life Church, spoke for the meetings.

Pastor Kwon JohnHaeng was the guest speaker for the other Taipei14 meetings, which took place at Taipei

Dr. Jairyong Lee (right) serves as the speaker on the last day of Taipei14.



Church and Neihu Church. Taipei Church (Pastor Hwang Qingfu) and Shilin Church (Pastor Wang Yuren) met together at Taipei Church every night from October 24 to 31, 2014. Jesus stated, "For where your treasure is, there will your hearts be also" (Matthew 6:21). Mr. Jiang Qingfu, who had donated a great amount of money for the renovation of Songshan Church, attended every night at the Taipei Church meeting with his Adventist wife. In addition to speaking at the Taipei Church meetings every night, Pastor Kwon also spoke every morning for the Neihu Church meetings. Neihu Church was planted by Taipei Church two months before the Taipei14 meetings. Pastor Kim InSu, a Pioneer Mission Movement missionary from Korea to Taiwan, was assigned to the church planting after his Chinese language training. Churches near Neihu sent their members to participate in the evangelistic meeting.

The last day of Taipei14 was November 1, 2014, and 1,600 members from all the churches in Taipei and



Churches in Taipei specially organized a joint choir for Taipei14.



other places in Taiwan met at the municipal hall of New Taipei City to celebrate God’s guidance and grace during Taipei14. Dr. Jaiyong Lee spoke a powerful message about the family of God as God’s remnant people. As he closed his message, he made an altar call. Fifty individuals decided to accept Jesus as their Savior and join the remnant church of God. Mr. Jiang Qingfu, who gave a major donation for the renovation of Songshan Church as they prepared for Taipei14 and attended the prophecy seminar by Pastor Kwon JohngHaeng every evening, was found standing among the fifty who had decided to be baptized. Dr. Lee offered a special dedicatory prayer for them. Pastor Steven Wu, president of Taiwan Conference, gave each of them a Bible with the Adventist logo in gold foil. In the afternoon, after the lunch provided by the conference, the Golden Angels singing group from the division who had supported the MTC evangelistic meetings with their songs and praises offered a concert. Churches in Taipei organized a joint choir for this special occasion and gave beautiful praise. Several local groups presented very impressive special numbers.

The Sabbath programs were not the finale for Taipei14. The following Sunday, varied programs were prepared by the conference at Huabo Park, a multipurpose exhibition area. There was a revival meeting in the amphitheater with Dr. Jaiyong Lee as the speaker, music festivals in the stage, and a fair market. Taiwanese members enjoyed the Adventist culture day and shared special Adventist Christian love together. Surely, our heavenly Father was pleased to see His children dwell together in unity (Psalms 133:1).

HongKong14

Hong Kong14 MTC evangelistic meetings were held October 3-5, 8-10, and 16-17 in Kowloon Church. Eight pastors from the conference spoke on eight topics. The main theme was “It is time.”

Churches, schools and many young people and children plus elderly members participated in this evangelistic series by giving special music, worship dance, and skits. Every night an average of 30 children came for the children’s classes. During the eight nights of meetings, an average of 300 adults attended the meeting. About 20 percent of those who attended the meetings were non-Adventists. By the leading of the Holy Spirit, at the end of the Hong Kong14 MTC evangelistic series, 12 people were baptized and four accepted Adventism by profession of faith. Two of the newly baptized members were more than 90 years old. More than 20 people also made a decision to join the Bible study class on a regular basis.



All attendees of HongKong14 stand up and sing a song of praise.



A group of people sing special music in Hanshin14.

The MTC evangelism organizing committee of Hong Kong-Macau Conference would like to thank God and to also express many thanks to all the participants from various churches, institutions and schools who contributed their effort to make the meetings successful.

All Japan15

After the Tokyo13 MTC evangelistic meetings in September 2013, Japan Union Conference leadership and members gained confidence in the leading hands of the Lord and planned conference-level MTC evangelistic meetings. East Japan Conference held Saitama14 at four churches in the Saitama area, and West Japan Conference won 14 souls through Hanshin14 at three churches in Osaka and Kobe and through Okinawa Mission Naha14. Japan Union Conference already announced All Japan15 in 2015 which means that in 2015 all the churches in Japan will participate in public evangelism to lead the people of the community to the Kingdom of God.



Kwon JohngHaeng
NSD Adventist Mission/Stewardship Ministries/
Global Evangelism Director

*“How good and pleasant it is
when brothers live together in unity!”*

Korea Starts Its First Mission to the Cities Evangelism in the Middle West

The Korean Adventist Church started Mission to the Cities evangelistic series for the first time. The first meeting of the series was held at Daejeon Sahmyook Middle and High School, from September 19 to 25, 2014. Pastor Hong MyungKwan, the main speaker at the evangelistic meeting, delivered God’s word, focusing on prophecies and the future of the Earth especially in the books of Daniel and Revelation. Each day, nearly 700 church members and visitors attended the meeting in order to listen to the Gospel. Volunteers from local churches provided volunteering services so that the meeting proceeded smoothly.

Pastor Hong said, “God does not want anyone to perish, but everyone to be saved. At the same time, however, He is righteous so He will bring to judgment both the righteous and the wicked. Therefore, we need to study how the righteous and the wicked will end.” He continued, “Being saved by God is not as complicated as any examinations. Meet Jesus Christ. Choose Him and receive what has been promised.”

From October 27 to November 11, about a month after the first evangelism, Daegu Central Church, Daegu Western Church, and Gyeongsan Central Church had one-week evangelistic meetings respectively. At Daegu Central Church, Pastor Kim DaeSung, president of Korean Union Conference, served as the main speaker, preaching God’s message under the theme of “The Last Hopeful Message to Humankind.” Pastor Kim said, “If you look at prophecies in the Bible, you can see the road going up toward heaven. As the prophecy of the statue in

the book of Daniel comes true, Jesus’ second coming

will be fulfilled.” He urged attendees to be sober and vigilant and live every day as if it could be the last.

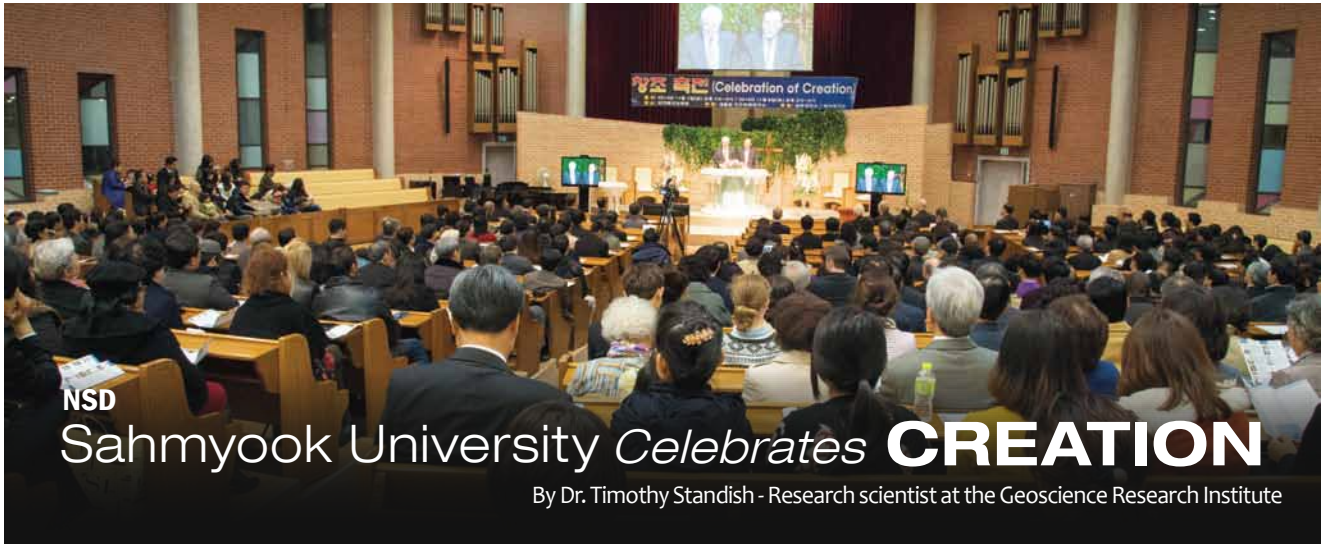
Daegu Western Church had evangelistic meetings titled “Earth’s Only Hope” with Pastor Oh JaeHo, instructor at Korean Adventist Training Center. Pastor Oh emphasized that God is the only author of life and He is the one who writes the history of mankind. “The most valid way to acknowledge God as Creator is to keep the Sabbath. If you want to keep it holy, you should know that it means God’s memorial of Creation.”

Whereas the meetings in the Daegu district focused on prophecies in the Bible, the meeting at Gyeongsan Church covered the subject of God’s covenant of salvation. Pastor Kim WonSang delivered a sermon under the title “The Truth Will Set You Free.” He used various visual aids so that both church members and newcomers could easily understand the sermon. “Once we begin to believe in God, all fears in our mind will disappear so that we can live our lives with courage and faith,” said Pastor Kim.

It is agreed that these evangelistic series were successful in terms of not only winning souls but also in awakening Adventist church members. That is, the evangelistic series stressed the importance of mission work to local churches. The Middlewest Korean Conference (MWKC) sent unsparing support to churches that were striving to save souls. The Conference also drew up a plan to train missionaries year round through Maranatha Missionaries Organization. Pastor Yoon ChongHap, MWKC president, stated, “We proved that we could hold any kind of evangelistic campaign when we work together with the same spirit. I hope this will be an opportunity for the growth of Adventist churches in this part of Korea.”

Pastor Yoon ChongHap, MWKC president, gives a welcome remark to attendees of Korea’s first Mission to the Cities evangelistic meeting in Daejeon. Around 700 people attended the meeting.





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Sahmyook University Celebrates **CREATION**

By Dr. Timothy Standish - Research scientist at the Geoscience Research Institute

The first Celebration of Creation to be held in Asia occurred at Sahmyook University on Friday and Saturday, November 7 and 8, 2014. The Celebration of Creation events are the result of collaboration between Seventh-day Adventist universities and the General Conference Faith and Science Council. They are designed to celebrate our unity as Christians in worship of the Creator God of the Bible.

The Sahmyook University Celebration of Creation was opened by General Conference vice president Lowell Cooper, who spoke on Friday evening, followed by Sahmyook University president Dr. Kim SangLae. The first night of this Celebration of Creation also featured physicist Dr. Lee KyuBong. The importance of the evening was emphasized by the presence of delegates to the year-end meetings at the Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD).

In addition to Elder Cooper, guest speakers included Dr. Jim Gibson, director of the General Conference Geoscience Research Institute (GRI) on the campus of Loma Linda University and Dr. Timothy Standish and Dr. Ben Clausen, also from GRI. Another featured speaker was anthropologist Dr. Adam Kiš from the Adventist International Institute for Advanced Studies in the Philippines. Speakers from the university included Dr. Choi ChongGeol, who is a geologist and the director of the NSD GRI branch office at Sahmyook University. His presentation explained how Korean geology testifies to the biblical global flood. Another Sahmyook University speaker, Dr. Park ChunShik, drew an essential link between biblical creation and the Christian understanding of salvation.

Key organizers of the event included Dr. Choi ChongGeol and Mrs. Park HyunSook of the NSD Education Department. In addition to coordinating all the speakers, arranging the schedule and taking care of innumerable other details, they were instrumental in getting the documentary *Flight: the Genius of Birds* translated into Korean. This translation premiered on Saturday night with



Dr. Choi ChongGeol (left), director of the NSD GRI branch office

Dr. Timothy Standish (left)

a short introduction by Dr. Standish, who played a role in its production. Watch for it soon on Hope Channel Korea.

“I am glad that we had a very meaningful and successful meeting for the celebration of creation at Sahmyook University. I am sure that all those who attended the meeting were convinced again about the importance of Creationism,” said Jairyong Lee, NSD president. Dr. Standish added, “I have now attended Celebrations of Creation around the world and have never failed to be blessed by the brilliance of the speakers and the commitment of participants to biblical creation. My hope is that, in my lifetime, we can hold Celebrations of Creation on every Adventist university campus. This is one way in which we can prepare ourselves and give a clear witness to the world as we await the soon return of our Creator and Redeemer.” More information about Celebrations of Creation can be found at the Faith and Science Council website at fscsda.org.



Delegates of 2014 NSD Annual Council. About 80 church administrators and leaders participated in the meeting.

2014 NSD Annual Council

By Song SungSub - NSD Assistant Secretary

Even during a busy time of church activities, it is necessary to pause and check whether the mission work is going well. The midyear committees and the year-end meetings are the regular checking or regenerating time for church mission directors. The Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD) Annual Council meetings took place from November 4 through 9, 2014, at the NSD office in Ilsan, Korea, with the theme “Revival and Prophetic Truth.”

At the opening session devotional service, General Conference (GC) vice president Lowell C. Cooper affirmed the necessity of checking our GPS: “Where we are, where we are going.” Cooper emphasized the mission of the church by stating the four purposes of the church: (a) to bring attention, honor and glory to God, (b) to be a classroom for discipleship training, (c) to demonstrate to the world a new kingdom community, and (d) to

participate with God in the furtherance of His mission by being His instruments. NSD president Jairyong Lee reemphasized that the very reason for church existence is mission. “Mission challenges are enormous, and it seems it is almost impossible to finish the gospel work with the limited personnel and financial resources we have. We understand, however, that the work will be accomplished ‘Not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit’ as the LORD Almighty said” (Zechariah 4:6).

About 80 Executive Committee (EXCOM) members and invitees included representatives and leaders from the GC, NSD, Chinese Union Mission (CHUM), Japan Union Conference, Korean Union Conference (KUC), all local conferences under KUC, Mongolia Mission (MM), and other institutions. November 4 was scheduled for the President, Executive Secretary, and

Treasurer’s Councils and November 5 for departmental interviews.

The Adventist Church Membership System (ACMS, or Membership Software) Implementation Seminar was held during the Executive Secretary Council on November 4. The GC director of Adventist Membership Software Sherri Ingram-Hudgins offered a presentation on ACMS implementation to 19 participants, the executive secretaries of unions/conferences/mission in the NSD mission territory, including the KUC Internet manager and the secretariat personnel related to membership management from KUC and the five local conferences. ACMS, which is web-based and operated by the GC, was developed and implemented throughout the world in order to help local churches, conferences, and unions manage the local church membership and new

Bible study interests accurately and in live time. It is expected that the sophisticated membership software will help significantly strengthen and support the mission work by providing various live, empirical data and analysis for strategic mission plans and retention issues. In addition, as the software is free of charge, it will save time and money for church administration and mission. Currently in our division territories, the CHUM has been on the implementing process.

During the Annual Council business sessions, the reports of administrations and departments, institutions, and various mission projects were presented to the delegates, and they spent time on reviews and discussions of various agenda. The authorized meeting schedule, annual budget, and policy amendments were also approved. The theology of ordination, especially the GC Annual Council recommendation for the ordination of women to the GC Session 2015, was shared with the delegates. The full EXCOM approved to appoint Jorge Silva as MM treasurer due to the permanent return of Allan Joseph Deblois, current MM treasurer.

Reports on the Mission to the Cities initiatives encouraged participants during the Council on Evangelism and Witness as well as during the session. Kleber O. Goncalves, director of Global Mission Center for Secular/Postmodern Studies, delivered the morning devotional sermon and lectures at the Council on Evangelism and Witness on November 6. He said, “We cannot miss opportunities that the Lord brings to us. Even though circumstances seem difficult, there are opportunities wherever we are. We need to look for the best methods or ways to communicate with people for mission.”

The NSD video report on “Centers of Influence” highlighted the success of city evangelism. It was reported that there are more than 500 cities with a population of more than

one million, and among those cities, 124 cities are in the NSD mission territory. It is reported that annually more than 5.3 million visitors have been coming to our centers, such as local church restaurants for the communities, language schools, humanitarian support for migrants, health foods, hospitals, nursing homes, social welfare centers, etc., in the NSD region.

The good reaping results from public evangelistic series in many large cities within the NSD mission territories were reported by NSD Adventist Mission and Global Mission director

Kwon JohngHaeng. Following Tokyo13 which was held last year, UB14, Taipei14, Daejeon and Daegu big city evangelistic meetings in Korea, and Wuxi evangelistic series conducted by Doug Batchelor in mainland China were successfully finished this year. The Wuxi evangelistic campaign was special as it was the first officially government approved, full-length public Christian evangelistic program presented by a foreigner in mainland China since 1958. The Wuxi evangelistic series took place for nine days from



Three NSD officers at the council



GC vice president Lowell C. Cooper



NSD president Jairyong Lee



Dr. Jairyong Lee gives a remark during the council.

May 1, 2014, with more than 2,000 attendees. About 250 people were baptized through this amazing and unprecedented evangelistic series in a big city with a population of 6 million.

The Chinese Hope TV (CHTV) report impressed the delegates with the “Internet TV Box,” a new method to reach millions of people in mainland China. The Three Self Patriotic Movement Committee in China granted special approval for this TV Box to be made available in the country. CHTV has set a goal of reaching 5 million users with access to CHTV programs via this simple and small TV Box, which can work without computers or satellite receivers. According to Chinese government statistics, there are 70 million Christians in China.

Besides the Annual Council meetings, on Friday, November 7, the delegates attended the Celebration of Creation at Sahmyook University, which was organized by NSD Geoscience Research Institute director Choi ChongGeol. The delegates also attended the Pioneer Mission Movement (PMM) missionary family dedication service the following day, which was a Sabbath, and the Golden Angels music concert Sabbath afternoon at the Chunsung Church in Seoul. The PMM dedication service was for seven pastors and their families, who will each be sent to different foreign lands, including Congo, Indonesia, Japan, Mongolia, and Taiwan.

After the Golden Angels music concert, the delegates of the NSD Annual Council made a visit to the Seoul English Science Education Center. The management for the English Science Education Center, which is fully sponsored by the local government, has been entrusted to Sahmyook University since 2008. The center has been functioning well as a good center of influence with more than 460,000 students and visitors.



Welcome address by president of CHUM Pastor Bob Folkenberg, Jr.

Chinese Union Mission Annual Council Reaffirms Goal of Kingdom Growth

By Kirstin Cheung - Assistant Editor of *Last Day Shepherd's Call*

The Chinese Union Mission (CHUM) held its 2014 Annual Council on December 2 and 3 at Hong Kong Adventist College. More than 50 people attended the meetings, including six delegates from the Northern Asia Pacific Division (NSD) and two pastors from the UT (Unorganized Territory).

Dr. Jaiyong Lee, president of NSD, motivated the crowd to continue the challenging task of city evangelism. He referred to the biblical story of Jonah, a missionary directly appointed by God to work in “the great city of Nineveh” (Jonah 1:2). Dr. Lee stated, “God cares for the multitude living in the world’s big cities. God Himself promotes evangelism in the cities. We need to follow His direction to continue our work in the cities.”

Elder Ken Osborn, treasurer of NSD, emphasized an important quality of a successful missionary. He remarked, “A true missionary will empty himself/herself before God and serve Him humbly. The key word is ‘to serve,’ not ‘to be served.’ And Jesus Christ is our best role model in service.”

Following previously set policy for the years from 2013 to 2015, CHUM will continue to focus on its Kingdom Growth initiative, striving to achieve goals for spiritual growth, functional growth and numerical growth of its vast number of churches.

Delegates shared their ministry reports, challenges and future plans. The city of Hong Kong in recent months has experienced unprecedented civic movement which was spearheaded by college students. In order to harness their youthful power for Christ, Hong Kong-Macau Conference (HKMC) plans to focus its evangelistic efforts more on young professionals and college students. The HKMC Executive Committee decided to increase the budget for the plan and to organize a pilot team to lead the implementation process.

The churches in UT face the challenges posed by secularism and materialism. The number of baptisms has been in decline. CHUM realizes that it needs to pray more and work harder to combat the social trend. May God lead His faithful workers to a greater success in 2015!



Pastor Elbert Kuhn, Mongolia Mission president



Delegates of the 2014 Mongolia Mission Annual Council

The Work Moves Forward in Mongolia

By Elbert Kuhn - President of Mongolia Mission

During two very cold days, Mongolia Mission (MM) held its 2014 Annual Council in Ulaanbaatar City. Under the theme, Revival and Prophetic Truth, administrators and leaders from the Northern Asia-Pacific Division and special guests from North American Division listened to reports from the Mission administration and directors. All the reports had a common theme, how much God has blessed this very challenging Mission.

In the last three years, MM has been working under the theme “Moving Forward Together by Faith to a Brighter and Better Future.” Through all the reports, everyone could clearly see how much this motto is making a difference in the lives of workers and church members. In MM, dreams are coming true.

Pastor Elbert Kuhn, the Mission president, shared how much God has blessed Mongolia Mission, especially in the area of development. The highlight was the four new church buildings with four new apartments for their pastors. Another milestone was the renewal of the MM office and the establishment of the dormitory for students. Another exciting event was the acquisition of a beautiful property to establish a future Adventist education campus.

The leaders shared about their respective areas with

enthusiasm and passion. During the meetings and reports, there was a clear idea of integrated evangelism, where all areas are moving toward the same goal in order to reach the dreams stated in the MM strategic plan. Yes, there are many challenges and many obstacles to overcome, but the leaders are aware of the problems and are committed to addressing the issues and to looking for solutions with the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

MM is still taking its first steps, but there is clear evidence of a spirit of unity, a shared vision and a commitment from all to make a difference and to leave behind a legacy of a solid foundation for future generations. We are in a hurry to see great things happen, to see the work moving forward and to share the good news with the sons and daughters of God in the four corners of this vast country.

In Mongolia, the work moves by the assurance in the promise granted to Joshua: “Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go” (Joshua 1:9). As Ellen White stated: “*We have nothing to fear for the future, except as we shall forget the way the Lord has led us, and His teaching in our past history.*”

Mongolia Mission Treasurer Farewell

It was with a heavy heart that Mongolia Mission (MM) said good-bye to Allan Deblois, his wife Sarah and little Hanna. The family has faithfully served the Lord in Mongolia for three and a half years. Allan served as Mission treasurer and Sarah as an auditor. During their term of service, many great things were accomplished, including the organization of all finance books and the development projects that took place from 2012 to the present.

Allan and Sarah have shown love and passion for the church, and especially for the people in Mongolia. God blessed them with a little baby girl during their time of service. They will be missed in Mongolia, and all MM workers and pastors thank them from the bottom of their hearts for their dedication and support. MM wishes them abundant blessings in their future endeavors.



NSD president Jaiyong Lee gives a gift to former MM treasurer Allan Deblois

Delegates of the 2014 Korean Union Conference Annual Council



Korean Union Conference Annual Council

KUC, the five local conferences, and institutions attended to give reports on departmental activities for the year and to approve plans for the next year.

“The biggest issue of the 21st century is ‘Change and Reformation’” said Pastor Kim DaeSung, KUC president, during his presidential report. “This has become an important quality for companies, governments, educational facilities, and even individuals. ‘Change and Reformation’ should also be a clear goal for the Korean Adventist Church and a desire of Korean Adventist members. Although we may be facing stagnation of church growth, ‘Change and Reformation’ is still a very important task for the Korean Adventist Church. I believe God will be with us.” Pastor Kim also talked about the present circumstances and the future plan of “SaeHim 2015” (New Power 2015) project, which supports children ministries, youth ministries, mission and revival, and spiritual restoration of the church.

The Korean Union Conference (KUC) held their Annual Council meetings at the headquarters of SDA Education from November 17 to 20, 2014. Around 100 committee members from Northern Asia-Pacific Division,

Annual Executive Committee of Japan Union Conference Successfully Finished

About 50 executive committee members of Japan Union Conference (JUC) had a special yearend meeting for three days, November 25 to 27, 2014. The president of the Northern Asia-Pacific Division and other officers attended and supported the meetings. The leaders of Japanese Adventist Churches heard reports from conferences/mission and institutions. Attendees could see the progress in many areas, especially that city evangelism has impacted several churches in the city and that the student missionary program Frontline project is working very well.

On the other hand, there are still many challenges for the Lord’s cause in this country. Attendees openly discussed these matters, and all delegates were involved in the decision making. They believe they can overcome all difficult things by God’s grace and providential guidance. JUC decided to move ahead with “All Japan15” and all churches in JUC are expected to join the city evangelism effort in their respective areas. JUC’s baptism goal for 2015 is 500, an unprecedented number for JUC.



Delegates of the 2014 Japan Union Conference Annual Council

JUC *Evangelism,* THE FAMILY WAY

Tachikawa Chinese Church in Japan, under the able leadership of Pastor Yu Chuan Fu, who is a Pioneer Mission Movement (PMM) missionary, saw the need to conduct an evangelistic series combining preaching of doctrines with practical family applications, such as improving husband-wife and parent-children relationships. Dr. Chek Yat and Dr. Sally Phoon were the guest speakers.

The first meeting was held on a Thursday morning, October 16, 2014. There were about thirty participants, way beyond the expectations of the organizers. The chapel, which seats about twenty-five people comfortably, was crowded but warm and welcoming.

The topic, "In the Beginning, There Was Love," expounded on the creation of the earth by a God who desires a close relationship with the man and woman He created and joined together in the first marriage ceremony. In the evening, the second session addressed how Adam and Eve fell into sin, resulting in a battle being fought between God and Satan in our own lives. Ensuing meetings expounded on the unconditional love of our God and how this love can be best expressed within the family in terms of spending time with each other and with God. Participants had an opportunity to better understand their own personality styles and how to submit to one another in love.

For many of those who came, this was the first time they heard in an evangelistic series how to improve their family relationships with the help of God and the Holy Spirit. "I wish we could have more such meetings because these topics are seldom addressed but are so practical," remarked one regular attendee.



Above: (From left) Dr. Sally Phoon, Dr. Chek Yat Phoon, and Pastor Yu Chuan Fu
Below: Special music by Taiwanese volunteers

The highlight came on Sabbath when Pastor Yu baptized two candidates who had prepared for baptism. One of the two was his younger daughter, who gave a moving testimony of her commitment to Jesus. During the appeal made by Pastor Yu, five more in the audience expressed their desire to be baptized before the end of the year. We praise God for the moving of His Spirit in this small church filled with enthusiastic members, most of whom are of Chinese descent and come from China, Malaysia or Tokyo itself. May they continue to grow as they witness among their friends and neighbors in Tokyo!



Sally Lam Phoon

NSD Women's Ministries Director, CLAP Coordinator



A growing congregation at the evangelistic meeting in Tachikawa Chinese Church

CHUM *NSD Ministerial Department at* Hong Kong-Macau Workers' Meeting



Pastor Lynn Ripley and leaders of HKMC spouses



Dr. David Ripley, NSD ministerial association director, speaks.

The Fall Hong Kong-Macau Conference Workers' Meeting coordinated by Elder C. S. Chan, ministerial secretary, highlighted the theme "Revival and Prophetic Truth." Elder Chiloe Fan, conference president, welcomed the attendees.

The meeting featured an inspiring devotional message by Ms. Swonli Tam and encouraging departmental reports. Dr. David Ripley and Pastor Lynn Ripley from the NSD Ministerial Department provided two training sessions. Dr. Ripley inspired the workers to remember God's mission and His power to work through them to reach people with the urgent message of Jesus' salvation and soon return. He urged them to become conscious of each local church culture and its impact on mission outreach. Pastor Lynn Ripley's message defined what it means to be a "Missional Church" and gave an outline of the components for active discipleship and vibrant ministry to the community. Shepherdess ministry leaders Choy Leng Cheang and Bonly Ng helped distribute the recently printed copies of *Radical Protection* to each family. A project of the NSD Pastoral Spouses Department is to give a copy of this encouraging book to each spouse in their own language across the division.

The workers shared together in a season of united prayer, each mentioning the name of the church they lead. They also prayed for church ministry initiatives, asking God to make them fruitful for His glory. A lunchtime fellowship meal gave them an opportunity for conversation and encouragement. One woman pastor, Soman Chu, shared how thankful she was for the time to be with other ministry leaders and hear reports that showed God's anointing of their shared work for the gospel mission.



Lynn Ripley
NSD Shepherdess Coordinator

KUC *Campmeeting for* Multicultural Families

The Korean Union Conference (KUC) along with family ministries departments within the conference held a multicultural family campmeeting at Madalpy Sahmyook Training Center from October 25 to 26, 2014. Twelve multicultural families attended and enjoyed this eight-year tradition. During the campmeeting, there was a special time to plant a family tree. Mr. Kang JuWon, a deacon at Sunchang Church, donated 70 fringe trees for multicultural families who have become family in spite of different colored skin, different language, culture, and background. Each family received a tree, and parents along with their children dug a hole in the ground and planted the tree. They propped the tree against the wind, named their tree and even wrote wishes. For example, some of them wrote, "Help our family to be healthy and happy," "I love you, honey!," and "Way to go, my family!"

"As fringe trees burst into bloom in barren soil, multicultural families can become rich despite present hardship and difficulties. I hope the more your family tree grows, the happier your family becomes," said Mr. Kang, whose family is also multicultural.

Fringe trees will begin to blossom in April or May next year. Attendees prayed for happy families like a blooming fringe tree.



Family members give big smiles standing by their family's tree.

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NSD Ministerial Department Shares Prayer Training at Hong Kong-Macau Prayer Conference

David Ripley
NSD Ministerial Association Director



On Sabbath afternoon, November 29, 2014, Dr. David Ripley and Pastor Lynn Ripley from the NSD ministerial department shared training on prayer at the invitation of the prayer coordinator for the Hong Kong-Macau Conference, Pastor Vincent Chia.

Dr. David Ripley urged the group to remember that God has called them as a special people with an end-time mission and that God is eager for direct communication with His disciples through prayer. He talked of the model in the early chapters of Acts where the followers of Christ spent time in the upper room, but also spent time out sharing among the people. He showed that there was a pattern and that prayer and sharing were connected: active witness and sharing are the result of prayer.

Pastor Lynn Ripley used the model of the prayer in Daniel 9:4-24 to teach the participants how to pray. By looking at Prophet Daniel's prayer, we can learn confession, recognizing who God is and that He is interested in His children, claiming His promises, and anticipating God's answers. We see that by calling on our mighty God to act on behalf of His people we will see great answers to prayer.

The group then spent time in united prayer. Together they

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主講者 Speakers: Pastor David Ripley Pastor Lynn Ripley
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praised God for His greatness, confessed their sins, petitioned God for His power, and thanked Him for His goodness and willingness to answer prayers. One participant came to share with joy the great blessing that was gained through united prayer. "I was so blessed by the opportunity to pray together, and the blending of our voices in prayer and song really touched my heart!"



(Front row, from left) Pastor Vincent Chia, Dr. David Ripley, Pastor Lynn Ripley and conference attendees



Participants who receive the certificate from AWR Asia/Pacific Region

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Adventist World Radio (AWR) Training in Korea

By Park RaeGu - Korean Adventist World Radio Manager

The Korean Adventist World Radio (AWR) staff received training on radio production at the Korean Union Conference, from November 2 to 3, 2014. Anniston Mathews, program director of AWR Asia/Pacific Region, and Surachet Insom, regional director of AWR Asia/Pacific Region, served as instructors. They gave the

Korean AWR staff an intensive 2-day training course dealing with various subjects, such as the importance of radio broadcasting ministry, how to operate devices necessary for radio production, the proper attitude of a radio host, and how to write a radio script.

The instructors continually emphasized the advantages of radio ministry. First, every listener can create his or her own picture when listening to the radio. When people watch TV programs, they see the same images so there is not much room for developing the imagination. In contrast, radio programs give room to think. Second, it is relatively easy to produce and deliver a program. While a TV program is produced through a very complicated process, people can produce a radio program with only a microphone and a computer. Last, radio is a friendlier medium than TV. People can listen to the radio when they walk, when they drive, or when they lie in bed.

Radio is a great means of preaching the gospel all around the world in the last days. AWR produces shortwave broadcasting so that it can be transmitted everywhere including North Korea. It is significant that AWR broadcasting is the only way to reach people living in North Korea with God's message.

Now AWR broadcasting is available through the internet on computers and smartphones. Nearly 10,000 people per day listen to radio programs brought by AWR Korea.

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CHUM Holds *Week of Prayer* for Students

Chinese Union Mission (CHUM) did something different this year on its annual Mission Day. Instead of going to nursing homes, the staff led the Week of Prayer from October 27 to 31, 2014, at Tai Po Sam Yuk Middle School, one of the biggest Adventist schools in Hong Kong.

Getting the gospel message across to the youth is not an easy task. The CHUM team did a lot of thinking and preparing. Their goal was to make the Adventist faith more practical and yet distinctive from mundane issues. The theme was "faith that surpasses everything."

The main speakers were Robert Folkenberg, Jr., president of CHUM, Daniel Jiao, CHUM executive secretary, and Elder Curtis Lai, an AWR local media technician within CHUM. At the beginning of each meeting, several CHUM staff shared their personal testimonies. Another team of four sisters from the office boosted the atmosphere with their beautiful singing.

The teachers and the students were greatly blessed. They responded with enthusiasm. One hundred and ninety-two decided to follow Jesus. Fifty-six wanted Bible studies. Sixty-six expressed a desire to attend church services.

May God continue to nurture these precious young people.



Pastor Robert Folkenberg Jr., president of CHUM



Students' passionate response



TWC Event for *Pastoral Spouses and Women Pastors* in Taiwan

By Paula Kuo - Taiwan Conference Shepherdess International Coordinator

Taiwan Conference held an event for pastoral spouses and women pastors from August 31 to September 1, 2014. The title of the event was “How to Become a Successful Shepherdess.” Pimili from Taiwan University was the main speaker. She encouraged the pastors’ wives to support their husbands. Pastors are often under huge pressure, and their wives should give support rather than rebuke. A doctor from Taiwan Adventist Hospital also gave a seminar on women’s health.

During outreach time, program leaders organized the pastoral spouses into teams to visit church institutions, such as offices, hospitals, the publishing house, the Hope channel office, etc. The visitors were pleased with this

time of visitation. They said they were better able to understand the mission and function of these institutions.

We praise the Lord for the success of the program. Each attendee expressed how much they had learned and that they were encouraged. They wished they could meet more times during the year. They are thankful for the times when they are able to travel together in Taiwan. The spouses also expressed appreciation to Dr. Su, who provided his son’s home for them to stay in. This gave the women time to share, care, and pray for each other. The time together helped them to be closer as friends in ministry.

KUC Arranges Its Church Register Using *Integrated Management Program*

As part of the church attendance improvement project, Korean Union Conference (KUC) personal ministries department is asking each local church to organize its church register during the first half of 2015. “Church growth begins with accurately figuring out the current situation through rearrangement of a church register,” said Pastor Kang SoonKi, KUC personal ministries director.

KUC will use a program called “SDA Integrated Management Program,” which was developed by the West Central Korean Conference in 2008. Its use expanded nationwide in 2009, but the actual rate of use is below 50%. Many churches still report their register to the conference in writing or through email.

For simultaneous and nationwide operation of this program, KUC personal ministries department will assign people to be exclusively responsible for this work. If a church asks for help, these workers will visit the church for technical support.

KUC believes that computer processing of the church register will enable them to map out an appropriate plan for each local church, conference, and union.



Taiwan Conference invites the local people to their Mission Day events.

TWC
MISSION DAY
at Taiwan Conference

Taiwan Conference had Mission Day on August 31, 2014. There were various events, which were intended for local residents, such as praise and worship, aerobics class, a health seminar and free hair styling service. Taiwan Conference had introduced the purpose of Mission Day to directors of local community welfare institutions and had asked them to invite the local people to the Conference's Mission Day events.

In a praise and worship session, Pastor Jim Hsu, director of Taiwan Conference Sabbath school ministries, taught participants various praise songs. They actively learned the songs and enjoyed singing along even though the songs were new to them. When Pastor Hsu prayed, all the participants responded, "Amen." The pastor's wife led out in an aerobics class. Not only did the participants enjoy the class, but the institution directors gained a good impression and expressed their hope of inviting her to their welfare institutions as an aerobics instructor. Pastor Cyrus Shen, secretary of Taiwan Conference, gave attendees a health lesson, especially on the different values of foods by their color. All the attendees of these events were presented a book which contains the gospel of God.

It was a blessing from God that a total of twenty-five souls were together on Mission Day. Moreover, Taiwan Conference was able to build a bridge between the conference and the local community through this event. Taiwan Conference plans to invite them to other events as follow-up. Two days later, as an extension of Mission Day, the staff of Taiwan Conference went out onto the streets in groups to clean the neighborhood. When they shared their love with the local people, they could also reveal the love of Jesus.



People in Taiwan Conference volunteer to clean up streets.



88 people participate in JUC's family/women's retreat



Dr. Willie and Elaine Oliver (1st and 2nd from left), Dr. Sally Phoon (4th from left), and Pastor Norihiko Hanada (right)

JUC Japan Union Conference Holds FAMILY/WOMEN'S RETREAT

By Dr. Sally Lam Phoon - Director of NSD Women's/ Children's/ Family Ministries

Japan Union Conference, under the leadership of Pastor Norihiko Hanada, held a family and women's retreat from November 14 to 16, 2014, in the beautiful foothills of Mount Fuji, at a resort located next to Lake Saiko, one of the five volcanic lakes in the area. The participants were treated to an array of fall colors among the trees and shrubs that lined the road on the way to the resort.

Guest speakers included Dr. Willie and Elaine Oliver, General Conference family ministries directors, and Dr. Sally Phoon, family ministries director of the Northern Asia-Pacific Division. The 88 participants included children, teens, young adults, middle-aged adults and

senior citizens. All had an opportunity to take an active part in the singing and testimonies when the group met together. The children had their own special program led by Kaori Motegi, Pastor Hanada's assistant and others on her team.

All were blessed by the presentations brought by the Olivers, which stressed how to lead in the home and how to enrich relationships between husbands and wives and children. Many expressed their appreciation for the seminars, talks and worship thoughts. The gathering brought believers together from the north to the south, and the fellowship enjoyed was a taste of Heaven.





CHUM Hong Kong-Macau Conference Campmeeting Brings *Spiritual Renewal*

The 37th Hong Kong-Macau Conference (HKMC) Campmeeting was held from October 24 to 26, 2014, at Pak Tam Chung Holiday Camp, Sai Kung, Hong Kong. This year's theme was "Revival and the Second Coming." Eugene Kitney, senior pastor of Milwaukee Central Church in Wisconsin Conference, USA, was the speaker.

Through his messages, Pastor Kitney called his Adventist audience to a spiritual awakening before the soon coming of Christ. His four sermons were titled "If My People Pray," "What Time Is It Now," "It Is Time to Wake Up," and "Prepare for the End." He urged the HKMC Adventists to pray more, to serve more, and to be ready at any time for the second coming of the Lord.

Pastor Kitney was born and raised in a God-fearing Seventh-day Adventist home in South Africa. "My story is really a lot like the prodigal son story," says Kitney. "At age 16, I left the church and explored all kinds of other belief systems. I got myself involved in rightwing politics

in South Africa. That just really sent me in a downward spiral.

"One day I asked myself, 'When was the last time I really felt whole?' And I realized it was when I was a five-year-old kid sitting on my mother's lap reading Bible stories. I knew then that the only way I was going to fill that hole in my life was to get back to reading my Bible. So I did. Although I am a fourth-generation Adventist, I didn't inherit the Adventist church beliefs. I found them for myself."

Sensing a call to pastoral ministry, Kitney studied theology at Helderberg College. In 2006 he completed his B.A. in Theology with an emphasis in Metropolitan Ministries at Columbia Union College. Now he is serving in the Wisconsin Conference as a pastor.

Pastor Kitney's personal testimony touched his listeners' hearts. More than 300 people attended this campmeeting.



Children participate in a small group activity



Pastor Eugene Kitney, the speaker



KUC Korea SDA Orchestra Celebrates 110th Anniversary of Mission Work in Korea

The Korea SDA Orchestra held a music concert at Sahmyook University on November 1, 2014, to celebrate the 110th anniversary of the Adventist Church

in Korea as well as the foundation of the orchestra. This nonprofit organization, which belongs to the ministerial association of Korean Union Conference (KUC), was founded to improve Adventist culture and arts, and to support evangelism. In addition, it finds new musicians and composers through various musical performances and develops the skills of leading musicians while maintaining the musical tradition of the Adventist Church.

The first song the orchestra played was Haydn's Symphony No. 104, "London." Their beautiful performance drew a great response from the audience. They then played Johann Sebastian Bach's Cantata No. 147, "Jesus, Joy of Man's Desiring," and Handel's Messiah, "Sinfonia," "Hallelujah," and "Worthy Is the Lamb That Was Slain" with the church union choir.

"I want to give thanks and glory to God for guiding the Korean Adventist Church during the past 110 years. I also hope Adventist music and culture will continually be developed through activities of the Korea SDA Orchestra," said Pastor Kim DaeSung, KUC president.

KUC KUC Health Ministries Holds Vegetarian Cooking Contest



Participants are ready to compete in the first nationwide vegetarian cooking contest held by KUC.

The first nationwide vegetarian cooking contest was held at Bonbu Church under the auspices of Korean Union Conference (KUC) health ministries department on October 26, 2014. The purpose of this contest was to choose the best vegetarian foods that reflect the health message of the Adventist Church. Eight teams from each conference competed in the contest.

The task was to cook in 100 minutes the healthiest and most creative food that could also be easily applied to home cooking. The grand prize was awarded to Mrs. Goh HyunSook and three others from West Central Korean Conference who made oven-baked quinoa and lotus root

and hard-boiled quinoa and Chinese yam.

"Through this contest, we could recognize that vegetarian food is good enough for an excellent diet plan. I hope it will also be a good chance to popularize vegetarian diet outside the church," said Shim SeongAe, president of Vegan Healing Cook Education Center. "KUC will continue to support such healthy vegetarian food contests at the conference or district level so that people can remember the Adventist church and the healthy lifestyle it promotes," said Pastor Shin WonShik, KUC health ministries director.

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Children's Festival of God's Word Held in ECKC



Children enjoy a performance of Chamsori children's choir at ECKC Children's Festival

The Children's Ministries Department at the East Central Korean Conference (ECKC) held a festival of God's Word for children at Seoul Sahmyook Elementary School on October 25, 2014, with attendance of 352 students and teachers. The festival began with the children's sermon. Four children representing each district in ECKC area delivered God's Word through their sermons. After that, there was a program called "Bible Adventurer," which had children visit twenty-two booths and carry out the tasks. As the program was based on the children's Sabbath school lessons, children could review and experience what they had learned. The event finished with an awards ceremony. Certificates and memorial pins were given to those who had achieved a score of 70 or more on the certification test, which included reciting 52 memory verses and Bible verses in *Adventists' Fundamental Beliefs for Children*.

KUC The 3rd "Feeling" Youth Meeting in Southeast Korean Conference

"Feeling," a voluntary gathering of young people in Southeast Korean Conference had its third regular meeting at Gyeongsan Central Church from November 1 to 2, 2014. A total of 116 young people from 37 churches gathered together to think about Jesus' mind and character. During small group activities, they talked together about their thoughts on "what Jesus would have done" if He had been faced with relationship conflicts. They also shared experiences where they met Jesus. Prayer time followed as they asked God for the heart

of Jesus. The last activity was to present their views on situations that affected their personality and mind and to discuss them.

Pastor Kim JeongGon, the main speaker, delivered the message on "Jesus as a Man, Jesus as a Believer." The pastor touched attendees' hearts by giving his testimony.

"It will be great if this meeting plants a culture that enables young Adventists to share their questions and problems, so that young people can be encouraged," said one of the managers of "Feeling."

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CHUM

THANKSGIVING & PRAISE

An Unforgettable Evangelism Tour

By Brenda Tong (Translated by Esther Ke, NSD Office Assistant of Women's Ministries)

On September 8, 2014, the day of the Mid-Autumn Festival, under the leadership of Mrs. Serene Chong, women's ministries director of Hong Kong-Macao Conference, a group of fifteen women from Taiwo Church, Taipo Church, Shatin Church, Tsuen Wan Church, Yuen Long Church, and the Bible Auditorium started an eight-day evangelism tour for Chinese communities in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. The tour combined two kinds of evangelistic strategies—one using music and community health evangelism and another using testimonies of personal experiences.

All these women had undergone training under the women's ministries department of the conference. During the evangelism tour, the emphasis was on experiencing God's love and might by serving and implementing the skills learned from the women's ministries training programs. The evangelism was planned, prepared, and promoted solely by the women who were involved. The group was divided into three teams. Team 1 took charge of the singing, testimonies and altar call. Team 2 presented different health topics that included exercise, natural remedies, cooking classes and skin care. Team 3 did the preaching, led the group in the "ACTS" prayer and gave talks about women's ministries activities in Hong Kong and Macao.

In Kuala Lumpur, the group was able to visit the Chinese Church and conduct their program in two locations as well as participate in a City Health Promotion Day in the community. They received a lot of positive responses especially for the music and testimony program. They proclaimed how God performed miracles in their lives, helped them detach themselves from bad habits, healed them and made them well from diseases and led them out of the valley of darkness. Their testimonies



The towel stretching exercise team is ready to go.

touched many people's hearts. When they made an altar call, many participants responded to the calling of the Holy Spirit and accepted God as their Savior.

During the tour, every member felt the presence of God in a very real way. This first-time experience for most of them helped to draw them closer as friends. The positive outcomes served as encouragement for them to continue their service to God using the skills they have acquired.



A trained woman gives out flyers on the street.



The praise team leads the program.



Multi-cultural Family Service Center Establishes a Sisterhood Relationship with KIAT

(KIAT: Korea Institute for Advancement of Technology)

The Multi-cultural Family Service Center (MFSC) and the Korea Institute for Advancement of Technology (KIAT) established a sisterhood relationship on October 24, 2014, in order to support multi-cultural single-parent families. MFSC has been supporting foreign women married to Koreans, which is a vulnerable social group. Since last year, MFSC also started a multi-cultural kindergarten for children who are 3-7 years old along with the MFSC single parent shelters.

This sisterhood establishment with KIAT was planned to periodically support two multi-cultural single-parent families who are living in the MFSC shelters. Currently MFSC has 10 multi-cultural single-parent families living in the shelters who desperately need help. In this given situation, it was very encouraging and meaningful to find sponsors for these families. MFSC hopes to enlarge the sponsorship for the rest of the multi-cultural single-parent families.

This new sisterhood establishment with KIAT also includes regular support for the multi-cultural kindergarten, such as picnics and educational field trips. Even before the signing of the sisterhood contract, KIAT provided a picnic in May for the kindergarten, and just after the contract on October 30, forty kindergarteners and the workers from KIAT went together on an educational field trip to Digital Pavilion and the YTN TV Broadcasting Station. On this occasion, one KIAT worker accompanied one multi-cultural child for guidance and care. The children enjoyed the digital technology toys and equipment as well as the presents provided by the warm-hearted “aunts” and “uncles” from KIAT.



Kim YoungSoo, director of MFSC, stated, “Among the many vulnerable social groups, the multi-cultural single parents should not be alienated but should be receiving warm hands of help to settle down in Korea successfully and to live financially independently and happily in Korea. For this, many individuals and institutions must be involved together for the bright and warm society of Korea.”

MFSC is looking forward to a continuous close relationship with KIAT so that the children from the multi-cultural kindergarten and the single parent families will have stable emotional development to overcome social discrimination and obstacles.

“Thus saith the LORD; Execute ye judgment and righteousness, and deliver the spoiled out of the hand of the oppressor: and do no wrong, do no violence to the stranger, the fatherless, nor the widow, neither shed innocent blood in this place” (Jeremiah 22:3).

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SHUC Holds Sahmyook **HAPPY FAMILY CAMP**



Families enthusiastically participated in a camp program.

Sahmyook Health University College (SHUC) held “Sahmyook Happy Family Camp” from November 15 to 16, 2014, at Gapyeong Good Morning HRD Center in Gyeonggi Province. A total of 24 families made up of SHUC students and faculty members participated in the camp.

Giving the welcome remarks, SHUC president Kim

KwangKyu recited the famous poem, “Grass Flower,” written by Korean poet Nah TaeJoo, reminding participants that the most precious person is the one they are with.

SHUC invited a family communication expert to provide a series of lectures on various interesting topics, such as the impact of negative language on the brain, healthy relationship-building communication, the importance of communication among family members, and a four-step conversational method and effective body language signs. All of the lectures were focused on building a happy family.

The camp participants also enjoyed recreational activities, walking around nature with their family, comfortable accommodations, and healthy meals.

In today’s modern society, people tend to grow more individualistic, spending more time alone rather than with family. This camp was planned in an attempt to provide an opportunity for strengthening relationships among family members. In such relationships, people can gain psychological stability and self-esteem, which allows them to perform their roles as members of society as well as family.

Korean 1000MM Alumni Association Holds a Mission Conference and a General Meeting

The Korean 1000MM Alumni Association held the Mission Conference and the 15th 1000MM General Meeting at the multipurpose hall at Sahmyook University on November 15, 2014. About 60 people, including 1000MM alumni, 1000MM supporters, and Adventists interested in overseas mission, attended the Mission Conference on “memories, moving, fellowship, dedication, and a missionary.” Pastor Shin DongHee, the 1000MM director, remarked, “When we initiated the 1000 Missionary Movement 22 years ago, we dreamed of sending 1,000 missionaries every year. Let us heat up the passion for global mission God has given to Korean Adventists.”

The 15th General Meeting of the Korean 1000MM Alumni Association was held in the afternoon. Pastor Lim HyungTaek was elected the new president. “I am afraid to accept this appointment, but I will ask God for wisdom and do what I can do,” said Pastor Lim. “I will also think of ways to help missionaries by cooperating with other mission organizations.” The General Meeting finished with special testimonies from missionaries recently returning from their mission fields. Attendees were lost in their missionary memories, and they rededicated themselves for mission.



Arising from conversations with young leaders in the churches of the UT (Unorganized Territory), a premarital counseling training course was put together by the family ministries departments of Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD) and Chinese Union Mission (CHUM). This was to meet a real need in the fast-growing cities where young people meet their future life partners and begin building families with little knowledge of what marriage is all about.

The church leaders from some of the churches where most of the members are young professionals expressed their interest in providing premarital and marriage education as centers of influence that could result in drawing young couples to know more about Christ. Hence, a two-part training course was offered to prepare premarital and marriage mentors. The first part of the training was held at a beautiful hill resort from July 17 to 21, 2014, where church leaders gathered to learn the basics of “kitchen counseling,” a term used for non-professional counselors who are mentors and helpers to those in need. Dr. James Wu and Lily Wu from CHUM and Dr. Sally Phoon and Dr. Chek Yat Phoon worked as a team to share their resources and skills in working with couples.

The participants from nine different churches were encouraged to attend as couples, but due to various reasons, a few had to come without their spouses. They had been administered the Prepare/Enrich questionnaire prior to the first



Couple dialogue session



A happy couple, Lulu

session and were trained on how to interpret the results. Those who came as couples had the opportunity to do a lot of couple dialogue for a few days, and this resulted in enriched relationships. Church leaders who had never taken the time to assess their own marriages testified of the benefits of “coming apart to rest a while” with their spouses. Many couples shared how they would make changes in the spiritual, emotional and social components of their families. A natural outcome of being a marriage mentor is that your own marriage will be enriched, a true blessing indeed!

A recommitment ceremony at the end of the session added an element of fun as couples renewed their vows once more before God and their friends. Even the resort owners got involved in the preparation for the ceremony, and they were avid observers.

Part 2 of the training was held at another island resort from November 21 to 24 with family ministries directors from the General Conference, Willie and Elaine Oliver, and NSD family ministries personnel, Sally and Chek Yat

Phoon. Before this training, thirteen individuals, which included five couples, who had the necessary qualifications were certified in a one-day training to be Prepare/Enrich facilitators by the Olivers, who are trained supervisors for Prepare/Enrich. This group assisted in Part 2 of the training for premarital/marriage mentors.

A total of thirty-two people from eight churches signed up for Part 2 of the training. Most of them came as couples with great anticipation for another enriching experience after savoring the results of the first part of the training. After the groundwork was laid in the first part of the training, those who had been trained as facilitators for Prepare/Enrich took the lead in demonstrating how to mentor other couples using the results of the questionnaire. Couples were divided into groups of threes or fours to practice the couple dialogues that are key to opening up communication between couples. Communication skills were further

CHUM

Premarital Counseling & Marriage Mentoring

By Dr. Sally Lam Phoon - Director of NSD Women's/ Children's/ Family Ministries



and Dennis, in their recommitment ceremony



polished in group work and private couple time.

The highlight was another recommitment ceremony, complete with bridal gowns and beaming brides and grooms. A very meaningful program was put in place by Dennis, one of our leaders and organizers. The couples were given time to express their love and appreciation for one another, sharing hugs and kisses and moments of deep emotion and intimacy. Many couples were moved to tears. For one couple, it was their first time to don a bridal gown and suit and walk down the aisle even though they had been married at a private ceremony more than two decades ago!

Indeed, many church leaders returned refreshed, revived and enriched to serve and mentor others with the skills they had learned. The group bonded so well that they set up a chat group to share ideas and encouragement with each other. It is certainly gratifying to know that more young people will build a solid foundation in Christ before tying the knot and that more marriages will be enriched as our marriage mentors reach out to their communities. May God be praised and His Kingdom grow through these disciples who have been equipped!

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Dr. Lee offers words of comfort at the funeral.



Pastor Teru Fukui and his late wife, Mrs. Yumiko

Mrs. Yumiko Fukui Dies in Sleep

(Mrs. Yumiko is the wife of Pastor Teru Fukui, NSD publishing ministries director)

By Kim DukSoo - Pastor at Ilsan English Church

Seeing the fallen leaves of autumn brings to mind the sorrow that Adam experienced after his fall. It also reminds me of what God said, "For dust you are, and to dust you shall return." The leaves of a tree have different timing for falling, and so do human beings.

Our beloved sister, Mrs. Yumiko Fukui, gave her last breath to the Lord on November 5, 2014, at 58 years of age and is now sleeping in Christ. I witnessed how she struggled with cancer and lost her battle with death. Through it all, she was inspired by her faith. Even when her health got worse, she kept on smiling and trusting in the Lord.

The Northern Asia Pacific Division (NSD), Ilsan English Church and Yongsan Japanese church families supported her with prayer, visitation and Christian fellowship throughout her illness. Ilsan English Church organized several sports events with the title "Gambare Yumiko," which means "Cheer up, Yumiko." We made a video clip with pictures of those events and gave it to her as a gift. When I visited her house, she told me that she watched the video over and over again when she felt discouraged. It reminded her that she was not alone, but surrounded by loving friends and loved ones.

At the funeral, NSD president Jairyong Lee comforted the Fukui family with the promise of the resurrection. Mourners from the Division, Unions, Korean Conferences, and especially from the Publishing Department shared the love of Jesus with Fukui's family. After cremation, the ashes were placed in an urn and taken to Japan so that her loved ones could say goodbye to her as well. Those who were at the funeral left with the hope of seeing her again on the glorious day of Jesus' second coming. "Surely I am coming quickly." Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus! (Revelation 22:20)



Staff members from 1000MM headquarters visit NSD Leadership Training Center in Jeju, Korea.

Reflection on Jeju Island and Korea Trip

By Ephraim Fadollone - Secretary to Pastor Shin DongHee, Director of the 1000MM

First of all, praises and thanks be to our loving God who sustains the needs of the 1000 Missionary Movement (1000MM) and His beloved workers. During his three-month leadership on campus, Pastor Shin DongHee, director of the 1000MM, brought up the idea of a trip to Korea and to Jeju Island at the suggestion of Dr. Jairyong Lee, president of the Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD). For the first time in the 22 years of the movement's existence, the workers were to visit Korea.

There was some hesitancy and doubts that arose during the planning and waiting, but Pastor Shin remarked, "No one should be left behind; everybody must go! Do not worry about finances. The Lord will provide." He said that he would solicit help from previous directors and associate directors. Thanks to our God that our past leaders were committed to help and donated a certain amount for this trip. The Lord paved the way for us to go.

Two weeks before our flight, some

of the workers were busy buying things for "pasalubong" (gift) and in preparing things for the cold season while others were busy filling out documents for the visa application. "Do we have this kind of feeling when we think about traveling home to heaven?" one worker reflected. "Are we always prepared and busy while waiting for His second return?"

God opened the way for us to be awakened from our spiritual slumber by leading us to the Jeju Leadership Training Center for a spiritual retreat, a place where we could meet Jesus. During the six days of training, one of the workers attested, "Every time I attend a lecture, the excitement is there and I am always in a rush. When I wake up in the morning, I am smiling because I am going to meet Jesus again during the day. I do not want to be late even for a minute, and I do not want to miss a word from our lecturer." Another worker also testified, "I was overhauled by that training experience! I am a senior missionary,

but I have been forgetting to do my duty. From this time on, I promise to be more involved in the work of God through the 1000MM." Another worker added these words, "I have attended a lot of spiritual retreats in the past, but this one was different."

During the spiritual retreat, we learned a lot from Pastor Hong KwangEui, especially when he talked about "self-love." Humans are selfish by nature, but if we submit and commit ourselves to God, we will surely forget ourselves and His name will be magnified. We cannot change unless we ask the power of the Holy Spirit to take control of our lives. The training was so simple, yet it was packed with inspiration and full of spirit. It was a worthwhile experience. Six days did not seem like enough, and we are still longing for more.

One of the highlights of our trip to Korea was visiting several Adventist institutions, such as the Korean Publishing House, Sahmyook Medical Center, and Sahmyook Food Factory. We received a warm welcome by our beloved officers and brethren in each of our institutions. Their hospitality and generosity were beyond compare. We want to emulate and have this kind of spirit whenever we have visitors



coming from different churches and institutions.

Because of this trip, we realized that as workers for a missionary training center, we should uplift the standard of Christ especially in spirituality, in actions, and in other aspects as well. We should be the role model for the youth who are coming to be trained at the 1000MM campus as soldiers of Jesus Christ. The spirit for mission has been ignited to work more for the Master. These days, the workers at 1000MM are more inspired to work after that refreshing spiritual immersion.

This trip would not have been possible without the prayers and monetary support of the NSD and our beloved former directors and associate directors. From the bottom of our hearts we would like to say, a million thanks! We are very glad to the Lord for the blessings He has given you, and which in return you gladly shared with the workers and with the 1000MM as well. Your sacrifice is truly appreciated by all of us. May God continually bless you with good health and prosper you abundantly in spiritual and material blessings.

To sum up, God is worthy to be exalted!

Staff members from 1000MM headquarters visit Sijosa, the Korean Publishing House



Extreme End, Extreme Services

By Pastor Lee EunSup - Associate Director of 1000MM

Regardless of their mission field environment or condition, the 1000 Missionary Movement (1000MM) missionaries are doing their best in their mission work. On the third week of November, Pastor Lee EunSup (associate director of 1000MM), Pastor Kim JinYoung (pastor of AUP Korean Church), and Kim HyoJun (44th batch 1000MM missionary) went to visit the mission fields in Mindanao. After quickly visiting all the mission fields in Mindanao within a week, they traveled to Jose Abad Santos, which is a southern town in the Philippines. It took them eight hours to get there from Davao City on a four-wheel drive van with tough road conditions. It was rough and rocky, yet at times muddy, along steep, winding mountainous roads.

Early in the morning they finally arrived at the mission field of Kim EunKyung and Valdez Jamaica Tugada, 43rd batch 1000MM missionaries. Because of the missionaries' sincere service, the visitors received a warm welcome and were treated well by neighbors and church members. Kim EunKyung, the Korean missionary in Jose Abad Santos, has been living for a year in the Adventist faith. She was converted from the Presbyterian church two years ago even though her mother is a Presbyterian church pastor. After her conversion, she learned about the 1000MM and eagerly applied. Now she is doing her best for this divine purpose.

These two missionaries are really on fire for God's work. Despite the scorching heat of the sun in southern Philippines, they untiringly do house visitations. Moreover, they are very diligent to quench the needs of the people. There was a time when one of the missionaries gave all the medicine that she was taking because of a car accident to her neighbor. Because of this generosity, the neighbor was moved, and she made up her mind to study the Bible and was eventually baptized. The two missionaries have also bought some roof material for the poor and shared it with them. They have also sold their personal items to gather some money for painting the church building. They also visit the local jail. In addition, they are now building a church four kilometers away from their mission field. Today, under the scorching heat, our missionaries are roaming here and there seeking lost sheep.



Chinese Graduates Enter NSD JEJU Leadership Training Center

For now, there are two things the Adventist Church in China urgently needs: personnel and education. The Chinese church needs to have more trained church leaders who have completed formal seminary education. One of the reasons the Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD) built the Jeju Leadership Training Center was to train church leaders, especially for China. Because of this, it was a meaningful experience to have a graduation ceremony at the training center for students from China who had finished their studies for Bachelor of Art in Theology and Masters of Christian Ministry at Taiwan Adventist College or Griggs University. Since establishing Adventist colleges in China is not permitted, anyone who wants to study Adventist theology has to study abroad. For this reason, Taiwan Adventist College and Griggs University set up branch schools in China several years ago so that students could take seminary courses there.

Although some students could not attend for personal reasons, a total of twenty-three students participated in the graduation ceremony. While singing a song titled "Calling," their faces were radiant with new vision and aspirations for the future. They are the ones who will be in charge of mission work in China. Even though their families and friends could not join them on the day of celebration, their professors, several ministers, and church members from Jeju Island gathered together to witness the ceremony.

After the graduation, the graduates immediately started the training offered by NSD Leadership Training



Twenty-three seminary students participate in their graduation ceremony with their professors and church ministers.

Center. This was essential for those who will soon be dispatched to their mission fields. The students who were armed with prayer earnestly asked God to grant them His Spirit. Some of them were unfamiliar with fasting and training that involved no talking, but they did not take long to adapt as they sought to have the mind of Christ's disciples.

The students departed from the center full of the Holy Spirit. When they feel exhausted from their work, they can bring to mind the earnest prayer they prayed at the Jeju Center. Their eyes will be directed toward Him again, and they will recall that they received the promise of the Spirit.

The Chinese graduates receive spiritual training at NSD Leadership Training Center.



2015 Training Schedule for the NSD JEJU Leadership Training Center



The Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD) Leadership Training Center has prepared a training program for next year. Since the center admitted the first batch of trainees from Mongolia Mission, more than 170 church leaders and members from countries, including Taiwan, Japan, China, Philippines, United States, and Korea, have completed spiritual training at the center. In addition, the center held several missionary forums and other events during the second half of this year.

The center is planning to offer more intensive leadership training courses for church leaders in 2015. They have selected various topics to help trainees enhance their capability as Adventist leaders. An expert on each topic will be invited as a guest lecturer. Such courses will not only help trainees enhance their expertise but also provide a leap for mission work in the Adventist Church.

When the construction of a church building and a resident building is finished, people will be able to receive training under better circumstances. Through the love and prayerful devotion of Adventist church leaders and members, the NSD Leadership Training Center will

fulfill the mission of preaching the three angels' messages in the last days.

Date	Subject	Special Seminar
Jan. 4-11	The Cross	Kim, SiYoung (Mission Seminar)
Feb. 1-8	Righteousness by Faith	Han, SukHee (Mission Seminar)
Mar. 8-15	The Cross	Kwon, ManBok (Small Group Seminar)
Apr. 26-May 3	The Sabbath	Yun, DaeHwa (The Sabbath)
May 17-23	The Cross	David Paul Ripley and Lynn Ripley (Church Development)
May 23-30	The Sanctuary	Nam, DaeGeuk (The Sanctuary and the Cross)
May 31-June 6	Pneumatology	Joo, MinHo
June 7-13	Eschatology	Kim, KiKon (The Acts of the Apostles)
June 14-20	Righteousness by Faith	Barbara Choi (Health Reformation)
June 21-27	The Three Angels' Message	Yun, DaeHwa (The Sabbath)
Sept. 13-20	The Cross	Kwon, ManBok (Small Group Seminar)
Oct. 11-18	Righteousness by Faith	Stanley Ng (Leadership Seminar)
Nov. 15-22	The Three Angels' Message	Nam, DaeGeuk (The Sanctuary and the Cross)

Dr. Cheryl Doss Leads 13th Group PMM Training

Dr. Cheryl Doss, General Conference Institute of World Mission director, was invited for the 13th group Pioneer Mission Movement (PMM) training held from October 26 to 29, 2014, at the office of the Northern Asia-Pacific Division. Seven pastors and their spouses participated in the training. Through Dr. Doss, these new PMM pastors were equipped with the knowledge of "effective cross-cultural ministry." All PMM pastors are required to participate in 100 hours of training before they leave for their respective mission fields.



Seven PMM pastors and their spouses have group training with Dr. Cheryl Doss (2nd from left).



The 13th group PMM missionaries with the NSD Annual Council delegates.



THE 13TH GROUP PMM DEDICATION SERVICE

GC vice president Lowell Cooper and NSD PMM coordinator Kim SiYoung



The 13th group Pioneer Mission Movement (PMM) dedication service was held on November 8, 2014, at Chunsung Church in Korea. Many church leaders were able to attend the service because it was during the Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD) Annual Council.

Seven pastors and their families were volunteering to serve for six years in frontier missions for the purpose of church planting and saving souls. Elder Lowell Cooper, GC vice president, encouraged the PMM pastors with a powerful message in his sermon. He emphasized calling, commission, and commitment. Dr. Jairyong Lee, NSD president, commended them for their sacrificial missionary spirit as he presented them with the plaque of missionary appointment.

These pastors, the 13th batch PMM missionaries, will be assigned in six different countries: Ko JongSik – Taiwan, Shin JongSung – Taiwan, Lee HanKil – China, Nam JinKu – Indonesia, Jeong EuiKwon – Japan, Pak JongSuk – Congo, and Kim JinHyup – Mongolia. They will receive 100 hours of intensive missionary training before they depart for their assigned countries.

Since the Pioneer Mission Movement (PMM) was launched in 2002, over the past 12 years, 94 PMM pastors and their families have left their home country to serve as cross-cultural church planting missionaries. At present, 48 pastors are working as PMM missionaries in 15 countries.

Kim SiYoung

NSD PARL Director, PMM Coordinator



Adventist church leaders pray for the newly dedicated missionaries.

SDA Fair Mission Participates in KOREA BEAUTY EXPO

By Han SukHee - NSD Communication Director

The 2014 Korea Beauty Expo was held at the Korea International Exhibition Center (KINTEX) in Ilsan, Gyeonggi Province, from October 30 to November 2, 2014. One of around 480 exhibitors, SDA Fair Mission set up a booth with the theme “Beauty and Diet in Daily Life.”

When the two cuisine experts, Hong SoonAe and Shim SeongAe, started making brown rice waffles, the delicious aroma wafted through the exhibition center, drawing people to the booth. Visitors showed a great interest in the experts’ simple but good looking recipes. Many people copied the recipes or took pictures of them.

Kim HyungJoon, a laughter therapist, and You Hyun, a plastic surgeon, shared their knowledge on healthy ways to lose weight. Kang MiSook, director of the research lab on life medical science at Sahmyook Medical Center, gave a short lesson on stretches and massage for relieving fatigue and also provided health consultations.

Booth visitors were interested in not only their outer beauty but also their inner beauty and health. It is natural for such people to be attracted to the counsels about diet, food, health, and moderation, as well as the gospel that the Adventist Church has.

“The more I deliver the gospel message, the more I realize that it is not an easy work. Because our way of preaching the gospel usually does not lead to immediate, tangible results, I often felt like quitting this work. However, whenever I felt frustrated, God kept urging me to keep doing this mission work. Now I know that we have a lot of opportunities to evangelize people not only in Korea but the world,” said Lee JeongHee, general manager of SDA Fair Mission.

Visitors at the SDA Fair Mission booth expressed their gratitude. “This booth shares valuable knowledge with visitors. Thank you for sharing with me the way to be beautiful and to keep my body in shape,” said one high school girl. “I dropped by this booth since I am very interested in a vegetarian diet and natural health care. Besides, I love reading, so this book, *An End-of-the-Earth Scenario*, is a great gift for me,” said another high school girl who was presented not only with health information but the gospel of God.

It was the second time Ms. Park JeongAe (age 66, Catholic) visited the booth. “My liver is not functioning very well. Last year, I tasted some brown rice Korean bread, and it was very impressive to me. I want to learn these kinds of recipes. If you plan to hold any workshops, please do not forget to invite me.”

The HisHands Mission Movement department of the



Above: NSD president and directors visit SDA Fair Mission booth.
Below: People show interest in SDA Fair Mission's exhibit.

Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD) supported the Mission’s participation in the expo. NSD directors and staff members visited their booth to encourage them and give them a helping hand. “SDA Fair Mission’s missionary work is kind of a farsighted approach. I assure you that what you have sown is not futile. Have faith that God will make the seeds grow, and move forward in faith regardless of difficulties,” said NSD president Jairyong Lee.

During the expo period, SDA Fair Mission had more than 13,000 visitors. About 600 of them chose to subscribe to *Home and Health*, the monthly magazine published by the Korean Publishing House. The Mission is planning to deliver God’s message to these subscribers with the cooperation of the NSD.



Golden Angels Annual Concert: *Be Faithful to the End*

By Kim NakHyung - NSD Youth Director

The Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD) youth and music ministries department held a Golden Angels 11th group thanksgiving concert. The concert was held at Chunsung Church in Korea on November 8, 2014. Because this concert was held during the NSD Annual Council (AC), the NSD AC representatives were able to attend this grace-filled concert. Church members and friends and family members of the Golden Angels also attended the concert, filling the time with gratitude and joy.

The theme of the concert was “Be Faithful to the End.” The members of the Golden Angels 11th group have faithfully carried out their mission work by God’s grace and guidance.

The NSD youth and music ministries director, Pastor Kim NakHyung, gave the welcoming remarks. He said, “The Golden Angels members always sing about our Savior Jesus and His love with one spirit and one voice. I

hope they will walk continually in this faithful way and praise His name until Jesus’ second coming.” He also introduced the new members of the Golden Angels 12th group.

The Golden Angels 11th group sang 11 songs, which were touching and beautiful. Toward the end of the concert, NSD president Pastor Jairyong Lee gave appreciation plaques to each of the Golden Angels members. He said, “The reason why many people widely accept the music of the Golden Angels is not only that they sing well, but also because they have the mission spirit in their music.” He emphasized that their music makes our spirit turn to heaven. The concert ended with Pastor Lee’s closing prayer. Each song had inspiring messages of God, and people were touched by the Golden Angels.



Pastor Lee expresses his gratitude to the Golden Angels 11th group.



The 11th group Golden Angels members with Pastor Kim NakHyung (2nd from the left in the second row), Pastor Jairyong Lee (3rd), and Pastor Park KunChun (right)

News from the Golden Angels in Taipei: Part I

By Park JaeHyuk - Golden Angels 11

The Golden Angels 11th group faced their final mission activity for the year 2014. The starting point was Sindien Church in Taipei, the capital of Taiwan. As part of their evangelism, the church offered foot massage, children's class, and a class for teenagers. The foot massage especially helped carry people's feet to the evangelism meetings.

Pioneer Mission Movement (PMM) Pastor Kim SeokWoo invited an American missionary to provide an hour of English class for the children, and a cultural exchange program was planned for the teenagers. Unfortunately, this was during exam week for children and teenagers, so attendance was poor. However, instead of giving up hope, a new goal was set for evangelism, and plans are being made to have another children's class and teenagers' class with the Golden Angels in March 2015.

In order to carry out these new plans, the church has a goal of raising 1 million TWD (about 32,000 USD). The church members were asked to give an offering pledge after being shown a visual presentation on the project. To monitor their success, a sticker would be removed from a chart for every 40,000 TWD. The church members thought that only one or two stickers would be removed that day, but a miracle happened: eleven stickers were taken off! This means about 440,000 TWD was collected from a special offering by 30 church members. Although that is still less than half of the final goal, we have seen that God is working with us, and we believe He will finish this mission.

There was also a baptismal ceremony at the church. For a year the pastor had been in contact with four souls and studying the Bible with them. They made the decision to become God's children. What a happy moment it was.

After that, the Golden Angels went to Neihu Church in Taipei. This church was recently started and is the youngest PMM church in Taiwan, but Pastor Kim InSoo and his wife have devoted their lives



1. Golden Angels have a concert at Sindien Church in Taipei.
2. Photo with newly baptized souls at Sindien Church
3. Two youth members of Neihu Church promote the concert of Golden Angels



to God and, praying with church members, were able to complete the evangelistic meeting. Even non-baptized church attendees were helping out and sharing papers with others. That week reminded us of the Bible verse from Psalm 126:5: "They that sow in tears shall reap in joy."

Once again we really thank God for giving us the precious opportunity to spread the gospel through His grace and mercy. Please pray for our pastors who are devoting their lives for Jesus Christ as PMM missionaries.

SHARING THE THREE ANGELS' MESSAGES THROUGH THE NSD MEDIA CENTER

By Pastor S.J. Byun - Manager of NSD Media Center



The Apostle Paul solemnly charged Timothy, "In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and by His appearing and His Kingdom: preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort, with great patience and instruction" (2 Timothy 4:1, 2, NASB).

One of the effective ways of sharing God's message with other people is media ministry. As electronic media enables rapid delivery of information, the different types of contemporary media should be fully utilized. Ellen G. White emphasized the importance of using modern communication media: "We must take every justifiable means of bringing the light before the people. Let the press be utilized, and let every advertising agency be employed that will call attention to the work" (6T, 36). "Means will be devised to reach

hearts. Some of the methods used in this work will be different from the methods used in the work in the past; but let no one, because of this, block the way by criticism" (*Evangelism* 105).

The Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD) Media Center has been performing various functions to communicate and to support the mission projects and programs of the NSD. The NSD Media Center is fairly small, made up of one manager and two technicians, but they have been working hard to maximize the efficiency of the productions.

The NSD Media Center has been utilizing various forms of media, including the Internet, video files, DVDs, and social networking services, to communicate the Three Angels' Messages with the people living in the NSD territories.

The NSD has been distributing videos to the Union Conferences, Union Mission and churches. A Golden Angels music DVD has been produced every year and warmly received by many people. The Media Center has also produced many kinds of promotional videos for mission projects and video reports about the NSD and each department. Mission videos and lecture videos have also been made. These video materials have been used for door-to-door visitation.

The Creation Movie Project is a worldwide church initiative to focus our belief on the biblical account of creation. This project is a tremendous outreach opportunity showcasing God's incredible creative acts during the six-day creation week and highlighting the beauty of the seventh-day Sabbath.

The NSD communication department and Media Center together with our communication directors from the NSD Union Conferences and Union Mission are producing the Creation Movie in our own languages. We have already completed the production in Korean. The Chinese, Japanese and Mongolian versions will soon be released.

The NSD's website (www.nsdadventist.org) has various functions. It introduces the Adventist church, helps people begin Bible studies, shares recent NSD news, and provides various videos.

Also, social networking services, such as Twitter, Facebook, Youtube, and Flickr, have been utilized to share the Gospel message and to introduce the Adventist Church to other people. Following are the links for the NSD social networking services.

- NSD Website: <http://www.nsdadventist.org>
- NSD Twitter: <https://twitter.com/nsdadventist>
- NSD Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/nsdadventist.org>
- NSD Youtube: <http://www.youtube.com/user/nsdadventist>
- NSD Flickr: <https://www.flickr.com/photos/nsdadventist/>

The NSD Media Center will continually spread the Three Angels' Messages to the end of the world by utilizing various forms of media and through the power of the Holy Spirit.





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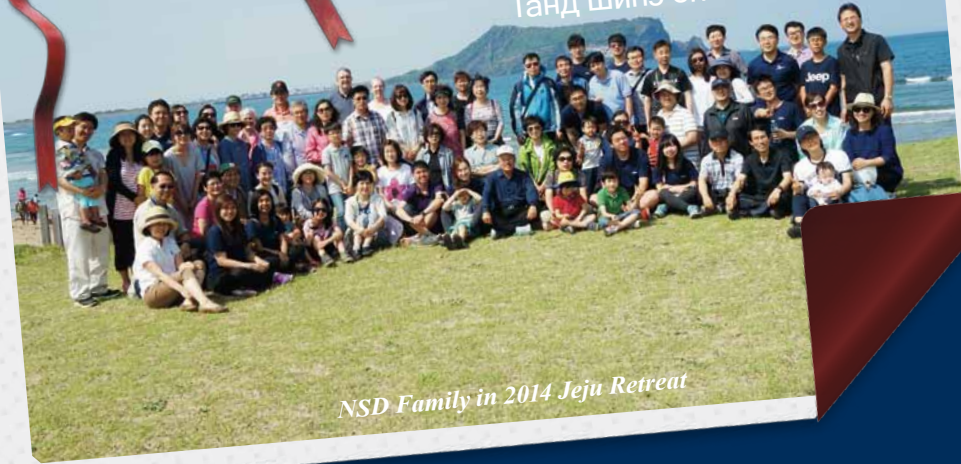
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새해 복 많이 받으세요

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NSD Family in 2014 Jeju Retreat

TELL the WORLD

Revive



Mission First
2011-2015



1000
MISSIONARY
MOVEMENT
(1000MM)



PIONEER
MISSION
MOVEMENT
(PMM)



GOLDEN
ANGELS
(GA)



HISHANDS
MISSION
MOVEMENT
(HHMM)



GLOBAL
MISSION
(GM)



COMMUNICATION
& LEADERSHIP
ADVANCEMENT
PROGRAM (CLAP)



MISSION
DAY
(MD)