

Korean Church's July Witnessing Campaign - Chang Shik Yang

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Dr. Chang Shik Yang gave a sermon during the guest friendly Special Worship service at the Cheon Bok Gung in Seoul, one of the largest Family Federation churches in Korea.

The following is a summary of activities of the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification in Korea during July 2013. It includes witnessing efforts, fundraising for the Collegiate Association for the Research of Principles (CARP) - Korea during the 40-day workshop and a pilgrimage to the Holy Grounds



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Witnessing Activities

A special worship service intended to double church attendance was held by all the churches in Korea on July 28, 2013 with the theme of "Rev. Sun Myung Moon, Who is he?" The purpose of this worship event was to guide new people to True Parents for the one year anniversary of True Father's *Seonghwa*, to build a foundation for the victorious Vision 2020 and to instill witnessing confidence into members.

According to an article on *tongilgyo.org*, on this day the worship attendance increased by 48.8 percent. The goal is to increase attendance by 100 percent by the end of this year. Efforts to bring new members included continuous workshops for the pastors and Divine Principle workshop/seminars for the new members. Also, the Family Federation in Korea made a matching support system for the victorious Vision 2020. All the churches in Korea made special conditions, such as breakfast fasting, prayer, etc. The target for witnessing was not only for the adults but also for teenagers.

The Cheon Bok Gung Church in Seoul, one of the biggest Family Federation churches in Korea, reported how they prepared the guest-friendly worship services and the method for witnessing. They prioritized current members, resting (in-active) members and new members. The organizers also made three types of invitation cards – an interfaith-worship invitation; a new-member's invitation and a resting-member's invitation. Witnessing teams sent out the invitations. Every Friday they invited new members to the Divine Principle seminars. Every Wednesday they prepared a one-day Divine Principle seminar and a lot of people who participated in this seminar signed up for the membership. Additionally, the Cheon Bok

Gung church created virtual invitations in three different languages (Korean, Japanese and English) for foreigners.

The special worship services will be repeated in the future.



Potential new members attended a Divine Principle seminar.

College Association for the Research of Principles (CARP) activities

CARP prepared a 40-day workshop for the CARP members and pre-STF members. As part of the workshop, about 80 CARP members and 44 pre-STF members fundraised from July 1st to the 17th. The aim of the fundraising was to experience True Parents' heart and to develop spirituality. For this fundraising, five pre-STF staff members made a bowing condition for the victory, glory and long life of True Parents and for victorious fundraising. Each person bowed 1,200 times.



The Cheon Bok Gung church created virtual invitational flyers geared toward foreigners in three languages – Korean, Japanese and English.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Grounds

The Korean headquarters of the Family Federation asked all the parishes in Korea to make a plan for pilgrimages to the Holy Grounds. There will be two pilgrimage trips conducted. One will be for the Korean members of the church and the other is for the 40 leaders of the Vision 2020 sisterhood nations and additional Korean church members. The goal for these pilgrimages is for the participants to learn the paths of True Parents and to inherit their heart and life.