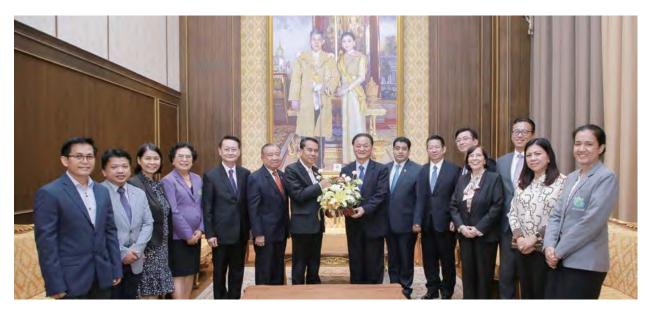
UPF's Yang Chang-shik Fosters Peace in Liberia, Thailand and Cambodia

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Yang Chang-shik, the Chairman of the Universal Peace Federation (UPF), undertook a rapid visit to Liberia, Thailand, and Cambodia from January 20th to 30th. The purpose of his trip was to strengthen the UPF's foundation, focusing on the peace principles advocated by True Mother.

In Liberia, on January 20th, Chairman Yang met leaders of various youth organizations, including the Liberia National Students' Union (LINSU), to explore ways to support youth leadership and their integration into society. On January 22nd, he attended the new President's inauguration ceremony with the UPF delegation, delivering a congratulatory message from True Mother to President-elect Joseph Boakai. Chairman Yang stressed the importance of Liberia's role in achieving a heavenly unified world and Korea, emphasizing the vital relationship between UPF and Liberia.



President Boakai previously attended the Cheon Jeong Gung Entrance Ceremony and the World Summit in 2006, where he showed respect to the True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind.

Chairman Yang also visited the Family Federation's headquarters in Liberia, sharing insights into True Mother's activities and teachings with leaders and members. He vigorously urged them to actively contribute to Liberia's national restoration.

On January 26th, Chairman Yang, accompanied by Asian UPF leaders, visited Bangkok. He met with Sutin Klungsang, Thailand's Minister of Defense, discussing the True Parents' contributions to world peace. Minister Sutin acknowledged the establishment of UPF by the True Parents and their global efforts, expressing support for True Mother's endeavors towards Korean Peninsula reunification and the Asia-Pacific Union.

In Thailand, Chairman Yang met Bandit Malaiarisoon, the President of the Thai Korean War Veterans Association, on January 27th. Together, they conducted a wreath-laying ceremony at the Korean War Veterans Monument in Bangkok and hosted an event commemorating 'UN World Interfaith Harmony Week' at the UPF Thailand Peace Embassy. The event highlighted the necessity of interfaith harmony and cooperation and celebrated the peace movement achievements of the True Parents.



Additionally, on January 25th, Chairman Yang visited Prek Thmey Primary School in Cambodia, in partnership with the Lotte Scholarship Foundation. He attended a ceremony for the signing of a memorandum of understanding and the donation of whiteboards, with over 1,300 students and school officials present. Chairman Yang stated their objective is to support students from various nations in becoming global leaders who can drive their countries' development.

On his final day, January 29th, Chairman Yang visited the Cambodian People's Party headquarters to meet Prime Minister Samdech Akka Moha Sena Padei Techo Hun Sen, the President of the Supreme Consultation and Recommendation Council and Chairman of the People's Party. Prime Minister Hun Sen expressed his gratitude towards True Mother and discussed with Chairman Yang various initiatives for human resource development.

Chairman Yang's visit, along with the UPF delegation, was warmly received and garnered significant attention in Cambodian media, making headlines in several news outlets.