



Northeast Region Newsletter

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The Divine Principle is not just a theory, it can be applied in the real life; therefore, on November 19, 2014, the young people that study Divine Principle, inspired by the teaching, carried out a project together with children and teenagers from an orphanage in Chisinau, Republic of Moldova.

Their goal was to develop their parental love through giving love, attention and education to the teenagers. The project started with a short presentation of our activities. Then for participants of 10-15 age group, they conducted a lesson on healthy lifestyle and negative effects of smoking.

Then followed the origami master-class, conducted by our Japanese missionaries. The teenagers enjoyed it very much; they enjoyed the task and used the time for making gifts and souvenirs.



Another volunteer experienced in working with children, played games with the participants, and talked with children; some of them shared their dreams: “to have a family”, “to become a doctor and help other people.” This was the most emotional part of the program.



Finally, the participants had fruit and sweets, leaving a sweet memory of this experience, important for everyone who was involved in this project.

Our young people were very much inspired and expressed their determination to do more projects involving not only teenagers, but adults as well.



Mongolia



Hoon Dok home church, since October 10.

Hoon Dok home church and Heavenly tribal messiahship are the pillars of the providential activities in Mongolia vision 2020. These main policies have been reinforced at the 3-day New Hoon Dok home church seminar on October 10~12. After the seminar, 17 members expressed their desire to become leaders of their own Hoon Dok home church, and they were allowed to take up the mission.

After the seminar, the Mongolia HQ established the 3rd Holy Ground in Ulaanbaatar according to the traditional ritual of our church. As the result, the members have got much more opportunities to pray on the Holy Ground, since it is located in the heart of the capital.

Several days after, the Mongolian capital administration started improving the Holy Ground location by planting 17 Korean pine trees, the same as those planted in Cheong Pyeong and Won Jeon. True Father said, those Trees symbolize strong faith because they grow upright. This action was highly appreciated by the Mongolian society and found support on the part of all the 17 leaders of Hoon Dok home churches.



Hoon Dok home church leaders are holding their Hoon Dok home meetings once a week besides Sunday Service attendance. The HQ published a couple of books for the Hoon Dok home church activities about education and witnessing: Hoon Dok home church booklet, right; and the Divine Principle, 1 hour chart, left.



Inner Mongolia fundraising, since November 3.

Graduates of the 40-days fundraising program in Malaysia during last summer, were determined to creatively do more such activities in the Inner Mongolia, and China. Based on his initiative, 4 members departed on Nov. 3, and completed their fundraising action in 21 days. The vanguard activities to spiritually restore the Mongolians that live in China, touched our members' hearts, so 8 members started the new 40 days action of the kind on November 24.

The 3 of 9 members in the fundraising team were witnessed by young Japanese missionaries a year ago, now their life of faith has reached even a higher level after 40 days fundraising abroad.

Mongolians desired to unite all Mongolians who live in the territories of China and Russia. When Mongolian members of the fundraising team visited their home places this time, they felt they would like to witness to all young people there.



CARP students 40 days fundraising campaign, since November 11. Altogether 20 members participated in the 40-days fundraising campaign launched on Nov 11. They are encouraged to do fundraising activities whenever they have time. The team members are recommended to start another fundraising campaign abroad during the coming winter vacation. The campaign is aimed at raising the level of CARP member's life of faith.

40-days witnessing campaign, since November 17. The 40-days witnessing campaign started on Nov 17. In 2014, Mongolia has been keeping the One-on-One Divine Principle education at witnessing. The major new trend introduced in the campaign this time is witnessing through Hoon Dok home church. Through the daily activity with support of the Cheon Il Gok Japanese youth missionaries, including street witnessing of University students, we expect many new members to join us at Hoon Dok home churches. The 2nd generation of young Cheon Il Gok Japanese missionaries are leaders of their own Hoon Dok home churches.



UPF of Mongolia. Initiated by UPF of Mongolia, the 1st Forum of Peace with participation of the Family church members was held in Mongolia on November 2, 2014. There were not so many people that came to the event still all of them understood the great significance of the UPF activity in Mongolia. We are going to hold the Forums of the kind by efforts of our church members of the Family Church on a monthly base. The workshop on "AURA" and tribal messiahship in Mongolia was held on November 8, 2014. We have conducted the ceremony of awarding new UPF Ambassadors for Peace, friends relatives of our 1st Ambassador for Peace. They have already become our Church Family members. The new Ambassadors for Peace, Dr. Bujingarav, gave a lecture about "AURA."



Russia

Witnessing team in St. Petersburg.

September-November 2014

Objective: Develop youth witnessing in St. Petersburg. A three-day seminar attended by 10 guests. Team: 9 missionaries from Korea and Japan, 11 people from Russia.

Creating an environment Previously, a new guest in our center immediately started listening to the lecture. But often, after that people did not come back. To change this practice, we tried to create an environment in which guests could come 2 or 3 times, just to talk and spend time together. When it was possible to build a trusting relationship, we naturally invited the guest to the lecture. This approach has helped many guests receive the DP education.



Deeds are better than words, and even better is doing together. In today's world, young people are watching bright Internet videos. These are attractive and make a strong emotional impact. So we decided to install a computer in the guest room and show videos based on the Principle, as well as videos of our projects and seminars. In our center, people not only listen to lectures; they are constantly involved in activities. Immediately after some guest comes, he starts receiving information. He fills in the questionnaire and shares about himself.

Lectures and seminars After a certain guests comes to us several times, we invite him to attend a one-day seminar. We are trying to make our lectures concise and attractive. Still we need to work a lot to improve the quality of the lectures. We wanted every lecturer make his own slides for his lectures and videos. The guests should read and share during the lecture. A guest can first attend a one-day seminar given by one lecturer, and then come again and listen to the same lectures by another lecturer. Judging by comments, the same lectures given by different people give a multisided review of the same material so that attendees could better understand it.



Experience of senior members and teamwork. Elder brothers and sisters took care of our team. Continental Director came twice and gave a lot of love to brothers and sisters. Mrs. Kang came and prayed with the team at the Holy Ground, as well as in the Uprising Square.

Mr. Yu lived with the Russian team a long time and did much to create a cohesive unified spirit, he did fundraising and witnessing together with us. Togo Yoshinori instructed the team every day.

Olga B. came to St. Petersburg to support and help us. Yuri V. and Togu San gave lectures for our guests at the three-day seminar to help them penetrate deeper into the content of the principles and take things with confidence, inspire them to learn more and practice the Devine Principle. Our team included Russian brothers and sisters (the 1st generation) and Cheon Il Guk missionaries

(the 2nd generation). We shared experience how to pass the Word of God to our guests and create horizontal environment.



Spiritual conditions From the first day on, the missionaries of Cheon Il Guk followed a dense schedule. In the morning, after the Family Pledge, even before the hoondokhwe, they did the condition of 120 bows. Then, after breakfast, followed 3 hours of language learning. Every day except Saturday and Sunday, they went out to street witness. Guests came to us every day. On Saturday we held a one-day seminar. Before the seminar, we did three times the condition of bows, prayer and hoondokhwe.

Indemnity conditions for potential participants



As a result, 11 guests expressed their desire to attend the DP seminar. 3 of them were not involved on the last day. Comments of the participants were very positive. Messiahship of our True Parents was proclaimed at the last Lecture. All the participants now actively continue our relationship, and most of them go on with their education

The Results: Beside 11 participants of the seminar, 6 guests are now receiving the DP education in our center. Within the period, we have welcomed altogether 71 guests. Among them, some people came only 2 or 3 times and haven't yet heard the Principle. They are going to attend the DP lectures soon.



OUR GOAL: Prepare a group of participants for the 7-day seminar in Turkey (3-day workshop) Find new guests and provide quality education in Devine Principle Inherit experience of Korean missionaries (create a good environment for our guests, where guests will be welcomed in love, and then receive the Word)

Ukraine

Witnessing activity

On November 25, 2014 we started a 7-days DP workshop. It is attended by five new guests the. Also 1 person came to the workshop for the second time.

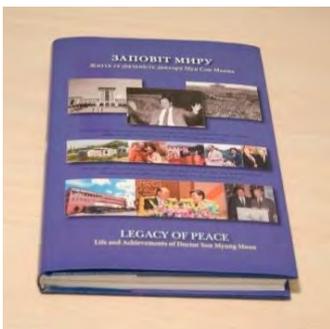
UPF activity

School of Peace lessons for children of 23 schools in Kyiv. We expect that in the future the children will become Young Ambassadors for Peace. More than 50 students participated in the project. Through these lessons we are laying the foundation for a Culture of Peace. On November 5, we held a program on basic principles of organizing projects – leadership, time management, project management, UN Days. The event took place at the Ukrainian House.



On November 12, the “Public Choice” role game was organized at the Ukrainian House. Through this game the children learned about the specific influence of each person’s choice on situations created in society. When we pursue our own selfish interests, the society suffers; but when our actions are not influenced by our selfish desires, when we act for the benefit of others, we will surely create a decent and unselfish society.

On November 19-20, the classes on *School of Peace* were held in the “Dialogue” gymnasium and at school Nr. 85 in Kyiv. About 40 people attended. They listened to a lecture on moral education and participated in a practical class on projects organizing.



The “Legacy of Peace” book was our next project. It was published in cooperation with the “Diplomatic Ukraine” Publishing House with support of the diplomatic corps in Ukraine. We are planning to give copies of this book to different Embassies. The book embraces exposition of the life and work of Dr. Sun Myung Moon — the public figure who, though confronted by enormous challenges, committed his whole life to building "the one world family" based on the ideal of true love, and desire to live for others. Through his endeavors, together with his followers, he laid a foundation for a harmonious world where all people can live together in harmony and peace. For researchers,

graduate students and anyone who is interested in philosophy, practices and development of peacebuilding.

WFWP Activity

The campaign on “16 Days Against Gender-Based Violence” was launched at the Ukrainian House. The project started on November 25. The program included: briefing, musical concert, master-classes for children in making souvenirs. The project was organized with support of partner NGOs, officials of the local administration and artists. Over 100 people were present – children, parents, teachers, NGO representatives.



Belarus



On October 26 – 28, 2014 a workshop for 2-nd generation children was held in training center at Morning House. That workshop was held as part of the cycle of workshops named “New generation chooses...” That autumn workshop topic was “Life and path of Jesus”. 16 children 10 – 15 years old took part in the workshop. The main goal of the cycle is to develop filial piety, to strengthen friendship and to develop good, loving relations between 2-nd generation children of different ages. During the workshop elder children took care of younger children, and younger children showed their respect to elders.

On the first workshop day children studied “The purpose of Messiah” and discussed the topic “Courage to be yourself”.

On the second day children studied “Jesus life stories” and discussed how to begin the process of self-knowledge in a right way. On the third day children learned about mission of Jesus and the role of John the Baptist.

The workshop was saturated with a desire to “feel God’s Heart though understanding of the heart of Jesus”. There were a lot of situations that made children to understand how it is important to learn to think from God’s view point.



During workshop children also played spots and board games, had free time for reflection and communication, and etc. The workshop participants all together prepared farewell dinner. The workshop atmosphere was friendly and joyful. And at the same time the atmosphere was spiritual and favourable for thinking about personal choice, about how to avoid wrong choice, and how a common goal depends on my personal choice.

Kazakhstan



This month was very special for us, because we had a seminar for full-time members to revive our life of faith. We observed and analyzed such topics as: life of faith, mission of Unification Church, meaning and value of manmulbokkwi (fundraising), goal and value of chondo, goal and value of New World Educational Team (NWET), goal and value of actionizing, prayer, problems in life of faith, value and meaning of Blessing, four great realms of heart, 21 year plan, club activity.

Goal of this seminar was to become more convinced in Divine Principle and True Parents. As we became more convinced our desire to witness grew up. We continue to guide educational clubs for youth. We started to improve our clubs, what made them more interesting for ourselves.



Estonia



Tamara Apsolon is responsible for education of the second generation children outside their families in Estonian Blessed Families Community. The community's activity is aimed at supporting parents in educating their children, and creating and developing the spirit of a common identity among the second generation.

The topics discussed are usually based on some specific Bible and Divine Principle patterns, for example “The Created World around Us”, “Jesus and His life”. There are also other topics aimed at promoting development of a

good character of children, e.g. Prayer, Gratitude, Politeness, etc.

The UN International Day of Tolerance

In relation to the International Day of Tolerance, UPF Estonia organised a lecture for 10- and 12-graders at high school of the small city of Kunda in the north-east of Estonia. The presentation was scheduled within the “Culture and Language Week,” on Nov. 17~21, 2014.

The UPF representative, Johann Hinterleitner, emphasised four points during the PowerPoint presentation, including: The importance of practicing tolerance and positive attitude to peoples, countries, cultures, religions and races; the skill to distinguish between false and real tolerance by applying certain guidelines, like The Golden Rule; Inquire, whether a certain specific behavior, if practiced by the majority, serves for the benefit of all. If specific behavior is harmful to the general public or a group, it should not be tolerated.



One needs to speak out openly (civil courage) when he or she sees someone's abnormal behaviour and wrong doings.

Thirty five children attended the presentation. Although they were generally silent and did not ask any questions (also due to the time limit), the teacher told me afterwards that they liked the topic and discussed it later during their regular English language classes.

Latvia



We have started to issue a Newsletter in Latvia on October 30th to reach out Latvian members especially who lives abroad and let them know of the Providence in Latvia. Quite a few Latvian families live in England, USA, Russia and Japan.

The purpose of the newsletter is twofold: Share the news with others and to help strengthen the financial foundation by raising support internationally. It is very important to raise concern of the Latvian members over the national Providence. Latvia is not a stable country financially that is why many families

move out to find work abroad. We feel we need to organize a Latvian community and share our common identity as Latvians to restore this country. We decided to issue the Newsletter every two months. Surely the Newsletter is going to give big hope to Latvia!