The Unification Church will be reformed into a lively religion which serves the community

Chang Shik Yang September 9, 2013

[Joongang Ilbo] Chang Shik Yang, the Korean President of Unification Church on the 1st commemorative event of Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon to be held on the 23rd



Chang Shik Yang (Age 60, picture), the Korean President of FFWPU(Unification Church) revealed that " The church will be reformed in to a livelihood religion which takes the plunge and serves the community where ever it is needed in the society, and become a religion which the society needs".

This comment was given at a press conference on the 12th, having the 1st commemoration event of Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon (1920~2012) who passed away last September ahead. The church is planning to perform community service through educational work and supports for multi-cultural families. For instance, he said "We have established Won Mo Pyeong Aeah foundation, a scholarship foundation supporting elementary, middle and high school students last February." "We are planning to sell the helicopter which belong to Rev. Dr. Moon during his lifetime, and add the amount to the funds of the foundation"…[See details]

[Yeonhap News] Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon has proposed the DMZ peace park during his lifetime

President Chang Shik Yang of the Unification Church, "Unification Church will become a livelihood religion which will be needed in the society"

"The DMZ Peace Park was a proposal also made to North Korea by Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon during his lifetime."

Chang Shik Yang, the president of Unification Church (Currently FFWPU) and the president of the Unification Group revealed at a press conference held a on the 12th at Seoul Press Center, with having Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon's 1st commemoration event (Lunar calendar, July 17th) ahead on the 23rd.

He implied that Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon who has made efforts for the peace and unification of North and South Korea made a proposal to create a DMZ Peace Park to North Korea in July 2000, at the UN general assembly.

The DMZ Peace Park is being propelled by South Korean President Kun Hae Park, and President Sang Gwon Park of Peace Motors who recently met with Yang Gon Kim, the North Korean dept. head of labor party united front revealed that the North Korean authority made a comment saying "The creation of DMZ Peach Park's success is up to the success of Gaeseong Industrial Complex… [See details]

[Maeil Kyongjae] The 1st commemoration ceremony of the late Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon "The Unification Church will become a religion needed in society"

President Chang Shik Yang's press conference

"We will become a religion that will plunge in to the society, a religion the society needs"

Chang Shik Yang(Age 59, picture), the Korean president of Family Federation of World Peace (Unification Church) met with the press on the 12th at Seoul Press Center and revealed that "Our plan is to be reformed in to a livelihood religion without any differences". President Yang was a close aid to the late Rev. Dr. Sung Myung Moon, and currently in charge as the Korean President of FFWP International

Office and the Korean Unification Church as the predecessor of Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon's 7th son, Hyung Jin Moon.

The 1st commemoration event of the founder of the Unification Church, Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon is based on the lunar calendar, and is to be held on the 23rd of this month. The memorial ceremony is to be held at Cheong Shim Peace World Center, Gapyeong, Gyeonggi-do from 10 a.m. It is expected that over 20 million people from all over the world including families will attend the event.

Regarding the recent situations of the two son of late Rev. Dr. Moon, 4th (Gook Jin) and 7th son(Hyeong Jin) who were each dismissed from the position of the chairman of the Tongil Group and the real power, he said "They are now both in the U.S." and that "Mr. Gook Jin Moon is managing his own firearms company, and Mr. Hyeong Jin Moon is doing further studies related to the environment"…[See details]

[Segye Times] Celebrates the sacrificial spirit of "The Saint of Peace" who has devoted oneself for the salvation of mankind

'Rich' in events for the 1st commemoration event of FFWP founder, Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon

With the 1st commemoration of the founder of the Family Federation for World Peace (Unification Church, from here on; Family Federation) who has instilled true love and peace in the society of mankind and Sungwha-ed (passed away) ahead, various commemoration events are planned, such as memorial ceremonies. Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon who has created a worldwide foundation of mission has unfolded various activities such as the international joint wedding transcending nationality and race, the renewal movement of the UN, the propulsion of the international highway project, media, education, art movements and businesses to save the poor, was a 'Saint of Peace' who has taught that mankind was 'one family under God'. He passed away on September 3rd (July 17th by the lunar calendar) at the age of 92, at Cheongshim international hospital in Gapyeong, Gyeonggi-do.

Chang Shik Yang, the president of FFWPU held a press conference on the 12th at the press center and explained that "On welcoming the 1st anniversary of Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon's sunghwa, memorial ceremony, photo exhibition, exhibition of his keepsakes, concerts, art festivals and academic seminars." President Yang accounted that the commemorative events are focused on celebrating the love and the sacrificial spirit the late Rev. Moon has shown for the sake of peace and the salvation of mankind.

According to FFWPU, the memorial ceremony will be held from 10 a.m. on the 23rd which is the first anniversary of the passing, at Cheongshim Peace World Center, Gapyeong, Gyeonggi-do. As an event before the ceremony, a footage of Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon in his lifetime will be shown, and prayers from representatives of religious groups, reports on Rev. Moon's lifetime achievements, memorial addresses from delegates of different fields, greetings from President Hak Ja Han Moon are planned in order. Around 25million people from over 60 nations from around the world and all walks of life are expected to attend the memorial ceremony. The commemorative event opens with a praising memorial festival held at Cheongbok Chruch at Hangangro 3 ga, Yongsan, Seoul from 5 p.m. The praising memorial festival is scheduled to have a contests of the late Rev. Moon's favorite songs in the forms of special hymn sung by the Cheongbok Church choir, solo, ensembles and choruses.

The memorial photo exhibition will be held at Uni hall of Segye Times building at Gyeongheegung gil, Chungro, Seoul, from the 18th to the 24th. More than 70 historic photos which ended the cold war such as Rev. Moon's visit to Pyeongyang will be exhibited. The exhibition of Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon's keepsakes will be held at Cheongjyeonggoon museum in Gapyeong, from the 22nd to the 24th. The ' Original version of the divine principle' (the draft of the FFWPU holy scripture)written by Rev. Moon himself, his livelihood possessing from the early days, clothing and photographs are to be shown, and will be delivering the fragrance of the late Rev. Moon. International academic conference will be held from the 20th for 4 days at the Sheraton Walkerhill Hotel in Gwangjang-dong, Seoul, with Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon's philosophy of peace and his achievements as its theme. More than 250 guests consisted of former and current summit level leaders and leaders from the fields of academics and religion from over 20 nations will gather to shed light on the ideals and peace movements conducted by Rev. Sun Myung Moon.

Seminar for the religion concurrence movement of the multi-religious society will be held from the 21st at 11 a.m. at the President Hotel in front of the city hall, hosted by the religious council, and the World Peace Unification Art Festival will be held from the 22nd to 25th at Cheongshim Peace World Center.



Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon teaching the divine principle which is the holy scripture at the old Unification church headquarters in Chongpadong, Seoul, in his lifetime.

On the other hand, the Won Mo Pyeong Aeah Foundation founded to celebrate the will of Rev. Moon is planning to invite public participation of education, volunteer service and programs for recognition improvement until October, targeting multi-cultural families, and present them with awards. At Sun Moon University, international academic symposiums, joint seminars with FFWPU and colloquiums by researchers to shed new light on the ideals and achievements of the late Rev. Moon is planned to be held from the second half (September ~ December, and there are also plans to publish series of research (Total of two volumes) with scholars. President Yang said "Since the achievements of Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon's is so great, I hear opinions that they must be made into a national asset". And that "President Hak Ja Han Moon will uphold the will of Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon, and will devote ourselves to become the religion the world needs, by community service and integration, and by concentrating on educational business."

[E-Today] 1st Memorial Ceremony of Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon, who has loved peace

Unification Church's Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon's 1st Memorial Ceremony to be held at Cheong Pyung Peace World Center

The memorial ceremony for the Seonghwa (passing) of the founder of the Family Federation For World Peace (Unification Church, FFWP) Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon will be held on August 23 (July 17thon the lunar calendar) at 10:00 a.m. at the Cheong Shim Peace World Center in Kapyeong-gun, with more than 20 thousand anticipated guests.

The official title of the event is 'Memorial Ceremony for the First Anniversary of the Universal Seonghwa of Sun Myung Moon, the True Parent of Heaven, Earth and Humankind' and is to be held from August 17~23.

Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon was born in Cheongjyoo, Pyeonganbuk-do on January 6, 1920 and passed away at 1: 54 a.m. on September 3, 2012 at Cheong Pyung International Medical Center in Kapyeong, Gyeonggi-do.

Rev. Moon's Seonghwa Ceremony (funeral service) was held on the 13th day. For 13 days, more than 250 guests from all over the world attended to honor his memory. Since the FFWP plans major events based on the lunar calendar, FFWP will be commemorating Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon's Seongwha every year on June 17th on the lunar calendar.

The FFWP calls funerals 'Seonghwa Ceremonies.' They see that death is not the end of life but a moment to be reborn in a new world; and therefore does not treat death with sorrow, but rather a celebration of a birth into a new world and a farewell to the deceased. That is why the ceremony's venue is decorated with white ribbon and colorful flowers instead of black ribbon and single colored condolence flowers.

Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon founded the Holy Spirit Association for the Unification of Christianity in 1954 and nurtured the organization into a global religious organization with 194 mission countries all over the world. He spent a lifetime dedicated to world peace, harmony between religions and the salvation of mankind.