

Lovin' Life Ministries Spreads the Breaking News in Malaysia

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The Lovin' Life Ministries' band, Sonic Cult performs.

Rev. In Jin Moon, her daughter, Shin Shun (Ariana), Moon, Mr. Kook Jin Moon and his wife Ji Yea Moon, were welcomed by crowds of Malaysian members as they arrived in Kuala Lumpur, the capital of Malaysia, on Saturday, June 18, 2011. Congresswoman Chua Soon Bui presented them with flowers. They also were welcomed by Rev. Jeong Shik Yong, the Unification Church Continental Director of Asia and Rev. Jong Young Yoo, Boon Bong Wang (chief representative of the Founder of the Church) to Malaysia.

The next morning, a Lovin' Life Ministries' service was held at the Crystal Crown Hotel in Kuala Lumpur. The service drew 600 Unification Church members, including more than 100 members from Singapore.

Rev. Yong opened the service with a greeting, introducing Rev. In Jin Moon and Kook Jin Moon. Jaga Gavin, chief youth pastor of Lovin' Life Ministries, introduced the band members of *Sonic Cult* (Ben Lorentzen, Joe Young, and Rev. Joshua Cotter), who offered songs to God and True Parents. Malaysian church members already knew about Lovin' Life Ministries and Sonic Cult through the Internet, and they really got into the music.

Rev. In Jin Moon then gave another signature sermon which invoked the geography and native pride of her listeners while exhorting them to spread the breaking news about the True Parents of mankind to all their countrymen.

“Spread the breaking news to the rest of your country so that they can accept True Parents as the messiah, as the Lord of the Second Advent,” she said. “This is an incredible time for Malaysia. Modernization is happening at a rapid pace, with five to seven percent annual growth [in Gross Domestic Product] but the hope of our True Parents is not that Malaysia will just be a great economic power in Southeast Asia but will inherit the true love of God, that Malaysia will really understand the profundity of what our True Parents are about and the message they are bringing to the world.”



Rev. In Jin Moon speaks to 600 attendees at the Crystal Crown Hotel in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

Two Hands Cradling the South China Sea

Rev. Moon said that “the western part of Malaysia and the eastern part look like two hands cradling the South China Sea, in a way ready to cradle, waiting to work together with our True Parents, to help raise [Malaysia] to be that great country that it can be and really to inspire other countries to speak the truth of our True Parents to all of their countrymen and to all of those with ears willing to listen.”

Rev. In Jin Moon also spoke to the issue of the faith-breaking crimes continuing in Japan and the hope that Malaysian parliamentarians could help bring the world’s attention to the scandal. She exhorted the Malaysian leaders to “let the Japanese government know that atrocities are happening as we speak.”

“Members of Parliament are traveling to Washington D.C., and to Capitol Hill to voice out against the atrocities that are happening. So, Malaysia has become the microphone, the voice piece for our movement,” she said.

Noting the much improved public image of the Unification Movement in recent years, Rev. Moon noted that the severe persecution of church members in the 1980s and 1990s has given way to fascination with the words of the Founder.

Stand as Confident Unificationists

“We must stand as confident Unificationists. You know, the world is vastly changing. The world that we suffered through in the 80’s and the 90’s is giving way to a period when young people are starving for the new spiritual truth that our True Parents want to share with all of them. In a way, all those years we hid under the banner of the Family Federation for World Peace --we promoted ourselves as a peace organization, but with our True Parents at the core, we are a faith-based organization in that we are a spiritual organization. This is an incredible church that is inviting all the churches of the world, all the faiths of the world, to come and engage in this process in this interfaith dialogue, to live together, to love together, to learn together, and to grow together,” she said.

“And that is why our True Parents are extremely, incredibly important, and why they are so necessary in this incredible time as our world transitions, hopefully, into a beautiful world of peace and love.”

Rev. Moon also spoke at length about the fact that the True Parents are completing the “movie” of the life of the messiah that had been violently curtailed by the crucifixion. “We now have the physical

manifestation of what it is to experience God in a human form. We have the masculine and the feminine represented in the bodies of our True Parents. Truly through them, not only do we experience the life-giving words of Jesus Christ and the love he taught, but for the first time in history we can partake of this thing called the Heavenly Lineage,” she said.



Kook Jin Moon explains gains and church growth in Korea and Japan to Malaysian attendees.

Kook Jin Moon, the chairman of the Tongil Foundation, also gave a speech to the attending members. He explained that he has tried his best to do the job that True Parents gave him, even though that job has made him unpopular with some. “That’s important to understand, because I have a boss. If True Parents want to fire me, they can fire me,” he joked.

Chairmoon Moon also paid tribute to the decisive role of True Mother, explaining that “True Father lives on this earth because he has True Mother. He cannot exist on this earth without True Mother. She has saved his life.”

He urged the members to appreciate the unique role of True Parents to bring salvation from sin. “As Jesus was sacrificed on the cross, our True Father has lived a living crucifixion. His life has been a life of constant death and rebirth. And his life has been a life of great difficulty and misery. And he experienced a great deal of betrayal. But he paid indemnity so that all of us, that we can be free from our Original Sin. We can be engrafted back onto the True Parents. We can receive salvation and grace and be a lot closer to God. This is the great victory of our True Parents.”

“Our eternal salvation is only through True Parents. There is no other way. True Parents are the conduit to God,” he explained.

The restructuring he has engineered in the Tongil Group and in the structure of the church in Korea during the last six years has yielded many successes, including the fact that the Korean language newspaper, Segye Ilbo, lost money every year for nearly 22 years but is now profitable, he said.

“The performance of our church after restructuring is exceptional,” he said, explaining that he personally visited more than 100 churches in Korea. After restructuring, he noted that there has been 80 percent growth in registered membership, 80 percent growth in Sunday service attendance and 140 percent growth in donations. “I would say that is exceptional,” he said.

Chairman Moon explained that the situation of our churches in Japan had greatly improved in two years. “Two years ago our Japanese churches were in a serious crisis. It was a dire situation. Every single day some of our members were getting arrested.” He said. But with the help of his sister and brother he has

been able to bring the issue of persecution out to the world.

“We were able to shame the Japanese government to take a step back. So that now the Japanese government realizes that if they persecute us too severely, it’s going to get them in trouble,” he explained. After two years, the Japanese church has gained nearly 2,000 members, reaching its highest level of “A” membership, while the overall debt of the Japanese church has been reduced,” he said.



Second Generation perform traditional Malaysian dance.

Following the sermons, second generation Malaysians took the stage to perform a traditional Malaysian dance. The crowd then joined in three cheers of Og ManSe.

Following the service, Rev. In Jin Moon and Mr. Kook Jin Moon posed for pictures with each family that attended while Sonic Cult signed T-shirts and their CD, “Alive.”