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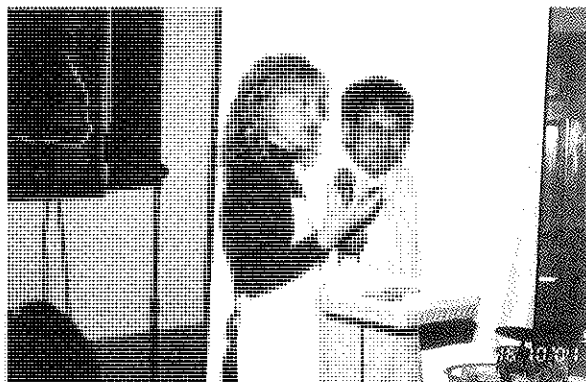
Bean Cuisine Exhibition

attracts over 5,000 people in Seoul, Korea

More than 5,000 people visited the Bean Cuisine Exhibition held at the Seoul Adventist Hospital playground on October 14 and 15. The event, aimed at promoting the health benefits of a vegetarian diet, was sponsored by the Korean Chapter of the International Temperance Association and Korean Women's Association of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. This is their third annual vegetarian cuisine exhibition.

Sook Ja Song, Ph.D. in nutrition and president of the Korean Women's Association of the Adventist Church, said she hoped the event would "enhance public awareness and preference for vegetarian diets." In the exhibition, there were 100 kinds of food made of beans, which were presented by 100 volunteers, including bean steak, bean pizza, bean cake, bean tofu, and bean salad.

"Through this event, we can deliver the messages in the writings of the Ellen G. White to the people effectively and efficiently. Today, people like to get the knowledge that is scientifically testified and practical rather than classical or



Sue Radd (left) and Her Translator

translated books. For this reason, we chose a slogan, 'See, Taste, Learn, and Make!'" adds Song.

A cooking class related to the exhibition was also conducted on October 16 at the Seoul Adventist Hospital Church. The class, attended by more than 250 people, was presented by Sue Radd, Ph.D. in nutrition from Australia. She gave 2 hour lecture and 4 hour cooking demonstration in the whole day. Philip Bohyun Yun, head vice president of the Korean Chapter of the International Temperance Association, said that she shared the latest information of bean around the world. The organizer expected around 100 participants with lunch, but more than 250 came to learn. "A Catholic nun among them said she was so impressed by the seminar," adds Yun.



More than 250 Attendees of the Cooking Class

The Bean Cuisine Exhibition drew media attention, with two of the top four newspapers in Korea--*Donga Ilbo* and *JoongAng Ilbo*--reporting on the event. A monthly magazine, *Women Sense*, also ran a story. Next year SBS broadcasting company, one of the three major television stations in the country, plans to broadcast "Health Digest," including a program related to the Bean Cuisine Exhibition.

Lotte Department Store, one of three major department stores in Korea, showed a keen interest in the exhibition. The department store asked the exhibition organizer to hold the bean cuisine and product exhibitions every week in its branches in turns in the future, showing an intention to be a leader of the bean cuisine goods.

Tadaomi Shinmyo, *Communication/PARL/Publishing/SOP/ATN Director*

Spirit of Prophecy Seminar

held at Sahmyook University in Korea

A very interesting and informative seminar related to the Spirit of Prophecy (SOP) was conducted at Sahmyook University in Seoul, Korea on October 6, 2001 and it attracted around 450 people including professionals as well as students and church members.

The theme of the seminar was "Efficacy & Principle of Adaptation of the Remedial Materials Introduced in the Spirit of Prophecy" and it was sponsored by the Traditional Medicine Institute of Pharmacy Department of Sahmyook University and the Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD) Ellen G. White (EGW) Research Center located in the university. Four speakers gave the excellent presentations. Their lectures were well prepared and the printed materials were handed to the attendance. Three of them used their computers to show words and images on the screen.

Kang, Jin Yang, doctor of pharmacology and professor of the pharmacy department of the university, talked about "Pharmaceutical Efficacy & Usage of the Remedial Materials Introduced in the Spirit of Prophecy." Lee, Sook Yeon, doctor of pharmacology and professor of the pharmacy department of the university, spoke of "Oriental Medical Efficacy & Applications of the Remedial Materials Introduced in the Spirit of Prophecy." Lim, Ki Dong, medical doctor and director of Yeosoo Sanitarium Hospital, presented "Efficacy & Usage of the Remedial Materials Introduced in the Spirit of Prophecy." And Kim, Pyung Ahan, doctor of ministry and professor of physical therapy department of the university, gave a lecture of "Practice & Efficacy of the Treatments using the Remedial Materials Introduced in the Spirit of Prophecy."



Kim Pyung Ahan, Lim Ki Dong, Lee Sook Yeon, Kang Jin Yang (from the left)

The NSD EGW Research Center holds such a seminar once every two years. The purposes of this year's seminar were, according to Kim, Ki Kon, doctor of philosophy and director of the NSD EGW Research Center, as follows:

(1) To know what are the effects and the principles of the using natural remedies recommended by EGW and how to use them;



The Participants of the Seminar

(2) To ascertain that EGW's method is God's will and confirm the SOP;

(3) To know how to react on the challengers to the EGW writings;

(4) To know how we can help our young people to be familiar with EGW writings because modern young people are not interested in the EGW writings.

The Pharmacy Department of Sahmyook University began March 1, 1979. Currently there are 7 professors and 120 students in the department.

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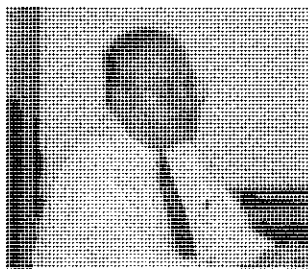
Coming Events ...

<i>NSD & Union Officers/Dept. Dir. Interviews</i>	October 29-31, 2001	Ilsan, Korea
<i>NSD Annual Council</i>	November 1-4, 2001	Ilsan, Korea
<i>Chinese Ministry Convention</i>	November 6-8, 2001	Taiwan
<i>KUC Annual Council</i>	November 19-21, 2001	Seoul, Korea
<i>JUC Annual Council</i>	November 27-29, 2001	Yokohama, Japan
<i>CHUM Annual Council</i>	December 3-4, 2001	Yu Chih, Taiwan
<i>MMF Annual Council</i>	December 12-13, 2001	UB, Mongolia

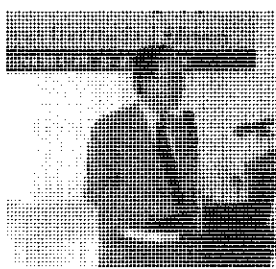
Ministerial and Shepherdess International Advisories *in Korea*

The NSD advisories for Ministerial and Shepherdess International were conducted on September 3-5, 2001, at the Division's conference room. The general theme was "United by the Word of God." James Cress, director of the GC Ministerial Association, and Sharon Cress, associate director of the GC Ministerial Association and coordinator of Shepherdess International, were the main resource persons for the three-day advisories. Seventeen Ministerial and Shepherdess International leaders, representing three Unions and the Mongolian Mission Field, attended and actively participated in the meetings.

James Cress emphasized the importance of the ministerial leader's role in the church, and presented 13 ways to encourage fellow pastors: 1) Pray for pastors; 2) Pray with pastors; 3) Respect pastors; 4) Motivate pastors; 5) Value pastors; 6) Include pastors; 7) Include pastors' families; 8) Stabilize pastors; 9) Feed pastors; 10) Build pastors; 11) Reward pastors; 12) Evaluate pastors; and 13) Listen to pastors.



James Cress

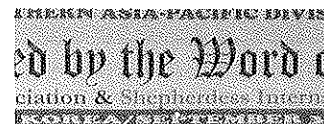


Jairyong Lee

He also reviewed some important aspects of ministerial work from the recently revised Ministerial Secretary's Manual. Several issues, including women's ordination, continuing education for pastors, a training program for elders, and a certificate program for ministerial secretaries, were discussed.

The Union directors presented reports, including some of the joys and difficulties of the ministerial work in their respective territories. According to Bob Folkenberg, Jr., representing the Chinese Union Mission, 78 pastors are currently working in Taiwan, Hong Kong, and Macao. In spite of many challenges, these pastors are doing their best to expand the kingdom of God in their assigned territories. He also mentioned the remarkable growth of the church in China.

Masumi Shimada, ministerial secretary of Japan Union Conference, provided an update on their Union's goal to baptize 7,000 people in seven years (1998-2005). In the past three years the Union was not able to reach their yearly goals, but they are still striving, by the grace of God, to reach the goal in the remaining four years. Shimada spoke about the need to encourage pastors who are working under difficult circumstances and facing daily challenges.



Mary Wong

A report on the work in Mongolia was given by Dale Tunnell, director of the Mongolia Mission Field. The first baptism in Mongolia was conducted in 1993. Since then the Lord has blessed the work in the country. In 1998 there were two meeting places in Mongolia, including one organized church. There were four in 1999, eight in 2000, and twelve in 2001, increasing the number of meeting places by six times in the past four years. On August 4, during the first campmeeting in Mongolia, Bold Batsukh, the first Mongolian pastor, was ordained to the gospel ministry. As of September 2001, there are 235 baptized members in the Mongolia Mission Field.

The last report was given by Dong Woon Im, ministerial secretary of the Korean Union Conference. Churches are growing steadily in Korea. A total of 805 pastors are ministering to 160,000 church members and leading out in outreach mission activities. Because of their ministry, 6,405 people were baptized in the year 2000. All pastors and their spouses are given the opportunity to attend a special week-long spiritual retreat every other year to strengthen their spirituality and to renew their commitment to the ministerial work. Im also mentioned the need to offer marriage seminars to pastors and their spouses to train them to serve as marriage counselors as well as to strengthen their own marriages.

The delegates also discussed strategic issues and action plans for the next five years in the areas of quality of life, unity, and church growth. The Shepherdess International Coordinators had a few sessions of their own with Sharon Cress. They have discussed many challenging issues that pastors' wives are facing in their daily life.

The three days of advisories were concluded by the dedicatory prayer of all delegates. Big thanks to all delegates from our three unions and Mongolia Mission Field.

Jairyong Lee, Ministerial Association Secretary & Mary Wong, Shepherdess International Coordinator

Yang Ming Shan Christian School *in Taipei, Taiwan* (Part 1)

Yang Ming Shan Christian School originated in Taipei, Taiwan as an Overseas School for Missionary children whose parents worked at Taiwan Adventist Hospital or were officers in SCIMUM. The school was held on the hospital compound for many years. In 1986-87 a new two-room school was built on Yang Ming Shan, (from extra materials left over after building the new SDA hospital) on the same compound where most of the missionary families lived.



Yang Ming Shan Christian School (front view)

A lovely two-room/two teacher school was dedicated on May 10, 1987. In 1991 Mr. Robinson, the former principal, initiated the process to become registered with the Taiwan Government as a Foreign School. Foreign Schools are allowed to take Chinese students as long as they have foreign passports. The name was changed to Yang Ming Shan Christian School. The school has always taught a Seventh-day Adventist American Curriculum from Kindergarten to Grade 8. YMSCS has a unique niche to fill in Taipei being one of only two foreign schools that will accept students that do not speak English. We feel this is a golden opportunity to help students that have no other option for school. We are happy to help them learn English.

In 1997 under the direction of John Zollbrecht the covered play area on top of the building was remodeled into three new classrooms. This brought the number of classrooms to four with an extra room for assemblies and music room. That year three new teachers (including my husband and I) were called and the school grew to over 50 students.



JoAnne Lafever (center) and Grade 7 & 8 Students

In 1999 a separate Kindergarten for four and five year olds was added which brought the total to five classrooms with five North American Teachers. Currently for the 2001-2002 school year, the school has 66 students in five classrooms with two grades per class.

Currently we have seven teachers from North America either on IDE or AVS basis. We have five local hired teachers either part-time or fulltime working as aides, Music/ESL teacher, Chinese teacher, and Secretary/Bookkeeper. My husband Beech, and I are starting our fifth year of teaching at YMSCS. We feel blessed to live and work with serious and lovable students and families.

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

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