

Chung Pyung European Branch Events 2019 – STF Testimonies

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F. Babi (Andorra)

There is no experience such as doing Chanyang in Chung Pyung. Nonetheless, the Chung Pyung Heavenly Europe Branch inauguration was an amazing event at the standard of Chung Pyung.

I would like to share with you about the power of Chanyang, no matter where you are!

Being part of the Chanyang team was a privilege, to serve God and True Parents in a direct way. For 5 days we practiced for the whole day, always trying to resemble the original Chanyang Team. During the practice, although many of us were sick and the practice was physically exhausting, each session had the power to revive our spiritual self.

It was amazing how, even though I was physically sick, thanks to Chanyang I got better! Overall, I was very grateful to feel how God is constantly working with everyone, to be able to represent God and help all the members to liberate evil spirits and bless their ancestors. I remember feeling the beat of God's heart in each beat drum... My body and God's energy were one when I totally focused my mind and body on God, focusing on doing my best to keep the beat drum attuned with the beat of God's heart. During the last Chanyang session I could feel how my arms were beating the drum by their own, as if my arms would be guided by the spiritual world. I am very grateful for the opportunity we had in this historical event for Europe! Being part of history!

Y. Jung (Germany)

The second day of the event, the Ancestors' liberation, was my highlight. It turned out to be even better than the first Chanyang (CY) session from the day before. I had the honor to stand next to Ryuichi San with his deep, roaring voice and very strong movements. When he started to scream `Abojii, Omoni!!' the whole atmosphere changed. I could see that the audience of 700 to 800 people suddenly began to hit harder. I could feel myself jumping higher than ever before, my arms moving full of power, almost in an exaggerating way. The smile on my face got broader, even though sometimes it felt like I would collapse. But I knew I wanted this event to become successful and therefore had to keep on going for these people. Seeing them following our singing and signs is such an incredible experience. Due to these people relying on me, I got to know what True Give and Receive means. And even though physically it was exhausting, it didn't matter. Why? Not only because Rev. Tibor treated us with sweets, cough drops and muscle patches but mainly because my spirit was filled with love and power from every single person. What also

helped me were words "Empty yourself", just let go and let God. After the session finished, there was the special prayer to talk to our ancestors. I clearly remember the moment: It felt like my body was receiving the voices and spirits from these hundreds of people praying. Different kinds of emotions overcame me in these three minutes. Pain, relief, happiness and probably more that I myself am not aware of. At one hand I was so grateful that I could receive this grace but on the other hand I felt incredibly insufficient and sorry. My tears ran down my face, not able to hold them back.



Describing my experiences in words doesn't express enough what I gained from this event. But definitely I want to say thank you Heavenly Parents, for giving me this opportunity to feel the power of spiritual world. I'm sure it was special for every individual who participated and can only encourage everyone else to experience it by themselves!

H. Gomes (Brasil)

Actually I didn't have so much expectation for this Chung Pyung Event but when I got there I could feel an really good atmosphere. I never had any kind of spiritual experiences, until that day. During the Ancestors Liberation, when we were praying for the ones being liberated, I started thinking about my ancestors that are already liberated and I was thinking about the ones that I knew, like my grandparents and some other family members. When I closed my eyes and I started praying I could see them right on my side looking at me. At that point I couldn't control my tears. This Chung Pyung Event gave me such a nice experience that I'm sure, I'll not forget.

M. Filonze (Brasil)

I was part of the Chanyang team and for me this event was not only two days but a week ... During the training I had several experiences, I could realize that all the investment is worth. I could understand how much your internal attitude is important, we received internal guidance almost every day about having a heart of gratitude; "Your movements may be perfect but if your inner self is not connected and grateful for what you are doing, there is not much meaning to it" These were some of the words we received and touched my heart. Because until that moment I was not focusing on my internal, just external and how difficult it was for me physically, that day I prayed to God and asked him to show me what to do, if I should continue or help in other way, not to bring a bad environment to the team. However, the other morning in one of the training sessions, a sister came to me and said, "When I see you in front of me, I feel that my inner strength is stronger than the physical pain and I can do my best!"; With these words I thought internally, "Ok Father, I understood". I received the answer to my prayer and from that day, I tried my best both internally and externally to give my best.

Then came the weekend of the event. The first day of the event, we just did Chanyang along with others and the next day, before starting the event I was very nervous thinking "I don't get why everyone was

talking about my position (the cards) being the one who "leads" what everyone will do?" If we make a mistake, others will make mistakes as well. I started getting nervous, but in a moment I realized that those thoughts were not mine and I tried to just stay focused. I knew we had trained enough and I was fully capable of doing my best. But then in the middle of the section in my mind began to emerge many thoughts that distracted me, so I focused on the picture of True Parents in front of me, I remembered the words of gratitude, connected my heart to this feeling, smiled and gave my best! That feeling can not be explained in words, but it was really wonderful and I am very grateful for this experience.



When they were finalizing the blessing for the ancestors and we "say goodbye" I felt a very strong energy going through me. On that moment I closed my eyes, I saw such a beautiful smile and heard "Thank you so much". It was exactly at that moment that I could see the results of every investment and just like my ancestors I am very grateful for this special opportunity. Thank you!

A. Pang (Hong Kong)

Growing up, I never considered myself as a person with strong determination. I never had a strong desire to do anything, neither did I fulfill any goals I've set on my own. I was happy when I was chosen from my team to take part in the Changyang team. Since I was young, I've always admired those who were leading the Changyang on stage and hoping that one day I will be one of them. Assuming that everyone will go on stage, I wasn't worried until I found out there will be a selection among the members.

A strong desire for going up on stage and inspiring others rose up and I knew this time I won't compromise. I was surprised that a person like me who has avoided exercising my whole life had the energy to persist until the end of the practice. And when it was announced that I was one of the members going on stage, that was the first time I realized that, I too, had potential.

K. Hirata (United States)

Through this past week I was able to experience a bit of True Parents heart by being in Chanyang team. From dancing and singing on the stage to praying tearfully, I could really be grateful for all the blessings I've received. Preparing my physical as well as my spiritual body for days may have been exhausting, but after the Chung Pyung event ended, I felt fulfilled knowing I helped True Parents in a small way. On the second day of the event, during my prayer, I choked up with all this emotions of gratitude I said to God and it was only because I prayed with a sincere heart. Through this experience, I learned that praying with empty words will not reach God.

J. Ferabolli (Brasil)

I had participated in a lot of Ancestors Liberation and Chanyang workshops until now, but none of them with the mentality and maturity I have nowadays. The first time I heard I was going to join in this Event, I got excited, but soon came the fear of going through it without getting any kind of significant experiences. Because of this, I determined to participate giving it the importance it actually has. I guess

your own mindset, heart and the will to invest makes a big difference. So I first prepared myself. I prayed a lot before and during the workshop. I was directing myself to God and True Parents with the heart of repentance and asking for a new beginning. Right away, as soon as the first Chanyang session started, I was filled with an enormous feeling of gratitude, so intense that it wanted to come out of my eyes, as tears. Throughout the whole session, I kept thinking about how grateful I am towards God. And at the end of it, my relationship with Him was never the same and this tremendous feeling of gratitude penetrated my bones and its kept inside me even until now.

The next experience I went through was in the Ancestors Liberation session. In the end, when we were supposed to talk with our ancestors, I felt that I didn't need to worry about them because my parents completed the liberation already in the past, and I knew I could talk to them at any time if I want to. But in that moment I felt a deep need to talk to the resentful spirits my ancestors hurt in the past. I couldn't stop crying for them. It was certainly a good – although melancholic – experience to be able to connect to these resentful spirits.

Now that my relationship with God has changed, and I felt that a big weight was lifted through the liberation of those resentful spirits and got liberated from my own resentful feelings, I am looking forward to the next opportunity to participate in a Chung Pyung workshop. For now, I keep in my heart everything that I felt during this time in Albania.



I. Llopiz (United States)

For the second day of the Cheon Pyeong workshop in Albania I had the privilege to be part of the Chanyang team. I had participated in Chanyang in Chung Pyung many times and had always thought it would be nice to join the Chanyang team. When I heard that our team would possibly be part of the Chanyang team I was really hopeful and excited. Our team went to Mullet and practiced Chanyang for 5 days. Those 5 days were enjoyable and gave me time to prepare both spiritually and physically for the Chung Pyung event. When the first day of the event arrived, Precious, Kuni and I were the first ones on stage. On the second day of the event I was singing "Grace of the Holy Garden" the whole time. While singing I felt I could invest more this way than being on stage. I was so grateful and felt I was a vessel for my Ancestors to sing through. There was definitely more energy on the second day than in the first. At the end of Chanyang, during individual prayer while holding our Ancestors hands, I cried deeply for the evils spirits I could liberate from my body. I felt they really deserved compassion for the position they were in and how everything resulted in the fall. I feel that God really blessed me so much this week with all these opportunities and experiences I have gained.

S. Dueck (Paraguay)

Being part of the Chanyang team for me was a very new experience. I never thought that I would learn so

much from this week in the way I did. My role at the beginning was keyboard player and I was really scared and disappointed when they gave me this responsibility. I had so many thoughts like "I don't know the songs", "I'm going to fail", "Being on the keyboard is lame", "I want to be on the stage to show how much I can give". Many feelings of pride, arrogance, and jealousy started to appear. All this fallen nature was stopping me from offering something pure to God. After I reported this to my central figure I could realize how all of this was wrong and that I had the wrong motivation the whole time. So I started to work on it from that day. I really felt proud of being on the keyboard and happy to give something more meaningful to God. For me it was a really deep experience, the fact that God put me in this position so I can overcome something in myself and be closer to Him. After reporting this feeling to my central figure I had an encounter with Mr. Tibor, who asked me "How is everything going with the keyboard?" I just said "I am improving." to which he said "Thank you, thank you so much." I really felt like this was God trying to say to me "Thank you for not giving up". Even though at the end I did not play the keyboard, I really felt like God guided me here to have this experience and feel part of His providence. I'm very grateful for this week and for all the brothers and sisters that I could meet. We are creating little by little the Kingdom of Heaven on Earth and every time I see the development of the providence I get more hopeful and inspired to work more.



B. Moshammer (Austria)

I was part of the Registration team in the Chung Pyung branch event in Frankfurt. Before I would've never imagined to be a part of registration team considering my IT skills, but in the end I was really grateful for this experience. I could realize that it's so much more than just typing in numbers and names into spreadsheets. The whole Ancestor Liberation and Blessing depends on it. That's why in the beginning, we received some guidance about Ancestors Liberation and Blessing more in detail. Content that was to be learned in a week was taught to us in 2 days and when I was handed a 2 hour exam booklet I thought "Wow, it's getting serious". After the guidance we went straight into it. We were just a small group but I felt that everybody was supporting each other, especially when it wasn't easy. Then during the actual event is when the whole magic happened. Even though it was at times stressful and difficult, or we didn't sleep enough, all of these factors didn't matter that much. 100 % of focus was required for registration and that's what I wanted to do. In that time I could feel clearly that what I'm doing is mission. When I had this attitude of "I'm doing this for True Parents and most of all for all the ancestors of those who came to liberate and bless them", then I understood how important we actually are not just in this event but to the history and providence.