

Northern Asia-Pacific Division



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By Faith Move Forward

By Faith Move Forward" was the theme of the NSD Staff Spiritual Emphasis Week. God had provided everything that the people of Israel of old needed. They had not only witnessed but also experienced God's miracle one after another. They had seen ten plagues fall upon the Egyptians, but none of them came close to the children of Israel. When all the firstborn of the Egyptians were killed none of the firstborn of Israel was killed. They crossed the Red Sea on dry ground as God divided the sea to make a way for them. God opened the rock and let water gush out of it for them and their animals. He fed them with manna every day. They saw the guiding pillar cloud by day and pillar of fire by night. They witnessed the Lord descending on Mount Sinai and trembled as they heard Him speaking. Nevertheless they refused to move forward to occupy the Promised Land. As a result of their unbelief and resistance they had to wander in the scorching wilderness for forty years and perished there. It was all because of their unbelief.

The year 2000 passed amid the Y2K fuss. The year 2001 slipped by only leaving September 11 as a scar. How many more years will pass by before the long awaited Jesus will come again? I am sure the Lord is eager to come and receive His dear people who are His loving children and darling bride. But the problem is, that we, His children and bride, are not only unprepared but also not eager to meet Him! What an awful, miserable situation this is!

What if your wife or husband does not want you to come back home after a long weary journey? But the spiritual condition of God's people seems like that. They are so busily engaged in worldly affairs that they have lost interest in spiritual matters. Because their minds are almost totally occupied by the concerns of this world, there is no room for matters of heaven.

We, the people of the Laodicean Church, must "be

zealous and repent" (Rev. 3:19). We have to acknowledge that our spiritual condition is "lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, wretched, miserable, poor, blind, and naked," and "having a form of godliness but denying its power" (Rev. 3:16, 17; 2 Tim. 3:5). The Lord expresses His disappointment by saying, "You have left your first love. Remember therefore from where you have fallen; repent and do the first works" (Rev. 2:4, 5).

I urge each one of the 500,000 NSD family members to take the admonition of the Lord and put personal spiritual revival



*Pyung-Duk Chun,
NSD President*

at the top of the tasks you are going to accomplish this year. "A revival of true godliness among us is the greatest and most urgent of all our needs" (Selected Messages Book 1, page 121). Revival does not come by itself. It comes as a result of earnest and constant prayer and diligent Bible study. Our homes must be nurseries for spiritual revival.

Secondly, I urge you to rise up and march forward to the Promised Land. We cannot march into the heavenly kingdom without accomplishing our tasks. The only way to the heavenly kingdom is through the proclamation of the gospel of His soon return to all the inhabitants of the world. Therefore, let us rise up and march forward to conquer the world with the gospel message. Then the Lord Jesus will come and usher us into the heavenly kingdom as He has promised. We are not only to "look for" but also to "hasten the coming of the day of God" (2 Pet. 3:12) by finishing the gospel commission.

The whole world church has adopted the "Go One Million" initiative. I invite every member to actively participate in this great movement. No single person shall be a spectator and stand idle. God calls you individually to come into His vineyard and to be a soul winner. When your conference or local church invites you to join the "Go One Million" movement please say, "Yes." Unless we finish the great

gospel commission we cannot yet say that we are ready to meet our Savior again. We have already stayed too long on this side of heaven. Our Lord is eager to come again to receive us. Let us rise up and move forward to hasten the great day of eternal salvation.

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Why Go One Million?

- *Quality of Life, Unity & Growth*

GC President, Jan Paulsen in his special New Year's telephone message, asked to emphasize "Quality of Life, Unity, and Growth." Our response to his appeal is "Go One Million."

1. Vision: In seven years, one million Seventh-day Adventists in China, North & South Korea, Japan, Mongolia, Taiwan, will be known as devoted, compassionate, patient, truth-filled, believers in God, who demonstrate unselfish acts of kindness and share joyful faith among their families, friends, colleagues, neighbors, and enemies.

2. Mission: To proclaim to 25% of the world's population who live in the NSD territory the everlasting gospel in the context of the three angels' messages of Revelation 14:6-12, leading them to accept Jesus as their personal Savior, helping them unite with His Body, nurturing them in preparation for His soon return, equipping and empowering them for service.

When Jesus said "Go Make Disciples..." to 500 men and women on that spring day 2000 years ago, He was not thinking that simply one million out of twelve million Seventh-day Adventists should work for the salvation of their fellowmen and women. "The Savior's commission to the disciples included all the believers... All who receive the life of Christ ARE ORDAINED to work for the salvation of their fellowmen. For this work the church was established, and all who take upon themselves its sacred vows are thereby pledged to be co-workers with Christ." [DA 822]

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So far, China, Hong Kong-Macau, Japan, Korea, and Taiwan have officially approved the "Go One Million"

project. KUC has already submitted a written strategy. Among the unions and conferences, CHUM and KUC have selected KITS and training Centers have been identified in Hong Kong-Macau as well as Taiwan.

"Go One Million" coordinators who have accepted God's call to collaborate with John MaGhee are: John Ash, Chinese Union Mission Secretary; Masumi Shimada, Japan Union Conference Ministerial Association director; Lee, Hark Bong, Korean Union Conference Sabbath School/Personal Ministries director; Dale Tunnell, Mongolia Mission president. Your prayers are needed so this team can faithfully coordinate the NSD Church's response to Jesus' commission and our GC president's New Year's challenge.

John K. McGhee, *Go One Million Coordinator/
Sabbath School & Personal Ministries Director*

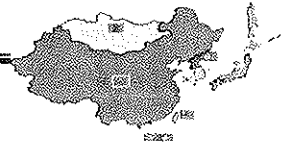
First English Service at Sung Shan Church in Taipei, Taiwan

This past Sabbath was a historic day for the Sung Shan Church English Speaking Adult Sabbath School. We held our first church service totally in English. Fifty people were in attendance in the auditorium in the basement level of the SDA Hospital.

Several years ago an English church was held here on Yang Ming Shan Missionary compound. In recent years there were few missionaries and the ones left felt it better to go down to Taipei and fellowship with the Chinese church folks. Sung Shan Church is the only bi-lingual church in Taipei or Taiwan for that matter in that they did try to translate the sermons into English through head phones. An Adult English speaking



*Church group of the first English church
(Sung Shan Church) in Taipei, Taiwan.*



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On January 4, 2002, General Conference President Jan Paulsen delivered a personal address to the NSD team requesting that all our plans and activities in 2002 be designed to build up Christ's Body by deepening spiritual quality, strengthening unity, and fostering church growth. Our response to His appeal is "Go One Million."

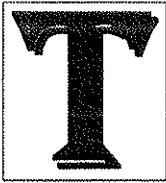
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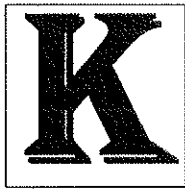


ONE MILLION COUNTRIES



RAINING

One hundred church-based International Institute of Christian Ministries centers will be offering high-quality training courses. In addition, these courses will be available on the Internet for members who cannot attend the centers.



ITS

Carefully designed professional resource materials will be given to all serious disciples who receive training. Kit contents may vary from country to country. Costs will be shared through private donations and subsidies from all levels of church organization.



PRAYER

Sabbath School Action Units will be the strategic location where each disciple will be bathed in prayer at least once a week and often twice a week. This small group of 6-8 members is the building block of Christ's body in our territory.

GO ONE MILLION NEWS

	Written Strategy Submitted	Kit Selected	Training Centers Identified	Officially Approved
China	No	Yes	No	Yes
Hong Kong/ Macao	No	No	Yes	Yes
Japan	No	No	No	Yes
Korea	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
Taiwan	No	No	Yes	Yes



Sabbath school met in the sub-basement all those years. This group is mainly Filipino maids and workers, our teachers, and other foreigners that work around Taipei.

This group in recent months have felt the urging of the Holy Spirit to reach out and spread the gospel to others and to offer a place where we can bring our school parents and students and other foreigners to an English only service. And of course Chinese speaking people that want to learn more English. Our mission is to reach the unreached with the gospel and to provide a loving, caring environment in which to do it.

In recent years Taiwan has experienced a huge interest and upsurge in learning English. Last year a young man from the country of Malawi came to Taiwan for six months to study at the College of Technology. There he met Narissa. He often invited her to come to church with him. She finally consented and fell in love with Jesus. She was baptised and started bringing her fellow classmates to church. This group numbers from 10-20 every Sabbath. One main attraction is the English Bible classes that are offered for their benefit. Several from the Chinese church have become involved as has Mike Munsey, one of our teachers and these with others offer a comprehensive program starting at 8:30 A.M. Sabbath morning and continuing on throughout the Sabbath Day with Bible studies and then nature activities in the afternoon. This group joining with our Adult English Sabbath School group is swelling the crowd to over 50. As you can see we have a ready made church.

It is a joy and privilege to go to church these days. Narissa is such an inspiration to all of us in her persistence in calling her classmates and inviting them to church. She is actually Burmese-Chinese, She is facing Sabbath problems being enrolled in an electronics course and they have to take tests on Sabbath. She is thinking of going to Taiwan Adventist College to major in English and Secretarial. Pray for her that she will know God's will for her life.

Please keep God's new church in your prayers that we will listen to His leading and we will win more souls for Him.

JoAnne Lafever, *Principal of Yang Ming Shan Christian School in Taiwan*

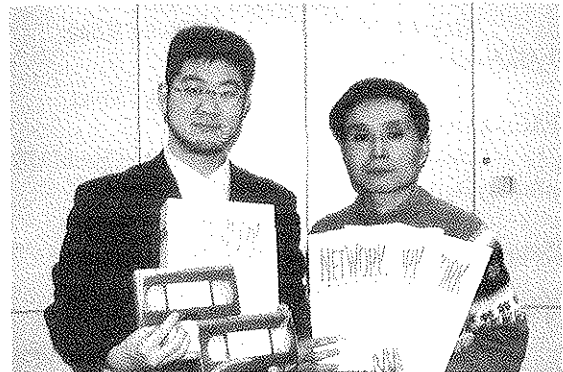
Manuals of Spiritual Gifts - produced by Japan Publishing House

The Japan Publishing House published "Network," the spiritual gifts materials, for the Christians in Japan. The materials include: Leader's Guide,

Participant's Guide, Consultant's Guide, Operation Guide, Over Head Projector Master Sheets, and two video tapes.

The original materials of "Network" were developed by Bruce Bugbee, Don Cousins, and Bill Hybels of the Willow Creek Community Church and published by Zondervan in the United States of America. The Willow Creek Community Church is one of the most rapid growing churches in America and the church has used "Network" as the materials for lay training.

"Network" is divided into three stages, namely "Discover," "Interview" and "Service." Through studying the materials, lay people can discover their passion for the Lord, their



Yasuki Miyamoto (right) and his assistant, Yutaka Yamaguchi, with "Network."

spiritual gifts, and their special areas to serve Him. Thus "Network" is designed to prepare the church members to make the church be functional and lively.

According to Yasuki Miyamoto, director of Sabbath School/ Personal Ministries department at the Japan Union Conference, he found no good Japanese materials for the spiritual gifts in the Adventist church as well as in other denominations as he worked for establishing the healthy churches. Thus, he began to negotiate with the Willow Creek Community Church to translate "Network" into Japanese in the beginning of 1999 and got permission in the middle of the year. The work of translation was completed by the end of 2001.

Miyamoto plans to conduct a seminar for the Willow Creek "Network" Memorial Sale on March 25 - 26, 2002 at the Ochanomizu Christian Center Chapel in Tokyo. The guest speaker is David (Soo Gwon) Chai, Asian Region Director for the Willow Creek Community Church. Since the Japanese materials are targeted to all Christians, this seminar is open to any Christian denomination and organization. The registration fee is Japanese 2,000 yen (US\$15.38).

The opening discount sale of "Network" will be from March 25 to June 30, 2002 with the special price Japanese 19,800 yen (about US\$152.31) plus 5% tax. After this term, the price will be 22,000 yen (US\$169.23) plus the tax.

This project was announced on Christian Shinbun, the Christian weekly paper, on January 27, 2002. It was the first time for the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Japan to be accepted by the paper for any news or advertisements. Until this time, the paper has never dealt with the Adventist church, because the paper has not considered the church as one of the main stream Christian churches.

Tadaomi Shinmyo, *Communication/PARL/Publishing/ATN/SOP Dir.*

Coming Events ...

NSD Council on Evangelism and Witness	May 14, 2002	Hong Kong
NSD Midyear Committee	May 15-16, 2002	Hong Kong
SOP Mid-Quinquennium Workshop	May 15-21, 2002	Battle Creek, USA
Chaplaincy Advisory/Conference	May 29- June 1, 2002	Hong Kong
KUC Secretariat Evaluation	Jun 3- Jun 7, 2002	Seoul, Korea
IRLA 5th World Congress	Jun 10- 13, 2002	Manila, Philippines
JUC Treasury Evaluation	Jun 11-Jun 13, 2002	Yokohama, Japan
Youth Worship Workshop	Jun 11-15, 2002	China
Festival of Religious Freedom	Jun 15, 2002	Manila, Philippines
Pan-Japan Teachers' Convention	Jun 16-18, 2002	Japan
PARL Training Seminar	Jun 16-18, 2002	Silang, Philippines
30th Faith and Learning Seminar	Jun 19-28, 2002	Seoul, Korea
Conference for VPs for Student Life	Jul 7-10, 2002	Silver Spring, USA
3rd Short-term Missionary Training	Jul 8-Aug 3, 2002	Philippines
Youth Leadership Conference	Jul 9-13, 2002	Beijing, China
Pathfinder Camporee	Aug 1-5, 2002	Japan
Volunteer Teachers Orientation	Aug 15-20, 2002	California
20th 1000 MM Training Session	Aug 18-Sep 21, 2002	Philippines
Shepherdess Congress	Aug 19-21, 2002	Japan
Festival of the Laity	Aug 21-25, 2002	Jeju Island, Korea

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