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Inauguration Day

April 29, 2006, inauguration day for the new Ilsan English Church of Seventh-day Adventists, began a new mission out reach for the Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD). This celebration is just the beginning of the project to plant new churches associated with each of the 119 institutions throughout the NSD territory. Dr. Jairyong Lee, NSD president, gave the keynote address during the inauguration service. He reminded those in attendance of the plan to plant 30 new English language churches within the next ten years. This Ilsan church will be a model for additional church plantings.

Pastor Daniel Walter, senior pastor for this new church plant, presented the Sabbath morning sermon on Psalm 23. He is a retired missionary currently serving as an English language teacher for the SDA Language Institute as well. He is ably assisted in these church planting activities by Pastor Charleston (ChoungShik) Kim, associate pastor.

The celebrations began with NSD Mission Day, April 26, 2006. The NSD staff distributed some 1,600 invitation pamphlets on the streets around the office.

Friday evening, April 28, the Golden Angels singing group presented a concert to which the public had been invited. Around 120 people attended the concert in the newly constructed chapel on the seventh floor of the NSD building.



Participants from left: Charleston Kim, Sung Sun Hong, Pyung Duk Chun, Don Upson, Danile Walter, Chun Kwang Hwang, Jairyong Lee and Migual Luna

In addition to the approximately 30 charter members for this new church plant, another 20 invited guests attended Sabbath School and Church Worship. One of the guests who attended, learned about the church from a NSD staff member when they met during an early morning exercise program.

During the Inauguration service, the Golden Angels again presented the special music. Pastor Daniel Walter introduced the special

guests. Special guest who presented congratulatory remarks included Pyung Duk Chun, former NSD President, currently International Publishing Manager of the *Adventist World*; Sung Sun Hong, Korean Union Conference Ministerial Secretary and Chun Kwang Hwang, West Central Korean Conference (WCKC) President. In the congratulatory remarks by WCKC Pastor Chun, the congregation was reminded of the work of the missionaries who brought the Adventist message to Korea. In planting this new church, NSD and WCKC were just continuing the missionary spirit. Pastor PD Chun congratulated the staff of NSD on the innovative approach and their missionary zeal.

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Third Group of Golden Angels to Japan

March 2, 2006, the third group of Golden Angels began their mission trip to Japan. When they first arrived, they participated in the PMM consecration and ordination service at the San-iku Gakuin College in Japan on March 4. Then the Golden Angels supported several evangelistic series at various places, including Tokyo Korean Church (東京韓人教會) on March 3 - 11, Seto Church (瀬戸) on March 12 - 18, Matsuyama Church (松山) on March 19 - 25, and Saga Church (佐賀) on March 26 - April 1. The Seto, Matsuyama, and Saga Churches are being planted by PMM pastors. The young music missionaries began their evangelism with early-dawn prayer meetings. They went house to house visiting people and held street evangelism to invite new interests to Jesus Christ. The beautiful, sweet music of the Golden Angels lead the participants to feel a heavenly atmosphere. Seeing these new interests they had invited to the meetings being baptized during the evangelist meetings, the Golden Angels' members themselves were touched with tears of joy.



New 1000MM Director Appointed

The 1000 MM (Missionary Movement) Board appointed Pastor Joo, Min Ho (朱珉皓) as the new Director of the 1000 MM during its meeting on March 1-3, 2006. Pastor Joo replaced Pr. Kim, Yo Han effective April 1, 2006.

Pastor Joo received his Master's degree and Ph.D. in Mission from AIIAS. Prior to his assignment as the 1000 MM Director, he was the Associate Director of Sabbath School and Personal Ministries of the Korean Union conference, and has been serving as the Missionary Training Center Director of Mountain View College in the Philippines. The 1000 MM has headquarters in the Philippines. Eight branches have been established: Myanmar, Bangladesh, Russia, Irian Jaya, Mongolia, Malaysia, etc. Annually an average of 550 young people join the 1000 MM, volunteering a year of their life to be trained and sent to various places to spread the gospel. The 1000 Missionary Movement is supported by both the Northern Asia-Pacific Division and the Southern Asia-Pacific Division.



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Second International Council Of SDA Language Schools

The International Council of SDA Language School Directors convened its meeting at the Hotel Ilf, Prague, Czech Republic from February 23 to March 2, 2006, with a participation of twenty-two members made up of English language school directors (from Czech Republic, England, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, and Thailand), the Northern Asia-Pacific Division, Euro-Africa Division and Southern Asia-Pacific Division language school & AVS directors, chaplains and mission directors from five universities/colleges (AU, PUC, SAD, SWD, CUUC, and UC), the director from the NAD AVS department, Jose Rigos, and representatives from the GC (Vernon Parmenter, Associate Secretary and Director of AV Center; Jose Lizardo, Associate Treasurer and Director of TRIPS, and Diana Jo Beeler, also from TRIPS in charge of visas and passports.)



Student Missionary leading Sabbath School for the Language School Directors and Chaplains

The participants were given a guided tour of the city of Prague and a visit to the McNeilus English Language School on the Sabbath. The student missionaries led Sabbath School, taught classes and also presented an inspirational program during the afternoon service. The afternoon program included a visit by the Council members to the Bethlehem Chapel where John Huss was once a pastor. It was in this chapel where his university colleagues were martyred for their beliefs and inspired Huss to stand up for his beliefs too. The seven errors printed on the walls of the same church were written by John Huss on why the Roman Catholic Church was in error. These were similar to those stated by Martin Luther in his 95 theses a century later.

Issues on screening, recruiting, orientation, and preparatory training for mission work were discussed and a very cordial and educational atmosphere was experienced during the

Council. It was felt that the experiences the student missionaries went through are beneficial not only for the language schools to which they were sent, but also for their personal growth. Also they provided a very positive reflection on the institutions which sent them. Since this was the first time that chaplains and mission directors of the universities were invited to participate in the Council, all agreed that it would be a profitable experience for all to come together again for further counsel in the near future.

Korean Sahmyook SDA Language School director, Elder Kim Si Young, shared with the group the newest product that his school system had developed. A 12-issue monthly magazine on English language study with lesson book, audio tape and a CD-Rom which had the entire lessons for each month. (NB: The day before it was launched on March 7, 2006, a write-up appeared in a newspaper and the school had sold US\$1,000,000 worth. And according Elder Kim, there were 100,000 request for the magazine on the website.) After the demonstration by Elder Kim, the participants requested that the products be translated into their own languages to be used in their own language schools. Elder Kim promised to give assistance to the language schools, especially in Indonesia, Japan and Thailand.

This is the second time the International Council of SDA Language School Directors has met, under this title. The name was coined in Beijing in 2005. The mission statement of the Council was drafted and adopted by the Council members. The statement reads: The International Council of SDA Language Schools is a meeting of language school directors and other church leaders responsible for language schools worldwide. Its purpose is to network and give support in order to achieve the common purpose of spreading the gospel through language teaching.



Language School Directors and Chaplains meeting in Prague

Check Yat Phoon

A First for PMM Pastors

The first PMM pastor from Taiwan, Yu Chuan Fu (尤川夫), and his family members arrived at Japan on March 30. They will study the Japanese Language at San-iku Gakuin College in Japan for one year, before being sent to plant a church. They will live in the assigned area for five years, planting the church.



Pastor Ogawa Harutsugu and family, the first Japanese PMM family

Pastor Ogawa Harutsugu (小川春嗣), the first Japanese PMM pastor, and his family members arrived at Seoul, Korea on the same day, March 30. They will study the Korean Language at Sahmyook University in Seoul for one year before being assigned to a place to plant a church during the following five years.

Our wish is that the Lord will bless these two PMM families as they accomplish His mission successfully during the next 6 years!



Pastor Yu Chuan Fu and family, the first Taiwanise PMM's

SDA Language Institute Launches '12STEPS'

On March 7, 2006, a thanksgiving worship for launching monthly English education magazines, '12STEPS', was held at the SDA Language Institute in Seoul. The new publication was congratulated by more than 100 participants, including leaders from the Northern Asia-Pacific Division, the Korean Union Conference, schools, institutes, and related businesses. The related experts highly appreciated the uniqueness and excellence of the '12STEPS' and the SDA Language School's education system.



The '12STEPS' consist of three different levels of magazines: 'Basic,' 'Advanced,' 'Biz.' They focus on conversational English study providing CDs, MP3, and cassette tapes as supplements to help students learn easily and excitedly. The responses from customers, were thrilling. On March 6, the first day the language school started selling the magazines, there were more than 5,200 requests for subscriptions, 3,000 phone calls received, and 100,000 visitors to the website.

This program has been shared with the International Council of SDA Language Schools. that met in Prague, Czechoslovakia. Several of the other schools expressed interest in replicating the '12STEPS' program in their own languages.

NSD Directors Attend GC Advisory Meetings

Department leaders of the General Conference's 13 Divisions attended advisory sessions at the world church headquarters in Silver Spring between March 10 and March 30. They shared strategies, plans and visions for the next five years following the 58th GC Session in 2006. Department Directors of the Northern Asia-Pacific Division (NSD) participated in their respective areas, including Communication, Adventist World Television, Ministerial, Education, Sabbath School and Personal Ministries, Public Affairs and Religious Liberty and Publishing Ministries. Pastor Jan Paulsen, president of the Adventist world church, told pastoral leaders that local church pastors sometimes feel disconnected from church initiatives that "come down from above" without their involvement. He encouraged those leaders to work toward making local pastors feel more connected with the global efforts of the church. After the GC Spring Meetings and the NSD Mid-year Committee meetings, the NSD Department directors will also conduct advisory meetings with departmental and institutional leaders of unions and conferences within the NSD mission territory.



Communication Directors visiting Washington Cathedral during their advisory.

It is Spreading

NSD Mission Day 2006, April 27, 2006, is gaining momentum. This year those who accepted the invitation to join the NSD Staff for lunch grew from 10 last year to around 40 this year. Our keynote speaker this year, Pastor Kim GilHyung, Circulation Manager for the Korean Publishing House, shared how the publishing house has adopted the idea of a mission day. KPH has set aside one day each month for distribution of the Korean Signs magazine.

After worship, the KPH staff don brightly-lettered white sashes identifying the person as a member of the publishing house. In teams of four they scatter to different areas of the city to distribute their magazines. Since this distribution has been going on for several months now, people in the areas where the magazines are being distributed are looking forward to receiving the magazines.

During the afternoon, Kim YoungBong, a Literature Evangelist told how in her door-to-door work she got acquainted with a Pentecostal family. Mrs. Kim began to attend church every Sunday with this family, all the time praying for their pastor. When she visited one Sunday, she found the pastor had shaved his head and was fasting. A crisis had surfaced in the church. The pastor was fasting and praying for an answer. The pastor had been invited to pastor a Methodist church and he was not sure this was where the Lord wanted him. Of course Mrs. Kim had invited him to become an Adventist pastor many times in the past. After hearing him tell of the struggle, she sat before him a glass of grape juice. He looked questioningly at her. She explained his fast was over; the Lord had opened the way for him to attend Sahmyook University to prepare to be a Seventh-day Adventist pastor. With a smile he accepted the grape juice. Today he is spreading the good news of the soon return of Jesus.

The climax of Mission Day comes with the distribution of the Korean Signs and English Adventist World magazines by the NSD staff. In the space of 20 to 30 minutes around 1,600 pieces were given out. The staff are assigned different distribution points around the office. In teams of three or four, they give out the literature at the subway exits and bus stops. Some of the staff also visit the local shop owners.

This year special inserts inviting people to the English Adventist Church and Golden Angels concert were included. Mission Day 2006 was planned to advertise the beginning of this new church plant.



Kim GilHyung, KPH Circulation Manager



NSD staff, Sung Guimo, Lyu, Dongjin, Eriko Suzuki and Akeri Suzuki preparing invitations for distribution

Ceremony for MMF Director Dale Tunnell

After completing eight years of dedicated service in Mongolia, Pastor Dale and Cheryl Tunnell decided to return home permanently. A farewell ceremony was held in the Ulaanbaatar Church on March 30, prior to their departure. About 70 church workers participated and expressed their love and appreciation through drama, songs, testimonies and gifts. Pastor Stanley Ng, Assistant to the NSD President represented



Group gathered to celebrate the eight years of service given by the Tunnells

the NSD families during the ceremony. He delivered a plaque of appreciation and a beautiful Korean folding screen to the Tunnells, expressing thanks for their past eight years' service in Mongolia. The ceremony was significant to many of the participants because many of them became Adventists and also church workers during the Tunnells' term of service.



Pastor Stanly Ng, NSD Assistant to the President, presenting Pastor and Mrs. Dale Tunnell gifts of recognition.

Stewardship Seminar at International English Service

A new Church development has begun at Sahmyook University Church -- the International English Service that meets every Sabbath on the fourth floor in the Theological Building on campus. On April 15, 2006, the church gathered together for a Stewardship Seminar. Church members were aware of the importance of Stewardship as they began this new worship service. They felt that for their quality of life and growth, it would be necessary to understand the basic principles of Stewardship in this new church development. Dr. Miguel Luna was invited to share the Biblical Stewardship foundations and the basic understanding for the philosophy of giving tithes and offerings. Some of the concepts presented included (1) the meaning of discipleship, (2) lordship, and (3) the definition of stewardship.



Attendees at the Stewardship Seminar held at Sahmyook University International English Service

Biblical discipleship is the art of shaping the life of an individual into a growing partnership with God. It begins with the assurance of salvation through the acceptance of the Gospel, and then continues integrating Christ's lordship into every area of daily life.

Lordship is intimacy with God through the indwelling Christ integrated into daily life. It is the result of accepting Christ as Savior, Owner, and being present within us through the ministry of the Holy Spirit.

Stewardship is the lifestyle of one who accepts Christ's lordship, walking in partnership with God and acting as His agent to manage His affairs on earth.

At the end of the seminar, the church members acknowledged that the life of a steward begins at the cross. Accepting the gift of salvation, we begin a life of identity and partnership with Jesus Christ. Only one who has shared in Christ's death to sin can live His new life! The Holy Spirit brings the indwelling Christ to our humanity—the power to live the Christian lifestyle.

The gospel experience is the core of stewardship. Only one who experiences the joy of forgiveness and the assurance of salvation can trust God enough to let Him be Lord!

Miguel Luna, NSD Stewardship Department

AVS Advisory

The World Advisory on Adventist Volunteer Service was held at the General Conference Headquarters, Silver Spring, Maryland, from March 20 to 23, 2006. Dr. Vernon Parmenter, the Associate Secretary of the General Conference cum Director of the Adventist Volunteer Service, presided at this advisory. Three representatives from the NSD office attended this advisory: Dr Akeri Suzuki, Executive Secretary cum Director of AVS, his personal assistant, Mrs Shin Sung Hee and Dr Chek-Yat Phoon, Director of Language Schools. Issues such as recruitment, orientation, screening, finances, insurances, support and nurture, processing of application, extension of service, and liabilities for the AVS if application and process were not handled properly, were being discussed beside many agenda items brought by other world divisions. The Language Schools in Korea where most of the AVS coming to NSD are assigned, was being praised for there comprehensive programs, as was the commitment of the Director, Elder Kim Si Young, for his willingness to help other language schools if there are needs.

Another major item that was brought to the attention of the directors was the introduction of a new initiative known as "His Hands" which hopes to inspire renewed fervor on missions from local churches through the entire church organization. Its goal is that every church, institution and even individual will (a) sponsor one missionary volunteer annually, and (b) host one missionary volunteer annually as well. This initiative is not to take the place of the AVS program, but to compliment the existing program and carry it further down to the grassroots where mission really begins and ends. It is hoped that through this initiative the entire church family will heed the Great Commission: Go, Make Disciples and Baptize them in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. It is further hoped to be a Spirit-filled endeavor of all members of God's church in these last days.



Adventist Volunteer Services Directors



His Hands Handbooks

Four manuals are being developed to carry out this program: an administration manual, a manual for the missionary, and a manual for the host/sponsor, and a training resource manual. The program will be launched at the autumn council of the GC this year.

Ilsan English Church Pastors



Pastor Daniel Walter, Senior Pastor Ilsan English Church

Daniel Walter has been invited to be the Senior Pastor of the Ilsan English Church effective April 1, 2006. Kim, Choungshik(金貞植) is the associate pastor of the church. He was appointed to begin serving March 1, 2006. The Ilsan English Church is meeting in the chapel on the seventh floor of the NSD building. This is the first English-speaking church planting project of 30 envisioned to be planted during the next 5 years. The dream is to have these churches in every major city throughout our division territory.



Pastor Kim, Choungshik, Associate Pastor

New NSD Appointments

The NSD Executive Committee approved the appointment of Song, Sung Subas NSD Media Center Manger effective April 1, 2006. We congratulate him on his move from Personal Assistant for the Communication Department and Associate Editor of this magazine, News & Views. His skill and expertise will be sorely missed. But we are confident that the Lord will richly bless this new work he has been asked to do.

Brian Stepanek has been working on a contract basis as the NSD Information Technology Systems (ITS) Manager for the past two years. Effective July 1, 2006, he will become a full-time employee. He will continue to oversee the computer needs of the NSD office.



Brian Stepanek



Song, Sung Sub (Paul)

The Golden Angels Eighth

We welcome Suzuki, Eriko as the eighth member of the Golden Angels, beginning April 1, 2006. The original eighth member had to resign because of health reasons. So when Eriko volunteered her services, there was rejoicing within the Golden Angels. Eriko has been teaching English at a Japanese School in California.



Golden Angel Number 8, Eriko Suzuki

Breaking News

NSD president, Dr. Jairyong Lee and KUC president, Hong, Myung Kwan have been invited by the North Korean government to visit and asses the possibility of a joint project.

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