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Rev. Yong pouring out his heart in delivering his lecture to brothers and sisters in the Philippines

The Philippine Unification Church held a 2-Day seminar on True Parents' Life Course at the National Headquarters on July 9 and 10, 2011. This workshop added and updated content to the last 3-Day seminar on True Parents' Life course held last January 2011 joined by Asian leaders. The presenter was no less than the Director for Education of the World Mission Headquarters, Rev. Jin Hun Yong, who is also the younger brother of Asia's Regional President Dr. Chung Sik Yong. The workshop was also blessed to have Mr. Tim Elder, the assistant to Kook Jin Nim as translator.

The workshop began right after Hoon Dok Hae of Saturday, July 9, 2011. Some 310 participants from across the nation joined consisting of 120-Day Workshop participants, executive directors, regional leaders, center leaders, organization heads, Asian Task Force members, blessed central families and students. A room for overflow was prepared to accommodate that many eager participants.

The first day's lectures were about True Parents' life discussed chronologically and within the framework of indemnifying history and conversion of lineage. Through True Parents' life events, we can see the course that indemnified history as well as chart the way for humankind to follow. Rev. Yong divided True Parents' life into three parts: from True Father's birth to the Holy Wedding (1920-1960), from the Holy Wedding to the Coronation of God's Kingship (1960-2000) and from the Coronation to the Creation of the Actual Cheon Il Guk (2001-present).

The lectures were enriched by testimonies personally gleaned by Rev. Yong during his stint as the church's historical preservation committee director.

Brothers and sisters were deeply touched and even shocked by the new revelations which they received. Mrs. Irma Pagulayan, a nurse and a family member, reflects, "It is like meeting True Parents for the first time. It's almost like we know nothing about the real situation of True Parents. The lectures made us look deeper into the real life and hurdles of True Parents. True Parents' course is really difficult, beyond description."

At the end of the day, everyone began to recognize the greatness of True Parents' existence and felt that they need to be the ones to resolve the resentment within God and True Parents' hearts. Mrs. Victoria Cayton, a core VIP member in the Philippines, testifies that "Our True Father Rev. Sun Myung Moon is indeed an extraordinary person. He is exceptional and no one can surpass his character. He is always mindful that he leads his life to the fullest and that there is no room for Satan to accuse him." Mr. Edgar Tanate, Direction of Education of the Philippine Church, says, "Indeed, there is no greater accomplishment in life than knowing God and True Parents' heart through True Parents' life course." He made a promise that he will strive everyday of his life to resemble our beloved True Father.



Participants at the main hall



Participants at the overflow room



A commemorative photo together with the Regional President, Dr. Chung Sik Yong, Rev. Jin Hun Yong, Mr. Tim Elder



On the second day, the lectures were about True Parents' Life Course and History of New Creation. Whereas on the first day, the flow of the lectures were chronological, the second day lectures were based on his missions to find and proclaim the truth, to recreate and complete Eve, to complete human beings on earth and in spirit world, to liberate God, and to create female angels and complete the angelic world. Here we can understand the significance of providential events much more clearly and can feel a great deal of God's presence and His Will being unfolded by True Parents.

Rev. Yong also taught how to practice absolute faith, absolute love and absolute obedience in this age. He is to be very much appreciated for his extensive research and framework formulation for understanding the Providence in this age, which is rapidly unfolding day by day.

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As mentioned by Dr. Jaime Vergara, Philippines' Vice National Leader, "It is now our time to demonstrate our loyalty and filial piety to God and True Parents to bring them complete liberation in the era of Cheon Il Guk."

The workshop was concluded with sharing of reflections and with Dr. Chung Sik Yong giving guidance that the membership should (1) testify to the Holy Spirit everywhere, (2) testify to God's Word, (3) save lives and (4) take ownership. July 10 was also a most blessed and fateful day as the new national leader was chosen. Two candidates were singled out to draw lots but the chosen one was Engr. Julius B. Malicdem, a dedicated and humble brother. Engr. Malicdem vowed to carry on Rev. Rolando C. Basuil Jr.'s example and legacy.



Mr. Tim Elder – the translator



Participants writing their reflections



Dr. Yong at the closing program



National training camp of Won-Hak Choir on July 1-3 to sing for TP



Group photo of workshop with experience of nature from July 15-17

2nd Generation Workshops

Taiwan held six 2nd generation workshops during the summer vacation in July. A total of 220 kids joined, especially there were three workshops based on challenge experiences in nature.

(1) Won-Hak Children Choir Camp (July 1-3)

In preparation for TP's world tour to Taiwan, we have formed an elementary school children's choir to sing for TP. "Won-Hak" is the name given by TM, it's a blessing for 2nd generation kids of Taiwan.

First, 2nd generation members of the choir were chosen by each church and practiced in each church. The first national choir workshop was held from July 1 - 3 and 110 kids attended. We screened official members of the national choir by the professional choir teachers and guided them. We also gave them heart-education. Many 2nd generation kids hope to sing for TP, they shed tears of sadness when they were not chosen.

Anyway, we hope the 2nd generation kids can connect deeply with TP's heart during the singing practice.

(2) 2nd generation workshop in HsinChu church (July 15-17)

This is the 3rd 2nd generation workshop in HsinChu church, and 24 elementary school children joined. The workshop schedule included reading the one-hour DP manual, team activities, DP lectures, watching nature movies in order to experience God's creation, prayer meetings, learning and performing about TF's life course.

(3) 2nd generation workshop in DamSui church (July 4-8)

12 elementary school children joined this workshop. They read one-hour DP together every day. Other activities were sports, mountain climbing and creative arts.

(4) Nature workshop in southern region (July 15-17)

Three southern churches held this workshop and 24 children who are 7-9 years old joined the WS. We hope 2nd generation kids from different churches come to know each other, and teachers and parents learn and share with each other concerning 2nd generation education. We asked the staff and 2nd generation kids' parents to set the condition of 500 bows and prayer.

This nature-experience workshop included many outdoor activities, such as walking in the stream, watching fireflies at night, knowing plants through games, team competitions, etc. In fact, we were very worried because there was heavy rain for several days because of the typhoon. However, when the outdoor activities began, the rain turned to drizzle and even the sun came through; but after the workshop it rained again heavily.

Through such a wonderful phenomenon, we were able to complete our program according to our original plan. We all felt that Heavenly Father loves our 2nd generation kids very much. They not only experienced the natural beauty of creation, but also saw God's love and wonderful acts.



Training by breathing exercise device in choir camp



Closing ceremony in Damsui church, children take their graduation products- a book



The outdoor team activities in HsinChu church



The first time holding 2nd Gen. WS outside Taiwan, in offshore island-Penghu. Participants received many guidance and grace from God



Climbing over the wall of more than 3 meters through teamwork

(5) Ocean Providence Workshop (July 7-10)

We left Taiwan for an offshore island-Penghu and held the camp together with the local community. 38 children over 10 years old from 4 churches joined the Ocean Workshop. Staff and parents also set the condition of 1,000 bows and prayer. The goal of this workshop is to experience the heart of TP for the ocean by combining ocean activities with holy words. We arranged many interesting and challenging games for 2nd generation kids, such as team activities at the beach, fishing, night adventure, ocean sports, etc. Children can inherit God's love and experience interesting life of faith.

Everyone enjoyed catching fish and shrimps at night; some children cried out that "It's too funny and amazing." We can see many good qualities and attributes of God that exist in the 2nd generation. However, we hope that they can build the central axis and discipline. Through this workshop, everyone can realize TF's love and heart for ocean. When the workshop was safely and successfully completed, the staff felt grateful to God not only for His protection in every environment, but also for keeping everyone's heart and sending us good people for help."

(6) 2nd generation challenge workshop (July 21-24)

In the HQ church, we held a challenge workshop for 16 children who are 10 years old and above. The workshop venue had professional facilities for adventure and challenge activities. All 7 team members had to stand on a single-plank bridge, they had to climb over the wall of more than 3 meters, they had to hike for 9 hours and finish a 19-km mountain walk in a day. Before starting, many 2nd generation kids felt that they would not be able to overcome the challenge, but succeeded through teamwork and investing themselves.

Through the challenge of body, heart and spirit, they shed tears & felt so peaceful when they prayed and came to appreciate God, TP and their parents. Some children even discovered their value of being 2nd generation.



Catching fish and shrimps at night in the beach of Penghu



Canoeing in Penghu



Service project in Penghu (one project was to pick up garbage)



Set different conditions to finish the 19-km hike



Hiking 19 km to the end



Meditation and prayer meeting during the challenge workshop



Theme: Find Your True Self

During the summer vacation of 2011, we are planning to hold a 30-day workshop in July and an 18-day workshop in August for university students to strengthen their axial faith. From 28th June to 28th July, 30-day training program had twenty-three trainees. Most of them were freshmen. The theme of the 30-day workshop was "Find Your True Self". Most of them attended a long-term workshop in their summer vacation for the first time as they joined our church less than one year ago. So the training program focused on fundraising training. Also they joined a 7-day OPD WS and 3- day witnessing training.

7-day OPD workshop

This ODP workshop in June was the fifth of its kind. We divided it into two stages for those members who cannot take leave for 7 days. There were 93 participants during the first stage from July 8 to July 10 and 50 participants for the second stage from July 21 to July 24. All 30-day workshop trainees joined the two-stage OPD WS as an important part of their faith education. They were able to realize God and TP's heart and the importance of "Absolute Sex."

Witnessing by selling TF's Autobiography

The participants sold TF's Autobiography for three days. They went in groups of two from door to door and sold a total of 40 copies. They sometimes faced opposition and could feel God and TP's heart; they also felt that they had to learn more after they were received many questions from people. They all felt that everyone who bought TF's Autobiography is a specially prepared person.

Fundraising training

MFT was their main program to deepen their faith and build their vertical relationship with God and True Parents. Many of them felt that they developed their love for people and learned to appreciate others more. They even composed music to praise their MFT course and encourage each other.

They experienced the family culture, and learned why and how to "depend on God" in order to break through any challenge. Some learned that everything is possible as long as you depend on God.



First stage ODP WS from July 8 to July 10 with 93 participants.



Second stage ODP WS from July 21 - 24 with 50 participants.



Preparing MFT items with prayer and love.



The MFT items

Reflection

They seemed to find their true selves and wanted to loudly declare “It is wonderful to be together with God”. Every day is a miracle through setting Jeong Seong conditions. Believe in love and you will see miracles.

Reflection 1: I experienced so many things within 30 days. I won't be a short-sighted person and want to achieve God's hope by being His son. I will also do my best to work hard for God and True Parents.

Reflection 2: Before I was very depressed, no smile but pretended to be strong. I really did not have any self-confidence and did not like myself. I find that I became happier and happier and more confident through 30-day WS. I like to live with all trainees as a big family. We shared with each other, shed tears together and laughed together, I am so happy to experience it.

Reflection 3: I often get hurt by other's words. Through the 30-day WS, God tells me that no one will really hate me or be against me and I need to communicate more and know more to resolve misunderstanding. I feel TF's heart of loving his enemies. TF sees the nature of creation. If we are willing to forgive and have an open mind and heart, the nature of creativity will be opened. All are rooted in love. In the future, I will seek God's wisdom and appreciate my own uniqueness. It's so great to know God. I will witness to more people with new passion.

Reflection 4: I learned how to “depend on and trust in God”. In my course God let me experience great challenges and let me realize how limited I am by myself. I need to depend on God to break through big challenges and get great results. I am willing to share anything with God because I know He is my parent and loves me completely.



Daily reflection meeting filled with heart moving and funny moments. All of them learn something through sharing with others.



3-Day Special Workshop "Second Generation Save the World"

The Seong Hwa Department of Thailand held a 3-Day Special Workshop "Second Generation Save the World" at Samut Songkhram in the suburbs of Bangkok from July 15-17, 2011. The program provided a good training ground for the 2nd gens to be future leaders who have an open mind, willing to learn and live for the sake of others and contribute to the common good. Participants learned to live by the Principle, good traditions and purity naturally by working in the rice fields. It was a good and joyful learning experience for the 2nd gens.

"Planting to Reduce Global Warming"

On June 30 – July 2, 2011, Won Hwa Tongil Center held a 3-day special activity - "Planting to Reduce Global Warming" for 70 students at the Nature Ecological Education Center in Chet Khot, Saraburi Province. All the participants received education on the Introduction of the Divine Principle alongside with outdoor activities. Many were keen and want to participate in a 7-day Divine Principle Workshop.



Experiencing life working in the farm as part of training to be future leaders



Joyful learning experience for all 2nd Gen.



19 Members who completed reading the Exposition of Divine Principle 1- Hour Manual 100 times.

100 Times Reading of the 1-Hour Exposition of Divine Principle

July 24, 2011, 19 Thailand members received a certificate of accomplishment from Dr Chung Sik Yong for completing the reading of the 1-hour Exposition Divine Principle 100 times. The event was the first recognition ceremony in Thailand. The reading condition will continue as part of the Jeongseong condition to resolve the Thailand court case and prepare for True Parents' visit to Thailand.



On the same day, Dr Chung Sik Yong, Rev. Pasit Sirimalai, the Thailand National Leader, Dr. Lek Thaveetermsakul, UPF Secretary General and Mr. Wanchai Sonchaisakul, Director of the UM Business Group of Thailand inaugurated the new lift at the Peace Embassy Building with a ribbon cutting ceremony. The lift installation was part of the preparation to welcome True Parents at the Thailand headquarters.



Dr Yong, Rev Pasit, Dr Lek & Mr Wanchai inaugurated the new lift installed at Thailand HQ / Peace Embassy Building



Forty-five participants including leaders from Nepal, Taiwan, Philippines, Malaysia, India and Cambodia, Thai members, Japanese Blessed wives and Japanese missionaries to Asia participated in the 2-Day Workshop on TP's Attendance. The seminar started Dr Yong's opening remarks in which he stressed the importance of deep longing to welcome True Parents in our nations. The original motivation for our mission is the longing heart for our True Parents.

The National Leaders wives or representatives from the national chapters took turns to shared with the audience about the Attendance team preparation works for TP's visit to their nation and as well as the 2nd Gen. providence in their respective countries. In addition, they also shared about their personal family life in particularly how they take care of their children and family. Mrs. Yong is concern for 2nd Gen. education because they come from True Parents and belong to True Parents. We need to take care of them well to offer them for the joy & happiness of God and True Parents.

The first lecture was "Our Attitude in the Age of CIG" – We are living in the age after the coming of heaven even though we cannot feel it substantially. True Parents are united with God. God is now wearing the body of our True Parents. Because True Parents are on earth, God is living on earth now. We have to obey TP's words absolutely and fulfill human portion of responsibility. We must become

one with the word and make the word our lifestyle. We must love God's word, read the 8 textbook and fulfill family perfection so that we can we can perfect ourselves, and perfect our family to become the citizen of CIG.

The 2nd lecture was on „Responsibility As a Woman“. The role of a woman as a wife & mother is the key factor to achieve oneness with God's heart & .perfection in family. She has to strive for balance between her public and private mission. The children's education is essentially the mother's role. She has to guide, protect and nurture well until they receive Blessing. Household chores are important parts of a woman's responsibility which is an expression of her care and love for the family.

In Japanese, the concept of attendance is like the way of a samurai serving his master. However, in Korean, attendance means „moshida“ which is the attitude of filial piety towards parents. When Korean members attend, they treat True Parents as parents and seek to console and make them happy. Purpose of HDH, Jeongseong, observing our church tradition is part of our life of attendance. We should attend TP as our parents in our daily life, our family can reach perfection through attendance.

The upcoming 2nd Gen. workshop will be held on 26-31 December in Bangkok. 31 Dec to 4 Jan is a visit to Angkor Wat in Cambodia. All Asian 2nd gens above 15 as well as international 2nd gens are invited to participate.



Mrs. Yong shared her testimony as Mrs. Masumi did the translation from Japanese to English



Participants focused on the content attentively



Dr Yong at the Closing Ceremony



Shoveling sand in the groundbreaking ceremony

Groundbreaking Ceremony

This was the historical moment, brothers and sisters from around the region and outstation attended the service and listened to the message on the significance of this headquarters construction project given by national leader, Reverend Sam Yeoh. After the service, everyone gathered outside the building where the groundbreaking ceremony commenced with shoveling of sand.

The groundbreaking was to bring about the commencement of the headquarters construction project and renovation. A part of the building will be demolished to give way for a new building consisting of 2 storeys. On the ground level, the building will be able to provide a bigger place for Sunday school and on the 1st floor there will be the Sunday service hall with the capacity to accommodate over hundred people to worship God and True Parents.

By extending the new building; a Sanctuary, a Sunday school for the 2nd generation and Headquarters will become centralized and God can move His providence forward faster in this nation.

Construction in progress

July 24 2011 was just the mark of the commencement of the Headquarters construction project. There is much to be done in the field. Brother Kean Kok who is coordinating the whole project was making a plan to demolish a part of the building; the kitchen, dining room, store room and office. Before that an inspection and displacement of electricity and water had to be made, so headquarters office –which is now shifted to another compartment – can operate as usual.

Piece by piece, the interior furniture had to be shifted and relocated to a new room. It was hardly impossible at first to relocate all the things into one room, until many things were thrown away and the space of the one room was reorganized, everything was done within a week.

By early August, the actual work of demolishing and groundwork will be done.



Reverend Sam giving message on the significance of the construction project



Members cheering Oeg-mansei after the ceremony to praise God and True Parent.



Part of the building is being demolished and will be renovated into a 2-storey building.



Rev. Binod Dangi, Deputy National Leader of UM Nepal posed with the graduates of 2-Day Divine Principle Seminar in Biratnagar, Eastern Nepal

Expanding the Movement through Education

In the far eastern district of Nepal called Biratnagar, a 2-day seminar was held as Nepal strives to increase its number of membership. Rev. Binod Dangi, Deputy National Leader traveled to the far eastern part of the country, as the main lecturer. The program successfully produced 6 new full time members for Biratnagar Regional Center. The participants were all inspired to know that the Kalki Avatar in Hindu religion and the Maitreya Buddha in Buddhist religion is none other than the Rev. Sun Myung Moon, who came as the True Parents. The seminar was organized by Mr. Nara Bahadur Dahal, Regional Leader of Biratnagar District.



Rev. Binod Dangi, Deputy National Leader of UM Nepal gave the lectures during the 2-Day Divine Principle Seminar in Dharan, Eastern Nepal

Ten Graduates from Dharan District

Following the seminar at Biratnagar, Rev. Binod Dangi proceeded to the Dharan District of Eastern Nepal. He gave the all the lectures for 2 days. Five of our UPF Peace Ambassadors attended the lectures during the first day. The seminar was organized by Mr. Ram Bahadur Limbu, Center Leader of Dharan. Seven of the ten graduates are now staying in the center as fulltime members. Soon, they shall be joining the 21-Day National Training Course in Kathmandu. The graduates were very inspired of the Founders, Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon & Hak Ja Han Moon for they have learned about their life, works and teachings, which is contributing a lot for peace in Nepal and the rest of the world.



Mr. Ashok Kumar Chaudhary, Center Leader of Dang giving lectures to the students of 2-Day Divine Principle Seminar in Dang, Western Nepal

2-Day Divine Principle Lecture in School

Western part of Nepal, our FFWPU Center Leader of Lumbini Center, organized a 2-day Seminar inside the School Campus. Lumbini is well known as the birthplace of the Lord Buddha. There were 100 students who participated in the event. The lecturer was Mr. Ashok Kumar Chaudhary, the leader of FFWPU Center in Dang.

The participants were all inspired to hear the Principle. They have been enlightened by the way the Teaching explains about all the religions, sciences, history and cultures. They all agreed that the Principle must be taught to all students, for this is the teaching that is needed at this present time.



Students aged 17-18 years old making their pledge of purity.

Pledge of Purity

At the end of the seminar, the students have well understood the cornerstone upon which peace and true happiness are founded. It is on the foundation of True Parents' teaching on Absolute Sex, which is purity before marriage and fidelity after marriage that a new world of peace can come about. The students have made a pledge to keep their purity as their commitment to contribute in establishing a world of freedom, peace, unity and happiness.



28 graduates of 92nd 21-Day Unificationism Seminar posed with our Nepal Deputy Nat'l. Leader, Rev. Binod Dangi (front in back suit and white shirt)

28 Graduates

Last July 14, the Unification Movement Nepal National Training Center successfully held the 92nd Graduation Ceremony for the 28 participants. The graduation program was attended by our Nepal Deputy National Leader, Rev. Binod Dangi. He was the chief guest during the graduation program. He delivered a short but very meaningful speech. He reminded the graduates that the graduation program marks not the end but the beginning of a new level in the participants' life of faith. There were three center leaders who participated in the event, as to witness the successful achievement of their respective members from the 21 day of tough training. The center leaders were very happy to witness the transformation and development of their members. The participants were trained in order to prepare for their center life. They have been taught the many traditions of our movement.

The testimonies from our participants reflect how much they have learned throughout the 21 days of training and how much their lives have been changed. The participants came from a diverse background of religion, caste, ethnicity, political affiliations, etc. However, they became One Family Under God during this 21 days of rebirth.



Dr. Robert S. Kittel, UPF-Asia Education Director was one of the lecturers for 21-day National Training



Rev. Binod Dangi, Deputy NL giving a lecture



Participants during a lecture session



Mr. Richell Jalipa, UPF-Nepal Lecturer from the Philippines is explaining the Parallels of History.