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After Dr. Jairyong Lee announced his retirement from presidency, the General Conference Executive Committee voted Dr. Kim SiYoung as the new NSD president.

Your Redemption Is Near

The disciples of Jesus ask Jesus about the last days. "Jesus, when will be the last days of the world history? And what will be the signs that teach us the time comes near?" Jesus explains in detail the signs which will be in the heaven and on the earth, such as wars and revolutions, famines, pestilences, persecutions and false prophets, and then He gives this conclusion: "When these things begin to take place, stand up and lift up your heads, because your redemption is drawing near" (Luke 21:28).

"These things" here mean the signs of the perishing world, the signs that tell us the second coming of Jesus is coming near. These things, the signs warning the end of the world, have already begun and have almost been fulfilled. Now is the time when only the last parts of the signs are happening or will happen. We might say now is the end of the ends of the world, the extra time in a football game after the first and second half of the game is already finished. In this time, the Bible tells us to stand up and lift up our heads because our redemption is drawing near. The Bible does not say that our destruction is near, but it says that our redemption is near. It is not the news of a curse but the news of a blessing. Now our redemption is drawing near. Now we are told to stand up and lift up our heads.

What is the meaning of "stand up and lift up your heads"? It could mean that we are to wake up now from sleeping spiritually or only pursuing worldly and earthly things and to get up and stand up and lift up our heads toward heaven and turn our eyes upon heavenly and spiritual things. Isaiah 56:1, 2 suggests a more concrete concept. "My salvation is close at hand and my righteousness will soon be revealed. Blessed is the man who does this, the man who holds it fast, who keeps the Sabbath without desecrating it." Psalm 133:3 relates what the blessing is: "It is as if the dew of Hermon were falling on Mount Zion. For there the Lord bestows his blessing, even life forevermore."

Yes! In this time when Jesus' second coming is very near, the meaning of "stand up and lift up your heads" is to realize the true Sabbath and worship the Creator on Sabbath, the anniversary of creation and redemption, in the right way, and there

will be blessings for those who do this, the blessing of eternal life. But there are still things to be done by the people who lift up their heads. Now they can see something for they lift up their heads. What should they see?

"Open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest. Even now the reaper... harvests the crop for eternal life, so that the sower and the reaper may be glad together" (John 4:35, 36).

The message is very clear. For the people who lift up their heads, that is for us who keep the Sabbath holy, there is a promise of blessing of the eternal life. The day of redemption comes near eventually. Seventh-day Adventists are told to open our eyes and look at the field of souls. There are a number of souls who are ready for harvest, so we are invited to join the joyfulness of harvesting the crop for eternal life. This is the mission of soul-winning for us, the remnant. This time is the days of spiritual harvest. For Adventists who live in the last stage of world history, there is nothing more important than harvest of souls. Our Lord appeals to us to open our eyes and look at the field of soul-winning. My field for evangelism I should look at is the place where I stand up now, my home, my working place, my campus, my community... Whenever you have time, or make time even though you feel busy, in season or out of season,

rush to your respective fields, meet the souls, plough the farm, sow the seeds of gospel and harvest.



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.

Kim SiYoung, President

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Dr. Kim SiYoung and Dr. Jairyong Lee, new and former NSD presidents

n September 19, 2017, the General Conference (GC) Executive Committee voted Dr. Kim SiYoung as the president of the Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD) to replace Dr. Jairyong Lee who announced his retirement to be effective December 31, 2017.

The NSD Executive Committee (EXCOM) members from the division, China, Japan, Korea, Taiwan, Hong Kong and Macau, and Mongolia met together for the nomination of the new president on September 13. GC president Ted N. C. Wilson attended the meeting to chair this special EXCOM which functioned as the nominating committee for the new NSD president.

At the morning devotional prior to the NSD special EXCOM, Wilson quoted Jeremiah 32:27 and reminded those present that there is nothing too hard for the Lord. He also encouraged them to remember that the great gospel commission can be accomplished in this territory by depending upon God. Following his devotional message, Dr. Ted Wilson and his wife Nancy presented flowers and gifts to express their appreciation for Dr. Jairyong Lee and Mrs. Ahnsook Lee's great service and dedication to the gospel ministry.

Before recommending several candidate names for the nomination vote, 44 EXCOM members including Dr. Ted Wilson shared their wish list for characteristics of NSD's top leader. After thorough discussion and consideration, the majority of the NSD EXCOM members voted for the nomination of the new president, Dr. Kim SiYoung.

Dr. Kim SiYoung previously served as director of Adventist Mission, Pioneer Mission Movement, Public Affairs and Religious Liberty, and North Korean Mission for the NSD.

The NSD is the largest division in terms of population, which is 1.6 billion. Dr. Kim expressed a special



Dr. Kim SiYoung Elected as New President for the Northern AsiaPacific Division

burden for China where 1.4 billion people reside and most of them are un-reached but thirsty for the truth. "China is a major mission territory in our division area. There are a lot of challenges, at the same time great opportunities. With my special burden, I would like to help and support great mission efforts for China," Dr. Kim said.

Dr. Kim remarked that it is God's calling and he would accept this great responsibility humbly like Gideon. "Now I understand why Gideon said that his clan is weakest and he is the least in his family. I believe that God will be with me and all the churches, just like He was with Gideon. This heavy responsibility is a God-given mission, and I can rely on the only source, the power of the Holy Spirit. Please pray for me and my family."

Dr. Kim has served 37 years as pastor in various capacities from the local church level, local conference, union conference, institutions, and division level. After serving as local church pastor for several years, he served as the director of youth, education, and family ministries departments for the Middle West Korean Conference and youth director of Korean Union Conference.

He recalled the memory of the 1000 Missionary Movement (1000MM) that Dr. Jairyong Lee started as a mission movement in 1992 when Dr. Kim was serving as youth director in the Korean Union Conference. He was very impressed with Dr. Lee who was a man of God and a man of Mission, and he followed Dr. Lee's mission-driven services and the spirit of "Mission

First." He became the second director of the 1000MM Training Center in the Philippines, receiving the baton from Dr. Lee. His missionary training leadership was one of the most remarkable in his life.

After his successful service in the foreign mission lands, he was called to serve the SDA Language Institutes in Korea as the CEO (president). Filled with the missionary spirit of the 1000MM, he took on the huge responsibility. The period of his term was the peak time of Englishlearning fever in Korea, including the 2002 World Cup season. Under his leadership there were more



Ted N. C. Wilson, who chaired the nominating committee for the new NSD president, congratulates Dr. Kim SiYoung for his nomination as the new president.

than 40 branches with 280 nativespeaking teachers across the nation and about 50,000 students; in total, the enrollment figure neared 70,000. Through the language schools, more than a thousand souls were baptized each year, and those yearlybaptized numbers became a major contribution to the total number of baptisms in Korea.

Dr. Kim has also had other various mission experiences as a hospital chaplain and as president of the Korean Publishing House. He authored a book *To the End of the Earth*, which reflects Dr. Kim's emphasis on mission as the priority in all activities.

Dr. Kim and his wife have two grown children, YoungUk (son) and SoYeon (daughter). Dr. Kim was born on November 25, 1954, in Boryeong City, Korea. He graduated with a Doctor of Ministry degree from AIIAS (Adventist International Institute of Advanced Studies) in the Philippines in 2007. He received a bachelor's degree in theology from Sahmyook University in Korea in 1979 and Master of Pastoral Studies from AIIAS in 1990.





Elder Ted Wilson and his wife Nancy present flowers and gifts to express their appreciation for Dr. Jairyong Lee and Mrs. Ahnsook Lee's dedication to mission work in the NSD territory.

Song SungSubNSD Associate Secretary



2017 GLOBAL ADVENTIST INTERNET NETWORK FORUM

Han SukHee
NSD Communication Director



The 2017 Global Adventist Internet Network (GAiN) Forum hosted by the communication department of the General Conference (GC) was held from August 9 to 13, 2017, on the campus of Centro Universitário Adventista de São Paulo (UNASP), Brazil. More than 800 people from 83 countries attended this five-day festival in order to discuss and learn about a new vision and strategies for internet mission.

The annual international GAiN conference attendance has averaged 250 people from across the world, but this year, it far exceeded more than three times the average

number of attendees. The GC communication department worked hard to provide accommodations, transportation, and other convenience to attendees.

The first day was full of presentations by directors of Adventist Mission Global Study Centers. Following the introduction of Gary Krause, GC Adventist Mission director, each presenter shared a message on Muslims, Postmodernism, Jewish-Adventist friendship, Urban, South Asian religions, and East Asian religions, respectively. The presenters also had a Q & A session in the afternoon. In the evening, UNASP presented a special performance with music, video, and dance to introduce the school to attendees.

On Day 2, attendees visited Casa Publicadora Brasileira, a publishing house of the South American Division (SAD) and Novo Tempo (SAD media center). They were deeply impressed by the publishing and media ministries of the SAD during the field trip. The very efficient media mission system of Novo Tempo gave them a lot of things to learn. It is a large-scale broadcasting station with more than 500 employees and more than 6 studios, a call center, an editorial office, and a newsroom.

Presentations continued on Day
3. The presentation topics included
"Security and Mission," "It's Time
to ACT," "Software Development for
Web Application," "UNASP Long
Distance Education," "Conscious
Use of Technology," and "Sonscreen."
The morning worship message
was provided by Steve Currow,
communication director of South
Pacific Division.

One of the most attractive presentations was "2018 Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD) International Mission Congress," presented by the NSD. After a brief video introducing Korea, the host country of 2018 GAiN, NSD communication director Han SukHee gave a presentation about the NSD International Mission Congress, which will be held at KINTEX in Ilsan, Korea, next year. Many attendees gave positive responses and showed their desire to attend by saying, "I will be there." Pastor Han also reported how internet, media, and social network are applied to mission work in China, Japan, South Korea, and Mongolia through a wellprepared 15-minute video report.

The auditorium housing South America's largest Seventh-day Adventist Church on the campus of Brazil's Centro Universitário Adventista de São Paulo (UNASP) was packed to standing room only on



Pastor Han, NSD communication director, gave a presentation about the "2018 NSD International Mission Congress," which will be held in Korea.



Students of UNASP in Brazil performs a special musical program.

Friday evening. Students, faculty and community members joined more than 800 GAiN attendees for a vespers service featuring dynamic music and a message by Erton Köhler, president of SAD, a region of the Church encompassing eight countries. "You are here to change the future," Köhler said emphatically, before encouraging communication professionals to help the Gospel message "go viral."

Many other memorable presentations and programs continued on Sabbath and on the last day. The Sabbath

sermon was given by GC vice president Guillermo Biaggi and was entitled, "Love that Drives Me to Serve." The evening musical concert, which told about the life



GC communication director (center in the first row), and Division

communication directors

of Apostle Paul, touched viewers' hearts with its images, songs, and orchestra performance.

2017 GAiN held in Sao Paulo, Brazil, was a very impressive conference. While attendees were listening to various presentations and visiting mission institutes, they could experience valuable time to renew their vision and strategies for effective mission work through internet, broadcast and media.

The next GAiN conference is scheduled for August 8 to 12, 2018, in South Korea. For more information, visit the GAiN website: https://gain.adventist.org/.









- 1 & 2. The GAiN attendees took a field trip to Novo Tempo, broadcasting station of SAD, and were impressed by its large-scale and efficient media mission system. Pictures are of various sets in a studio in Novo Tempo.
- 3. A control room in a studio in Novo Tempo
- 4. The Casa Publicadora Brasileira. a publishing house of the SAD

2017 **HOPE CHANNEL** NETWORK LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Byun SeongJun

NSD Communication Associate Director

The 2017 Hope Channel Network Leadership Conference, which was entitled "Broadcast to Baptism," was held at Novo Tempo, São Paolo, Brazil, from August 14 to 17, 2017. Seventy worldwide Hope Channel managers and Division coordinators attended to report broadcast mission work in each area and to discuss plans for effective cooperation and development.

Representing the Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD), Pastor
Han SukHee, NSD Hope Channel
coordinator; Pastor Byun SeongJun,
NSD Media Center manager; Pastor
Um DukHyun, Media Center
director of Korean Union Conference
(KUC); Pastor Ku JiHyun, KUC
Hope Channel coordinator; Pastor
Norihiko Hanada, Hope Channel
director of Japan Union Conference
(JUC); Mr. Haruhito Oshuga, JUC
Media Center director; and Mr. Billy
Liu, Hope Channel China director;
attended.

Delivering words from Luke 10:2 "the harvest is truly great," Pastor Derek Morris, General Conference

Hope Channel president, emphasized that the harvest cannot be finished because of us, although the field is already plentiful.

Another impressive program was the baptismal service for a person who accepted Jesus as a personal Savior through the Hope Channel. Hope Channel and a local church pastor closely cooperated for the service. Family members of the newly baptized person also came to celebrate.

The Hope Channel Network
Leadership Conference covered two
important content areas: various
presentations for Hope Channel
and reports from local Hope
Channel stations. "Hope Channel
Branding," "Intellectual Property
Issues," "Fundraising," "Web, Social
Media and Bible," "Broadcasting
to Special Needs," and "Content
Sharing System" were very beneficial
presentations. A plenary discussion
led by Dr. Morris was a good time to
share what they had learned and to
communicate with each other.

The NSD gave a report on the

second day. After greetings and an introduction by Pastor Han SukHee, each Hope Channel in China, Japan, and Korea showed how it is working in their country. Hope Channel Korea and Japan recently started its work and tries to cooperate with social network



Above: Mr. Billy Liu, Hope Channel China director, and Pastor Han SukHee, NSD Hope Channel coordinator Below: Norihiko Hanada, JUC Hope Channel director, gives a report.

services, Internet Protocol Television providers, and Bible Correspondence School.

Mr. Antonio Tostes, president of Novo Tempo, media center of the South American Division, testified how God has been working for Novo Tempo, based on its decadeslong history. The vision of Division and Union leaders, the unity and dedication of church pastors and members, strategic vision, and financial support of a businessman, Mr. Milton Alfonso, played huge roles in developing Novo Tempo.

In this age, with the importance of media and broadcast mission, we need more prayers for media ministry in the NSD.



Delegates of Hope Channel ministry in the NSD



2017 AHCA Presidents Council Meets in Seoul, Korea

Stanley Ng
NSD AHCA Coordinator

¬he 2017 Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD) Presidents' Council of the Adventist HealthCare Association (AHCA) was held from September 25 to 29, 2017, at Grand Ambassador, Seoul, Korea. About 35 Adventist hospital administrators, medical doctors, department heads, and guest speaker, together representing 11 member hospitals from the NSD and one associate member, Penang Adventist Hospital, participated in the council. Sahmyook Medical Center, which is an Adventist hospital in Seoul, under the leadership of Dr. Choi MyungSup, the president, was the host hospital to prepare hotel accommodations, daily programs and logistical assistance.

The Presidents' Council is an annual event for hospital

administrators and leaders to meet and renew their friendships and to have fellowship with each other for spiritual enrichment, networking and continuing education. The guest speaker for this year's council was Dr. Robert Cherry, the chief medical and quality officer for UCLA Health in Los Angeles, California, USA.

Dr. Cherry presented a twomorning seminar on the subjects of "Clinical Quality and Safety Management," "How to Improve Patient Experience," "How to Provide Value to Patients," "Strategic Development of Client-based Healthcare Initiatives," etc.

Dr. Cherry used a lot of innovative methods, such as analytics, informatics, and advanced computational techniques that are designed to

raise clinical quality and improve patient experience. Many hospital administrators expressed their appreciation to the speaker for his relevant presentations.

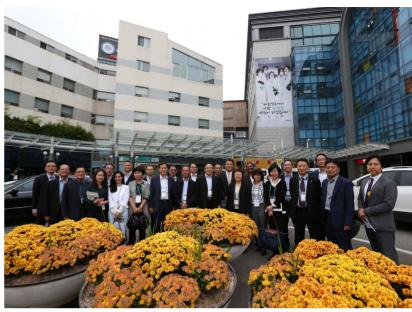
On the first day of activities, participants visited a government hospital, Seoul Medical Center, a very modern hospital with sophisticated medical facilities. During the visit, the hospital arranged a special signing ceremony for a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Seoul Medical Center and AHCA for future collaboration. Participants also visited our Sahmyook Medical Center and enjoyed a delicious welcome dinner with the management team and department heads. The beautiful dinner was prepared by the hospital.

On the second day, the participants visited another privately owned hospital, Myongji Hospital, with 700+beds, a First Grade hospital and regional emergency center with 33 medical care system departments and 24 special medical care centers. Participants were very much impressed with their soon-to-open VIP Ward facilities and environmentally friendly atmosphere of the physical examination center.

During the council business session, under the chairmanship of Dr. Toshihiro Nishino, AHCA president, all hospital presidents or representatives gave their annual report on each hospital performance. Many were routine agenda items. The council also voted to hold the 2018 AHCA Presidents' Council in Sydney, Australia.

The council also re-elected Dr. Nishino, president of Tokyo Adventist Hospital, to continue to serve as AHCA president for the next two years (2018-2019). The newly-elected AHCA secretary/treasurer is Dr. Huang Hui-Ting, president of Taiwan Adventist Hospital.

AHCA is the umbrella organization over all the Adventist health care institutions within the NSD. The purpose of AHCA is to provide coordination, services, advice and networking among the hospital administrators.



AHCA participants visited Myongji Hospital in Korea.

The 8th World Congress for Religious Freedom



Two women, Choi HyeHyun and Seo Eunhye, joined the delegates from the NSD. They are medical students whose appeal to take the medical exams after Sabbath was granted.

round 550 people from 65 different Acountries and 6 continents gathered at Diplomat Resort & Spa in Florida, USA, from August 22 to 24, 2017, for the forum and seminar tackling the pressing issue of world religious freedom. Some 50 presenters—scholars, lawyers, advocates, government officials and religious leaders—from around the world shared with the attendees their rich experiences and expertise on religious liberty. Presenters as renowned scholars and authors, public officials, religious freedom advocates, and members of the international nongovernmental organization community represented more than twenty nationalities as well as major world

religions. This time the key issue of the congress was religious freedom and hope for a peaceful coexistence.

As one of the presenters, Ted N.C. Wilson, president of the General Conference (GC) of the Seventh-day Adventists, stressed that religious freedom is one of the precious gifts granted to us from the very beginning by the Creator of all. Religious freedom is fundamental to the happy life of all humanity and an integral part of lifestyle. Despite this precious gift given by God to humanity, religious liberty is restricted in 40 percent of world countries, and 78.5 percent (5.9 billion people) of the world population live in areas where religious liberty is restricted.

The Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD) has a great challenge in terms of religious freedom. North Korea, a still closed world, has not allowed her people to have the freedom of religion. There is no official Adventist church in North Korea. In China, although people are allowed to have their own religion, there are still limits and restrictions. Sabbath

observance is another hot issue even in South Korea and other countries in the NSD territories.

Union and Conference PARL (Public Affairs & Religious Liberty) directors were invited to attend the 8th World Congress for Religious Freedom. From the NSD territories, Pastor Bold Batsukh from Mongolia Mission, Pastor Toshio Shibata from Japan Union Conference, Pastor IiChun Lee from Korea Union Conference with five local conference PARL directors, and Pastor Alphon Fung from Hong Kong and Macau Conference attended this meeting. From the NSD office, Pastor Jairyong Lee, who was then the Division president; Dr. Kim SiYoung, Global Mission director; and Dr. Joo Minho, PARL director; attended the congress.

In addition, Choi HyeHyun and Seo Eunhye from Korea also joined the delegates from the NSD. These two women were medical students who had graduated from universities last year but had not been able to take the exam for a medical doctor's license due to the Sabbath issue. One of the exam days fell on the Sabbath. They appealed to the Human Right Korea Commission to allow them to take the exams after sunset on Saturday, but unfortunately their request was denied. Three Adventist medical students refused to take the exams on the Sabbath. Their faithful acts were delivered to the GC PARL department and Dr. Nelu Burcea, GC PARL associate director, appealed to Korean diplomats working at the United Nations. By the grace of God, the exam days were changed from the Sabbath to a weekday.

Two out of the three students had the chance to attend this international meeting and learn what is going on in the area of religious freedom internationally. Both of them had interviews with Dr. Nelu regarding their courage to stand firm for their principles no matter what the circumstances.





The 12th NSD **ASI**Convention







The 12th ASI (Adventist Laymen's Services and Industries) convention of the Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD) was held at Ambassador Hotel in Bangkok, Thailand, from September 7 to 10, 2017. One hundred twenty-three ASI members from five different countries in the NSD territories registered for the meeting.

Elder Song Jong Hyun, NSD ASI president, declared the opening with the applause of all attendees. On the morning of September 8, there was a business meeting to deal with the amended NSD ASI bylaws. All representatives approved the articles about the nominating committee, officers, and board members. According to the stipulation on the nominating committee in the amended bylaws, "Nominating Committee members shall be chosen from each constituent country by a simple majority of the members present. There will be one (1) representative chosen out of every twenty (20) delegates, and they shall not exceed three (3) people from each country." During the business meeting, three delegates from Korea, two from China, one from Japan,

and one from Mongolia were selected. Jairyong Lee, then president of the NSD, chaired the nominating committee. Elder Song was reelected as NSD ASI president for the next three years.

During the 12th NSD ASI Convention, Jairyong Lee and Tim Aka, General Conference associate treasurer, were invited as keynote speakers. Jairyong Lee mentioned mission challenges in the NSD territories and appealed to the ASI leaders and members to refresh their hearts with the spirit of Total Member Involvement to deal with those challenges. Tim Aka presented the relationship between

economy cycle and Bible prophecy.

New board members and officers of NSD ASI:

- President: Song JongHyun (Korea)
- Vice President: Oh SooHo, Zia Jun, Kim TaeKyoung, Li Jie, Kazuo Hori, Tsaishuiteh, Enkhtivan Gantulga
- Secretary: Jo SangHyeon
- Associate Secretary: Miao Cunda
- Director: Moon SeungTae, Jakana
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- Coordinator: Choi YoungIl (NSD), Lee ByoungJu (KUC), David Ng (CHUM), Masaru Kobayashi (JUC), Chili Du (TWC), Kim YoHan (MM)

Thirty-three volunteers, consisting ARM workers and their relatives, dedicated their vacation to a mission in Mongolia. One of their mission projects was building an Adventist church in the Nisekh neighborhood.





ARM Mission Trip: The Work of Jesus Here on Earth Thayanne Brasa

Journalist in ARM South America

Agroup that works in the area of risk prevention in the Adventist Church for South America (ARM – Adventist Risk Management) and their relatives dedicated their vacation to a mission that began in the heights. They spent more than 28 hours flying from Brasilia, the capital of Brazil, to the final destination, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia. A distance of 15,765 km separates the two nations, in addition to a multitude of cultural differences and customs. However, something stronger joins them: love.

On July 9, 2017, all 33 volunteers were with their working tools: gloves, masks, hoes, and shovels. The goal was to build an Adventist church in the Nisekh neighborhood. The group

was engaged in cleaning the area, organizing the bricks and preparing the base, literally getting "their hands dirty." According to the Salvadorean Lidia Calderón, to be part of the construction of a church in Asia is exciting. "This would be a job that Jesus would do here on Earth. I am very moved because a brick makes a difference and will greatly help our brothers in Mongolia."

Thinking about the future members of this new church, the group organized social activities to attract the community, such as soccer school, children's games, handcraft workshop, massage, physiotherapy, health assessment, and beauty salon. Women came out with curly hair.

Boys and girls of all ages attended the activities. They filled the courts, ran from one side to the other, jumped and played. God was praised by the children's smiles. The challenge of the language, which some people were concerned about, disappeared as, through smiles, hugs, gestures, and much affection, anything could be said. A simple sentence "Hello!" or "Good morning!" in Mongolian, spoken by a Westerner, brought joy to those people, built a bond and motivated them to join the latter part of the project: the evangelistic worship.

In a rented building, the meetings began with the national anthem of Mongolia. Everyone with their hands



on their chests sang with one voice. However, the voice that prevailed was that of the children, who were in the majority. One of the highlights of the program was the staging of Bible stories presented by the missionaries. For Dioni Cruz, who cared for the little ones, it was gratifying to work

with people from distant countries, people who may have never heard of the Bible. "The experience was remarkable, beautiful, and God helped us. I hope they now have a desire to look for other stories in the Bible to know more about Jesus."

It was nine days of dedication. The food was a novelty. Sleeping in a ger (traditional Mongolian rounded tent) was an amazing experience. Getting to know the nomadic culture and its hospitality was exciting. Some learned more than they taught; others made friendships that will be eternal. The seed was planted, and Pastor Yure Gramacho, who is a missionary in Mongolia, will continue the planting. "You dedicated not only your resources, but you dedicated your time, your talents, and also left here sweat, blood, and tears. I have no doubt that your effort, like the sacrifice of Christ in the past, was not and

Mongolia is part of the 10/40 Window, which is the region with the least Christian presence on

will not be in vain. For

forth fruit unto eternal

life."

everything that has been

done here will surely bring

Earth. This church which is being built in Nisekh is the result of much prayer, effort and love. It will be a place to meet God as well as a place that will attend the community with a physiotherapy clinic and a sewing course. It will also be a haven for children and adults who often live without any hope.

"It was a blessing, a joy. May the lessons learned and the marks that have remained in us be eternal," said Jabson Magalhães, general director of ARM South America. The next mission is already being dreamed up and planned. "We will continue this project somewhere else in the world and hopefully contribute to the preaching of the gospel so that Jesus can come back soon," he concluded.



A volunteer group organized various social activities, such as soccer school and children's games, to attract the people in the Nisekh neighborhood.

First Mission-Wide Field School in Mongolia

Ron Clouzet

NSD Ministerial Association Director





The first mission-wide field school of evangelism in Mongolia Mission (MM) is scheduled to take place between July 2017 and March 2018. The process will involve a number of evangelistic training events for churches, pastors, and members, spiritual revival for churches, community outreach, plus pre-harvest and harvest meetings intended for the public. The field school will be led by Dr. Ron Clouzet, ministerial secretary of the Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD) and former director of the Evangelism Institute in North America.

From July 20 to 22, 2017, the churches in Mongolia met for their annual camp meeting. During those days, a series of organizational meetings were held to begin planning for the field school. Meetings with MM leadership were held, laying out plans and objectives and discussing an overall budget strategy. Another meeting was held with all the pastors of the MM, to discuss field school plans and answer questions. This was followed by another meeting with all the lay leaders of the various congregations that were present at the camp meeting.

The field school countdown will be the following:

• August 20 to 30 – Deadline for each church's commitment to be

part of the field school;

- September 22 to 23 Evangelism rally Sabbath, focusing on personal evangelism and intercessory prayer
- November 10 to 12 Seminar on how to give Bible studies
- December 9 Training on how to reclaim inactive members
- December 16 Training on missional small groups
- December 9 to 16 Week-long spiritual revival focusing on the work of the Holy Spirit
- February 3 to 7, 2018 Pre-harvest public meetings aimed for the secular and non-Christian public
- March 2 to 24 Main evangelistic meetings
- March 24 Training for new-believer assimilation.
- Churches will also plan community outreach events during these months as well as special weeks of prayer.

There was general enthusiasm and curiosity over the plans, many remarking on the comprehensiveness of the program. Many pastors and members pledged to do their part to see as many people won to Jesus as would be possible over the next few months. Please help us pray for Mongolia.



Apologetics Meetings in Nakano a Success

Ron Clouzet
NSD Ministerial Association Director

fter months of evangelistic Apreparation, the meetings on apologetic subjects planned for Japan took place. From September 16 to 20, 2017, Dr. Ron Clouzet, ministerial association director of the Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD), and his translator presented relevant topics for the general public. The series Why God? included subjects on the concept of God, suffering, hell, the Bible, and the uniqueness of Jesus Christ as a religious leader. It was designed to attract a secular public and give them a biblical worldview option to consider. An average of 250 people attended each night, including about 100 non- or nominal members. Such high non-Adventist attendance hadn't happened in a long time.

Volunteer church members helped in a number of ways. Not only were there greeters and ushers and those in charge of providing food for helpers, but on a long resource table there were a variety of relevant books and DVDs available for purchase supporting the learning process. Sales were higher than expected. In addition, there were row hosts for every three rows and sets of tables, assisting attendees with registration, feedback cards, and announcements. A key objective for the row hosts was to get acquainted with the people in their section for future evangelistic visitation. These meetings functioned also as a dress rehearsal for the main evangelistic meetings, which were held in early October.

The attendance grew each night, with about 90% registering and providing nightly feedback. That also was considerably higher than expected in a society that tends to be hesitant about giving personal information. The presentation content was of a professional quality, appealing to the mind, and using numerous references to philosophy,

history, literature, and culture—aside from Scripture—in order to be more relevant to non-religious and non-Christian ears. Those who attended at least 60% of the lectures received a new Japanese translation of Dr. Clouzet's book on the subject. The Japan Union Conference media team filmed the series and will produce a set of the presentations for interested persons. The nightly meetings were also broadcast live online to a number of churches involved in the field school of evangelism in Japan.

The feedback by the attendees was extremely positive, with many remarking on the value of the things they were able to learn as biblical truth as compared to other worldviews. The great majority of those attending made the decision to attend the main evangelistic meetings in Amanuma, scheduled from October 6 to 28.

Not Just Youth but All Rush Literature Evangelism: Report on All Rush Japan

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The first Youth Rush Japan, a mission movement emphasizing literature evangelism and Bible work, was pioneered in 2015 and completed in summer 2016, with 27 young participants. However, literature evangelism is not just for young people. The Spirit of Prophecy says the following statement: "Let every believer scatter broadcast tracts and leaflets and books containing the message for this time. We need colporteurs, who will go forth to circulate our publications everywhere" (Colporteur Ministry, 21).

The literature ministries department of the Japan Union Conference (JUC) came up with the idea that the Youth Rush program might not be just for "youth." Adults may not be able to run as quickly or





energetically go door-to-door like young people. However, the principles of door knocking taught in Youth Rush could be applied to every generation of people in Japan. We started experimenting at several churches—that is All Rush Japan.

All Rush Japan involves young people who have experienced youth rush, adult colporteurs, and church members interested in experiencing colporteur work. They gather together to train and to learn how to more effectively do literature evangelism work.

Literature evangelism is not just about selling books. It is about using literature in any way to evangelize. Even if some of us do not have the talent of speech, through distribution of literature, we can still share important messages of the gospel. Handing out scripture promise cards, tracts, Adventist church magazines and books to friends and family is still literature evangelism.

In 2017, JUC literature ministries department conducted Youth Rush and All Rush at the same time. From August 6 to 27, twenty young people participated in Youth Rush. From August 12 to 16, ten adults joined All Rush. Participants had a training session every morning, and in the afternoon, they went out to practice what they had learned. The





result was the distribution of 700 tracts, 90 conversations, 2 *Signs of the Times* magazine subscriptions, 26 magazines sold, and 6 books sold.

Many people say literature evangelism in Japan does not and will not work. Literature evangelism in Japan has been going through difficult times. However, through All Rush, the declining literature evangelism work in Japan is beginning to see streams of hope. Please continue to pray and support the literature evangelism work in Japan.

Health and Literature Evangelism Daniel Fukuda Youth Rush Japan Staff

My sister, Monica Fukuda, who was a teacher at Souls West Bible College in Arizona, USA, had a deep burden to share the health message expressed in the book *Ministry of Healing*. With the help of many of her friends and family, they published an easy-to-read book entitled *Habits that Heal*, which highlights some of the important points of *Ministry of Healing*, along with inserts of short comments by doctors from the Loma Linda area. Since then, the book has been widely sold and has been very successful in the Youth Rush programs in the North America Division in the United States.

Youth Rush Japan decided to translate and adapt the book into Japanese in order to publish a health book specifically designed to be used by colporteurs in Japan. We had ten volunteer translators. Most of them were young people who had a burden for evangelism work in Japan. With the support of many people from both Japan and around the world, the Japanese health book was published in July 2017. In Japan, less than 1% of the population is Christian. It is usually very difficult for literature evangelists to first connect with people at the doors with a Bible message. Health is a non-controversial topic that is perfect as an opener to start a friendly conversation. Furthermore, in the last few chapters of the book, the connection between physical and spiritual health is clearly explained using Bible passages.

This past summer, with the new health book as an opener, we had the highest number of books sold! The new health book helped the students connect with people from different religious backgrounds. Many of the students in the Youth Rush and the adult colporteurs said the book is easy to read and expressed their appreciation toward the simple health message presented in the book!

Just like sister Ellen G. White has been saying, combining health and literature work is a powerful combination to preach the Three Angels'



Messages in the last days. We pray that both the health work and the literature work will continue to work together and be led by the Holy Spirit to reach millions of people in Japan. Thank you for your prayers and support. Maranatha!

Not a Work, but a Service!

nly teachers, all teachers, more than 120 teachers, almost all of them Adventist teachers came together for a Sabbath of worship and fellowship at the multipurpose hall of Hong Kong Adventist Academy on September 16, 2017. They are teachers of Sam Yuk schools of Hong Kong-Macau Conference, including Hong Kong Adventist Academy, Kowloon Sam Yuk Secondary School, Tai Po Sam Yuk Secondary School, Hong Kong Sam Yuk Kindergarten School, and Macau Sam Yuk Middle School.

During the worship, teachers were encouraged to rethink and answer together the question "Why Adventist education?" In his onehour presentation, Dr. Richard Sabuin, NSD education director, posted three questions in relation to the coming of Naaman to the Jordan River for healing from his leprosy: 1) What brought Naaman to the Jordan River? 2) What did Naaman find at the Jordan River? 3) What did Naaman experience at the Jordan River? Analogously, these are three questions about Adventist education. It was God's prophet (Adventist teachers) that

brought Naaman (the students) to the Jordan River (Adventist schools). What students find in the Adventist schools is a faithintegrated curriculum. And what they experience is a total or wholeperson conversion: physical, intellectual, spiritual, and social. These make Adventist education unique. Moreover, the church offers Adventist education at the end times, in the context of the great controversy, before the second coming of Christ. This makes Adventist education very vital in preparing young people for the coming of Christ.

Facilities are important, but far more important than good facilities is the service of Adventist teachers. Abana and Pharpar in Damascus might be much more beautiful than the Jordan River, but God's prophet is not there. He is at the Jordan River! Again, it is Adventist teachers that make Adventist education a unique one. Undoubtedly, we do need Adventist education.

Dr. Barbara Choi, education director of Chinese Union Mission, did the translation from English to Cantonese for the sermon and the panel discussion focusing on the role of Adventist teachers in mission schools. Three senior Adventist teachers were part of the panel: Kar Wai Lam (Kowloon Sam Yuk), Wong Chung Yeung (Tai Po Sam Yuk), and Tam Tsz Ho (Macau Sam Yuk). One of them stated: "For me, teaching in an Adventist school is not work; it is a service or ministry." Another emphasized that doing extra responsibilities and serving overtime is expected for Adventist teachers.

The whole program ended at 4 p.m. after a team-building activity involving all teachers, led by the chaplains of the schools. We thank Dr. Frank Tam, HKMC education director, who has organized this annual event since 2013. Indeed, I could see the excitement of the teachers expressing the same message that teaching in Adventist schools is not work; it is a service for the Lord!





US Pathfinders Participate in First Mongolia Mission Camporee

Fernando Verduzco

Georgia-Cumberland Conference Children's/Junior Youth Ministries Director

A Pathfinder team from the Georgia-Cumberland Conference (GCC) in the United States had the privilege of participating in the first Mongolia Mission (MM) Pathfinder Camporee, held from July 14 to 18, 2017. More than 120 Mongolian Pathfinders attended the event, which was held at the new Youth Training Center in Bayanchandmani, Tuv Aimag, Mongolia.

The camporee gave Alex Ball, a Pathfinder from Temple, Georgia, his first opportunity to leave the United States, travel by airplane, and experience different cultures. "From the drill competition, to teaching an honor, to even the morning exercises—it was all a blast," he said. "I look forward to seeing a few of my new friends at the 2019 Chosen International Camporee."

Anna Bennethum, a Pathfinder from LaGrange, Georgia, found the Mongolian people to be very loving and accepting. She said, "I learned that you don't have to speak the same language or have the same culture to connect with someone on a spiritual level."

Recognizing the worldwide popularity of Medal of Honor recipient Desmond Doss and the movie *Hacksaw Ridge*, the MM chose the theme "Heroes of the Cross—Live Like Doss." Munkh-Orgil Lkhagvaa, MM youth ministries and Pathfinder director, coordinated the camporee along with his team.

The Pathfinder ministry is a vital outreach for Seventh-day Adventists in Mongolia since most of the people who live in this Central Asian country share a Buddhist background. In addition, the majority of church members are in their twenties, which reflects the country's median age of 27. The camporee offered a glimpse of Jesus through the opening ceremony, honors, activities, worships, and even the *Hacksaw Ridge* movie. Eight Pathfinders chose to be baptized at the camporee, making it a high celebration weekend.

The Pathfinder team from GCC led worship and activities, provided special music, and taught honors in Christian storytelling, soap craft, the Sanctuary, basic rescue, tracking, and camp safety. AdventSource, the





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official ministry resource distribution center for the North American Division in the United States, partnered by supplying neckerchiefs and honors. A special conference Pathfinder Mission Fund was used to purchase items, including camporee T-shirts, Desmond Doss books and trading cards as well as various prizes.

"My experience on this trip to Mongolia was very enlightening," said Pathfinder Abbeygale Bonds from Macon, Georgia. "Not only did we get to experience another culture firsthand, but we also got to spread the gospel to God's children."

George Kawamura, a Pathfinder regional director from Berkeley Lake, Georgia, said, "The vast, open country, the smiles of the Mongolian people, and their praise songs during the camporee program will stay with me forever. It was a privilege to be part of the Mongolia Mission team!"

Pathfinders at Jeju Central Church Visit Jianshan Church in Taiwan



The Pathfinder club at Jeju Central Church in Korea was one of the Pathfinder clubs that attended the second Pathfinder camporee of the Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD). However, the club, which is composed of 17 Pathfinders and the church pastor, left Korea a few days earlier than the date the camporee began to visit the Jianshan Church in Taiwan.

The Jianshan Church is located in a remote country village two hours from Kaosiung, which is the second-largest city in Taiwan. It has around 100 church members of Taiwanese Aborigines. The Pathfinder team intended to visit the church without a Korean pastor because they wanted to experience the unique local colors of an Adventist church in Taiwan.

What inspired the Pathfinder club at first was the church members' pure and passionate hearts to worship God. The Jianshan Church has vespers two times, at 5 p.m. for the youth and 7 p.m. for adults. At 5 a.m. on Sabbath, they start the special day with an early morning prayer. The Sabbath school is divided into two parts: The first part begins at 8:30 a.m. and the second part begins at 9:30 a.m.

During the first part of Sabbath school, the Pathfinder club was granted time to introduce the mission work and Pathfinder activities of Jeju Central Church as well as Jeju Island, a beautiful island in Korea. The church members showed their interest in unique cultural assets, such as traditional stone statues, female divers in Jeju, and Seongsan Sunrise Peak. The church members then sang praise songs in Korean, touching the hearts of the club members.

On Sabbath afternoon, the Jianshan church members and the Pathfinder club members enjoyed Pathfinder activities together. The church members followed the Pathfinder leaders and eagerly participated in the activities. At sunset, everyone stopped what they were doing and gathered at the gym close to the church in order to have sunset worship. After having worship, all the church members from children to seniors enjoyed exercise at the gym, and their neighbors casually joined in the exercise.

"Even though we spent only one Sabbath at the Jianshan Church, it inspired me a lot. It seems to me that they spend the Sabbath in a way that Sabbath should be spent. And all church members are doing what they have to do, united in spirit with God," said Mrs. Hwang, one of the Pathfinders.



Kids in Discipleship in Japan

The children's ministries of Japan Union Conference (JUC) organized and supported Kids in Discipleship (K.I.D.) trainings from August 18 to 27, 2017. Pastor Luis Antonio Dias, representing K.I.D., traveled from Brazil to conduct trainings in Shizuoka (Tokai International Church), the Tachikawa JUC office (Japanese churches), and the Chubu area (Toyohashi, Kariya, and Toyota international churches). Participants included parents, pastors, and church leaders.

K.I.D. is a life-transforming ministry—a philosophy more than a program—that equips congregations, parents, and mentors to implement the model of discipleship described in Deuteronomy 6:4-7, "The Lord our God, the Lord is one! You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength. And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up" (NKJV).

K.I.D., founded and directed by Pastor Don MacLafferty, has been an active ministry for more than 15 years and has been implemented in almost all the world divisions. It has now been introduced and implemented in different areas of China, Japan, Korea, Mongolia, and Taiwan. Through K.I.D. training, the participating families 1) grow in a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and one another, 2) are empowered to use their gifts in worship, ministry, and mission and 3) learn how important it is to lead their children in spiritual development and discipleship.

Some of those who completed the K.I.D. training in Japan are now putting into practice what they learned. One of the participating churches is already meeting together on Sundays to complete the K.I.D. parents' curriculum. According to Pastor Masaru Kobayashi, JUC's children's ministry director, "The overall challenge now is to effectively develop the K.I.D. program in each church, and to see changes in our children and their parents' lives."

For more information about the K.I.D. trainings and availability for your area, please go to http://www.indiscipleship.org/index.html or contact the children's ministry department of the Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD) at www.nsdadventist.org.

Masaru Kobayashi & Lisa Clouzet

Directors of JUC & NSD Children's Ministries









Stewardship Camp Meeting in Mongolia



ong before the opening of the Youth Training Center of the Mongolia Mission (MM), which took place on March 22, 2017, MM president Kim YoHan planned to have a lay congress focused on stewardship as the first meeting in the Youth Training Center. The opening ceremony was immediately followed by the lay congress. When Pastor Kim arrived in Mongolia as president of the mission in 2016, he discovered that the most urgent need in Mongolia was local commitment. The operating fund of the mission heavily depended on the allocation fund from the Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD), and tithe income was comparatively low since most of the members in Mongolia were youth. As the saying goes, "a whip even to a galloping horse," Pastor Kim and the Mongolian leadership wanted to have a stewardship-oriented camp meeting. Mongolia Mission invited Marcos Bomfim and Kwon JohngHaeng, stewardship ministries directors of the General Conference and the NSD, for the nationwide summer camp meeting.

The first camp meeting met in the newly established youth camp site in Mongolia from July 19 to 23, 2017. To accelerate the completion of the Youth Training Center, Mongolia Mission skipped camp meeting last year, so



Pastor Kwon JohngHaeng, NSD stewardship ministries director, and Pastor Bold Batsukh, MM secretary

more members came to the camp meeting than usual. Evenings and mornings, members were touched by the stewardship sermons. They did not emphasize only tithes and offerings. The sermons were also about the love of God, daily devotion, and the Remnant Christian lifestyle.

One of the churches brought their *ger* (Mongolian movable tent) church to the camp site. Migrant nomadic Mongolians carry their tent houses wherever they lead their flock. When Bumchin and Bolorma got married, Bumchin's father built a *ger* for his son and daughter-in-law. The new family started a church plant in their *ger* and named it "Light of the Hill." They started community services to lead people to the church. They raised funds to distribute one thousand coal sacks to one hundred homes. Before one year, the attendance grew to eighty. In 2017, 47 precious souls were baptized.

Mongolia Mission invited Bumchin to the gospel ministry although his major was in law, not theology. Willingly, he gave up his high salary job to accept the call from the mission. His salary was cut to less than a fourth of the salary he got from the mining company. The members eagerly wanted to attend the camp meeting, but they were too poor to pay the registration fee. The MM allowed the church to bring their *ger* church to the camp site.

On the Sabbath during the camp meeting, there was a joint baptismal ceremony of the churches. Twenty-three new







Mr. Munkhbat, one of the baptized members, had once been a shaman; however, he responded to the appeal of the Holy Spirit and was reborn by baptism.

members were born again by water. One of them was a 55-year-old man named Munkhbat. Thirty years ago, his family had accepted Jesus as their Lord. For about 25 years, the family had attended a church faithfully. One day, the leader of the church told him that Jesus would tell him a specific date to sacrifice himself by committing suicide and then he would have eternal life. When Munkhbat heard this, he decided to leave the Christian church, and he began to hate it.

Five years ago, his children got sick and he went to see a fortuneteller. The fortuneteller told him that he was the only shaman in his generation, and that if he refused to be a shaman, the sickness of his children would remain with them. Believing him, he became a shaman and practiced shamanism among his people.

One day when Munkhbat was coming home, he met an old man who was attending a church. Several days later, the old man came to his home with some Korean people, saying that they were there to give a foot massage. Then they invited him to the church named

"Light of the Hill." As he attended the church and heard the sermons, his heart was touched by the Holy Spirit. While he was attending the camp meeting, he responded to the appeal of the Holy Spirit and decided to throw away all the amulets he was wearing and jump into the baptistry.

At the end of the camp meeting, all the participants were given a book, titled *One Hundred One Questions and Answers on Tithes*. Pastor Bold Batsukh, MM secretary, announced that there would be a quiz on the book. The camp meeting ended with the hope of another stewardship activity.





On September 22 and 23, 2017, the churches participating in the field school of evangelism in Mongolia gathered for the first of several evangelistic training events. The evangelistic meetings are scheduled for March 2018, but this training was part of a process of evangelism that includes personal and corporate outreach.

Several field pastors and Mongolia Mission (MM) leaders participated over the weekend. Each of the five training sessions was also broadcast live

Evangelism Rally in Mongolia

Ron Clouzet

NSD Ministerial Association Director

online to other churches outside the Ulaanbaatar area. Dr. Ron Clouzet, ministerial association director of the Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD), and Pastor Namjildorj, MM ministerial association director, each led a session on personal evangelism that focused, especially, on how to reach relatives and neighbors with the gospel. The theme for the Sabbath morning worship service was on sowing evangelism in order to influence others to be ready for Christ's second coming. In the afternoon, the two main sessions focused on how to pray for the lost and on a prayer-walking plan.

The training concluded with a vast majority of the lay members present filling out their ministry commitment and prayer forms. There, they indicated what area they would be helping out in during the field school and in what way. Whether as prayer intercessors, as prayer walkers, or as prayer warriors, they would be engaging in storming heaven for those who need to know Christ. Pastor Kim YoHan, MM president, was very pleased to see such a wide and thorough response, and he expressed his desire for every church and pastor to be involved in this field school of evangelism.

HKMC Delegates Have a Good Time at NSD Pathfinder Camporee

Prom August 8 to 12, 2017, the second international Pathfinder camporee of the Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD) was held on the campus of Taiwan Adventist College, Taichung, Taiwan. The Hong Kong-Macau Conference (HKMC) sent 60 delegates to this exciting event. This team brought Chinese fan-dance and marching band performance to hundreds of Pathfinders from all over the division territory.

As always, the second camporee fostered a spiritual atmosphere for these young people. They felt the closeness in Christian fellowship and learned from one another about different cultures.

The HKMC delegates spent their last two days touring Taipei. They all had a great time in the capital city. As a generous host, Taiwan Adventist Hospital paid for their stay in the city.









Spiritual Development Training of Mongolia Mission

Enkhbayar MishigdorjMM Health Ministries Director

From May 7 to 15, 2017, Mongolia Mission (MM) organized a spiritual development training for church pastors. Pastor Hong KwangEui, director of the Northern Asia-Pacific Division Leadership Training Center, and Pastor Lee SeungDong, president of West Central Korean Conference, served as the main speakers. This training was planned to helped MM pastors walk closer to Jesus. Even we who, as God's servants, work for the church, need a little more special time with God alone. All 26 pastors including Pioneer Mission Movement missionaries joined this special training.

We were each accommodated in individual rooms at the Youth Training Center. The single rooms had been purposely designed as prayer rooms, and the place was known as the Prayer House. Pastor Hong and his wife were the main donors to the Prayer House project. My heart was broken when I heard that Mrs. Hong had passed away last April even as she was planning to visit and join the dedication ceremony for the Prayer House.

The tiny 220x180 cm room with one single bed and desk helped me to get closer to Jesus every morning and evening as I got down on my knees. I spent most of my day in my room studying the Bible, praying, and talking to God while reading my Bible.

When I left the office for this training, I had planned to slip away after two or three days due to my heavy workload. However, my Jesus had another plan for me. Even though I was reading the same verses in Isaiah 53 that I had read before, I was getting to know my Jesus more and more down in my soul. The more time I spent with Jesus talking and praying, the closer I got to God. Looking back at my service, I rededicated my ministry to Him. How thankful I am to Jesus that I stayed until the end and was blessed.







Health Evangelism on Jeju Island

Choi YoungIl

NSD Health Ministries Director

From July 1 to 9, 2017, Dr. Choi YoungIl, health ministries director of the Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD), held health evangelistic meetings at Hamdeok Church. It was one of the nine churches in Jeju which held simultaneous evangelistic series.

Since there is no pastor exclusively in charge of Hamdeok Church, there were many challenges in preparing for the evangelistic meeting. However, a mission team for the event was formed, and they visited the church many times beforehand to revive the mission spirit of church members. There was also a special prayer meeting for the event. The free massage service they provided before the evangelism played a crucial role in gathering people.

The title of the evangelistic series was "there is hope for every disease." From the first day, newcomers began to fill the church building. Out of the 50 people on average who attended the meeting every day, 30 were newcomers. From the whole evangelistic series of nine days, the church gained more than 200 seekers. It was a little short of a miracle! All the church members were deeply touched by this experience. They said that it was the most touching evangelistic meeting they had in their entire life in church. The evangelistic meeting came to a great finale with a baptismal ceremony for 10 souls.

Church members said that they gained confidence that health evangelism is a successful tool for soul-winning. The greatest lesson from the meeting was that when they are ready, God always sends them souls. We hope that churches in Jeju, including Hamdeok Church, continue to spread the gospel message with strong passion for God's commission.



Donghae Central Church Achieves 500% Growth Through TMI Activities

The Donghae Central Church in East Central Korean Conference held a "New Life Festival" from June 21 to 24, 2017, and evangelistic meetings for students from July 9 to 22. As a result, 312 interests attended the meetings and 43 people were baptized.

In March, Donghae Central Church members established goals such as "execution of the great commission Jesus has given," "tasting joy of soul-winning," and "increase of church members and church growth." Church members made invitation cards and a list of invitees, and they prayed for them. A "soul-winning tree" was placed on a wall. Names of invitees were written on its leaves. When invitees attended the church, flowers were put on the leaves. And when they got baptized, the tree was bearing fruit. After



the church members sent the invitation cards, they developed the "333 Movement," which is to have 3 targets, to pray for them 3 times a day, and to meet them 3 times to develop a relationship.

Pastor Chun BuKwon, who is in charge of Donghae Central Church, delivered messages on "Proposal of Everlasting Love." During the evangelistic meetings, relay prayers were continued for the speaker and interests. After the meetings, church members continually met with the interests through activities, such as "Three Angels Visitors," "Small Group Setup," "12-week Bible Seminar," "Detox/Addiction Healing Camp," and "Vision School for Students."

Vision School provided students with career counseling, vocational interest inventory, MBTI in the morning, and learning method, character clinic in the afternoon. It received good responses from not only the students but neighboring schools.

"All activities could be possible due to the positive interest of church members, and TMI (Total Member Involvement) brought such successful results," said Pastor Chun.



ADRA China Receives Relief Fund from HKSAR Government



In May 2017, tropical storms devastated 14 areas in the southern and western regions of Sri Lanka. Heavy rains caused severe flooding. More than 300 people lost their lives while 100,000 became homeless. A total of one million were affected by the natural disaster. Meanwhile, cyclone Mora took its toll in neighboring Bangladesh, unleashing rain storms and a mudslide that killed more than 100 and destroyed refugee camps for the displaced Rohingya ethnic Muslim.

Aiming to bring relief to those affected, ADRA China petitioned to the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) Government for funds. The HKSAR Government generously granted more than HKD 3.18 million (approximately USD 410,000) from its disaster relief fund to ADRA China. The money enabled ADRA China to send relief supplies, such as shelters, cooking and hygienic products, to the victims in those two countries.

NSD Taiwan Branch Office's Mission Day

Workers at the Taiwan Branch Office of the Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD) visited the Shuang-Chi Church for 2017 Mission Day on October 18, 2017. Shuang-Chi is famous for sweet Japanese persimmons, and approximately one-third of the villagers are Adventists. The Shuang-Chi Church holds elderly daycare programs as a means of sharing the gospel to the villagers. The goal of Mission Day was to support the daycare program by meeting with the elderly people, interacting with them, and sharing our faith.

The program started with cheerful Christian songs with hand motions, followed by group activities, spiritual messages, handcraft, and a prize drawing. NSD field secretary Pastor Steven Wu shared a spiritual message which focused on the blessings of sharing Jesus' heavenly invitation with our friends and neighbors. This one-day event was truly blessed by God. The weather at Shuang-Chi was beautiful while it was drizzling all day in Taipei, where the NSD Taiwan Branch Office is located.





The Taiwan Branch Office of the Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD) held a five-day week of prayer meeting from August 21 to 25, 2017. Workers at Chinese Hope TV and Taiwan Adventist Foundation were also invited to be blessed through prayer week. Pastor Cyrus Shen, secretary of Taiwan Conference, was

NSD Taiwan Branch Office Has Week of Prayer

invited to give presentations regarding the distinguishing features and special blessings of the Remnant Church. The messages included the knowledge of a healthy lifestyle, the writings of Ellen G. White, the Three Angels' Messages, the blessing of Sabbath keeping, and the preparation of Jesus' second coming. All attendees were richly blessed. The words of the Bible and the knowledge of a healthier lifestyle encouraged everyone to prosper in physical and spiritual health.

Ninth Children's Bible School Camp in Korea



The Youth Training Center of Madalpy held the 9th Children's Bible School Camp from August 11 to 13, 2017. This camp is held annually by the Madalpy Center for local churches that find it difficult to have a summer Bible school. At the camp, there were 420 children and teachers from 32 local churches from the five local conferences in Korea. In addition, students from Seohae Sahmyook High School volunteered to help out with the camp.

The camp participants took part in various Bible school programs in the beautiful surroundings. Children from churches that do not have a Pathfinder program could benefit by enjoying the exciting Pathfinder activities. The camp works to provide a good model of a children's camp for the Korean Adventist Church. Furthermore, parents and children of multicultural families from Cheongso Church participated in the camp, enhancing the diversity of the Adventist church event.

At the camp, children were divided into three groups by age, and they learned Bible lessons designed for different age groups. As they learned praise songs and worked on crafts, the children were able to realize the love of our Creator God. A variety of outdoor activities, such as rafting, swimming, archery, golf, and exploring the natural environment around Geum River, left them special memories. On the last night of the camp, children made a decision to dedicate their lives to God and to brighten up their neighborhood with the light of God's gospel like the candles they were holding during the dedication ceremony.

"Let us fully devote ourselves to God, and do our best in what lies right ahead of us. Please believe in God when you plan your life and your dream, and follow the way He shows you. If you give your life completely to Jesus, His will guide you in amazing ways," stated Pastor Ko Chunghyun, director of children's ministry of Southeast Korean Conference.



Sahmyook University Educates People in Falakata on Drug Prevention





Falakata, a town in West Bengal State in India, is not only famous for production of black tea, but is also notorious for growing narcotic plants, such as marijuana. Many people in town routinely smoke marijuana, which is all over the town, and addiction among some people reach critical levels.

On July 5, 2017, fifteen students and three professors from Sahmyook University in Korea visited one of the villages in Falakata in order to hold an education program aimed at preventing addiction. They first had a pre-workshop with workers of a relief organization in India, and then they conducted the program for the people of the village.

One of Sahmyook University's specialties is health science. In 2014, for the first time in Korea, the university launched a course on addiction as an interdisciplinary study, supported by the Ministry of Education in Korea. Their focus on addiction led to global volunteering through education on addiction. Aid workers in India helped the university to select the target area.

When the university posted an advertisement seeking volunteers, fifteen students from various majors, including nursing, leisure and sports, art, and business, signed up. Before departing to Falakata, the recruited students took classes on addiction and made plans to apply what they learned in the field.

After almost four days of traveling by plane and train, the volunteer team arrived at Falakata. The goal of the first addiction program was to raise awareness among the people about the problems of their lifestyle. The team conducted a questionnaire they had developed through research, and, based on the answers from the questionnaire, they provided counseling for each person. Art therapy also helped people to understand the team's message regarding addiction.

The volunteer team was surprised that their addiction program was well received by the people in Falakata. "I expected that they would be wary of us because we come from afar and we look different from them, having different-colored skin. However, they received us with open arms and enthusiastically participated in our program. I have been very touched by the people," said one of the volunteer students.

Sahmyook University plans to send volunteers to Falakata several more times during the next two to three years. The university aims to give people sustainable aid. It is anticipated that the university will change the lives of people in Falakata through the education they provide.

LAST TITHE

Kwon JohngHaeng

NSD Stewardship Ministries Director



When I arrived at the hospital, my mother was surrounded by a group of church members. All other family members were already there before me. Everybody told my mother that I had come. Mother was sitting on the bed leaning against a large cushion, but she was not able to speak. She was trying to write something. I hurried to give her a pen and a piece of paper. Barely able to hold the pen, she wrote with her trembling hand, "JESUS LOVES." As I was traveling from Korea to the United States, having heard from my younger sister that my mother would not survive long, I wept all the way. But the moment she wrote, "Jesus loves," I could not cry anymore. She keeps the love of Jesus in her heart!

God was so gracious to me to extend her life two more weeks for me to stay with her. She began to speak again. Amid expiring memories, she recited John 3:16 without stumbling and sang "Jesus loves me, this I know." When she was discharged from the hospital, my brother-in-law and my sister decided to take her home so that she could face her last moments at home, not in a hospice care center. She breathed her last breath surrounded by family and church members. She peacefully closed her eyes while listening to one of her favorite hymns, "What a friend we have in Jesus."

My mother was born in 1928, during the time Korea was under invasion by foreign powers. She got married at the young age of 15, and had her first son when she was 16. She lost three daughters during and after the Korean War. I was born right after the Korean War. Thirty-five years of foreign invasion and three years of Korean War had brought extreme poverty to Korea. My country was the poorest country in the world with 67 dollars of GNP per capita. But my parents never let their children skip even one meal a day. My father was a carpenter. Carpenters had work only three seasons a year, and the family had to go through the long winter with just a little savings. My mother worked as a daily laborer at construction sites. She was able to raise me as a pastor, and two of my sons are serving as ordained ministers also. After the funeral service, one of the young mourners said to me, "Pastor Kwon, I wonder if I may say this is a happy funeral." She was not wrong to say

so. Two of my sons with my niece and other family members delivered the eulogies, and I spoke for her funeral sermon.

One and a half months after the funeral, God allowed me to visit the United States again. My sister handed me an offering envelope. As my sister arranged articles left by my mother, she had found a bunch of offering envelopes. In the last envelope, she found 70 dollars. It was my mother's monthly tithe from the social security she received every month. She left her children a model of returning tithe.

(From left) Pastor Kwon and his wife, his late mother, his sister DongHwan and her husband.





25th Anniversary Celebration of the 1000 Missionary Movement

Shin DongHee 1000MM Director

Be the light!" was the central theme for the grand celebration of the 25th anniversary of the 1000 Missionary Movement (1000MM). All the sermons from noteworthy church leaders pointed to this theme. The commemoration took place from September 1 to 3, 2017, on the 1000MM campus in Cavite, Philippines.

Attendees included guests from neighboring churches around the 1000MM main campus and "Always Missionaries" (formerly called senior missionaries) from



different batches. Prominent leaders from the different levels of our church organization were also present, including Samuel Saw, president of the Southern Asia-Pacific Division; Gary Blanchard, General Conference youth director; and Jairyong Lee, then president of the Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD) and founder of the 1000MM, to mention a few. The congregation was truly blessed to hear their timely and powerful messages anchored by the challenge to "Move forward! Be the light wherever you go!" Most importantly, sincere tributes were offered to our sovereign God who has protected, empowered and blessed the ministry of the 1000MM for the past 25 years of serving humanity and the Almighty.

Filipino missionary alumni became firmly established as new officers were elected on Sabbath afternoon spearheaded by Ephravil Fadollone (4th batch), the pioneering president of the group. The Golden Angels of the NSD and HISM of the 1000MM contributed their musical endowments to the heavenly Father during the "Thanksgiving Musical Festival" at the AIIAS Auditorium on Sabbath evening. No vacant seats were seen as the venue was fully packed with the congregation

who witnessed the once-in-a-lifetime event. "Truly, I was so blessed by the messages in songs," one of the missionaries testified about what she had heard that night.

"Praise be to the name of the Lord for His faithfulness, guidance, and protection for the 1000MM for the past 25 years!" the current 1000MM director, Pastor Joshua Shin, acknowledged his fervent praise above. Nothing else surpasses God's ultimate love. He has shown and will eternally sustain this work—His work—until the prophecies are fulfilled. He is coming not long from now. Move forward and BE THE LIGHT!

Week of Prayer for 1000 Missionary Movement:

Go and Make Disciples

The 1000 Missionary Movement (1000MM), which began in 1992 with the motto of "The Greatest Challenge of the Century," celebrated its 25th anniversary this year. During the celebration ceremony, through videos and messages, attendees looked back at how God has led this great mission movement. Some of the missionaries delivered testimonies to the attendees.

As part of the follow-up to the 25th anniversary, Pastor Shin DongHee, 1000MM director, invited Pastor Kim NakHyung, youth ministries director of the Northern Asia-Pacific Division, to be the speaker for Week of Prayer for the 1000MM 50th batch missionaries and families on the 1000MM campus from September 3 to 8, 2017. Pastor Kim preached messages every morning and every evening with the theme of "Go and Make Disciples." He talked about the principles of revival in mission fields, gospel evidences, and priority of faith. He encouraged attendees to be the light of the world with the spirit of Total Member Involvement (TMI).

There was resolute determination in the hearts of the 50th batch, who were about to leave for "Cottage



Meeting," which is held every year for the final check of the missionary training. In their testimonies, it seemed clear that they knew that being a missionary is by the grace of God. They pledged to be missionaries who look forward to experiencing the power of God Almighty and His miracles.

There is a motto that is commonly used by young people who serve as 1000MM missionaries: "Every heart with Jesus Christ is a missionary; a heart without Jesus Christ is a mission field." If missionaries carry this spirituality and slogan in their hearts and go forward to preach the gospel, I believe that they will be instrumental in hastening the second coming of the Lord.

"We should all become witnesses for Jesus. Let the world see that we are not selfishly absorbed in our own interests, but that we desire others to share our blessings and privileges" (*Desire of Ages*, 152).

Kim NakHyung
NSD Youth Ministries Director







Missionary Training Commences



The 50th batch of the 1000 Missionary Movement (1000MM) missionary training program commenced on August 7, 2017, on the 1000MM campus in Cavite, Philippines. Seventy-six eager young people from six continents of the world gathered for one sacred and ultimate purpose—advancement of the powerful Gospel. History has marked its pages for this golden batch, having representatives from twelve countries from six continents.

"You are the salt of the earth... (Matthew 5:13)" Pastor Shin DongHee, 1000MM director, strongly emphasized in his message during the ceremony. The key verse continues, "But if the salt loses its flavor, how shall it be seasoned? It is then good for nothing but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot by men." Called to be the "salt of the earth," it is our mission to show our saltiness and to show how great our Lord is, how great is His love.

As their missionary training has started, we ask that you pray for these missionaries. Let it also be our prayer that more and more young and valiant people will answer the call to engage in this noble work, which concerns the world's dire need.

50th Batch SUPER Training

From August 21 to 23, 2017, the 50th batch of the 1000 Missionary Movement missionaries began SUPER (Spiritual Unity and Physical Endurance Reinforcement) Training at San Diego Beach, Batangas, the Philippines, spearheaded by Pastor Jeon SukJin, 1000MM associate director.

Carrying their packed bags, the missionaries eagerly left the campus at 6:30 a.m. bound for the activity venue. After an hour of travel, they immediately started the two-hour hike and proceeded to the physical training. This part of the activity engaged the missionaries to learn how to be as one and to work as one. Whenever somebody didn't follow the instructions or made a mistake, all of them bore the consequences. They also come to the realization that judging somebody who commits mistakes is definitely an unpleasant



attitude since everyone is prone to make mistakes too.

SUPER Training was scheduled from Monday to Tuesday morning followed by the Survival and Revival Training Tuesday afternoon to Wednesday morning. For a practical exercise, the second chapter of the training started with camp cooking. The missionaries were tasked to make a fire out of bamboo and only three matches and to cook eggs with the most available resources, such as mud, paper, plastic cellophane, and sticks. In addition, more activities were introduced to them to develop their survival skills with a minimum availability of resources around. Team-building activities took place during the end part of the training which enabled them to carry and embrace new ideas and realizations on how to conquer their future obstacles and temptations in their mission fields.

Throughout the training period, due to unfavorable weather conditions, the sun never shone brightly, and it rained almost all day until evening. Nevertheless, God was merciful, for He never left, and He made the program joyfully successful. Let us continue to include the 50th batch missionaries in our fervent prayers as these young people have committed their lives to the advancement of the Gospel.







A mission team from Sahmyook University hosted evangelistic meetings at Beitun Church from June 20 to 25, 2017. It rained for two weeks before the meetings started, but the rain stopped completely on the first day of evangelism and the weather has been clear since. We praise God who controls nature and the weather.

Elder Bong WonYoung from Sahmyook University presented God's word during the evangelistic meetings. On the first evening, there were 59 in attendance. There were

Evangelistic Meetings at Beitun Church

Kwon SoonBum

PMM Pastor at Beitun Church

49 on the second evening, 58 the third evening, 72 the fourth evening, 60 the fifth evening, and 47 in attendance for the "Mission Taichung" program on the final evening. Among the attendees, 40 of them came to our church for the first time. Many of them were college students and young workers. Twenty people attended every day during the six days of evangelism. We praise God for his providence and grace.

There were two people studying for baptism, but on the day of baptism, they had to go to work. We will continue to study together so that they can be baptized in the near future.

I thank God for teaching us about God's great love during this time, and I pray that the young people in Taiwan will accept Jesus as their personal Savior through the seeds of the gospel.

Development Progress in Congo

The country of Congo in Africa has the lowest level of economy in the world. Many areas in Congo lack basic infrastructure, such as roads, power, sewage, etc. No one steps up to fix broken roads. They just live the way it is. Since the people haven't seen developed cities, they don't know what it's like to be developed. In many areas, there are no major businesses.

In the Aru district, one of such areas, we started expanding the roads and planting trees and flowers. We built walls and schools. Elder Kim JoonWon from the Washington-Spencerville Korean Church in the United States came as a short-term missionary to create a beautiful garden in the Aru district. He spent two full months working on 5 hectares of land. At first people just watched with curiosity, but then they started to help Elder Kim. This small change opened up the hearts of the villagers. I hope that these people will start to see hope.

Currently, Congo is going through the development progress Koreans experienced decades ago. I believe that, one day, Congo will change. These 5 hectares of land have become a place of joy and a center of evangelism. I thank the Washington-Spencerville Korean Church and Elder Kim for their limitless service. May God bless all the supporters as well as the people in Congo.







Pastor Park and his church members expanded the roads in the Aru district, one of the underdeveloped areas in Congo.



Golden Angels Mission Report: Gwanghyewon Church

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Praise be to the God and to the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is the Father of compassion and the God of all comforts. Who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can give comforts to those in any trouble with the comforts we ourselves have received from God" (2 Corinthians 1:3-4).

We can't give what we don't have. However, because we have received comfort from God, we are now ready to share the comfort with those who are living in this world of many troubles. There are so many people who don't know God, who misunderstand God. They try to find comfort from the empty wells of the world. As a remnant church, our role is to shine the light of Jesus for such people who are in darkness. And now, the Gwanghyewon Church is in action to shine the gospel of Jesus in their community.

The Gwanghyewon Church is a small church located in Gwanghyewon, Jincheon, Korea. It's a small town

with not many people. Pastor Chung SungMin and his wife Hong JungHyun have been serving this church for almost two years. Their ministry, unfortunately, had some challenges to overcome. Because the church was not located near downtown, but was located on the outskirts of the town, the church was not well known to the people. The pastor and his wife decided to invite us, the Golden Angels, to Gwanghyewon so that they could reach out to the people through music and introduce the church in an efficient way, for they themselves had been part of the Golden Angels ministry (7th and 10th batch), and they knew that they could use the power of music to invite people to church.

With the title "A Song Blowing in Gwanghyewon," we sang many songs in many different places and invited people to come to church. We went to a park, cafe, school, and factory and sang to the people who were passing by and handed out flyers of invitation to the church. I

Pastor Kim NakHyung, Golden Angels coordinator, was the speaker of the evangelistic series in Gwanghyewon Church.

cannot say that it was perfectly effective, but at least, we successfully approached the people in many ways and let them know that there is a church in this town that can help them and comfort them.

The evangelistic meeting was held during the evening time. Pastor Kim NakHyung, Golden Angels coordinator, was the speaker and he delivered the message entitled "You Are the One." There were only a few people who attended the first meeting, but as God has blessed us and for He has loved the people of Gwanghyewon, more and more people, as the days went by, came to the church to listen to the message of the speaker and to enjoy the music of the Golden Angels.

We decorated the church with pretty lights and prepared some tea and snacks for the visitors to enjoy. Surely, the church was stepping forth to grow as a service center for the society. I pray that this church will be able to provide not only helpful services but also meet the spiritual needs of the people. Without a doubt, the church should be a place where people can meet God and find comfort in Him.

As we continued to support the evangelistic meeting, not everything went smoothly. There was a time when we felt lethargic and spiritless. We felt tired physically and spiritually, and when the devil tempted us, we started to act like a hired man, not like a shepherd. Our services suddenly lost its power of sincerity, and our voices were not blending in united harmony to praise God. Our respectful attitude was gone, and our unity in God was broken.

We realized that our ministry was losing its meaning and power, not even knowing that we'd been trapped in the devil's snare. But by the grace of God, we came to realize our sins and how we had been acting inappropriately. We gathered and confessed our sins to God and asked for His help. And as we became united in prayer, we remembered the promise of God who said, "If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land" (2 Chronicles 7:14).

As we humbly repented of our sins and asked for His reconciliation, God forgave us and gave us a new spirit, "a spirit of power, of love, and of self-discipline" (2 Timothy



1:7). God has proven His goodness and His faithfulness to us. And with the spirit that He has given us, we rose back up to witness to the Lord with one voice, one mission, united as one in God. We were able to overcome this slump of our ministry and "mount up with wings as eagles" (Isaiah 40:31) by clinging onto the promise of God. For the term "slump" is not to be found in any ministry nor beliefs of Christ Jesus; we will rise up in His righteousness. There is no up and down roller-coaster ride with people who fix their eyes upon Jesus, but they will mount up high and will never be tired. The strong winds of temptation will only add power for them to soar up higher.

I give thanks to the Lord for the experience of revival, for the grace He has shown us, and for the guidance throughout the week. I also thank God for the soul He has allowed us to baptize. I pray that the same Spirit of God will dwell within Gwanghyewon Church, that it will continue to be a blessing to others for the glory of God. To the only God our Savior be glory, majesty, power and authority, through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all ages, now and forevermore! Amen.





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