

Thomas Selover replaced by Doh Hyun-seop as President at Sunhak Universal Peace Graduate University

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Address by the incoming SunHak UP Graduate University President Doh Hyun-seop - Photo with the incoming and outgoing presidents

The installation of a new president at the Sunhak UP Graduate School was held on December 8 in the school's chapel. The ceremony was attended by FFWPU International HQ Director- General Yoon Young-ho, Sunhak Global Education Foundation Chairman Song Yong-cheon, Cheonshim Won President Lee Gi-seong, heads of providential organizations, VIPs from Korea and overseas, faculty members and students.

The event was moderated by Kim In-soo, Dean of Academic and Student Affairs, and started with a report prayer by YSP Director Park Soo-hong, followed by a summary of the incoming president's career by Dean Kim In-soo, a presentation of flowers by Professors Yoo In-chang and Wi In-gyu, a message of encouragement from FFWPU Director-General Yoon, and an address by outgoing President Thomas Selover. Congratulatory remarks were offered by Chairman Song, who presented a plaque of appreciation to departing President Selover, who then officially handed over the school flag to Doh Hyun-seop, the incoming president. President Doh then offered his inaugural remarks, and the event concluded with a congratulatory message from President Lee Gi-seong, and cheers of Eog mansei led by YSP International Vice-President Kim Jae-hyun.



In his message of encouragement, Director-General Yoon said, "Today is a very happy and blessed day. As they have been attending Heavenly Parent and True Parents while working to advance toward VISION 2027, I would like to convey my congratulations and wish blessings on both outgoing President Thomas Selover and incoming President Doh Hyun-seop. I would like to pass along a message that True Mother sent for this installation ceremony. First of all, to President Selover, True Mother said, 'Please work with the foundation of PWPA to help America successfully overcome its current difficulties, and march forward for the sake of America and the sake of the world!' And to incoming President Do, she sent the following message, 'Now that we have firmly established Cheon Il Guk, centering on Sunhak UP Graduate School, you must create the wise guidance and knowledge that we need to maintain and develop Cheon Il Guk, and cultivate and train talented and qualified leaders who can ensure that by 2027 one-third of the world's people can return to the bosom of Heavenly Parent.'" Following these messages, Dr. Yoon also read True Mother's message from the beginning of 2022, giving everyone a chance to think back on the year that was coming to a close.



In his address, outgoing President Selover shared: "For more than five years, I have been honored to serve as president of Sunhak UP Graduate University. I am deeply grateful to each member of our school administration, faculty and staff. Together, we have labored to raise future leaders for God's providence. And I think and I believe that we can feel proud of the result so far. I believe strongly in the mission of our Sunhak UP Graduate

University, and I also believe in the talent of our incoming president. It was 18 years ago when I first met Dr. Doh Hyun-seop in this place. And I have directly observed his insight and his dedication. Our school will be in good hands, I know. I want to thank the board once again for the support and encouragement that I have received during my time as president. With great wishes and hopes for the future, the future of Sunhak UP Graduate University, and for the full settlement of Heavenly Unified Korea and for the world of Cheon Il Guk, let me once again offer gratitude to our Heavenly Parent and our True Parents."



In his congratulatory speech, Chairman Song Yong-chun said, "I sincerely congratulate the two of you on your new starts. It is my sincere hope that the blessings of Heavenly Parent and True Parents will be with Sunhak UP Graduate University, which is a cradle of rebirth as the cornerstone for spiritual training in the tradition of True Parents, the place to cultivate leaders who can lead the way toward peace by practicing a life of service and devotion for the sake of building a world of peace.

Today, we can look forward to new changes and developments in the Unification Movement. This is not simply a change in leadership but is a historic moment when the baton of leadership is being passed to a new generation. The purpose of a change like this is not to create a gap between the generations, but to bring unity between the first and second generations. I believe that through this event today, the first and second generations of the Unification Movement will unite and take a powerful leap forward in the establishment of Cheon Il Guk. Let us give a warm round of applause to thank President Selover, who has worked hard to bring the school to this moment, and to President Doh, who will carry that work forward starting from today.'



Then, in his inaugural address, newly appointed President Doh Hyun-seop said, "From a long time ago, True Parents have made 'Acheon, Aein, Aeguk (Love for Heaven, Love for People, Love for Country)' the educational philosophy for all the schools they established around the world, as they spared nothing in their effort to educate people with the truth so they could attend Heavenly Parent and resemble Heavenly Parent by practicing an upright life. Since its establishment in 2004, Sunhak UP Graduate University has grown and developed over the past 19 years under the direct guidance of True Parents, and has worked to fulfill its role as an ivory tower for the study of True Parents' words, and a cradle for nurturing talented individuals for Cheon Il Guk. I believe that the best way to repay True Mother, who lives each day as if it were a thousand years as she seeks to realize Heavenly Parent's dream of 'One Human Family Under Heavenly Parent, the Cosmic Nation of Peace and Unity' is to fulfill the dreams and wishes True Parents have for this school." With your encouragement and support I will do my absolute best to guide Sunhak UP Graduate School to move forward vigorously."



Cheonshim Won President Lee Gi-seong offered his congratulations, "It is my hope that under the leadership of President Doh, Sunhak UP Graduate University can make a new leap forward, finding new and deep inner joy in academic study that has never been experienced before. I would like to offer my gratitude for the great blessings and love of Heaven that our Heavenly Parent and the True Parents of Heaven, Earth and Humankind always give us through their unending spiritual and material support."

The event concluded with a congratulatory song by the cadets, followed by three cheers of Eog mansei led by YSP International Vice President Kim Jae-hyeon.