

Dr. Michael Balcomb Launches New Lecture Approach in Denver

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Dr. Balcomb presented a new approach of teaching the Divine Principle to the Denver local church community in the multi-purpose room of the Denver church center.

Dr. Michael Balcomb, vice president of Unification Church, arrived in Denver, Colorado in the early morning of Saturday, December 8, 2012, for a three-day visit to evangelize and to coach church activists with an innovative new Power-Point presentation.



Slide from the new Divine Principle presentation created by Rev. Andrew Compton and Dr. Tyler Hendricks who developed the content and script for the slides while Jonathan Gullery and Lee Hee Wolf worked on the graphics.

With a little free time before the start of the one-day Divine Principle seminar, the Denver community treated Dr. Balcomb to a brief tour of a downtown college campus near the church center where significant campus witnessing had taken place in recent years.

Following the quick tour, about 20 Unificationists, actively involved in their community, gathered at the local church center in the multi-purpose room for Dr. Balcomb's novel one-day Divine Principle workshop and lecture training. Rev. Andrew Compton and Dr. Tyler Hendricks developed the content and script for the slides while Jonathan Gullery and Lee Hee Wolf worked on the graphics.



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with and without teaching experience, with the tools and confidence to teach the Divine Principle to guests and contacts in one-on-one settings. Dr. Balcomb demonstrated the ease of effectively using a new PowerPoint presentation, complete with script and powerful graphics. The tools Dr. Balcomb presented were impressive, and several inexperienced members took turns learning to teach to the rest of the audience. It proved to be a good experience for all who attended, and a lively discussion followed.

On Sunday morning, December 9, 2012, Dr. Balcomb met with key leaders of the Denver local church and answered questions and shared his heart and experience.

Following the meeting, there was a Sunday Service during which Dr. Balcomb delivered a heartfelt sermon to about 95 Denver members and guests on the topic: "Make in Me a Clean Heart." He reminded members to focus on internal preparation for Foundation Day and to make sure the conditional offerings they were making or striving to make were expressions of their heart and desire to transform themselves from within. He encouraged everyone to share their faith with others and reminded the Denver congregants of the precious value of True Parents as the root of Unificationists' living faith.



Dr. Michael Balcomb, together with Town Hall meeting participants in the Sanctuary of the Denver Unification Church. From left to right (front) Mike Tillman, Kenji Yujiri, Peggy Yujiri, Dr. Michael Balcomb, Mark Vogenthaler, Keiko Vogenthaler (behind) Richard, Guillermo Martinez, Dave Mahardy, Steve Yoder, Christine Mahardy, Gary Fleisher, Alice Fleisher, Nobuyuki Ichinohe, Catherine Ichinohe, and Yosuke Kibe.

After Sunday Service, a small Town Hall meeting filled the remainder of the Dr. Balcomb's brief time in Denver.

Dr. Balcomb promised to return to Denver one day, to the delight of the members, and he left the Denver church with encouragement and a renewed focus on teaching and outreach. Many members expressed appreciation for his visit.