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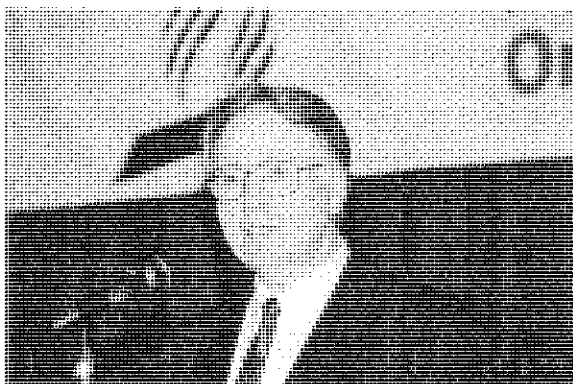
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Chinese Union Mission (CUM) *Inaugural Session In HK*

The inaugural session of the Chinese Union Mission (CUM) was held under the motto, "One Accord, One Mission," on June 13 - 15, 1999, at the Kowloon Panda Hotel, Hong Kong. The CUM is the outcome merging the South China Island Union Mission (SCIUM), covering Taiwan, Hong Kong and Macao, with the East Asia Association (EAA) including mainland China and Mongolia. In the meantime, Mongolia was separated from the CUM and became an attached mission field of the Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD).

There were 107 attendants. Among them were 2 from the General Conference (GC), 6 from the NSD, 77 from the former SCIUM, 9 from the EAA, and 13 special guests. Although there were many seats reserved for the delegates from mainland China, we could not see any direct delegates. There were no representatives from government offices or religious bureaus in respective territories.

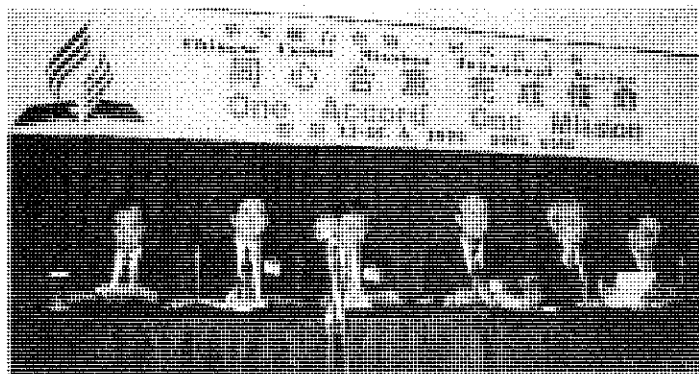


Jan Paulsen, General Conference President

One of the special guests was Jan Paulsen, president of the GC, who contributed to make the CUM a reality. He was the chairman of the GC Survey Commission for the SCIUM and EAA.

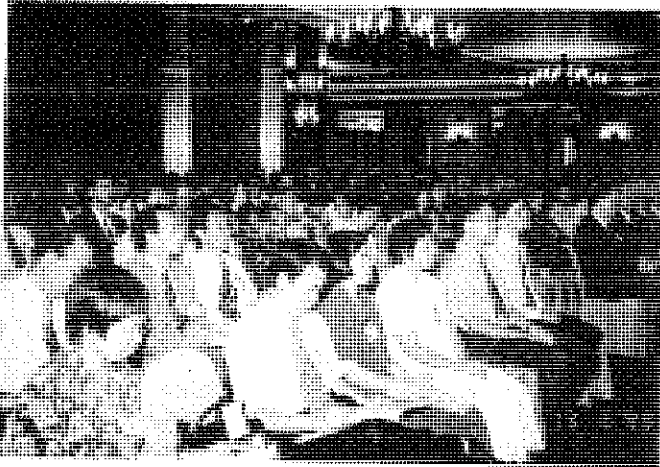
Furthermore, he served as the chairman of EAA in 1995 and 1996. In the opening ceremony of the session, he said, "This is really a historical meeting ... Our business is spiritual ... Salvation is always a gift ... God does not reject anyone to be saved ... If God does not give up saving people, why can we give up because of difficulties of evangelism in some countries?"

It was another characteristic of the session to invite the former presidents of the Far Eastern Division and SCIUM, and chairmen of East Asia Committee. All invited people could not come, however, Ottis Edwards, Doyloe Barnett and his wife, Samuel Young and his wife, Nathaniel Yen and H. Carl Currie participated in the meeting. Most of them were assigned to the morning or midday devotionals.



Officers of the NSD and CUM presiding

P.D. Chun, NSD president, began to preside over the session and he gradually passed its chairmanship to Eugene Hsu, the first president of CUM. There were 14 prepared issues to discuss. Some of them were, "Chinese Union Mission Operating Policy," "Structure of the Chinese Union Mission," reports of the SCIUM and EAA, etc. One of the most important items was the nominating committee. The 21 committee members, including the 3 officers of the CUM (Eugene Hsu, president; Stanley Ng, secretary; Paul Cho, treasurer), spent about 8 hours with prayers and opinions to choose associate officers, departmental directors, union executive committee members, and union institutional board members. The following are the associate officers and departmental directors.



Attendants to the Chinese Union Mission Session on June 13-15, 1999 in Hong Kong.

Vice President: Chek Yat Phoon
 Field Secretary for Global Mission:
 Bob Folkenberg, Jr.
 Ministerial Association/Shepherdess: Shin-Seng Liu
 Family/Women/Children Ministries: Verna Chuah
 Sabbath School/Personal Ministries:
 Chin-Chen Huang
 Youth/Adventist Chaplaincy/AmiCus: Billy Liu
 Chinese Media Center: John Ash III

According to the current statistics, there are 7,587 members in Taiwan, 3,766 in Hong Kong including Macao, and 254,305 in mainland China. Since the population of China is about 1.3 billion and the largest number in the world, the newly born CUM is the largest one among the 90 unions in the world in terms of the target population.

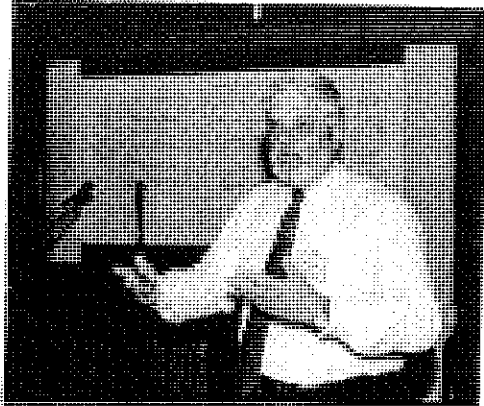
Tadaomi Shinmyo, *Communication/PARL Director*

Philanthropic Fund-Raising Seminar held in Seoul, Korea

On June 2-3, 1999, the Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD) sponsored a Philanthropic Fund-Raising Seminar. The program was held at the Korean Union Conference (KUC) Auditorium in Seoul, Korea. The guest speakers were daughter-father team Pamela and Brooke Sadler. She is the Associate Director of Philanthropic Services for Institutions for the North American Division. He is the Consultant for the same services.

The purpose of the Seminar focused on three major factors on fund-raising.

1. The philosophy of giving and sharing is vital to each person's ministry.
2. How to be able to not only identify, but work with generous donors that could help accomplish the Lord's work.
3. Effective communication with church members is the key to successful fund-raising.



Mr. Brooke Sadler shares key thoughts to successful fund-raising.

The convention not only brought together representatives of different departments and institutions of the NSD, but also their respective countries of Hong Kong, Taiwan, Japan, and Korea. These included presidents, business managers, senior officers, department leaders, ADRA and Trust Services directors.

The Seminar was the first of its kind for the NSD, so the participants found it very exciting and enlightening. May God richly bless us, His servants, as we bring and praise and glory to Him!

Jong Moon Kim, *Associate Treasurer*

The First Bi-Division Family Ministries Convention

The Family Ministries Departments of the Northern and Southern Asia-Pacific Divisions announced a very special event for the church this year. In union with the Year of the Family, the two divisions are organizing the first Bi-Division Family

Ministries Convention. It will take place in Beijing, China on October 13 - 18, 1999.

Those expected to attend are the leaders of Family Ministries from the conferences, missions, and local churches of the two divisions. Interested church members are also welcomed to join. There is a registration fee of US\$300, which includes lodging, food, and tour expenses. The deadline for the registration is July 12, 1999.

The various Seminar Topics include the following.

- *Family Ministries in the 21st Century
- *Ministering to Families in Crisis
- *Understanding Personality Differences in Married Couples
- *Strengthening the Marital Bond
- *Language of Love
- *Ministry to Single Adults
- *Teaching Sexuality to Children
- *Developing Moral Values in Children
- *Life with the non-Christian Spouse
- *Mid-life Crisis
- *Parenting Teenagers
- *Life after Divorce and Ministry to Single-Parent Families

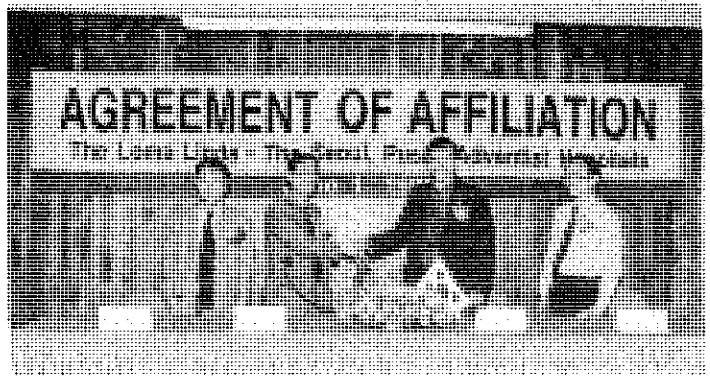
With the deadline of July 12, 1999, only a few weeks away and each union has a quota of 100 places, those interested in attending this very special event are strongly encouraged to register for the convention with your union Family Ministries director as soon as possible.

Mary Wong, *Family/Children/Women Ministries Director*

Agreement of Affiliation *Hospitals in Korea and USA*

On June 1, 1999, Adventist Health (Loma Linda University Medical Center, Glendale Adventist Medical Center, White Memorial Medical Center, and Castle Medical Center) and Seoul Adventist Hospital, along with Pusan Adventist Hospital, signed an Affiliation Agreement. This joint action consists of patient referral services and professional education and training. Both parties hope that this develops into relations that are mutually beneficial.

Editor's note: This union represents more than just an affiliation of medical services. It also symbolizes a union between countries. Distance, language barriers and cultural traditions separate the two physically, mentally, and socially. But this union represents what only God can do, joining the two together. Our prayer is that both sides may realize the importance of this effort and join forces to bring God into this world of sickness.



Seoul Adventist Hospital president Dr. Jeong-Sik Park shakes hands with Loma Linda Univ. Medical Center representative Dr. Eric Anderson.

Peter P. Kim, *Seoul Adventist Hospital Planning Director*

Let's Get Acquainted: *Introduction to Dr. Carlos G. Martin*

I want to introduce myself and share with you some of our plans for the Ministerial Association (MA), Global Mission (GM), Health Ministries (HM), and Adventist Global Communication Network (AGCN).

After serving 18 years as a district pastor in the SAD, IAD, and NAD, I served as the Church Ministries director for the Texas Conference. Then we moved to AIIAS, where I taught Missions and Evangelism for six years. Close interaction with students at AIIAS and in their home churches gave me a new vision of the needs of the church of Asia. At the end of May, 1999, I came to the NSD to work in the offices listed above.

My wife, Nolly, is a teacher by training. She is presently serving as a secretary to the Associate Secretary/Communication/PARL departments of the NSD. Our son, Christian, is presently serving as a pastor of the historical church of Battle Creek, Michigan. Our daughter, Melissa, is presently taking a year off from her studies at Southern Adventist University in Tennessee to be a student missionary in Poland.

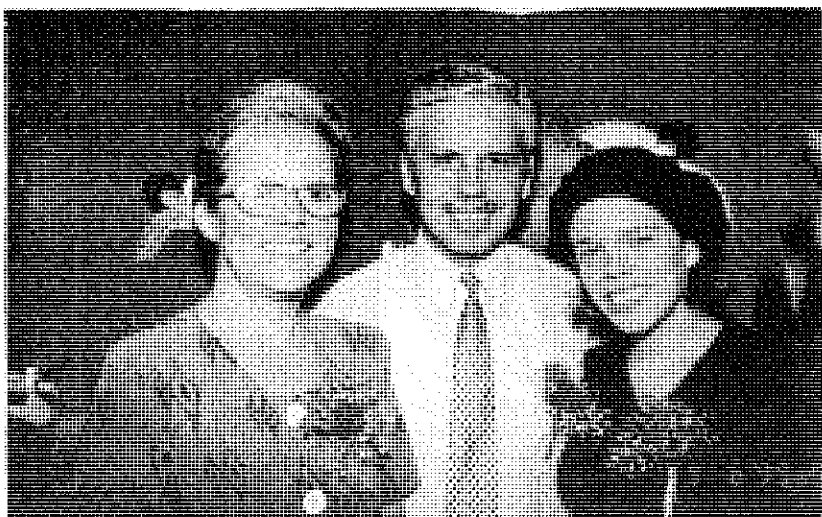
My pastoral and teaching experiences, as well as twelve books that I wrote while teaching at AIIAS, are available to congregations, pastors, institutions, and church organizations in our division.

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Seminars, such as, "Witnessing among World Religions," "Church Planting," "Adventist Church Growth," "Urban Missions," "Effective Soul Winning," "Public Evangelism," and "Adventist Pastoral Ministry" are some of the services provided by the MA. Other services include programs to reach non-Adventist ministers, public evangelism, and training of elders and other local church leaders. If you can write on a subject related to pastoral ministry, you may send it to me for publishing in Ministry magazine.

In the area of GM, I envision an army of Pioneers entering non-entered cities and people groups. The challenges of the NSD will not be met by only a handful of lay workers participating in church planting. Volunteers should contact their local Conference/Global Mission coordinators. We will provide training to these courageous church planters.

Since health evangelism is an effective, entering wedge, we want to secure a proper connection between health programs and doctrines through immediate and adequate follow-up. I envision health institutions working hand-in-hand with gospel workers in soul winning efforts.



Dr. Carlos G. Martin, his wife and daughter

ACTS 2000 will enable hundreds of local churches throughout the division to participate in the largest evangelistic effort offered in this area of the world. From September 29 - October 8, 2000, the evangelistic series offered in Seoul will be transmitted live in the local languages of participating churches. Contact your local ACTS 2000 coordinator for more information on how to involve your church!

I envision a body of pastors participating with the power of the Holy Spirit in the finishing of God's work. I envision pastors, institutions, and church members working together in renewed evangelistic efforts. I envision the day when thousands will be baptized in our churches throughout the division in one single day. We need to open our minds for great things; after all, we worship and serve a great God who wants to empower us with His Spirit!

Carlos Martin, MA, GM, HM, ACGN Director

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