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# Moving Forward by Faith!

## Facing Another Challenging Year

Jaiyong Lee, President Northern Asia-Pacific Division

**I**n a few days, we will be entering another new year leaving all kinds of memories of the past year behind. The Second Coming of Christ is now one year closer. There may be many new challenges waiting for us. Satan will continually try to bring all kinds of trouble to God's people because he knows that his time is short.

We need to finish the gospel work as soon as possible, but it seems evangelism becomes more challenging as time goes by. We need to thoroughly commit ourselves to the gospel commission, but it seems we are so busy with so many other worldly business. We need to draw closer to our Lord every day to become more like Him, but it seems we are drifting farther and farther away from Him. We are in a Laodicean condition!

After 40 years of wandering in the wilderness, the people of Israel came close to the border of the land of Canaan. The Jordan River was ahead of them and in the far distance they could see the land of Canaan beyond the river. Now Moses had died and God chosen Joshua to be his successor. God assured him that He would be with Him wherever he would go. (Joshua 1:9)

"Joshua, by divine direction, commanded the people to sanctify themselves; they must put away their sins and free themselves from all outward impurity, 'for tomorrow,' he said, 'the Lord will do wonders among you.'" (PP, 483) They searched their hearts. They thoroughly repented of their sins. They asked God for forgiveness of their faithlessness. They experienced a new spiritual revival.

Finally, Joshua issued orders to the people to rise and march on toward the land that God had promised to give to them. "Arise, and march on!" In a short while

they would occupy the Promised Land. The 40 years of wandering in the wilderness will end forever. The land, vineyard and fruit trees, houses, cities, towns and villages, hills and mountains and plains in the land of Canaan would be theirs in a few days. O, How long have they waited for this day! The history of bitter experiences in the wilderness will end, and the new and bright history of God's people will begin in the new land.

But there was a serious problem before them: The overflowing Jordan River! The waters were so deep and the current was very rough and strong. At the appointed time, however, the priests stood up with the Ark of the Covenant on their shoulders and began to march on towards the Jordan River. The priests demonstrated their faith in God before the people.

"All watched with deep interest as the priests advanced down the bank of the Jordan. They saw them with the sacred ark move steadily forward toward the angry, surging stream, till the feet of the bearers were dipped into the waters. Then suddenly the tide above swept back, while the current below flowed on, and the bed of the river was laid bare." (PP, 484) It was a miracle! God performed a miracle for His people. Now, at last, all the children of Israel successfully crossed over the Jordan River and finally touched the land of Canaan with their own feet. It was a faith movement.

Dear people of God, let us move forward together trusting in God's promise all through the year of 2013. By faith we will successfully overcome all the challenges before us, and through the power of the Holy Spirit we will surely accomplish the mission our Lord has given to us.

### NSD MISSION STATEMENT

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



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## 2012 Northern Asia-Pacific Division Annual Council

The Annual Council of the Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD) was held from November 1-5, 2012, in Ilsan, Korea. The church leaders of the General Conference (GC), Division, Unions, Conferences, Mongolia Mission Field (MMF), institutions, and the Unorganized Territory (UT), all participated in the annual meeting of the NSD full Executive Committee. This NSD year ending meeting was blessed with five representatives from the General Conference: General Vice President, Armando Miranda; Executive Secretary, G.T. Ng; Associate Treasurer, Raymond Wahlen; Mission Institute Director, Cheryl Doss; and, Adventist World Radio (AWR)

President, Dowell Chow.

The theme “Spiritual Revival Through His Word” was written on the banner of the meeting place. Reading one chapter of the Bible each day before the sessions led the delegates to be inspired, and empowered by God’s Word. The emphasis was placed on the great commission of Jesus Christ during the Advisory Council on Evangelism and Witness, on the first day of the council, with a presentation by Cheryl Doss, Director of Mission Institute (the Institute of World Mission).

The NSD President, Dr. Jairyong Lee, stated in his presidential report, “Our work will never stop or slow down until the gospel commission

is fully accomplished in the entire field. This commission comes from Jesus, who said, ‘And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come (Matthew 24:14).’

During the five-day meeting, presidential or departmental reports from each entity were presented. Delegates also discussed about, and approved, various agenda items including the plans, budgets, policy amendments, and the Chinese Union Mission (CHUM) reorganization. One special and significant voted action was about the CHUM reorganization. The NSD Annual Council recorded and adopted the action taken during

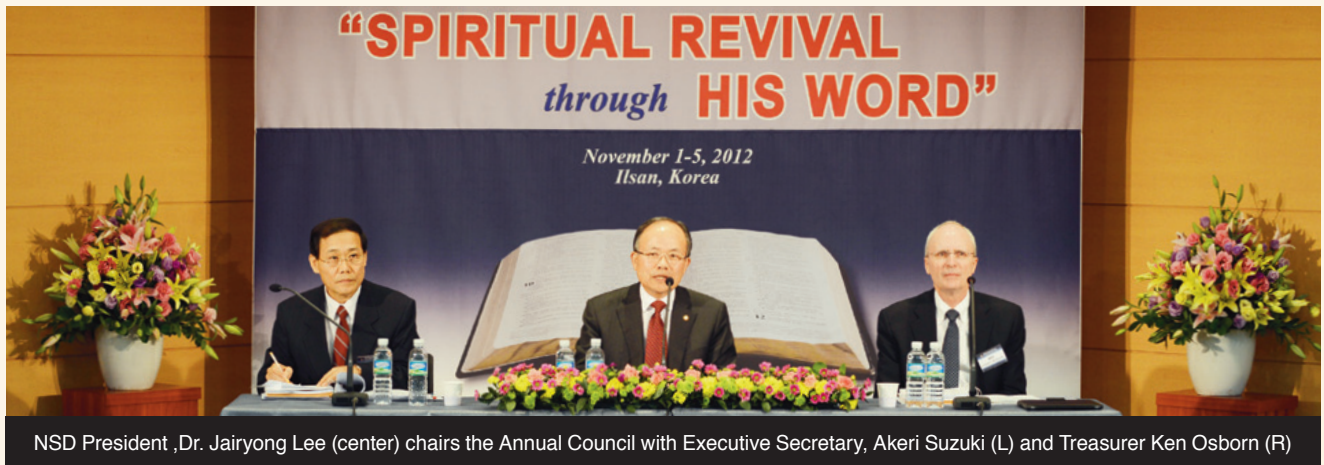


1. GC VP Armando Miranda
4. G. T. Ng, GC Exec. Secretary

2. SYU Theology Students
5. Raymond Wahlen, GC Assoc. Treasurer

3. NSD Annual Council Delegates
6. Delegates from Taiwan Conference





NSD President ,Dr. Jaeryong Lee (center) chairs the Annual Council with Executive Secretary, Akeri Suzuki (L) and Treasurer Ken Osborn (R)

the 2012 GC Annual Council following the NSD Special Executive Committee's recommendation on September 13, 2012, as follows:

1. The current Union mission status of the Chinese Union Mission will be retained.
2. The Hong Kong-Macao Conference (HKMC) and Union institutions (Adventist Healthcare Hong Kong: Hong Kong Adventist Hospital, Tsuen Wan Adventist Hospital, and Hong Kong Adventist College) in Hong Kong will remain under the jurisdiction of the Chinese Union Mission.
3. The Unorganized Mission Field of China will remain a part of the Chinese Union Mission.
4. The Taiwan Conference (TWC), Taiwan Adventist Hospital, Taiwan Adventist College, and the Signs of the Times Publishing Association will be attached to the Northern Asia-Pacific Division.
5. The above reorganization will be effective January 1, 2013.

Since the issue of reorganization of the Chinese Union Mission has been the focus of discussion at the GC and the NSD, the GC has sent Taskforce and Survey Commission Teams to

visit both Taiwan and Hong Kong for the realignment of the Union's territory.

The main purpose of the reorganization process is for the enhancement of the work in the Unorganized Territory with the CHUM, and for strengthening the work in Hong Kong, Macau, and Taiwan. To the new CHUM structure, the NSD Annual Council has appointed new CHUM officers, who are as follows: President, Robert S. Folkenberg Jr.; Secretary, Daniel Jiao; and, Treasurer, Wong, Kwok-Leung (Johnny). Also, a new NSD Associate Treasurer, Liu, Li-Chun (Dan), was appointed for the NSD Taipei branch office in order to operate the NSD institutions in Taiwan more smoothly.

Beside the CHUM reorganization, the NSD will operate the Adventist Multi-Cultural Family Service Center in Ansan, Korea (formerly Ansan Migrants Mission Center) as a division institution, effective January 1, 2013.

On Sabbath, November 3, the PMM dedication service was held for eight pastors who are going to be sent to five foreign countries including Taiwan, Mongolia, the



Cheryl Doss, GC Mission Institute director speaks to the delegates

UT, the Philippines, and India. A special event during the NSD Annual Council was the Golden Angels music concert held in the Sahmyook University auditorium. The title of the concert, "One Voice, One Mission," reconfirmed that we will continue to go forward with the great commission until our Savior's return.



Suzuki, Akeri  
Executive Secretary



# 11th Pioneer Mission Movement Dedication



Pioneer Mission Movement 11th batch missionaries with NSD Annual Council delegates

On November 3, the Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD) held a dispatching and dedication service for the Pioneer Mission Movements (PMM) 11th batch of missionaries at the Seoul Central Church.

Eight pastors have dedicated six years of their life for missionary service. They are Kim, InSu (Taiwan), Kim, HyungKil (Mongolia), Chun, Won Bae (Mongolia), Song, EulSub (UT), Lee, KiWon (UT), Kim, KiHwang (UT), Oh, ChangKyu (Philippines), and Bae, JinSung (India).

This missionary dedication service was held during

the NSD Annual Council Session which meant that there were many delegates from the General Conference (GC) and other Unions participating.

Among the participants were Elder G.T. Ng, GC Secretary, Elder Armando Miranda, GC General Vice President, and Dr. Cheryl Doss, GC Institute of World Mission Director (IWM), just to name a few of the many Union and Conference officers and directors.

There were various special features for the service. Elder G.T. Ng, GC Secretary, preached a sermon; Pastor Kim, Si Young, NSD PMM Coordinator,



GC & NSD Leaders



NSD President Dr. Lee presents Plaque



G. T. Ng(L) speaks to Missionaries



introduced the PMM missionaries; and, Dr. Jairyong Lee, NSD President, gave a plaque of appointment to each missionary. There were four important remarks given by Elder Kim, DaeSung, Korea Union Conference (KUC) President, Elder R. John, Southern Asia Division (SUD) President, Dr. Cheryl Doss, GC IWM Director, and Elder Elbert Kuhn, Mongolia Mission Field (MMF) Director.

The GC Vice President, Elder Armando Miranda, gave a mission charge to the eight missionaries, and all the delegates placed their hands on the missionaries, offering a prayer of dedication. Elder P.D. Chun, the former NSD President, led the dedication prayer.

In other remarks, Dr. Cheryl Doss, GC IWM Director, said, “You have responded to the call of God asking you to preach the Gospel to the world and to make disciples of all nations. You will face many challenges but you will find yourself growing more in unexpected ways.” She continued by saying, “When

you find out that you lack something, it is a chance for God to work for you. Please move forward trusting in the Lord.”

The NSD President, Dr. Jairyong Lee said, “I pray that all of you will be filled with the Holy Spirit as you go to your mission field to preach the Gospel.”

The GC Vice President, Elder Armando Miranda, said, “You are called by God to perform the mission that God has given you, just like Abraham left his hometown and relatives. Please go forward trusting that God is always with you.”

In 2003 the NSD had launched the Pioneer Mission Movement to send missionaries to un-entered areas to plant churches as a global pioneer mission project. (See 28p for more pictures)



**SiYoung Kim**  
NSD PMM Coordinator



1. 11th Batch PMM Missionaries during the Ceremony  
3. GC & NSD Leaders pray for the Missionary couples

2. NSD President Dr. Jairyong Lee speaks to the Missionaries  
4. Group picture of the New PMM Missionaries



Golden Angels with GC and NSD Leaders pose on the stage after the concert. More than 2,000 audience enjoyed the beautiful music concert

On November 4, 2012, the Golden Angels, a group of singing missionaries from the Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD), held a mission concert at Sahmyook University, Korea. There were more than 2,000 people in attendance at the concert.

This concert was a reunion concert in which all the former Golden Angels members came together to praise the Lord. Because this concert was held during the NSD Annual Council period, all the NSD AC delegates also attended this beautiful concert.

Before the concert began, the NSD Youth/Music Ministries Director, Pastor NakHyung Kim, gave the welcoming remarks. He said, "During the past year, Golden Angels Group 9 did their best to accomplish so many Christian services and to perform

musical concerts. They were so full of energy to share God's love in Hong Kong, Taiwan, Japan, Korea and Mongolia. I wondered where this energy came from. I believe that this energy comes when we praise our Lord with one voice and one mission."

The NSD President, Dr. Jairyong Lee, said, "I would like to give thanks to all of our church members who pray and support the Golden Angels ministries. The Golden Angels began their ministry back in 2004 to support the mission work of our Pioneer Mission Movement (PMM) missionaries. Every year we send eight Golden Angels to our mission fields. So many people's hearts have been touched by their gifted voice when they praise God. They supported more than 20 evangelistic meetings around

the world. I really appreciate their service and dedication. Also, I want to give my congratulations on this wonderful music concert."

The Golden Angels members sang more than 20 songs during this concert. It was so well prepared and beautiful. The Sulami Singers also sang a few songs as guest singers. At the end of the concert, the NSD President, Dr. Jairyong Lee, gave appreciation plaques to each of the Golden Angels' nine members. The concert ended with Dr. Lee's closing prayer. Many people's hearts were touched by the Golden Angels' singing and their testimonies.



**NakHyung Kim**  
NSD Youth Director





Members of Golden Angels 9

From left to right : Kang Dong Won (Baritone), Ariuntuya Davaasuren (Mezzo Soprano), Yun Seol Ki (High Tenor ), Kim Jin Sil (Alto)  
Bong Tekun (Second Tenor), Lau Shuk Mei (Soprano), Lee jungyoun (Bass), Jehaziel R. Alburo (Soprano)



Golden Angels with their OB members praise God with a beautiful voice



NSD President gives Appreciation Plaque to GA Member



Dr. Lee appreciates Mrs. Park for her dedication



NSD President Dr. Jaiyong Lee



More than 2000 audience enjoyed the concert



Pr. Nakhyung Kim, NSD Youth Director



Pr. Park Kun Chun, Golden Angels Coordinator





CHUM

## 2012 Chinese Union Mission Special Session



2012 Chinese Union Mission Special Session Participants

A Chinese Union Mission (CHUM) special session was held at Hong Kong Adventist College on December 4 to 5, 2012, with the theme of “Revival and Christian Life.” There were a total of 72 participants including General Conference (GC) Vice President Mike Ryan, and GC Executive Secretary G. T. Ng, as well as Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD) officers, and delegates from the CHUM territory.

The goal of this meeting was to record and accept the realignment of the CHUM territory, with Taiwan now directly attached to the NSD. New department directors were also appointed. Because this was a special session, the Nominating Committee report showed minimum change in the Union personnel, although it is understood that the Union Executive Committee will make necessary adjustments in the near future.

GC Executive Secretary G. T. Ng, and NSD President Jairyong Lee were invited to lead the morning devotions during these two days. All the participants were encouraged to look forward to a more goal-oriented approach to God’s work in the CHUM territory. After the CHUM’s reorganization, although Taiwan is now directly under the NSD, there will still be many ties and cooperation with the Chinese members in this area. It is our prayer that through missionary work, education, medical assistance, human resource development, and the media, that the gospel will continue to be preached to the people in this region.



New CHUM President Robert Folkenberg Jr. speaks(Center) to the participants



Participants vote during the Session



Daniel Jiao  
CHUM Executive Secretary



## 2012 Japan Union Conference Annual Council

The Japan Union Conference's Annual Council was held from November 25 to 27, 2012, at the Union Tachikawa Office located in the western part of Metro Tokyo. By God's grace it was successfully finished. Even though the Japanese Adventist Church struggles through many difficult situations, we can see the Lord's mighty hand leading His work through the church members, pastors, literature evangelists, and workers of our institutions. We hear many good reports from each field. The churches and institutions which suffered from last year's big earthquake and tsunami have made a strong recovery and are very active.

During the meeting, the Union leader and the Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD) representatives emphasized the "Tokyo 13", which is the City Evangelical project which will be held next autumn. Tokyo is called the world's largest city, according to the United Nations statistics, and will be the target city for the "City Evangelism" project sponsored by the NSD. The effort for outreach to the people of Tokyo should be done by the churches of the Japan Union Conference and the East Japan Conference. The involvement of church members is a key factor for the success of "Tokyo 13." The response of the committee members to the appeal for a commitment to "Tokyo 13" was great. We are looking forward to joining this historical evangelical effort in 2013.



Dr. Jairyong Lee with Dr. Akeri Suzuki speak during the Session



Japan Union Conference Annual Council

MMF

## GC Secretariat Officers visit the Mongolia Mission Field



G. T. Ng, GC Executive Secretary(center) talks with MMF officers

Some of the Church leaders from the Secretariat Department of the General Conference (GC) visited the Mongolia Mission Field (MMF) on July 26 and 27, 2012, for the evaluation of the secretariat functions of the MMF office. The Church leaders were Elder GT Ng, Executive Secretary; Myron Iseminger, Undersecretary; Rosa Banks, Associate Secretary; Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD) Executive Secretary, Akeri Suzuki, and his Assistant, Paul Song. Their tasks included the review of the compiled Committee minutes, service records, data archiving, church membership audits, and other pertinent reports. We are very pleased to have received a good grade from the evaluators,

despite the fact that our Executive Secretary/Treasurer, Joseph Allan Deblois, is new to the post. The GC team gave recommendations to us to work on some of the programs for our backslider members. To date, a retention program has been in place which, it is hoped, will strengthen and solidify church memberships. It is our goal that in the near future, the Attached Field will become a Mission itself. We are to grow as an organization, and we will all grow together in Christ!





KUC

## 2012 Annual Council of the Korean Union Conference

On two beautiful autumn days, November 12 and 13, Pastor Kim, Dae Sung, President of the Korean Union Conference (KUC), released the business plan for the KUC for the upcoming year. The KUC will baptize 7,000 people, pioneer nine churches, and take in 63 billion won in tithe during the next year.

Pastor Kim, Dae Sung, President of the KUC, emphasized that “our biggest task of the year is to lay the groundwork for the children and youth programs. I hope that all institutions and churches in Korea changeover to a mission centered system.”

He also said, “We have to prevent the loss of members from our churches and develop an effective way to take care of the new-born Christians in our churches.”

Dr. Lee, Jairyong, President of the Northern Asia Pacific Division (NSD), expressed his gratitude for the effort of the church leaders in the Korean territory. He also

emphasized the importance of spiritual revival in this last generation, saying that, “We cannot bear fruit without a spiritual revival because all God’s work is comprised of spiritual things. We must always be in a state of spiritual revival.” The KUC has strengthened its advertising by setting 2012 as the “Year of Mission Vitalization.” For this program, they have produced and distributed mission materials which have various levels such as evangelism training, disciples training, and so on.

Meanwhile, the KUC has also been publishing a popular edition of the “Great Controversy” and distributing them on demand for fund-raising. Distributing the “Great Controversy” is part of a movement in the Adventist church the world over.

The KUC will follow the Great Controversy Project consistently by producing three million abridged editions, and fifty thousand complete editions.



2012 Korean Union Conference Annual Council Participants



## Mongolia, Looking Ahead To a Progressive Mission for Years to Come!



MMF Director, Elbert Kuhn, speaks to during the Mongolia Mission Field Annual Council

On November 19-20, 2012, Dr. Jairyong Lee, Elders Akeri Suzuki, Ken Osborn and Sung Guimo, joined the staff of the Mongolia Mission Field (MMF) for their Annual Council meeting. During the opening remarks, Dr. Lee gave spiritual inspiration on the life of Elijah the Prophet. Elijah was a man of prayer, a man of the Word of God, and a man of the Holy Spirit. Dr. Lee encouraged the workers to emulate Elijah's humble lifestyle in how he honored Christ, how he preached boldly, how he prepared for Christ's ministry, and how he prepared people for the Second Coming. This is our utmost calling in the last days!

As the meeting progressed, the MMF officers, Departmental Directors, and Coordinators, gave their evaluation reports on their respective departments' activities which transpired throughout the year, and the programs that they will be working on for 2013. At the same time, Pastor Elbert Kuhn unveiled the "Strategic Plan for 2013-2017." His leadership emphasis was on moving forward together, by faith, towards a better and brighter future in the following six key areas of concern: Church Growth, Ministerial Development, Physical Development, Church Membership and Finance Accountability, Media and Public Relations, and Fund Raising Drives.

Through integrated evangelism programs, it is hoped that church growth will prosper which will consequently increase and solidify church membership, later paving the way for more church planting. For Ministerial

Development, pastors and church leaders are to be trained, and develop a high spiritual, emotional and intellectual standard. Part of the Physical Development which is expected to take place is the following: construction on a dormitory project, establishment of a printing press and a health center, the rise of more new church buildings (in lieu of the rented worship halls now being used), and expansion of the Ulaanbaatar Adventist School. These projects will surely materialize provided the needed funds are raised. This is why the Administration will widen social networks to raise more funds. Along with this campaign drive is the assurance that transparency will be maintained in the disclosure of financial information to the donors to keep their trust. The Secretariat and Treasury Departments have made the commitment to strengthen the systems in place with regards to Church Membership and Finance Accountability. The Public Affairs and Religious Liberty Departments will facilitate the promotion of activities that will create more awareness of the existence of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Mongolia.

With concerted efforts, fervent prayers, and maximum utilization of the resources at hand, by God's grace the MMF will mobilize the ministry of Christ, as Elijah did, to a far and greater length. "We must be laborers with God; for God will not complete His work without human agencies." (Review and Herald, March 1, 1887) Everyone is therefore enthusiastic to have a progressive mission for years to come!





CHUM

## Taiwan, Xin Dian Church's Evangelism

The Xin Dian Church, located in Taipei, Taiwan, opened its doors to friends and neighbors, as well as church members, for a family evangelistic series which began on Sunday, November 11 and ended on Sabbath, November 17, 2012. The speakers were Drs. Sally and Chek-Yat Phoon, the Northern Asia-Pacific Division's (NSD) Family Ministries Director, and its Resource Personnel, respectively. Church members with their PMM (Pioneer Mission Movement) pastor, Kim Seok Woo, have been laying the groundwork for months, visiting interests, conducting Bible studies and above all, fasting and praying for the success of this effort. Interwoven with the gospel message of hope and salvation were family topics on how to have a close-knit and strong family which has God as its center. The first night's message was clear—In the beginning, there was love because in the beginning was God. If we want to have love in our homes, then we need to invite God to be in our hearts and our homes because where God is, there is always love—love of the right kind.

The series included the story of the fall and its effects, particularly on the family. This has seriously impacted the husband and wife relationship, an issue that will be addressed so that there will be better understanding between the sexes. When God's Plan A went awry because of the choices made by Adam and Eve, God immediately implemented Plan B by sending His only Son to show this sinful world how to love.

The salvation story which features God's unconditional love for a dying world was applied to the family setting, and participants discovered their individual love languages. They also learn how to love each other unconditionally, and more effectively.

God also crafted the Sabbath when He created the weekly cycle, a day to focus on Him and also on our families. Today, the greatest need in the family is time. Participants were reminded of the importance of spending time with God, and with family members. The skill most lacking in families today was shared; all who attended practiced writing a note of encouragement to a family



Drs. Sally and Chek-Yat Phoon speak to the attendees



Four Newly baptized Members

member or a friend. While we struggle with the attacks of Satan on our homes, we can surely trust that if we believe in Him, God will lead us to the ideal home of all homes—the new heaven and new earth. These topics were well received as the approach to evangelism was new to them.

The Xin Dian Church was fully mobilized as young and old worked together to visit and invite their friends. They distributed flyers to the neighboring areas while a team of dedicated cooks prepared meals for the singing group from the NSD, the Golden Angels, who enhanced the meetings with their lively music. The highlight of the meeting came on Sabbath when four people who had studied with the pastor, were baptized. Our prayer is that this evangelism has strengthened our families in Xin Dian to become living sermons to their new-found friends and contacts.



Sally Lam Phoon

NSD Women's Ministries Director, CLAP Coordinator



## President of Sahmyook University Crosses the Finish Line of a Marathon

On November 18, a very cold winter day, Sang Lae Kim, President of Sahmyook University in Korea, ran the whole course of the “2012 Son Gi Jeong Peace Marathon.” Although the wind chill outside was below freezing, President Kim crossed the finish line at a record of 5 hours and 19 minutes.

It is extremely rare that a university president takes the challenge of running a whole marathon, and finishes it. He wore a uniform with “Love Sahmyook” written across his chest.

What was the reason that he took this challenge? He is an amateur runner and has no previous experience running in a marathon, and yet he still took on this challenge and completed it!

He answered this question by saying that, “I wanted to show you the passion I have for the spirit of Sahmyook University, as well as advertise our school. I wanted to communicate with our students through this great opportunity.”

He has also declared he will run a marathon at the inauguration ceremony in March, 2013, and is now training every Wednesday with some of his professors. He promised himself and the students that he would run this

marathon as well. Although sometimes it has been very tough, he has won the victory over himself, wishing that the Sahmyook students would also challenge themselves in life.

After finishing his race, he was interviewed by YTN.

He said, “I deeply understand the predicament of our students, and I wanted to show them through the running of this Marathon, the vision that we can do anything.”

The media shed light on Mr. Kim’s completion of the Marathon by reporting that, “He has a profound love for his school. He is from Sahmyook University.” Through this event, the image of a “hands-on” president is imprinted on people’s minds. He ran the Marathon to let all the people know that Sahmyook University is making strong endeavors for their students!

This Marathon was held to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the birth of Son Gi Jeong, a famous marathoner in Korea. About 2,000 people participated in the event. There were three courses: 10km, half course, and full course.



Marathon Participants from the Sahmyook University



SYU President Sang Lae Kim interviewed by the Media after the Marathon





KUC

## Pathfinders “Junior Basic Staff Training Course” in Korea

On November 17~18, 2012, the Pathfinders “Junior Basic Staff Training Course” (JBSTC) was held at Taegang Sahmyook Elementary School. From students to lecturers, all wore the Pathfinder uniform. The training sessions consisted of “Mental Education”, “Teen Leadership”, “Function of the Uniform and Brooch”, “Pathfinder Camping Rules”, and “Knotting.”

All courses were finished with a comprehensive examination, and the students received a certificate.

The JBSTC is the Korean version of Teen Leadership Training (TLT) which was created by the General Conference (GC) for teenagers. The JBSTC has changed



Junior Basic Staff Training Course Participants

the paradigm that Pathfinder activities are only centered on elementary school students, and now includes middle school students, as well. In short, this has paved the way for an extension of the Pathfinder’s ages.

There were 23 participants this year, with 22 people completing the whole course.

Pastor Oh, Beomsuck, Youth Director for the West Central Korean Conference, preached that “it is very regrettable that many people think that Pathfinders is only for elementary school students. I hope through the JBSTC, our middle school students also receive a good church education, and become good leaders in this church after their time in Pathfinders.”

MMF

## Physical Developments on the Rise

During 2012, the Mongolia Mission Field (MMF) was blessed to acquire five new properties. A parcel of land that is 600 square meters in the Hentii Province, which is 333 Km (Kilometers) from the capital city; a 472 square meter lot situated in the Arkhangai Province, approximately 468 km away from Ulaanbaatar; a lot and building in Erdenet City, and two other newly constructed church buildings.

On October 13, 2012, the MMF officers conducted an inauguration ceremony, and organization of the Munkhiin Geree SDA Church located in the Ovorkhangai Province.



Amazing Grace Church

The office staff participated in the event along with the regular church goers within the area, as well as some visitors. The same meaningful ceremonies are yet to take place for the Amazing Grace church building which will be completed, and dedicated in January, 2013. It is

interesting to note that the last time a church was officially organized in Mongolia was eight years ago.

The aforementioned physical developments are a byproduct of both the MMF’s capital investments, and donations from benevolent donors. Most of the donations have come from Australian’s who, at some point in time, came to visit Mongolia to present evangelistic meetings. It is our dream to plant more churches in the key cities around the country. God willing, the MMF will raise more new church buildings.

Above all, we will increase the Adventist population!



# Health Evangelism – Tokyo Chinese Church



Tokyo Chinese Adventist Church members



Health Seminar Participants enjoy Health foods



Health Food Cooking Demonstration

A Health Evangelism Seminar was held on November 22-24, 2012. This seminar was a follow-up to the health seminar held at the Japan-Chinese Church in Tachikawa on April 14, 2012. The theme was “Health: the Never Ending Subject.” Each day started with a cooking demonstration followed by two lectures in the church. After lunch came practical classes such as hydrotherapy, use of charcoal, and home remedies for burns, scalds, coughs and soft tissue injury.

The lecture topics were ‘The Recipe That Takes Care of Diabetes’, ‘The Balanced Meal’, ‘A Diet to Build Immunity’, ‘Anti-aging Diet’, ‘CELEBRATIONS: The Health Principles for the End Time’, ‘Christ – The Secret to Overcoming Our Weaknesses’

A steady group of 16 to 22 people attended the three-day Seminar. Among the group were six to eight seekers, two of which decided to be baptized into the Chinese Church in Tokyo by the end of this year!



The latest survey of the Chinese population living in Tokyo tells us that there are 160,000 Chinese! How can we meet the spiritual needs of this special group in the end times? We have to use the right hand of the gospel—health ministry.

“Christ’s method alone will give true success in reaching the people. The Savior mingled with people as one who desires their good. He showed sympathy for them, ministered to their needs, and won their confidence. Then He invited them, ‘Follow Me’.” (The Ministry of Healing, p.143)



**Barbara Choi**  
Health Ministries Director





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## The 'Love Church' for Homeless People



New Members attend the Church worship through Homeless project



Love Church members sing hymns during worship

The "Love Church" was specially made for homeless people by the Minlak Church in Uijeongbu. Here is the background on the beginning of this special church.

Four years ago, there were two people visiting the Minlak church, who seemed to be homeless. They were dirty, and had not washed themselves in a very long time. They gave off the smell of booze, and the air around them was impregnated with filthy odors. At first, nobody would approach them, and no one had the heart to show their love to these poor people. The church members felt very uncomfortable sitting with them, so they sat apart from these two people during worship. But this attitude did not come from Jesus. They should have changed their mind. They were confused between the Bible verse, "love your neighbor as yourself" and who they met in the real world.

But now, it has totally changed. They understand, love, and care about each other. There have been 17 baptisms through the "Love Church" this year, as well as 20 baptisms last year, and 22 baptisms the year before that. They say that, "The cause for this great fruition is the message from God, and the love of the church members."

They became sisters, brothers or friends as the members listen to the people's life stories, and help them in practical ways. The church members also recommended the people for jobs, and studied "Faith for Today" with them. Little by little, their lives have slowly changed. The more they study the Bible with the pastor, the more they want to receive baptism and become sincere Christians. They brought their friends to the church, which caused the joyful news to travel from mouth-to-mouth. Now the number of people at the "Love Church" is about 54. Among them, some have decided to put the past behind them, and start anew. Isn't that marvelous?!

The purpose of the "Love Church" is more than giving out food and clothes. 'Faith and Education' is their true

purpose because we can survive only through God's guidance. This purpose also helps them to be a new man in our society.

Elder Lee, Young Hwa, who is in charge of the "Love Church," manages it every week. He writes down their name, one-by-one, and graphs their church attendance in his notes personally. He takes pictures of them and records



Love Church provides foods for Homeless people





Worship service at the Love Church

the full details of all events, contributions, the contents of their education, consultations, and each of the current state of savings, and so on. His concern and love for them is the chief element of success in the homeless evangelism, and that is why the people follow and respect Elder Lee. He said that he was quite a success in the marketing world once, but before long he went out of business. His own difficult experiences help him to be able to understand, and help these people in their failures and despair. He confesses that, "When I was in despair, I just read the 'Desire of Hope,' and finally, I would leave that terrible state." Now he is telling the people in the "Love Church" that, "We will help you, without any reward for ourselves, through love and prayer. Stand up by His grace and feel the love of Jesus Christ. Our existence is precious to Jesus!"

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## Detox: A New Possibility for Mission Work

The Newstart Church in Yongin, held an evangelistic meeting for a week, from October 29 to November 3, 2012. From the perspective of finding ways to approach people, this evangelistic meeting is something we need to look at.

The church added to their program, compared to the previous meeting they held in the spring.

At that time they held a Prophecy Evangelistic meeting in the morning, then held health seminars and worked with the sick in the afternoon. Elder Mun Hyun Lee gave each person a personal prescription according to their current state of health.

Following the good example of the Newstart Church, the University Mission Association also held a Detox Health Evangelistic Meeting during the same time, at the Sandulsori Botanical Garden in Buram-dong, Seoul. The lecturer for the week was Pastor Il Kwon Yang, who serves the Back to Eden World Mission Group. To help people feel happy, "I DREAM VISION" hosted the evangelistic meeting. The number of registrants who paid the whole fee was 160, 50 of whom were searching for Christ.



Health Seminar Participants stretch their body during the program. About 160 people attended during the seminar.

This Detox meeting was a new paradigm of a common health seminar. The health seminar which has been conducted in the past, was simply listening to a lecturer. But this Detox Evangelistic Meeting was made up of lectures, questions, answers, and even experiments. They are able to feel results of the

treatments immediately, and talk with each other about the effects of the treatment, exchanging opinions in the process. These are the strong points of the Detox evangelistic meeting.

After the meeting, they can form a bond with other people who participated in the meeting, who also want to continue the treatments. Even with continued treatment, however, some people who have recovered will suffer relapses, so they have created small support groups, sharing information, and exercising together. They already know that they need this small group for their souls and body.

In Sang Kim, Pastor of the Byeollae Church emphasized that, "This is the best way to save souls, through the Adventist health message."





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## Seoul English Institute Church holds an 'Evangelistic Festival'

From November 22-27, 2012, the Seoul English Institute Church held an autumn 'Evangelistic Festival'. Pastor Mu Young Shin, who serves the Hopyeong-dong Church, was giving a lecture on the subject of "Housekeeping." Church members prepared all the sessions for the Festival in many different ways.

Before the Festival, people had midnight prayer meeting twice, daybreak prayer meeting for 40 days, and a ceremony for the 40 days of fasting. They were armed and ready for battle through the Holy Spirit and had a passion for mission before the Festival. They passionately prayed for the power, and abilities of God.

In preparation for the Festival, the church members created a comfortable atmosphere so that the local people would feel that the church and its members were their neighbors. The church also held a practical health seminar, and free medical treatment. Pastor Shin shared with the people touching messages on various themes such as 'Power', 'Side', 'Gap', 'Back', and 'Communication.' 20 people who were searching for Christ at the Feast of Evangelism eventually received baptism.

The last Sabbath of the Festival, Golden Angels 9 gave a special concert for the people. During Sabbath



Church pastors pose with Newly baptized members



Senior Pastor Chun, Boo Kwon presents Baptismal Certificates



Pastor Oh, Jae Ho baptizes New Member

School time, the participants were witnesses to the baptism of Dong beom Heo who is a professor at the University of Seoul, and Il Jong Seo, Chief Mate. In the afternoon, an outdoor music concert was held on the front yard of the Seoul English Institute. The concert, with its poetry, tea and music was awesome! This concert was co-hosted by the Sahmyook Cultural Center, and the Sabbath School of the Seoul English Institute church. The theme of the concert was 'One Fine Day.' About 200 people from the local area, including those wanting to know more about Christ, enjoyed the music and poetry that day.

Those who played in the concert were wonderful. They played the flute, guitar, and ocarina. The poetry reading, which was done with sensitivity, was also good. All of the people at the concert could feel a beautiful autumn flavor. The Sahmyook Cultural Center holds classes for a low fee, and some free of charge on Sabbath. The Sabbath program is becoming increasingly

popular.

The Seoul English Institute Church has a plan to approach the local people through events, the Gospel and any service which they may need. Because of the positive response of the people, the church will hold a concert on a regular basis.



## Continental Mission Movement Expands Mission Work into the Middle East



Homer Trecartin, MENA President (middle left) poses with Mr. Kwak, Continental Mission Movement Director (left)

The Continental Mission Movement (CMM), and Middle East and North Africa Union Mission (MENA) have joined forces to create the Mission Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).

The Mission MOU was started four months ago, and on November 19, Homer Trecartin, President of MENA, Brian, Local Mission Director, and Sang Wook Kwak, Director of CMM, had a final review of the agreement. Then on November 23, the Committee passed a bill that would create a great mission work in the Middle East and North Africa region. This was a moment of fruition, delight and a new start for the world mission that has been directed by God.

The CMM, a Korean association, has not only become the front-runner in Middle East evangelism but is also first in the laity union with a passion for the Middle East region. They became a solid official mission association through the conclusion of this agreement.

Homer Trecartin expressed his thoughts this way, saying, "I was surprised because Korea is so far from here and we had never thought that Asian nations would

cooperate with our region's mission. This territory is such a challenging field to spread the Gospel in. I am just so moved by the CMM's passion for world mission. I anticipate that the CMM's activities will flourish here beautifully!"

Sang Wook Kwak, Director of CMM, also mentioned the importance of the main duty of each of following:

- CMM : It needs to recruit and dispatch campus missionaries, and also assist students with educational expenses.
- MENA : It will teach the local students, and will be in charge of their general attitude.

He added that, "We will approach this mission in creative ways, and it will be something peaceful. We will find the common denominator together. We will get rid of the obsession for baptism numbers so that we can approach them with a true heart and sincerity. From now on, we will always be their true friend."





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## Eden Adventist Hospital Celebrates a Mission Day

On November 7, 2012, the Eden Adventist Hospital in Korea held its annual celebration of Mission Day as part of “The Great Controversy” distribution campaign.. This event has been held every year since 2010. On this day, all the staff and church members of Eden Adventist Hospital had worship together for Mission Day in the auditorium on the third floor of the hospital. Chong Ki Park, President of the hospital, spoke encouraging words in his opening remarks. “We must strongly and boldly tell people the Good News.” Shin Young Oh, Head Pastor of the hospital, emphasized the importance of the distribution of ‘The Great Controversy’, speaking on Ellen White’s experiences of being attacked by Satan, just as we are today, as she wrote ‘The Great Controversy.’

After worship, the participants went door-to-door to distribute booklets. They worked together to send 1,200 of the booklets, ‘Relay of Hope’, by mail. ‘Relay of Hope’ is the abridged version of ‘The Great Controversy.’ They then went by twos and threes, handing out ‘Relay of Hope’ to people in the community. They visited stores, institutions, and even a remote mountain village. The total number of people the books were distributed to was 5,400. Up to this point, they



Eden Hospital staff put their hands on the Great Controversy books for prayer

have only distributed the booklets by mail to people. But this year, they also walk to do their evangelism, and pray with the people they meet. They found joyfulness in visiting people in the neighborhoods, and talking about our God.

Meanwhile, they have received commissions for publishing 10,000 more of the ‘Relay of Hope’ from people in the hospital, including staff, church members, and even patients. Eden Adventist Hospital promised that they will continue to distribute the message until the Second Coming of our Jesus Christ.

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## The Adventist Message is Always Healthy!

The Adventist Health Message was the main attraction at the ‘2012 Gwangju International Food Conference.’

On November 15~18, 2012, the NS Healing Fair Mission team (NSHFM) advertised and introduced our Adventist health message at the Gwangju International Food Conference. The NSHFM was invited to the Conference by the Management Support Team of the event. At first, their plan was to register only two booths, but after a meeting with Kim, Jai ho, President of the South West Korean Conference, they extended the number of booths to four. According to the church’s request, the Management Team also provided all of the booths.



A Staff introduces Health foods at the NSHFM booths

The conference had taken on evangelistic characteristics through the local churches. The NSHFM also ran a weekend Health Seminar at both the Gungdong Central Church and the Unam Church. The lecturers of the seminars were Dr. Lee, Suk Yeon, and Dr. Song, Suk ja.

All the local churches in Gwangju worked together well. The Unam Church provided the accommodations and meals, and the West Central Church of Gwangju

provided all the materials such as desks, booklets, and so on. Because of all these efforts and contributions, many people had an interest in the Adventist health message, as well as the Adventist church. Meanwhile, the NSHFM was warmly invited to participate in the conference again next year.



# Adventist Hospitals signed an Agreement with Dongdaemun-gu Office for Health Care Services



1. Myung Sup Choi, President of Seoul Adventist Hospital(L), Deok Yeol Yook, Chief of Dongdaemun-gu office(C) and Byeong Rin Kim, President of Adventist Dental Hospital(R) sign a Mutual Agreement
2. Representatives from each institutes have a discussion before the signing ceremony

On November 13, 2012, Seoul Adventist Hospital and Sahmyook Adventist Dental Hospital made an agreement with the Dongdaemun-gu Office, to provide health care service to the Dongdaemun community. Both hospitals decided to participate in the campaign '1:1 Health Care of Hope' which is supervised by the Dongdaemun -gu Office. This service is only for the neglected people in the Dongdaemun-gu. The hospitals promised to support the people through a personal health care service.

On this special day, many important figures from around the world, from the two hospitals, and the community were present at the event. Dr. Myung Sup Choi, President of Seoul Adventist Hospital, Shin Kook Park, Vice-President of Seoul Adventist Hospital, Byeong Rin Kim, President of Sahmyook Adventist Dental Hospital, and Deok Yeol Yoo, the head of Dongdaemun-gu, attended the ceremony as well. Dr. Myung Sup Choi expressed his opinion on the importance of health by saying, "Many people overlook all sorts of warning signs about their health. We must always recognize that health is the most valuable, but invisible asset we have. Our hospitals will build a healthy city and play a key role in that business. We will also make a special effort to do our best to keep the people of Dongdaemun-gu healthy." He added that, "Our



Sahmyook Adventist Dental Hospital

hospital is about 100 years old, and we are proud of our own presentations in health seminars and health education. It is so important to know that prevention is better than a cure. In terms of prevention, health education is the most effective way to keep ourselves disease free. This knowledge is seriously needed for people who live in a big city such as Seoul. We have been instructing people on anti-

smoking, diabetes, cancer, and so on." Dr. Byeong Rin Kim stated, "We are delighted to be part of this important movement to help people live healthier. Through this agreement, I hope that our hospitals and the Dongdaemun-gu Office will become good friends, and that this event will serve as a useful starting point for a healthier life."

Finally, Deok Yeol Yook, the head of Dongdaemun-gu, gave encouragement by saying, "I appreciate your help and dedication to us. We are especially thankful because there are so many people who are suffering from financial difficulties. It is the low-income people, and those who live in places where there are no human rights, that need help the most. I hope that this will help them to have good health. I believe that healthy citizens make a strong nation."

This agreement ceremony is an extension of a concerted project with the Dongdaemun-gu office.





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## Uncle Jiang's touching Mission Story



Mr. Jiang works at his workroom

Uncle Jiang, who is 66 years old, is one of the 120 lepers that live in a remote village in the southern Jiangxi Province, China. He was diagnosed with leprosy at the age of 13. Since then, he has been living in a dismal world, in which he was shunned by other healthy people until two Adventist missionaries moved to the village in June of 2010.

Joshua and Esther, two Global Mission Pioneers are husband and wife. When this young couple prayed to the Lord for guidance as they were looking for the right place to go as missionaries, they heard from a friend about the lepers' village in Jiangxi.

Joshua and Esther only had the slightest idea about the disease of leprosy. They began to search for books about the disease, and how to care for lepers. In following the teachings and the example of Christ, they decided to extend Christ's love to these people who are the least in society, and are neglected by the general public.

When they first moved to the lepers' village, the first reaction of the lepers toward Joshua and Esther was of suspicion, and amazement. Living with feelings of being rejected and cursed, all of the lepers feared, and shunned the outside world just as the world did to them. They could not believe that any sane person would live among them. All of these lepers are disfigured to some extent by their disease, but even more disfigured is their self-esteem. They would try to physically harm Joshua and Esther due to their harbored resentment toward outsiders.

Joshua and Esther tried to use kind words to calm them.

They began to offer help to care for their wounds, and to clean their filthy residences. Little by little, their selfless, and courageous service thawed the resisting hearts of the villagers. Uncle Jiang is a leading figure among the lepers, and was feared by many. He used to make his house a gambling paradise for the villagers. Due to the lack of proper entertainment, many of the lepers became addicted to playing poker and gambling which made life in the village even more miserable.

Joshua and Esther began to share with the lepers the Word of God, telling them stories from the Bible. Gradually, the villagers were attracted to the soothing messages from heaven as day by day, they were exposed to the love of Christ.

Several months later, Uncle Jiang made a shocking announcement to his fellow villagers that his gambling operation would be shut down forever. He said that the teachings of the Bible compelled him to make such a decision.

Joshua and Esther were overjoyed. They knew that the Holy Spirit was really working wonders in Uncle Jiang's heart. They prayed that God could use Jiang as an example to draw other villagers to Christ.



Mr. Jiang is now a faithful Adventist Member

Now, after more than two years of faithful labor, Joshua and Esther have built an Adventist congregation in the village. Regular church services are held each Sabbath. Fifty of the lepers have been baptized. Joshua and Esther have never regretted their decision to come to serve the lepers. They say, "God has helped us find the right place for mission."



# Spiritual Training for East Japan Conference pastors

From October 21 to 29, 2012, 20 pastors from the East Japan Conference, along with four pastor's wives, participated in a special spiritual training in Korea.

This retreat consisted of a lecture from the Bible early every morning and every evening by Pastor Kwang Eui Hong, and personal communication through prayer and meditation.

We spent from Monday morning until noon on Friday in silence, though some participants could not keep



East Japan Conference pastors during the Spiritual Training in Korea

silent sometimes, including me. However, each participant had the precious experience of listening to the voice of God through prayer and meditation. We meditated about the last stages of Jesus Christ's life. I found myself to be like Peter who denied Jesus three times, Judas Iscariot,

and also Pilate. I noticed that I myself am wretched, miserable, poor, blind and naked. I am a sinner crazy about self-love, yet Jesus my Savior loves me, died for me, and His love for me is unchanging. I was deeply moved by how deeply He loves me. I have decided to dedicate myself to Him.

Some pastors found that they were not accustomed to prayer and meditation taking so much time. I think this is also an important lesson they learned, and precious self-discovery.

Each participant received many blessings from God through the spoken Word presented by Pastor Hong. They were also greatly blessed through personal prayer, and meditation. I felt the Holy Spirit was our teacher and comforter. We enjoyed fellowship with one another after the time of silence.

I appreciate the financial support of the Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD) and help from the Korean Union Conference (KUC) for our spiritual training. I want to express my thanks to Pastor Kwan Eui Hong.

Most of all I want to praise our loving, gracious, and merciful God the Father, Jesus Christ His Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**By Shinsaku Meichi**  
President of East Japan Conference



Pr. Shinsaku Meichi, President of the East Japan Conference, gave baptism to a Japanese participant during the special spiritual training retreat in Korea, Oct 29, 2012.





1. Participants from EJC during the Spiritual Training    2. Participants pray at the riverside  
3. East Japan Conference pastors at Deer Mountain

I had attended a revival program in Korea from October 21 through 29, 2012. While there, each of the participants were given plenty of time in the mornings and in the afternoons to pray quietly, to read the Bible and the Spirit of Prophecy books, then meditate.

There were rules such as to remain silent from Monday morning to Friday noon (no phone calls, or sending e-mails, etc.) so that we would have the perfect setting to spend time only with the Lord.

We were then given two themes to meditate on. One was to meditate on each commandment from the Ten Commandments, searching our hearts deeply. Another was to read one chapter every day from the Desire of Ages, beginning with Jesus' time in the Garden of Gethsemane until His Crucifixion, and then write down what the Lord spoke to us.

As I found myself falling asleep while praying, it reminded me of the disciples falling asleep while Jesus prayed in the Garden of Gethsemane. When I searched my heart quietly, I realized that I was just the same as Judas who betrayed Jesus while following Him.

In the morning and the evening, Pastor Hong gave lectures on Righteousness by faith. He explained from the Bible that our salvation does not rely on our works, nor efforts, but only on what the Lord has done on the cross for us.

At Sabbath School, several of the pastors from the group gave testimonies. Many of them carried heavy burdens, yet as they sat with the Lord face-to-face, they received comfort and grace from Him. There grew a special bond among the attendees and after the time of silence, many of them prayed together here and there.

On the last day we listened to stories from the church elders who were from the rapidly growing churches. All of the church members prayed together, worked hard as a team and as a result, God brought many to the church through their work. This really made me think about the work in Japan.

It doesn't mean that everything will change once you attend this program. The important thing is to apply what we have learned there to our daily life and this is what I am going to do.

**By Shigeru Ito**  
Pastor of the Kamenokoyama Church



# Testimony of Spiritual Training for East Japan Conference pastors



1. Spiritual Training of Japanese Pastors



2. EJC Pastors sing Special Music



3. Group picture of EJC participants

Through this program, the Holy Spirit has taught me how great the love and the grace of God is, and how the cross of Jesus is trying to lead me to the hope of salvation.

What I did not know was how sinful I really was and how meaningless it was for me to struggle trying to obtain my own salvation. I also understood that the salvation of God had already given me forgiveness, and all I had to do was to happily accept it.

When I realized this good news, I felt I could not help but share it with others. But how would I share it? Right now, I'm searching for a way. The Bible says, "Except the Lord build the house, they labour in vain that build it, except the Lord keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain." (Ps 127:1)

We are living in the very last days of this earth. The Lord is coming soon. Therefore, we are to stay calm and pray, not fight with uncertainty as it says in 1 Corinthians 9:26. We should not pick up a task without the Lord leading us. We have no time to waste. That means we are to trust in the Lord totally, and pray and preach. To preach the gospel that saves us all! This is what I want to do from now on.

I already feel the Holy Spirit leading me. My heart

is filled with joy. At the same time, there are tears in my eyes, too, because I still feel the pain, sadness, and frustration of this world. Yet when I see Jesus, these all will be gone. God has promised. What a comforting promise! How can we keep our mouths shut knowing this grace?

Now I am reading the Bible and praying with my wife everyday. I feel God's love surrounding me. Though Satan still works, I do not need to fear, because God has already won the victory.

I pray that the Lord will establish a training center like this in Japan, because we all need to take time to pray quietly, seeking for the guidance of the Holy Spirit from time to time. If Jesus did it, then we need to take time to seek for God's power even more so. This is my earnest prayer.

I thank the Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD) and the Korea Union Conference (KUC) for giving us this opportunity because through this, I was able to receive God's grace so abundantly. I also thank Pastor Hong for his messages. May the Lord continue to bless him, and his ministry. I am so thankful that I am a part of God's family, and I will continue to pray, and work for the Lord until He comes. Amen, come, Lord Jesus.

By Yuya Nakano

Pastor of the Akira and Aomori-minami Church





# The 11th PMM Missionary Dedication Ceremony

(This news is the part of pages 6-7)



11th PMM Missionaries with GC and NSD leaders

The 11th PMM missionary dedication ceremony was held at Seoul Central Church on November 3, 2012, with G. T. Ng, General Conference (GC) Executive Secretary, Armando Miranda, GC Vice-President, and other leaders from the GC, Korea Union Conference, and local conferences. Pastor G. T. Ng thanked God for the soul-winning, and church-planting that have been done through the PMM project of the Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD). He encouraged the missionaries to do their best as God-chosen warriors, and to accomplish their God-given mission successfully. The 11th PMM missionaries, and where they will be sent, are as follows: Hyung-Kil Kim, and Won-Bae Chun to Mongolia; In-Soo Kim to Taiwan; Ki-Hwang Kim, Eul-Seop Song, and Ki-Won Lee to the Unorganized Territory (UT); Chang-Kyu Oh to the Philippines; and Jin-Sung Bae to India.



1. Dae Sung Kim, KUC President, gives special remarks

2. Dr. Jaiyong Lee, NSD President presents a Plaque to the new Missionary

3. Ken Osborn, NSD Treasurer, speaks to the missionaries

4. Armando Miranda, GC Vice President, speaks to the participants

5. GC and NSD leaders place their hands on the Missionaries for prayer





A newly baptized member by the efforts of the Indonesian 1000MM

## Indonesia – Stout-heartedness Before the Sword

The 14th batch of missionaries from the Indonesian 1000 Missionary Movement held an evangelistic series during their training course. They arrived at the small city of Sulawashi, which is a Muslim area, a 34 hour bus ride from the campus. The missionaries were divided into three groups in three different villages, and visited door-to-door, meeting many Muslim people who are usually difficult to reach and holding evangelistic meetings. On the fourth day of the meetings, a Muslim lady was baptized. When her brother found out the next day he was enraged. He threatened his sister, who had left the family's religion and become an Adventist, with a big sword. But she was saved with the help of her Adventist neighbors, not giving up her new faith. She had made her mind up to live an Adventist life. She needs our sincere and continuous prayers.

## The Health Evangelism Program of the Tachikawa Chinese Church in Japan



Tokyo Tachikawa Chinese Church members

PMM Pastor Chaun fu Yu from Taiwan is working for the Chinese people in Tokyo, Japan. He held a Health Evangelism Program from November 24-27, 2012. The speaker was Dr. Barbara Choi, NSD Health Director.

More than 20 new people attended the health cooking class and the NEWSTART seminar each day. The evangelism program was a success. The Tachikawa Chinese Church is growing quickly.

## PMM Pastor in Taiwan held the Evangelistic Meeting

PMM Pastor Suk-Woo Kim, the church pastor of the Xin Dian Church, held evangelistic meetings on November 11-17, 2012. The speakers were Dr. Chek Yat Phoon, NSD Education Director and Dr. Sally Phoon, NSD Family/Children Director. The Golden Angels also helped the meetings. 480 people attended the meetings, with an average 68 people coming to the meeting every day to learn the importance and value of family and to learn that Jesus Christ should be the center of the family. On the Sabbath, four precious souls were born again. These evangelistic meetings were prepared by prayers; all church members participated in a special prayer session for four weeks before the evangelistic meeting, praying for the souls who would be attending the meetings. They also read Steps to Christ every day. The last whole week was the relay fast prayer week and every member fasted for one meal to prepare the meetings.



Newly baptized members of Xintien Church, Taiwan



Dr. Phoon baptizes a lady at Xintien Church





# HisHands Mission Movement

## Provides Free Mission Materials



The HisHands Mission Movement (HHMM) was launched for domestic Adventist missionaries to serve their church, and the community around them. The HHMM does the groundwork and helps to create the opportunity for the mission movement.

From the beginning of 2008 until October, 2012, the HHMM has produced 3,200 disciplined missionaries throughout the Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD) territory.

The Korean Union Conference (KUC) is the nucleus of the HHMM. The total number of KUC-HHMM missionaries are 2,100. Every week, they visit and care those whom are waiting to learn more about Christ. These small, but solid and organized efforts were the driving forces of the KUC evangelism. Thanks to these sincere missionaries, the KUC-HHMM is growing amazingly at this time. The HHMM follows Jesus command, “Wherever you go, preach and let them know the truth.” As they go in pairs to those seeking to know Christ, they always think of the example He showed.

The HHMM provides mission materials such as books, neckties, scarves and bags to the missionaries who decide to be a member of the HHMM. They can use them in evangelism, and also rotate them through their local church, which is the center of their program. The Seventh-day Adventist church has various printed materials which the

missionaries deliver to all people, regardless of rank and class.

The HHMM distributes periodicals of all sorts including leaflets (about health, newsletters), booklets (‘The Hope of Earth, and the Recovery of Humanity’, ‘For Whom the Happy Life Pursues’, ‘Yesubaraki’), and the Spirit of Prophecy (“Steps to Christ”, “Daniel and Revelation”) supported by the Korean publishing house. HHMM defrays all the costs between the NSD, KUC, and the combination of the conferences so that HHMM can give the materials to missionaries for free. HHMM has held HisHands missionary dedication ceremonies many times in 2012. Especially at the Maseok and Hopyeong Churches of the East Central Korean Conference; the Toegyewon and Sihwa Churches of the West Central Korean Conference; and the Geumsan, Daejeon-Dongbu Churches of the Middle West Korean Conference. They are all active members of the HHMM.

The Yecheon-ByunHwasan Church of the Southeast Korean Conference, and the Jangsu-Haneulbit, Goheung Churches of the Southwest Korean Conference will also be joining this movement.

Please contact the Youth Department of your local union/conference or the NSD’s HHMM Department (82-31-910-1540) for further information. You can also visit the HHMM website. ([www.hishands.or.kr](http://www.hishands.or.kr))

Our Lord said for us to “go and tell, not to sit down.” As the HHMM helps more people to accomplish this in-person mission, we can truly be ‘HisHands’ in our community. According to the Bible prophecy, the final work has almost been finished. Soon, our Lord will return to earth.

I hope that there will be more people who will be willing to participate in this significant movement.



JungHwa Jin  
NSD HHMM Office Manager



# HHMM

## Missionary Dedication Ceremony

### with Adventist Drivers



Nine Taxi drivers newly joined the HisHands Mission Movement as Missionaries

On Tuesday, October 30, 2012, there was a His Hands Missionary Movement (HHMM) missionary dedication ceremony in the auditorium of the Korean Union Conference (KUC). The missionaries who applied for HHMM at this time were all taxi drivers who have passion for Christ.

They are also men of evangelism. They have always shared the Good News with people but now with the new opportunity the HHMM has given them, they have decided to distribute the booklets to customers who get in their car. Indeed, they conduct the heavenly work in their daily routine.

The total number of missionaries are nine. There was an especially meaningful meeting where people decided to devote their whole life to spread the Gospel.

Pr. Kang, Soon Ki, the KUC Assoc. Ministerial Secretary gave a speech on “Through Philip’s Devotion and Mission, He Baptized an Ethiopian



HHMM Taxi drivers

Eunuch.” He said, “I hope that we all have Philip’s passionate concern for others so that we can lead them to Jesus!”

The missionaries, along with their local church pastors, offered a special prayer together to give thanks to God

for this opportunity. Then the local church pastors offered a prayer for each HisHands Missionary.

Thankfully, the KUC supported the missionaries by giving them various books and pamphlets including ‘The Great Controversy.’

Oh, Young Chul, leader of the HHMM taxi drivers, said that more Adventist taxi drivers need to participate in helping to spread the gospel in our community. They also need the continuous prayers for their ministry from the Adventist church members.

These are the names of the nine HHMM missionaries: Oh, Young Chul; Lee, Sang Guk; Han, Kwang Soo; Lee, Won Gu; Kim, Dong Nam; Cho, Seong Yong; Hwang, Jin Tae; Kim, Dong Ho; and, Lee, Jeong Yul.





# The Okinawa Mission Has Set a Goal to Train 100 HisHands Missionaries



Okinawa HisHands Missionaries



Mr. Masamitsu Isa translates for Pr. Han



HisHands missionaries taking publications

The Okinawa Mission in Japan held a HisHands Mission Movement Missionary (HHMM) Training Seminar on November 10 and 11, 2012, at the Naha Church in Okinawa. Pastor Han, Suk Hee from the Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD) was the speaker. About 20 HisHands candidates learned the philosophy and method of a HHMM missionary, how to use the distribution materials, and have the “Mission First” spirit. They also participated in various programs such as gaining house-to-house visitation experience, testimonies, and feedback programs. Pastor Han preached that, “Mission is not a success or failure issue but an obedience or disobedience issue.” He also emphasized, “When we obey the mission command of the Lord and go out spreading the gospel with a simple and sincere heart, our Lord will consider it as a success.” The Okinawa Mission set a goal to train 100 HisHands missionaries next year, and 300 missionaries in three years, just like Gideon’s 300 warriors. The seminar attendees said that they learned the necessity of the HisHands Mission Movement, and that the seminar was very useful to them. Here are some favorable reactions, and positive responses from the participants.

## **Yukio Ebihara, Okinawa Mission President**

“HisHands Ministry is one of God’s plans to reach people. We need to meet people continuously where they are. We may taste both blessing and disappointment through this ministry but we will never give it up. It is God’s command to plant the seeds of the Gospel in every town and village on earth. Let us go out with joy until the end of the world.”

## **Masuo Ikemasu, Pastor of the Koza Church**

“I was deeply convinced of using Christ’s method of mission, which is sending out disciples two-by-two instead of waiting for the people to come to the church. Pastor Han expected us to gather 300 dedicated members for HHMM at the Okinawa Mission, but as a first step we want to recruit 100 members.”

## **Sogen Tomihama, Pastor for Naha Church**

“I appreciate this workshop very much, especially that it was held at the Naha church which is my home church. We enjoyed not only a lecture but also going out to visit our neighbors.”

## **Shizuko Ikemasu, Koza Church**

“In these latter days I have been disappointed many times in the lack of results from distributing handouts, and through evangelism. Today I verified the importance of evangelism, and sureness of the Lord’s promises. I want to dedicate my life again to the HisHands missionary work, and other tasks for Christ.”

## **Mrs. & Mr. Kusayama, Naha Church**

‘Back to the Basics’ Thanks for the simple, basic principle of evangelism, and ‘True Healing of Complex Society’ - especially Japanese Society! Thanks again!”

## **Hitomi Higa, Naha Church**

“Thank you so much for participating in the HisHands workshops. I was so moved by the message Pastor Han, Suk Hee eagerly preached. I was so convinced that action is very important that I will go out as a HisHands missionary.”





# Director's Report about 1000 Missionary Movement 20th Anniversary



**KwangSoo Park**  
1000MM Director

I thank God who has been guiding the 1000 Missionary Movement (1000MM) this last year through hardships and great challenges. As you know, the year 2013 is a special year for the 1000MM for it will celebrate its 20th anniversary.

I thank God for guiding the sponsors as well as everyone who has been working in their respective mission fields as missionaries, through His holy presence. I would also like to thank Him for guiding all the past directors, associate directors, administrators, all the youth department directors, and sponsors who have helped this work become possible. During this 20th anniversary year, all the workers of the 1000MM main campus and its branches, the 500 missionaries who are in the mission fields, and about 7,000 senior missionaries, together with their sponsors, will pour all their energy into another challenge of mission through God's Word and encouragement.

## 1. Where the Missionaries Come From

1000MM Statistics 1993-2002

UNION		YEAR/BATCH		1993		1994		1995		1996		1997		1998		1999		2000		2001		2002		Total
				1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	
S S D	NPUC	10	11	12	18	16	17	4	28	16	4	13	12	18	24	13	17	17	27	10	18	305		
	CPUC	10	6	6	7	4	7	22	16	4	15	6	7	2	21	18	27	21	24	12	26	261		
	SPUC	10	6	3	7	6	0	24	16	12	33	7	17	17	23	17	23	18	27	24	30	320		
	Bangladesh						2								1							3		
	Cambodia																		2	3		5		
	Indonesia				1	2		1	1		1	2	5	1	4	4	2	2		1	3	30		
	Laos																			2		2		
	Malaysia				1										1							2		
	Myanmar																1		1	2		4		
	Pakistan					1																1		
	Singapore											2										2		
	Sri-Lanka										1											1		
	Thailand									1	1				2							4		
	Timor-Leste																							
	Vietnam																							
N S D	KUC	30	20	30	25	30	24	32	29	43	28	32	27	35	27	33	36	50	22	42	26	621		
	JUC									1			3									4		
	CHUM																							
	Taiwan				5		1					2	2									10		
	Hongkong								1	3	2		1					1			1	9		
	China																							
	MMC															2	3	2	1			8		





1000MM Statistics 2003-2012

UNION	YEAR/BATCH	2003		2004		2005		2006		2007		2008		2009		2010		2011		2012		Total	Overall Total
		21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40		
S S D	NPUC	13	13	12	17	22	23	9	21	25	15	6	23	13	22	13	11	10	25	17	9	319	624
	CPUC	16	26	17	19	13	22	25	43	19	21	22	33	18	27	17	33	30	24	14	42	481	742
	SPUC	16	30	31	31	24	35	29	36	39	49	23	31	35	33	35	24	24	26	20	29	600	920
	Bangladesh										1					2				1		4	7
	Cambodia		2											2				1				5	10
	Indonesia	6	2	4	3		18	3				1		1	1							39	69
	Laos																						2
	Malaysia							1														1	3
	Myanmar		1						1						1							3	7
	Pakistan			1								2		1						1		5	6
	Singapore																						2
	Sri-Lanka																						1
	Thailand		1																			1	5
	Timor-Leste																						
	Vietnam																						
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	CHUM																						
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	Hongkong				4				2					1								7	16
	China	2	2				1	6	5	4	5	8	3	9	2	6	14	6	2	11	4	90	90
	MMC										1					1		2	4	4		12	20

## 2. Overall Report

- Missionaries in the Field in 2012: 550 (including the branches)
- Short Term Missionaries 1993-2012: 3,793
- Churches Constructed 1993-2012: 741
- New Congregations Established 1993-2012: 1,323
- Baptisms 1993-2012: 60,546

## 3. Preparation for the 20th Anniversary

### 1) Outline

- ① When: February 1-3, 2013
- ② Where: 1000 Missionary Movement Main Campus

### 2) Meaning

- ① It is not just a passing event but a process toward a new purpose.
- ② It is a challenge for the succession of the past 20 years and development for the future.
- ③ It is a transition from campus centered to mission field centered.
- ④ It is a power sending 1000 missionaries a year as the main goal of the 1000 Missionary Movement.

### 3) Symbols

- (1) 10 "1,000's"

- ① 1,000 Sponsors: We need 1,000 sponsors or support groups in order to send out 1,000 missionaries a year. To activate this work, we need to organize a society for the support of the missionaries first.
- ② 1,000 Korean Applicants: Of course, 1,000 missionaries a year does not mean only Korean missionaries. However, Korean applicants should continue to apply to be one of the 1,000 missionaries to extend the mission spirit.
- ③ 1,000 Missionaries from Mindanao: The most active and passionate conference in the Philippines is Mindanao, which is in the southern part of the country. 920 missionaries have come from Mindanao over the last 20 years and the number will reach 1,000 before 2014.
- ④ 1,000 Testimonies: We hope to receive 1,000 testimonies from our missionaries about their experiences in the mission fields.
- ⑤ 1,000 Prayers and Answers to Prayer: We want to share the prayer requests from the mission field where 'going missionaries' and 'sending missionaries' are working.
- ⑥ 1,000 E-mails Encouraging the 1000MM





1000MM Baptismal Ceremony in India



Pastors baptize people converted by 1000MM

Missionaries: Korean churches and brethren can write encouraging letters to our missionaries.

- ⑦ 1,000 Messages of Congratulations: We want to receive 1,000 messages of congratulations together with the letters of encouragement for the missionaries.
- ⑧ 1,000 Baptisms (39th Batch): We pray for the missionaries who are working in their mission field to have 1,000 baptisms.
- ⑨ 1,000 Bible Donations: This is a movement to send 1,000 Bibles to the mission field. This is going on now.
- ⑩ 1,000 Items of Mission: We secure 1,000 items (photos, books or documents) to put in the 1000MM Missionary memorial building.
- (2) 5 “20’s”
- ① 20 Branches or Sub-branches: The 1000MM main campus’ (Philippines) 12 branches (which is symbolic), will send 1,000 missionaries in a year to places where we cannot establish a branch because of religious or administrative reasons, and need sub-branch training or management.
- ② 20 Churches Developed, Remodeled or Constructed: Current missionaries will make 20 congregations or will build churches with the help of other developed churches and conference.
- ③ 20 Crusades: We will open 20 crusades in all areas of the mission field.
- ④ 20 People Whom We Give Thanks To: We will show appreciation to 20 chosen people who have contributed to the history of the 1000MM.
- ⑤ 20 Books or Commemorative Publications: We will publish 20 kinds of books: testimonial, song, thesis, missionary handbooks, picture, history, Filipino missionaries’ testimonies, calendars, etc.

#### 4) 1000MM Missionary Memorial Building

- ① Place: Old Maranatha and Media building which is between the chapel and the Administration building.
- ② Scale:  $185.3\text{m}^2 = 10.9\text{m} \times 17\text{m}$
- ③ Purpose: past - safekeeping (history building); present - public relations (pavilion); future – vision (1000MM branch building)

- ④ Budget: \$50,000

#### 5) Contents of Program

- ① Friday evening Vespers, 7:00-8:00pm: past
- ② Sabbath School and Divine Worship: present

#### Sabbath School:

- 8:30-9:30am - video, branch, mission field, abroad, crusades, church building, construction
- 9:30-10:30am - lesson study and tree planting for the 20th anniversary (by batches, by conferences, by branches)

#### Divine Worship

- 10:30-11:30am - Divine Worship: future
  - appreciation
  - praise
- 11:30am-12:00pm - Dedication ceremony for 1000MM Missionary Memorial Building
- ③ After the program - lunch and friendship/bonding time
- ④ Celebration program and graduation of 39th batch: 3:00-4:30pm
  - vision
  - decision
- ⑤ Saturday evening
  - branch report
  - Festival: by batches, branches, mission fields
- ⑥ Sunday
  - Sports day (1000MM Day): by batches
  - Closing Ceremony



# Golden Angels'



Golden Angels 9th group members sing at the JiaYi city for Evangelistic Meeting

The beginning of the end has come. The singing missionaries of the Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD), Golden Angels 9, had a great opportunity to spread the gospel in Taiwan. November 11, 2012, they departed from Korea traveling to Taiwan for their very last mission trip. Though they are in their very last mission trip, they started their special mission with the conviction that, “If God is with us, who can be against us?” God’s army is now ready for the battle!

From November 11 to November 17, at the ShinTien Church, an evangelistic meeting was held. Those who participated were Dr. Sally Phoon, NSD Director of the Children, Women, and Family Ministries Department, Dr. Chek Yat Phoon, NSD Education Director, the Golden Angels 9, and the Pioneer Mission Movement (PMM) Pastor SeokWoo Kim’s family. They visited the houses of several church members every day at 10 a.m., to inspire, and encourage them with God’s Word and music. They also distributed tracks to the people to invite them to the evangelistic meetings. Every night, the Golden Angels 9 held a mini-concert for 30 minutes at the beginning of

the program. Dr. Phoon, and his wife, Dr. Sally Phoon, were the main speakers for the whole week. The theme of the meetings was “Happy Home: Our Joy and Hope.” On Sabbath, the angels in heaven were gladly rejoicing as four souls were successfully brought to Jesus Christ.

The next meetings were held from November 18 to November 24, at the SsuanGi Church, which is approximately three hours away from the ShinTien Church. The Golden Angels 9, along with Pastor Tom Huang, and Pastor Kim NakHyung, visited church members, singing with them, and praying for them. They also visited the village’s Police Station, Fire Station, and the local government offices to offer songs, prayer, and to invite them to the upcoming evangelistic meetings. They also conducted a concert for the children in the public elementary school. With the NSD Youth Director, Pastor Kim NakHyung, as the main speaker, the evangelistic meetings were held in an open area, just outside the church to easily accommodate all the people from the neighborhood. Around 40-50 people regularly attended every night to listen to God’s Word. By the grace of God,



# Mission Trip in Taiwan



Golden Angels 9th group members sing during the local church crusade in Taiwan

seven precious souls willingly offered their entire lives unto the Lord on the Sabbath Day.

The Golden Angels 9 had their third mission at the Jiai Church. From November 25 to December 1, they served and supported the evangelistic meetings with the main speaker, Pastor Johnghaeng Kwon, the NSD Global Mission Director. Every morning, the group gave a mini-concert at the Chiayi Church. The main speaker delivered God's message which was followed by a Korean Food cooking class. In the evening, the evangelistic meetings were held in an open area just outside the city's largest shopping mall. After the program, the Golden Angels 9 would assist in the Korean handicrafts activity being held for all the attendees. On Sabbath, three precious souls were baptized and became God's new children by His grace.

From December 2 to December 8, Golden Angels 9 had another blessing in the Dali PMM Church. They had a concert every day and they delivered the message of the Gospel to the people in the mission field around the Dali PMM church. In the Dali church, PMM Pastor

SungChul Yoon himself was the speaker, and the Golden Angels supported the evangelistic meetings with a musical concert, and many other activities.

The Golden Angels 9 also spent the last two weeks of their ministry at two more churches. From December 9 to December 15, they were at the Taidong Church and from December 16 to December 19 at the Banchiao Church. The main speaker of the evangelistic meetings at the Taidong Church, Dr. Ha HongPal, NSD Assistant to the President for General Affairs, shared blessings from the Word of God with the people. The Golden Angels 9 had a music concert every meeting as well, and had special fellowship activities with the young people there. At the Banchiao Church, the Golden Angels 9 fully focused on music ministry. Several times they held a large concert, as well as many other mini concerts for people around the Banchiao Church.



**Park Kun Chun**  
Golden Angels Coordinator





## ***We are Missionaries until He Comes***

**Jairyong Lee**, President  
Northern Asia-Pacific Division



We are the people of mission. The very reason for the existence of the church here on earth is for the salvation of mankind. We have been chosen by God to tell the world of the soon coming of Jesus, the Savior of the world. Jesus is telling us to "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation." (Mk 16:15) All those who are waiting for the Second Coming of Jesus Christ are His missionaries until He comes. During the Mission Congress, we will celebrate the mission of the church together and surely experience a deep spiritual revival. The thrilling testimonies of our missionaries and well prepared music will inspire us every hour. The presentation of powerful messages should uplift us to the heavenly atmosphere. We will reconfirm our commitment to the gospel commission and pray together for the outpouring of the power of the Holy Spirit upon each one of us. Let us come together go celebrate the mission of the church and be equipped with the celestial power to accomplish the gospel commission in our given territories. I wholeheartedly welcome you to the NSD International Mission Congress 2013.

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