

## Ginseng Tea and the Divine Principle for the Prime Minister of New Zealand

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We have all had another busy and action-packed month. It began with an invitation to attend a university forum entitled "Creative Intelligence." New Zealand's top authorities on politics, education, economics, social welfare, medicine and religion attended the forum, conducted by Victoria University in Wellington. We were able to renew and revitalize relationships with many of the public figures as well as contact others for the first time. Professor Lloyd Geering and New Zealand's Minister of Education, Mr. Philip Amos, were among those we knew at the conference. The most rewarding feature of the evening was the opportunity to address the conference on the Unification Principle.

Professor Geering, a former Presbyterian minister and professor of religious studies, came to the Wellington center for dinner at the beginning of the month. He was very enthusiastic at meeting us all, because of his belief that the truth contained in a religion can be seen in the people supporting the religion. His understanding of Divine Principle is good, but as he said, "It is not what you think but what you do that is important."

After dinner we spoke deeply about the Divine Principle. He was especially interested in the fall of man and was amazed to hear Reverend Moon's clear, logical, and most perceptive understanding of the root of evil. Professor Geering believes the fall was a human condition, rather than the literal events in the book of Genesis. He believes that Adam and Eve represent the first beings to accept God's purpose of life for humans.



After very deep discussions, almost stretching into the early hours of the morning, Professor Geering was presented with the official Divine Principle book, which he accepted with great ardor. We are planning to contact him again soon.

Many New Zealand public figures became more involved with the Watergate Crisis recently when we mailed over 400 of Reverend Moon's Watergate Statements, accompanied by introductory letters, to officials throughout the country. We sent statements to all politicians, the Wellington university professors and clergy, city council members, Supreme Court Judges and Justices of the Peace. Positive replies were received from several university professors who expressed their support for the position of the President and said they could see the logic behind supporting President Nixon.

Recently New Zealand's Prime Minister, Mr. Norman Kirk, became very ill when there were complications after an operation on his legs. Although unfortunate, this gave us another opportunity of contacting him again. We sent him a beautiful card and a practical remedy, Ginseng Tea. A few days later we received a warm and thoughtful letter of thanks. Mr. Kirk has been contacted several times now. Our relationship with him is on a very warm and friendly level. I-le has received information about Reverend Sun Myung Moon and Divine Principle and so he knows the movement well.

We contacted Mr. Kirk's under secretary, Mr. Willing, concerning the presentation, and were invited to a meeting in the Parliament.

The Unification Principle was discussed in a friendly and open atmosphere with Mr. Willing. We then presented the card and tea to Mr. Willing who handed them on to the Prime Minister. It was pleasing to see Mr. Kirk back on his feet again recently, although a walking stick was needed.

At 12:00 midnight every night we walk to our witnessing street in the middle of Wellington city to pray for our country. When the opportunity arises we contact people. One night there was one lone person on the street. He was the street cleaner. We watched him for a while and then contacted him. He recognized us as the "Moonists." It is good to know that even the midnight street sweeper knows us. We have also contacted some Christians who asked us if they could join us.