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SUNGKONGHOE UNIVERSITY



It was in 1914 that St. Michael's Theological Seminary, the predecessor of the present SungKongHoe University, was founded for the purpose of training clergymen. Going through various hardships under Japanese Occupation and World War II, it had to be closed and moved several times.

However, with financial support from the Anglican Church in Canada and with the strong support of Bishop John Daly, Bishop in Korea 1955-65, the Seminary was eventually relocated to the current site in 1957. Since then it has established itself as the birthplace of Korean Anglican clergymen, serving as a sanctuary for the development of the Anglican Church of Korea. As a training and educational ground, it has played a leading role in the Ecumenical Movement of Korean Christianity.

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THE RIGHT REVEREND DR. KIM SOUNG-SOO

PRESIDENT OF SUNGKONGHOE UNIVERSITY OF KOREA

The former Archbishop Kim Soung-Soo was appointed as the 3rd President of SKHU on 6th July, 2000.

We believe that under his leadership he will continue to keep SKHU at the forefront of educational progress in Korea.



The University Mottoes

We cultivate Christian Humanity in the students that enables them to practise the spirit of openness, sharing and service.

We raise independent human beings who have their minds open.

We raise human beings who are ready to share with others and necessary for the community.

We raise human beings who serve others first.

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In 1982, the Seminary took the first giant step forward by establishing a four-year undergraduate course in Theology, changing its title to St. Michael's Theological College. Developing by leaps and bounds, the College received full accreditation from the Korean government in 1993. New buildings were completed in 1994 and in September of that year, St. Michael's Theological College came to a most important turning point in its history. It acquired the new status as a University, changing its title to SUNGKONGHOE University.

SKHU STUDENTS AND STAFF

Undergraduate School:

There are 2,569 undergraduate students and 7 Departments: Theology; English; Japanese Studies; Chinese Studies; Social Welfare; Media & Communication; Logistics & Information System.

There are 299 Post-Graduate students.

Graduate School of Sungkonghoe University; Graduate School of Theology; of Civil Society and Welfare; of Computer & Information Technology, and Graduate School of Education.

There are 80 Teaching Staff and 61 Administrative Staff.

This shows us how the College/University has developed since those early days of St. Michael's Theological Seminary.

Seminary Education at SKHU

38 students study in the Graduate School of Theology. Among them are 20 students in M. Div. course; 16 students in Th.M course and 2 students in Diploma course.

COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES OF THE ANGLICAN COMMUNION (CUAC)

SKHU joined CUAC in 1995 and have developed many programmes including the exchange of students and faculty members, conducting joint research and education, and building stronger relationships.

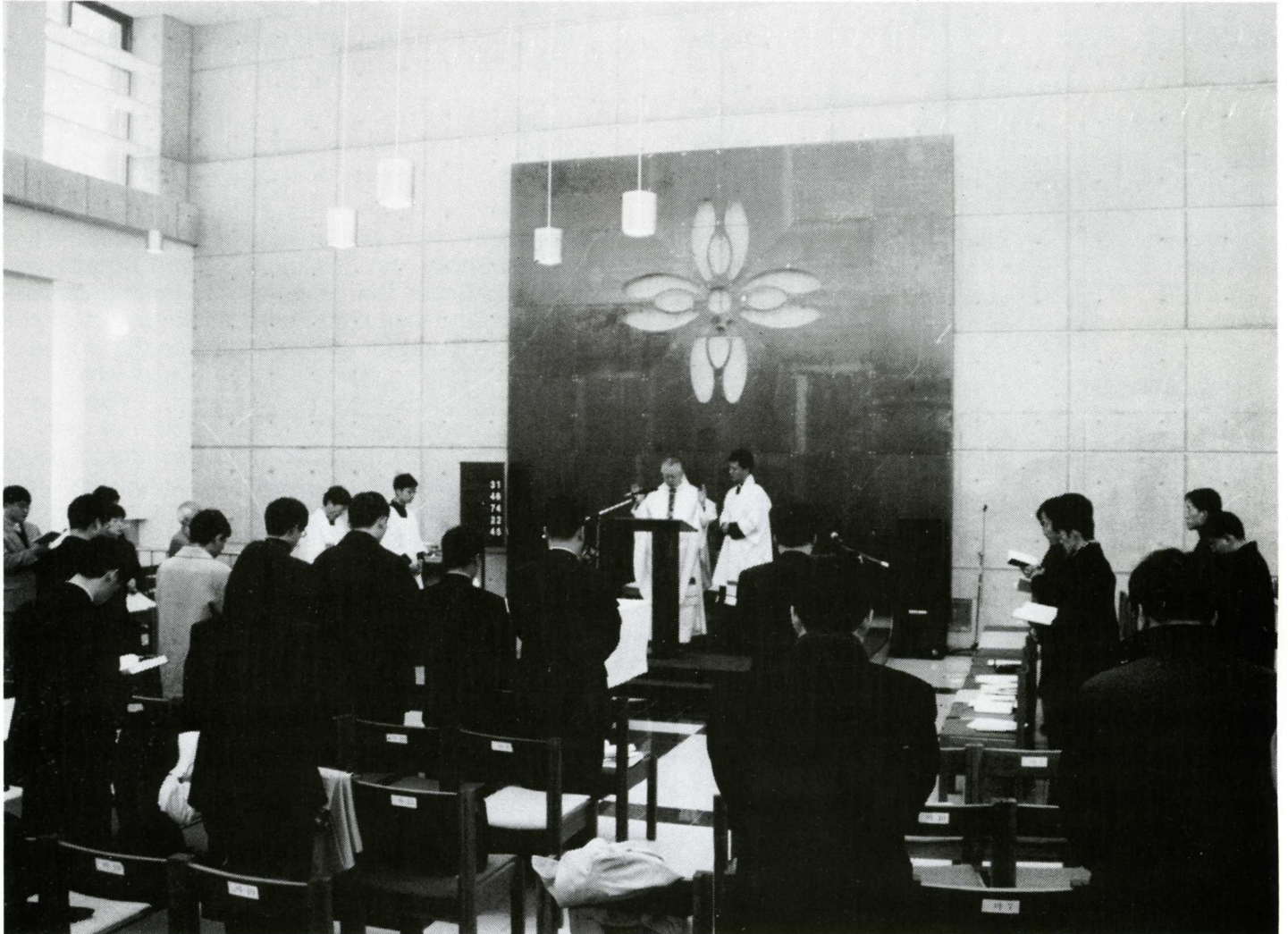
In 2001, King Alfred's College in Winchester, England, which is a member of CUAC, has established an international exchange of research and education with SKHU.

The President of Rikkyo University (St. Paul's University) of Japan visited SKHU this year and has renewed the exchange agreement between the two universities. Besides, Guangbo University (Beijing Broadcasting Institute) of China and Okinawa University of Japan are also linked with SKHU.

NEW MILLENNIUM HALL & ST. MICHAEL'S CHAPEL

K.M.P. donated £20,000 through a special Appeal to all the dioceses in England and individual supporters of the Korean Mission; this being towards the cost of the building, in memory of Bishop John Daly who did so much to help revive the Seminary after the difficult years of the 1950's.

The Seminarians study a variety of related subjects, and they take an active part in spreading Christianity among students as part of on-the-job training.



SPONSORSHIP FOR YOUTH PARTY VISITING SOUTH KOREA

Later this year the Bishop of Whitby, the Rt.Reverend Robert Ladds, who for many years has had close connections with South Korea, is planning to take a party of 8 young people from the Diocese of York on a six-week visit to South Korea: this being arranged with the help of the Primate of Korea, the Most Reverend Paul Yoon, also Bishop of Taejon. This visit will include an opportunity for the young folk to engage in various projects, experiences and parish life in that country.

This is, of course, quite a large financial undertaking but the young people are contributing to the cost, also their parishes, the Diocese and Deaneries: even so, some external funding is also needed. It is hoped, therefore, that some of our supporters of K.M.P. might be willing to Sponsor this Youth Party which should be a very worthwhile experience and help to widen their vision of the work of the Anglican Communion as well as developing the relationships between Korea, the York Diocese and the individuals concerned. Donations to:

The Honorary Treasurer, Lewis Cottage, The Palace, Hereford, HR4 9BJ. Cheques should be made payable to THE KOREAN MISSION PARTNERSHIP. The total sum will then be forwarded to The Bishop of Whitby.

KOREA RE-VISIT 2001



Father Davies at the UN Memorial Cemetery, PUSAN, 20th April 2001

On 17 April this year a party of 165 British Korean War Veterans, including a number of wives and war-widows, arrived in Seoul as guests of the South Korean Government (The Republic of Korea) and the Korean Veterans' Association, to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Battle of the Imjin River and other battles in that testing April 1951, which held up the massive Chinese invasion, and thus saved Seoul and indeed the whole Korean peninsula from inclusion in the expanding Communist Empire. Thereafter the United Nations Armed Forces were able to drive the Chinese and North Korean Forces back across the Imjin River.

The Korean War began in mid 1950 and ended with an Armistice in August 1953. 1,078 of the British Forces were killed in battle or died in North Korean prisoner-of-war camps, and almost 2½ thousand were wounded or permanently disabled.

On the 18th April we visitors were given an official welcome with a truly impressive Korean Armed Forces Presentation Guard of Honour before the National War Museum. Following days included a day in Pusan to visit the beautifully maintained United Nations' Memorial Cemetery, when many paid their personal tributes at the headstones in memory of fallen comrades. There followed a memorial Service, an address by the General commanding the American Forces, and an address by General Sir Anthony Farrar-Hockley who was

leading the British contingent. The Duke of York was present, and that evening met the Bishop of Pusan at the celebratory dinner.

The British Ambassador gave a delightful Garden Party in the Embassy Gardens on April 21st and the next day, a Sunday, there was a visit to Solma-ri, and a great memorial service and wreath-laying ceremony at The Gloucestershire Regiment's Memorial in tribute to the fallen at the Battle of the Imjin River: requiescent in pace. H.R.H. The Duke of York spoke to the whole assembly, military and civilian, and also gave Her Majesty The Queen's greetings and message of encouragement.

The next day there was an emotional visit to Panmunjom where the American Forces hold the line between South and Communist North Korea. Only six visiting British War Veterans had been prisoners-of-war, and these **only** were allowed out of the coaches to stand for a few minutes on the Bridge of No Return dividing N and S Korea across which they had passed to freedom 50 years ago. I was one of these six, and indeed the only Chaplain of the four UN Chaplains taken prisoner to survive the captivity and cross this bridge to freedom, so for me it was personally an unforgettably emotional experience. Later, two other battle sites of 1950/51 were nostalgically visited and memorial prayers said.

There was a final free day for visits and shopping before we all joined the Korean Air Lines 'plane on 25th April for home, an 11½ hours direct flight to Heathrow.

For me an important and so very welcome part of my visit was the opportunity to meet and converse with the Primate and Korean Bishops and to have meals with them. Bishop Simon Kim, now President of the Anglican Church University in Seoul, and his wife Freda, were present with Bishop Matthew Chung at our meeting in Seoul itself. Sadly, because a Retreat was on, we could not go into the Convent of the Holy Cross, but before leaving, my wife and I had a memorable conducted visit to Seoul Cathedral. This great, beautiful Church commenced in 1926, vandalised by invading Communist troops in 1950 during the Korean War (when the late Bishop Cooper was marched into internment in North Korea), and finally extended and completed in 1966, is one of Seoul's treasured and listed buildings. In itself it is a glowing symbol, so to speak, of a vibrant forward looking and out-reaching Church, although numerically smaller than the other three Christian denominations but exercising a strong and respected influence in the "Churches Together" movement: our beloved Anglican Church of Korea, now an autonomous Province of the world-wide Anglican Communion.

S.J. Davies

Chairman of The Korean Mission Partnership &
Hon. Chaplain of The British Korean War Veterans'
Association

MISS FANNIE STORR writes:-

In May last year I returned to Korea for the first time since Jean Wiblin and I left 33 years ago.

We left a country still devastated and impoverished by the Korean war, a war that was the result of the division of the country by Western Allied and Iron Curtain powers.

I returned to a country transformed by an economic and social revolution. Roads everywhere were surfaced and huge concrete pilings marched across valleys waiting to link highways being cut through mountains. Trains were frequent, clean and on time. Cranes sprouted everywhere as new buildings were begun, not only factories and offices but flats and houses.

No wonder young Koreans I had met in the UK totally failed to recognise the country I remembered. A country with rough roads, grim housing, poor health care and hunger for many people. I had worried that many of those people would not have been touched by the economic boom. Indeed I am sure some will have failed to make it and fallen by the wayside as happens everywhere, but there was an overall sense of prosperity and pride amongst ordinary folk. I could not recognise anything of the town I had worked in for four years and I was glad.

Many will criticise the rush to build and be appalled by the stream of trains carrying cement mined in the East coast mountains to fuel that huge construction explosion but Korea is now beginning to afford a concern for the environment. That is a luxury to people while they fight to overcome hunger and disease, to establish safe water supplies and adequate sewage disposal, better housing and roads.

Jean and I had known even in those days of hardship that education of its children had been a priority for even the poorest of Korean families and now I was seeing the fruits of that dedication in a country standing firmly and proudly on its own feet.

We had a wonderful week guided around this new country by a friend I had made thirty seven years ago, Sister Catherine SHC, when she had been a university student. We were very grateful to Mother Edith SHC for giving her permission to be our escort for the whole week and for the hospitality given to us by the Community.

I felt very proud of the Korean people and all they had achieved.



Jane and Archer Torrey with Sister Catherine & myself with staff at Jesus Abbey, May 2000

KOREAN MISSION FESTIVAL



*Outside All Saints Church, Croxley Green, Hertfordshire 4th from r. The Primate of Korea; continuing r. Revd. S.J. Davies; the Bishop of Seoul & the Revd. Paul Hang-Sik Cho.
Far left, the Revd. Luke Lee (Vicar of All Saints parish); 2nd. l the Bishop of Pusan; Mother & Sisters from Society of the Holy Cross, Seoul; Mother & Sisters from S. Peter's Community, Woking.*

A very successful and happy day was enjoyed by a large number of supporters of the Korean Mission when they attended a Festival Day held at All Saints Parish Church, Croxley Green on Saturday, June 16th. We were delighted to have with us then the Primate of Korea, the Most Reverend Paul Hwan Yoon, also the Bishop of Seoul, the Rt. Reverend Matthew Chung, and the Bishop of Pusan, the Rt. Reverend Joseph Lee, together with Mother Edith, Sister Catherine and Sister Helena of the Society of the Holy Cross, Seoul, and Mother Rosamund and Sisters from St. Peter's Community, Woking.

The Service was conducted by the Vicar, Fr. Luke Lee and the Celebrant at the Sung Eucharist was the Primate of Korea. The sermon was preached by the Bishop of Seoul. Mrs Lucy Lee, now a Licensed Reader, also took part in the Service.

After the Service a very enjoyable lunch was provided in the Church Hall (both English & Korean menus!).

In the afternoon some very talented young Koreans entertained us to a Concert with some very beautiful Korean traditional Court music, as well as pieces from the great Works of Bach and Schubert, with the Harp played by Ji Young Lee; Piano with Young In Cho and Sesung-Mi Seo on the Taegum (bamboo transverse flute) and Violin by So-Ock Kim.

Altogether a most enjoyable day and our grateful thanks are due to Fr. Luke Lee and all members of All Saints congregation who helped in any way to make this Festival such a happy and worthwhile event.

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SISTER JOYCE, C.S.P.

It is with much regret that we have to record the sudden death of Sister Joyce on May 29th. She had represented the Community of St. Peter on the Korean Mission Committee for many years. At their meeting in July the members expressed their gratitude for all that Sister Joyce had contributed during the time she served on this Committee: *requiescat in pace.*

COMMITTEE CHANGES

In accordance with the agreement reached by the K.M.P Committee last year, namely, that in future there should be a joint Presidency for K.M.P.; at its meeting on July 12th, the Reverend S.J. Davies was elected as the other President. We are indeed fortunate to have Fr. Davies as the joint President for he has had very close links with, and indeed, experiences of life in Korea for over 50 years. We are grateful to him for being willing to accept the invitation to fill this vacancy.

Also at this meeting the Reverend Luke Lee was appointed Chairman of the Committee, Fr. Davies having retired from the Chairmanship. Fr. Lee was given a warm welcome to the Chair. Expressions of deep gratitude were recorded for the retiring Chairman's faithful service in that capacity over the past 12 years.

Sister Georgina Ruth, C.S.P. was appointed to the Committee to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Sister Joyce in May this year.
