

Jin Hun Yong Concludes Two-Day Internal Guidance Seminar at Bridgeport University

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Dr. Jin Hun Yong, the Education Director of the World Mission International Headquarters, returned to the University of Bridgeport for the second part of a two day seminar. On the second evening, presentations were again held in the Private Dining Room of the Student Center at the University, from 6:00 – 10:15 p.m. and attended by approximately 70 participants, including a significant number of young adults.

The evening program opened with song led by Rev. Chris Hempowicz, the pastor of the Connecticut Family Church, and his wife, Christine. This was followed by a prayer by Rev. Richard Buessing, the district pastor for New England, who served as the emcee for the evening. Rev. Buessing welcomed Dr. Yong, who spoke in Korean from the front of the room. Rev. Katsumi Kambashi, pastor of the church in Vancouver, Canada, translated the content into English.

Dr. Yong emphasized that the teachings of our True Parents are living principles. When we put these principles into practice in our own lives, on a daily basis, we can impact the lives of others. Now is the time for members to mature themselves, as individuals and as couples, in the image of an original person, and to nurture close and loving bonds with their children.

He conveyed that the study of God's word, through Hoon Dok Hwe, is the way to connect to God's attributes and to raise ourselves and our families. He spoke clearly of the relationship between the study of God's Word, becoming model families and successfully engaging in tribal-messiah activity.

Dr. Yong spoke of the value of blessed children, and the ability of God's words to educate and raise them. He gave a moving testimony of successfully establishing the tradition of Hoon Dok Hwe in his family. He asked his children to consider what point their parents should change in themselves in order to become a better family.

The evening continued with presentations on topics such as the UN Providence, Territory, Citizenship and Sovereignty; he gave examples of Korean cultural influence in the world; division among religions; religious- and political conflicts in the world; as well as the Third World War and the battle of ideologies.



Dr. Yong offered some thoughts on the course of restoration that highlighted the lives of, and challenges faced by, providential figures from the Old Testament time until the current age. He referenced half- a dozen prophecies that made predictions related to Korea during the next 20 years. Dr. Yong closed the evening encouraging all of us to inherit True Parents' victorious foundation and to successfully establish ourselves as Tribal Messiahs.

I am very pleased that I could attend this two-day seminar. I found Dr. Yong to be warm-hearted, sincere, and engaging. He conveyed True Mother's love for us with a deep and genuine heart. I deepened my understanding about Foundation Day, as well as about this time in the providence. I found his presentations on God's attributes as well as his spiritual guidance for couples to be transformative, and plan to study and refer to this material for a long time to come.