

## The Seonghwa Student

Sun Myung Moon

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### Establishment of the Seonghwa Student Council October 23, 1955, Cheongpadong, Korea

The Seonghwa Student Council was founded on October 23, 1955. In the beginning of that month, Father was found innocent of draft evasion and released from Seodaemun Prison. The headquarters church was then moved to Yeongsan-gu, Cheongpadong. On October 16, Sunday school was opened. It was on this foundation that the Seonghwa Student Council, encompassing students in elementary school, middle school and high school, was founded. This was the result of activities the founding preparatory committee, under the guidance of Rev. Won Pil Kim, carried out since September of that year. High school graduates this year are the 59th batch of Seonghwa students.

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"The term itself -- Seonghwa student -- can represent our church history. What you are doing now, the path you are following, will influence the many people that will follow God's will in future generations. If you fail to overcome the difficulties you face or fail to fulfill your responsibilities even though you are in

a position through which you must overcome them, you will receive judgment that is tens or thousands of times greater. Those who graduated from the class of Seonghwa students represent the church. You must become people, who do not become burdens to the church in front of difficulties it should overcome, but instead become people that can assist the church in overcoming them. Only by doing so can you find the path to the people, nation or the world. From this perspective, you must be able to overcome the crosses you each carry.

*The Sermons of the Reverend Sun Myung Moon, vol. 31, p. 22, April 8, 1970*

