

FFWPU Munich-Augsburg, Germany's a very successful Chuseok Celebration

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We are happy to report to you a very successful and large Chuseok celebration (September 10th) in Germany Munich-Augsburg with 130 adults and 20 children. We know that Chuseok is usually celebrated only on a family level but we wanted to celebrate it this time as a community and open it to the public with many people as possible. After three years of Chuseok abstinence, people were hungry for meeting and celebrating Korean Thanksgiving at the full moon.



We could also welcome several VIPs like the new Korean Consul General for Germany Mr. Chan-Woo Kang (from Frankfurt), the First Mayor of our city, the Augsburg city councilor and president of "Augsburg International" Mr. Matthias Fink. Furthermore, two Korean Protestant pastors and the first board of the Buddhist Association in Germany.

We presented a heart-warming cultural program that started off with three songs from the Korean Women's Choir with the songs "Choo Chon Ka" - The Beautiful Season, "Ba Wee Som" - The Rocky Island, and the popular Song "Hollo Arirang"

A very talented 16-year-old 2Gen of our community played a tremendously fast and virtuous piece from Paganini with his Violine. Afterward, the energetic "Samul Nori" group heated us up with loud and fiery

rhythms.

With fantastic colors and beautiful Korean sounds, the artists and performers enchanted the audience. After the grandiose cultural program and the welcoming speeches of the VIPs, it was time for the real highlight - the dinner!

A sensationally delicious banquet prepared with much love which included among other things 20 Kg Bulgogi, 15 Kg Kimchi of three different variations, 10 traditional side dishes, lots of Kimbab And ending the special dinner with the famous Chuseok cake "Songpyon" as dessert. The big rich buffet was prepared by 12 hard-working Korean women for three days in our house.



The evening was full of warm conviviality and inspiring conversations till late into the night. Everyone was visibly overjoyed to meet and celebrate together again after such a long time! - Also the feedback was overwhelming. The new consul was so impressed by us and the celebration that at the end before he went back to Frankfurt, he asked if he could come and visit us at home with his family in the near future.



To show our gratitude, a few days after the so successful event, we invited all our diligent helping friends to a joyful Afterparty in our house.

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