

# Northern Asia-Pacific Division



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## NSD Annual Council First in Korea

The Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD) Annual Council was held on October 29 - November 3 at the NSD office with about 40 delegates from the General Conference, Southern Asia-Pacific Division, Japan Union Conference, Korean Union Conference, South China Island Union Mission and East Asia Association.

Although the first NSD Annual Council was conducted on November 24 - 29, 1996 at Penang, Malaysia, this was the first one held at the NSD new office in Korea.

This new Division has a great task for the Lord and in his report Elder P D Chun, NSD President, said the following:

"There are limitless challenges ahead of us. Evangelization of 1.3 billion people in China, expansion of the Mongolian work which we have just started, entering with the gospel to North Korea which is the largest un-entered country in the world in terms of population, and reaching secular minds in the so-called advanced countries in Asia, are only a few of the external challenges we face.

There are many formidable challenges within the church also. How do we present the unchangeable truths and values of the gospel in a relevant way to a rapidly changing society? If we fail to do this, Adventism will be viewed as obsolete, irrelevant and irrational by modern people. How do we successfully transmit our beliefs and values to posterity? If we fail to meet this challenge, Adventism will be diminished from generation to generation. How do we meet the challenge of liberals as well as that of the radical conservatives in our ranks? If we fail in this challenge there will be constant conflict and tension among us and a waste of our vital energy which should be devoted to evangelism. How do we bring about

spiritual revival which is the most important and urgent need among us? If we fail, the church will remain lukewarm. How do we maintain the unity of the faith and the knowledge of the Son of God among the diverse global Adventist family? If we fail to meet this challenge successfully, we will have to face pluralism and segmentation and a loss of vitality for global evangelism."

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The NSD Annual Council was held at the fifth floor of Sam Hee Plaza near by Chuyop Subway Station, Ilsan in Korea.



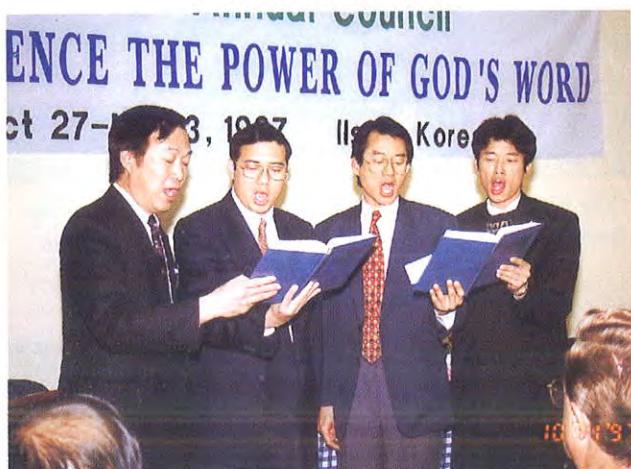
A big map of the NSD territory which shows the growth of our church in the evangelistic, educational, medical work and etc.



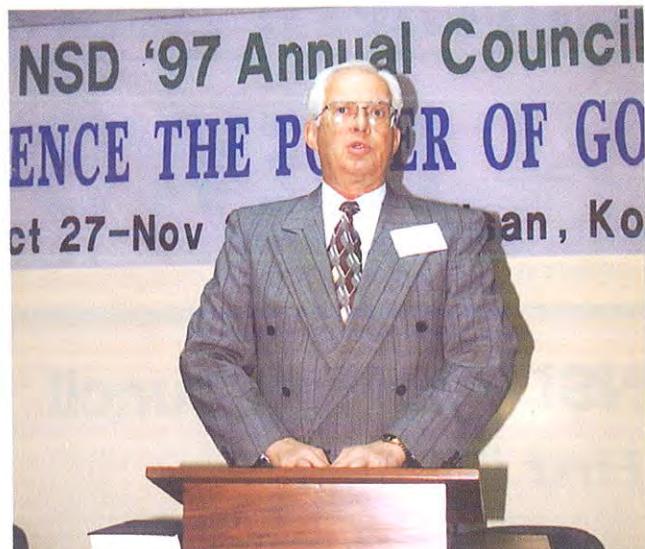
*Three officers who are presiding the session. R.  
Martin Moores, P D Chun,  
and Richard Liu (from left).*



*Attendees who are singing a church hymn during a song service.*



*A special number by a quartet composed of the three officers of South China Island Union Mission, Paul Cho, Stanley Ng, James Wu, and President of Taiwan Mission, Billy Liu (from left).*



*Elder Robert L Rawson, General Conference Treasurer, who gave a morning devotional talk on October 30, 1997.*



*The delegates of the NSD Annual Council joined the  
Ilsan Church on Sabbath  
November 1, 1997.*



### *The delegates who participated in the NSD Annual Council.*

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# NSD Office Grand Opening Ceremony

## After Much Preparation

On October 30, 1997 during the NSD Annual Council, the delegates of the NSD Annual Council, the office staff and visitors from many institutions in Korea celebrated the grand opening ceremony of the NSD headquarters office. For this special day including preparation of the NSD Annual Council, all staff members of the office worked very hard day and night. The program began 11:00 am and continued as follows:

### Grand Opening Ceremony Program October 30, 1997, 11:00 am

Chairperson Hong, Myung Kwan,  
NSD SS/PM Director

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|---------------------------------|---|
| 1. Prelude                      | Juanita Tommy                                       |
| 2. Opening Hymn                 | "Marching to Zion" (422)                            |
| 3. Responsive Reading           | David Wong,<br>NSD Youth Director                   |
| 4. Opening Prayer               | "Mission of the Church" (768)                       |
| 5. Welcome                      | Gerry D Karst,<br>Assistant to GC President         |
| 6. Brief History of NSD         | Larry R Colburn,<br>GC Associate Secretary          |
| 7. Scripture Reading            | Richard Liu, NSD Secretary                          |
| 8. Special Music                | Tadaomi Shinmyo,<br>NSD Associate Secretary         |
| 9. Message                      | Eugene Hsu, EAA President<br>(Vocal)                |
| 10. Special Music               | Hong, Jung Ae                                       |
| 11. Speeches of Congratulations | Chun, Pyung Duk,<br>NSD President<br>(Trumpet Solo) |
| 12. Closing Hymn                | Yoon, Gun Sik,<br>WCKC Pastor                       |
|                                 | Robert L Rawson<br>- GC Delegate                    |
|                                 | Violeta F Bocala<br>- SSD President                 |
|                                 | Han, Sang Woo<br>- KUC President                    |
|                                 | Kim, Tong Choon<br>- WCKC President                 |
|                                 | Kim, Kwan Ho<br>- Retired Minister                  |
|                                 | "We Know Not The Hour" (604)                        |

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|--------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 13. Closing Prayer | Takashi Shiraishi,<br>JUC President |
| 14. Postlude       | Juanita Tommy                       |
| 15. Ribbon Cutting | Chung, Chung Hee                    |
| 16. Reception      | Kim, Si Young,                      |
| * Translator       | 1000 Missionary Movement Dir.       |
|                    | Chun, Chung Kwon,                   |
|                    | KUC Communication Dir.              |

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Elder M K Hong, NSD Sabbath School/Personal Ministries Director, who is presiding the program.



A vocal solo was provided by Jung Ae Hong for about 250 attendees of the ceremony.



Elder P D Chun, NSD President, gave a message which was translated by Elder C K Chun(left).



*A trumpet solo was offered by Elder Gun Sik Yoon.*



*The ribbon cutting ceremony was conducted by representatives of distinctive organizations in our church.*



*Ladies dressed in their national costume welcomed participants for the program.*

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