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“A KINGDOM OF PRIESTS AND A HOLY NATION”

“Now if you obey me fully and keep my covenant, then out of all nations you will be my treasured possession. Although the whole earth is mine, you will be for me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.” (Ex 19:5,6)

For 430 years the people of Israel suffered in slavery under the Pharaohs of Egypt. God heard their groaning and crying out, and through Moses, he set them free from the chains of their slavery. (Ch 1-13) But the people of Israel were still bound by a slave mentality and were full of sinful desires. Only 3 days after leaving Egypt they began to complain about having no water. They also complained about the food. There was no meat and no bread. God supplied their daily bread. He gave them manna and quail. He gave them water out of a rock. They continued to complain because they had no vision of the land flowing with milk and honey. They only saw the present hard reality.

What kind of hope could God have for these people? They were crippled by a slave mentality. Their spiritual level was very low. Look at verse 5. “Now if you obey me fully and keep my covenant, then out of all nations you will be my treasured possession...” God promised that if they would listen to God’s word and obey it, he would choose them out of all the nations on earth to be his treasured possession. In Hebrew, the word for “my possession” means “special treasure.” God promised to take these people corrupted by a slave mentality and

make them his special treasure. What does it mean to be a special treasure? Look at verse 6. “You will be for me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation...” A special treasure means a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.

God had the great hope for the people of Israel. What did God promise to the Israel people?

First, a kingdom of priests. (6a)

He is saying that his people Israel are given the duty to be a priestly nation for all the nations of the world. From the point of view of the New Testament, this means to be a shepherd nation for the world. What is the duty of a priest? A priest must stand as a mediator between the people and God. According to the Old Testament, God wanted Israel to lead the nations of the world to God. He wanted Israel to be a shepherd nation who would teach the true knowledge of God to the world. What is the task of a priest?

The first task is to teach the word of God. (Lev 10:11) God chose Israel to be kingdom of priests. He wanted them to be a shepherd nation. He wanted them to teach God’s word to the Gentile nations who were ignorant of God. We pray that the USA and Canada may be priestly nations which can teach the word of God to those living in spiritual darkness. What is

the second task of a priest?

The second task is Intercessory prayer (Nu 6:23-27) In order to be priests, we must earnestly pray for those living in darkness. We must pray earnestly for 561 campuses in the USA, 252 campuses in Canada, the Muslim countries, North Korea and Cuba.

What did God promise to the Israelite people?

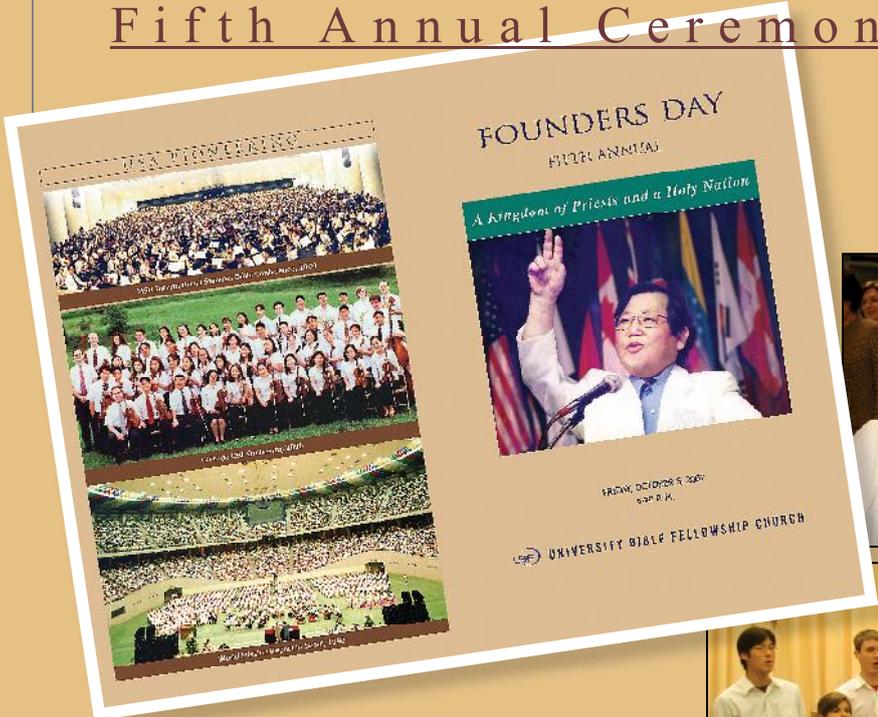
Second, a holy nation. (6b)

What is a holy nation? A holy nation is separated from the world. In order to be a kingdom of priests, the people of Israel must be a holy, separated people. At that time the people of Israel still had a slave mentality. Their hope was to eat as much as they wanted and satisfy their physical desires. Even humanly, they had no hope. God gave them manna and quail to eat and water to drink. They continually complained because the manna was not tasty. There was no garlic and no spices. Whenever they opened their mouths, complaints come out. But God had great hope for them to be a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.

In spite of our sinfulness, God also has great hope for us to be a kingdom of priests and a holy nation. Dr. Lee gave the prayer topic for America and Canada to be a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.



Fifth Annual Ceremony



Presentation

By Pastor Kevin Albright



UBF HISTORY (1985-2000) “A KINGDOM OF PRIESTS AND A HOLY NATION”

Exodus 19:5-6, “Now if you obey me fully and keep my covenant, then out of all nations you will be my treasured possession. Although the whole earth is mine, you will be for me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.” (Ex 19:5,6)

May God receive all the glory through Jesus Christ. Last year we reviewed USA UBF history up to 1985 with the theme, “Have Faith in God” (Mk 11:22). This theme helped early UBF coworkers to overcome culture shocks and language barriers, and to raise American shepherds. Now I want to briefly review American UBF history, especially Chicago ministry, from 1985 to 2002, the year of Dr. Samuel Lee’s departure. 1985 was a turning point in USA UBF for three reasons. Firstly, the UBF Center was moved from the small storefront building on Clark Street to the spacious church building on Artesian Avenue. Secondly, summer Bible conferences moved from Niagara Falls to Michigan State University. Thirdly, in 1985 we began to pray to pioneer Russia. To this day, God has blessed UBF to send out over 1,500 missionaries to 87 nations. From this lecture, we want to review how God used Dr. Samuel Lee, Sarah Barry and many sacrificial servants of God to raise many disciples of Jesus. May

we be inspired to believe and pray all the more that God is making North America a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.

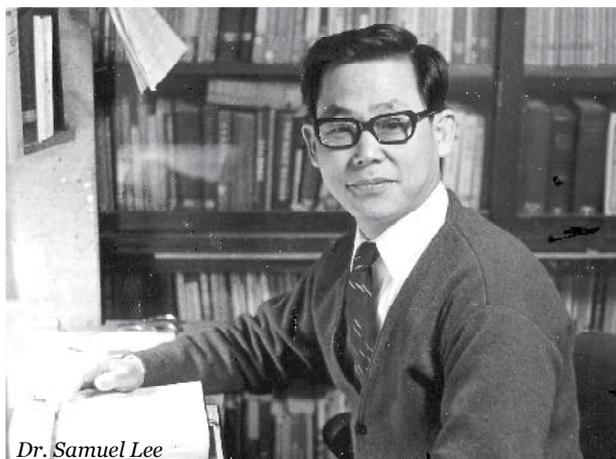
First, deep Bible study.

Dr. Samuel Lee, the UBF co-founder, was a diligent Bible student; all the more as UBF grew larger. Dr. Lee enjoyed studying music, philosophy and history. But his real delight was Bible study. He read and studied the Bible over and over, underlining verses in red ink until his Bible was worn out. Some years he read through 3 Bibles. He liked to recover worn Bibles with new leather. Dr. Lee’s charisma came from studying the Bible and accepting it as the word of God. Once he shared his life

agony with his son, that though he delighted in Bible study, the most difficult thing was to prepare for each Sunday’s message. His preparation began from Monday by reading the Bible passage many times and sometimes listening to Bible audio tapes. He carried the Bible passage in his pocket to memorize it. After memorizing the Bible until he was moved by God’s word, he was ready to begin message writing. After delivering his message, he would often revise it again, even on Monday. P. Ron Ward typed the message as Dr. Lee dictated it. Though P. Ron was much younger, he fainted a few times when Dr. Lee prepared his message without breaks. P. Ron learned from Dr. Lee a hard-working spirit and faith in the word of

God, which he now employs in his ministry.

Dr. Lee served God’s word with a life-giving spirit. His last message was the 2001 Christmas message titled, “Glory to God, Peace to Men.” At that time, he had breathing difficulty due to water in his lungs. Still, he practiced his message 10 times consecutively to deliver a life-giving



Dr. Samuel Lee



message. While pioneering American UBF, Dr. Lee endured persecutions for 19 years. In hardships, he studied the Bible more intensively. As the top UBF leader, he faced many problems, challenges and criticisms. Yet, instead of wrestling with the problems, he read the Bible more, worked more intensively on his Sunday messages, and meditated on God's word day and night. In these times of trial, he coined a phrase, "Turn the time of adversity into a time of God's deep grace and fruitful victory."

Through years of Bible study, prayer and reading American history, Dr. Lee found a clear prayer topic for America. He found that God had great hope for his chosen people Israel—a slave nation—to be a kingdom of priests and a holy nation. "A kingdom of priests and a holy nation" was God's hope for his people to be a nation of Bible teachers, shepherds and prayer servants for the world. Isaiah saw this vision that all nations would stream to Jerusalem to study God's word (Isa 2:2-3). Dr. Lee believed that God had this same hope for America. Similarly, some American forefathers had a vision for America to be a city on a hill to display God's glory to the world. God blessed America materially and



Dr. Samuel Lee with P. Ron Ward

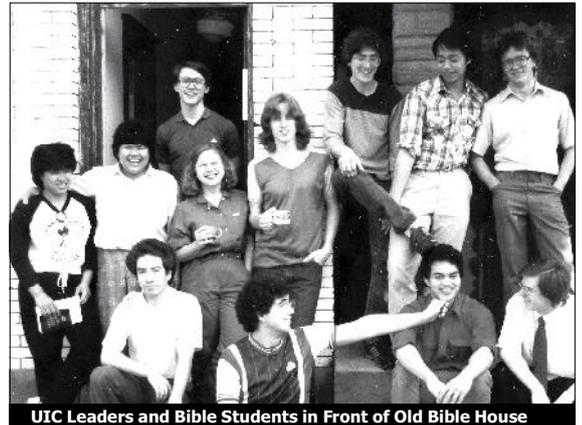
sending nation. However, America has been badly influenced by individualism, selfishness, hedonism and moral corruption, until many Americans have become slaves to pleasure-seeking and materialism. In this situation, Dr. Lee despaired. But he claimed God's hope to see America become a kingdom of priests and a holy nation. He repeatedly gave the prayer topic for America to be a kingdom of priests and a holy nation. One time, Paul Choi was gathering prayer topics for the UBF newsletter. He asked Dr. Lee, "What should be the prayer topic of USA UBF?" Dr. Lee was surprised and said, "You still don't know our prayer topic? A kingdom of priests and a holy nation." Many wondered whether this prayer topic could be fulfilled. But we continue to pray, "May God make North America a kingdom of priests and a holy nation."

Second, raising disciples of Jesus.

In addition to deep Bible study, Dr. Lee labored to raise disciples of Jesus as future spiritual leaders. He was a shepherd for those who were sick or in a crisis. Jim Cook suffered from insomnia due to anxiety. Dr. Lee was busy preparing the 1998 World Mission Report in Korea. Still, he cared for Jim, personally visiting him or sending others daily to make sure he ate and slept well. Through Dr. Lee's loving care, Jim embraced the truth of "Immanuel—God with us," which took away his anxiety and changed him into a peaceful shepherd.

Dr. Lee gave various trainings to help others grow spiritually. Often the training came in the form of Bible study, like factual study of the Bible, or Bible verse or chapter memorization.

For example, at Easter time, UBF members memorized the resurrection chapter of 1 Corinthians 15, all 58 verses. Staff shepherds memorized three four-page lectures on this chapter, one each Monday. Fellowship leaders filled Bible study binders with their own answers and testimonies. Dr. Lee tried to train people as he saw they needed it. For example, my wife Maria did not get a job offer easily. Dr. Lee saw she needed interview training. With interviewing help from Kathy Vucekovich, she got two job offers. Often times as spiritual training, Dr. Lee had a person write a Bible verse



UIC Leaders and Bible Students in Front of Old Bible House

500 times by hand (not on a computer, since one can just copy and paste it). Tim Fitch said he wrote 1 Corinthians 13:11 1000 times. It says, "When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put childish ways behind me." He said he received this training to prepare himself for marriage.

Dr. Lee's training sometimes helped a person to win a personal victory. Julia Henkins was not good in mathematics. Dr. Lee encouraged her to conquer Math and even become a Math teacher. She accepted the challenge, solving 300 math problems per

day, until her goal became a reality. Some were trained through music or dance or drama. Especially, message training was given to help a person to focus on God's word and on Jesus Christ. Dr. Lee said a messenger should be "crazy for Jesus," that is, madly in love with Jesus. Of course, some did not accept discipleship training and left UBF, sometimes bitterly. But we can see the good fruit that those who accepted discipleship training grew as chapter directors, such as Ron Ward, Teddy Hembekides, Mark Vucekovich, Jim Rabchuk, Joe Schafer and Abraham Lincoln. Dr. Lee also trained Korean missionaries who became chapter directors, including Mark Yoon, David Baik, David Kim, Paul Choi and Joshua Hong. We pray that God may continue to raise humble and faithful disciples of Jesus.

Third, holy nation women.

Another prayer topic developed to pray for HNW ministry. Originally, HNW meant "High-minded North American Women." But it became, more hopefully, "Holy Nation Women." In the Bible, women have a strong influence on men, for good or for bad. For example, King Solomon was once the wisest man on earth, but the influence of his foreign wives led him into idolatry. In contrast, godly women have been wonderful influences and participants in God's work, like Lydia in Paul's Philippian ministry, and the sacrificial women in Jesus' ministry, including his mother, Mary. It has



Dr. Helen Rarick

been said, "Behind every great man of God is a woman of prayer." But this country has had a

decline in godly women of good influence due to the sexual revolution, legalized abortion and the feminist movement.

Dr. Helen Rarick said, "I was once a dangerous Samaritan woman." She began Bible study with Christy Toh in the fall of 1983. About six months later, Dr. Lee called Helen to ask her to dance for the spring conference. But she hung up the phone on him. Dr. Lee was patient and invited her again to dance at the summer conference. This time she went. In time, Dr. Helen was changed by God's grace into a woman of faith and prayer. She turned down Northwestern's graduate school and a job offer from Yale in order to humbly serve UIC ministry. She is one of many beautiful holy nation women in the USA.

Yvonne Timlin came to Northwestern just after breaking up with her boyfriend. She prayed to find the best Bible study in the world where she would never give her heart to a boy again. The next day she was invited to Bible study by Mark Vucekovich and Mary Cowen. Genesis Bible study was like water to her thirsty soul. She prayed that as long as UBF taught the word of God she would go there for the rest of her life. Through the care, prayer and shepherding of Dr. James and Sarah Kim, P. Mark and Dr. Lee, she met Jesus personally. She said that Dr. Lee was a good father to her, praying for her to be a holy nation woman. She was changed from a feminist, who expected 50/50 dishwashing by her husband, into a mother of prayer. So many American women have been changed into holy nation women by God's word and grace in our ministry. Let's continue to pray that God may raise many women of faith and prayer in this nation.



P. Mark and Kethy Vucekovich with Yvonne Timlin

Fourth, 10,000 blessed house churches.

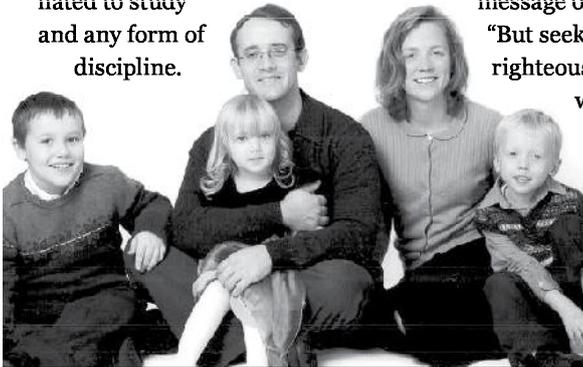
A major problem in this country is that there are so many broken families due to divorce. As a result, many young Americans are wounded, bitter and fatalistic, and need God's healing. It is hard to build trust with one who has been wounded by his or her own parents. Another challenge is the American dream to live a family-centered life, with no mission from God. The prayer topic arose to establish many godly families or mission-minded house churches. Mother Barry gave the prayer topic to establish 10,000 blessed house churches in America. In the 17-year period from 1985 to 2002, God established more than 70 new families at Chicago UBF to serve God's mission in college campuses. These families don't hope for a sweet home in suburbia with a swimming pool and two-car garage. These families open their homes to serve others with Bible study and prayer. They are house churches. This is how Christianity originally spread in the first century after Christ. Last year, P. Mark Vucekovich covered many American shepherd families in early American UBF. Here are a few stories of beautiful house churches established since then.

Angie Fitch said: "Before I married, Dr. Lee said to me, 'Even if an angel came down you would not



marry it.' It was almost impossible to help me marry but Dr. Lee prayed and loved me until I could trust God and surrender my life to God in marriage. Shepherd Tim and I are so happy I can't believe it, even after 11 years of marriage." Tim's testimony is well-known: when Angie said "Yes" to his proposal, he confessed, "Now I know that God exists!"

Marsha Teodori began Bible study after just two months in America from the Philippines. Through God's call to Abraham, God showed her why she came to America—to be a Bible teacher for American students. She said: "I had been praying long before I came to America that I want to give my marriage to God. God used Dr. Lee to answer my specific prayer topic. God has richly blessed our family in every possible way. Paul and I could grow together and love each other deeply because of Jesus." Paul testified: "... during my teenage years I hung out with a self-destructive crowd who hated to study and any form of discipline.



Tim and Angie Fitch's Family

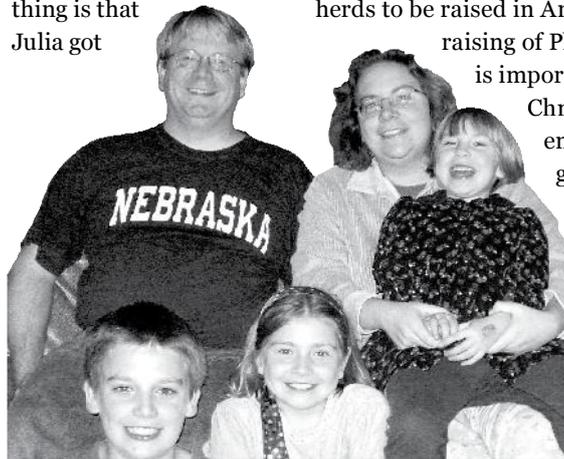


Paul and Marsha Teodori's Family

Through Bible study in UBF, I accepted Jesus. It took me many years to accept the way of the cross and self-denial. But God was incredibly patient with me. He enabled me to marry a great woman of God, who has been a true helper to me, for God used her to help me to grow spiritually."

There are too many blessed house churches to mention in this short lecture (here are a few photos). I will mention only one more. Julia Henkins was a rebellious punk rocker, miserable with an inferiority complex, even cutting herself with razors. Through John 3:30, "He must become greater, I must become less," she repented of her self-centered life and decided to live for Jesus. She learned from the Bible that woman was made for man, not man for woman. She gladly established a blessed house church with Bob Henkins. Bob has a humorous anecdote on their providential union. At an Easter conference, Bob was blessed to give the morning devotion message on Matthew 6:33. It says, "But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well."

Through this verse, God worked in his heart. He realized he had not been seeking God, and he repented of an immoral relationship. The funny thing is that Julia got



Bob and Julia Henkins' Family

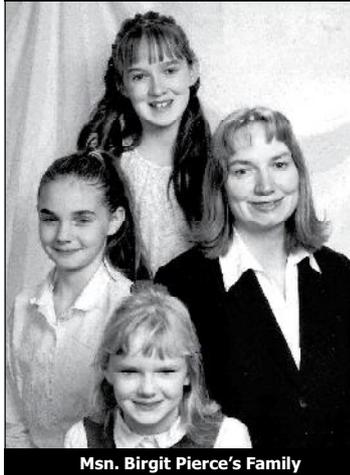
bumped from being the messenger, and Bob was put in her place, so she despised Bob. Little did she know that several years later they would marry, and they are very happy to serve Christ together. Too many American homes are centered around the television and private family lives. But these shepherd families are beautiful house churches, serving students with Bible study and prayer. Let's continue to pray that God may establish 10,000 house churches to advance North America as a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.

Fifth, 1000 PhD shepherds.

Many American universities have more foreign students in their graduate schools than American students. One MIT student joked that his school was nicknamed, "Made In Taiwan." A PhD is the highest degree in academia. Those who conquer PhD study, have conquered a specific field of education. PhD shepherds are even greater, and a good example to students, since they serve God and others amidst their intensive studies. PhD shepherds learn to depend on God to cross their figurative "Red Sea" by faith. Dr. Lee did not encourage the easy way, but the way to learn faith and to glorify God. He prayed for American students to study hard and get PhDs for the glory of God. He prayed for 1000 PhD shepherds to be raised in America. The raising of PhD shepherds is important for a Christian influence in the often godless academic world. God has blessed American UBF with more than



M. Barry with the late Dr. Dan Pierce



Msn. Birgit Pierce's Family

150 medical doctors and 50 PhDs. Last Friday, God added one more PhD shepherd among us: Dr. Alan Wolff. Praise God!

There are many beautiful and inspiring stories of PhD shepherds in UBF. Dr. Henry Park was the son of a rich father in Korea. When he came to America, he had many suits to wear but he was weak in his inner man. Dr. Lee helped him with various trainings to grow strong in his inner man: factory work, giving Sunday messages, and PhD study in statistics. Dr. Henry accepted as his life key verse Luke 18:27, "What is impossible



Dr. Harvey and Samantha Siy's Family

with men is possible with God." In 2002, with his wife Pauline, God sent him as a PhD shepherd to pioneer Ohio State University.

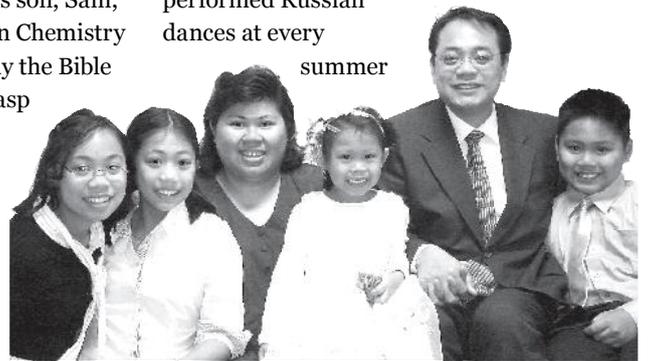
Dr. Dan Pierce began 1:1 Bible study as a UIC Chemistry graduate student. His Bible studies with Dr. Ben Toh were often 3-hour intense debates. Dr. Lee encouraged him throughout his PhD study to write and share his testimony every week. Gradually, the word of God worked in Dan until he committed his life to Jesus and to marrying a woman of God. God provided a woman of faith for him from Heidelberg, Germany: Birgit. Together they pioneered Princeton and William Patterson universities and God granted them three lovely daughters: Rebecca, Mary and Miriam. Recently, Miriam won a Bible memorization contest in her age group. When Dr. Dan passed away from cancer in 2001, Dr. Lee conducted the funeral with tears. Despite his untimely passing, Dr. Dan left a legacy as a hard-working, faithful man of God, a loving husband and father, and one who earned the title of a PhD shepherd.

Dr. Lee once said to his son, Sam, "Study hard to get a PhD in Chemistry and at the same time, study the Bible diligently until you can grasp the chemistry of the Bible and become a PhD shepherd." God answered Dr. Lee's prayer and Dr. Sam is now pioneering the U of I as a PhD shepherd. May all of our chil-

dren and Bible students be excellent students and scholars and grow as shepherds at the same time. May God raise 1000 of them as PhD shepherds to advance America as a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.

Sixth, Russian pioneering.

Maria Peace said, "I still remember that snowy April in 1985 when Dr. Lee gave us a prayer topic to pioneer Russia, which was still behind the iron curtain. It was a fantastic vision." At the 1985 World Mission Report in Korea, Dr. Lee gave the prayer topic to pioneer Russia within 10 years. He called Russia "our mission field." At that time, Russia was the communist enemy of the free, democratic world. President Ronald Reagan called Russia an "evil empire." To pray for Russia seemed outrageous to many Americans. But UBF began to pray for Russian pioneering. To embrace this prayer topic, UBF co-workers ate Russian bread at the end of every Friday leaders meeting, Dr. Jim Rabchuk often sang Russian songs like 'Moscow Nights,' and students performed Russian dances at every summer



Rhoel and Elena Lomahan's Family



Dr. Alan and Vivian Wolff's Family



Joe and Maria Horvath's Family

to crumble. Some heroic Korean missionaries seized the opportunity and prayerfully went to Russia as students. Seventy years of atheistic communism had

created a spiritual vacuum in Russia, and many Russians were ready to hear the gospel. The first summer Bible conference in 1991 at St. Petersburg had 200 attendants. Now, there are 13 UBF chapters, 12 house churches, and in Moscow 130 members attend worship. The ministry in Kiev, Ukraine, another CIS nation, has also prospered. They even sent a missionary to Turkey, a Muslim nation. Now we pray earnestly for North Korea, China and Muslim nations to open to the gospel, as God opened Russia.

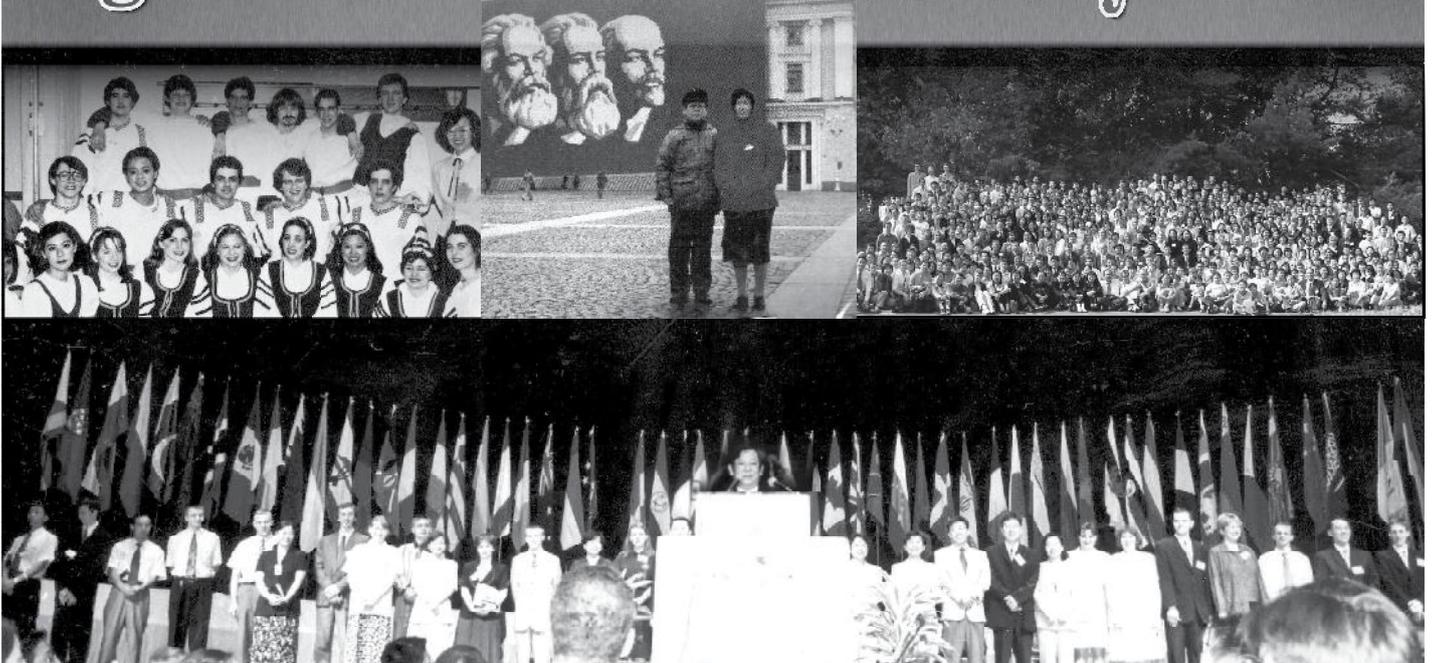
In this short review of Chicago

UBF history between 1985-2002, we remembered some major principles and prayer topics which Dr. Lee gave us: raising disciples of Jesus, mothers of prayer, house churches, PhD shepherds, and above all, devotion to studying and teaching the Bible. Just before his departure, Dr. Lee prayed for UBF to go back to the Bible. He prayed for the USA to raise 10,000 excellent Bible teachers who can spread the knowledge of God to the whole world. Dr. Lee gave his heart and life to raise disciples of Jesus in the hope of making America a kingdom of priests and a holy nation. May God bless us to inherit and practice the spiritual legacies which Dr. Lee left behind, especially deep Bible study and disciple-making. May God make North America a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.

conference and Christmas time.

In 1985, Dr. Lee was denied a Russian tourist visa since he wrote 'pastor' on his application. The next year he wrote 'jobless' and got a visa. So in 1986, he and Msn. Grace A. Lee visited Russia to pray. When Dr. Lee arrived at the Moscow Airport, of course, no one welcomed him. He prayed, "May God raise many Russian shepherds in the future!" Our missionaries began visiting Russia as tourists to pray. In 1989 Russia began to open up under the Russian premier, Gorbachev, and the iron curtain began

Kingdom of Priests and a Holy Nation



Clockwise: 1. Chicago Russian Dancing Team, 2. Dr. Lee and Msn. Grace A. Lee's First Moscow Visiting, 3. 2005 CIS Summer Bible Conference, 4. 2000 ISU International Conference



Testimony

By Msn. David Baik



“A GOOD SOLDIER OF CHRIST JESUS”

“Endure hardship with us like a good soldier of Christ Jesus. No one serving as a soldier gets involved in civilian affairs - he wants to please his commanding officer.” (2 Timothy 2:3, 4)

I came to know Dr. Lee personally when I came to Chicago in the late summer of 1981. When Dr. Lee came to receive a group of four newly arrived missionaries, including myself, at O’Hare Airport, he was wearing a military uniform. At the airport, he asked us to sing a hymn “Onward Christian Soldiers, Marching As to War.” Then he gave us a short message based on 2 Timothy 2:3 and 4. I was impressed by his determination to live as a good soldier of Christ Jesus, enduring all kinds of hardships and pleasing his commanding officer Jesus Christ.

The spiritual impact of Dr. Lee’s life of faith upon me is tremendous, especially during the crucial early stages of my life as a rookie missionary. I was blessed to have had a close relationship with him so that I could learn a lot about having the basic attitude of a Christian soldier while I received intern shepherd training and coworked with him to pioneer UIC campus from 1982 to 1993. I saw how earnestly he struggled before God when he faced all kinds of challenges as a Korean missionary, a campus evangelist, a disciple-maker, a pastor, the director of UBF, a coworker, a brother, a son, a father, and a loving husband.

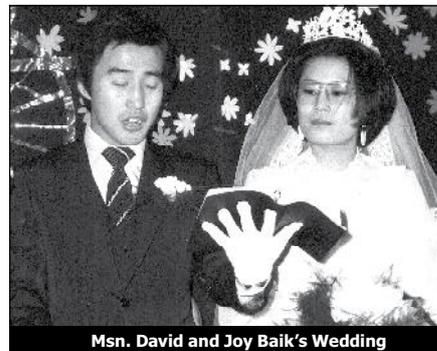
When Dr. Paul Koh first emailed me about writing this report, it went to the wrong address. So I made an excuse that I couldn’t write it because of short notice. But he extended the deadline by two weeks so I lost my excuse. However, I realized that I should do it for my sake because I learned a lot from Dr. Lee. Since I cannot write everything, I would like to tell just several stories about receiving training in Chicago and co-working with Dr. Lee.

First, God’s training in Chicago (1981-1993)

My wife, Missionary Joy Baik, was well known as a tomboy-like missionary. When she was in high school, one of her nicknames was “female gangster.” I was an artistic and sensitive person. Although I looked gentle, I had a hidden, male-dominant Korean man-mentality which made understanding each other and adjusting to our differences a big challenge. Not long after my arrival in Chicago, Dr. Lee happened to see the two of us standing by the door of the center, and he asked her, “Joy, how is David Baik doing at home? Is he doing well? Is he as nice at home as he is at the center?” I thought that my wife would answer politely, saying “Yes, he is doing fine. No problem!” But she was too honest

to hide what she felt about me. She said to him, “I think he needs a lot of training.” Of course, Dr. Lee was shocked. I was greatly embarrassed. After all, I was in deep trouble, thinking that I would receive some kind of severe training because of her senseless response. Those days, there was a very famous form of training in Chicago UBF called “Skokie Training.” A trainee must walk from the Skokie train station to the UBF center. Dr. Lee gave this training to anyone who needed to struggle spiritually before God, so that while walking or running the full course, the trainee could meditate on God’s words and pray before God. At that time many shepherds and missionaries in Chicago UBF received “Skokie Training.” Often outsiders were reluctant to come to Chicago UBF because of the famous “Skokie Training.”

The day after speaking with Missionary Joy, Dr. Lee called me to



Msn. David and Joy Baik’s Wedding





come to his office. I got angry and told her, "Joy, it's all because of you that I have to receive 'Skokie Training.'" I reluctantly went to see Dr. Lee in his office, wearing gym shoes. But he told me that I should take cello lessons instead. Although I felt great relieve, I



didn't understand why I had to learn the cello. I thought to myself, "I was supposed to be an intern shepherd who should be delivering messages rather than playing the cello." I didn't understand why I had to waste my energy and time to learn such a hard instrument. At that time, the newly organized Chicago Orchestra didn't have many members. So Dr. Lee told Shepherdess Christy Toh, who was a fruitful shepherdess but who didn't seem to have much of a music sense, to take viola lessons. So I just assumed that it was because we needed more musicians for our orchestra. I struggled hard to practice for several months, but I didn't make much progress. All I could play was a simple piece of music, composed by Mozart, "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star." In fact, I played this piece as a special music program at our Friday Leaders' meeting. I had to play even twice because coworkers cheered for an encore. After the meeting was over, Dr. Lee told me that just as I cannot force the cello to play a beautiful piece of music, I could not force my wife to become someone she was not. In order to establish beautiful unity with my wife, I needed to embrace her just as I embraced the

cello and become one. Through cello training, I learned to overcome my male-dominant Korean mentality.

At that time there were many young missionaries in Chicago UBF, around twelve, beginning with Missionaries Elijah Park, Paul Chung, Richard Choi, Wesley Jun, and Dr. Henry Park. Missionary Elijah Park was our captain and we had to obey him absolutely. Dr. Lee gave us all kinds of training. Once we had to paint the Evanston Prayer house both inside and out. It took more than three weeks for us to finish. It was especially difficult for me to climb up the thirty-foot high ladder to paint the top part of the prayer house in the cold weather. I often felt dizzy and was scared that I would fall from the ladder and become the first martyr in Chicago UBF. Finally, when the work was done, I really thanked God that I didn't die. Then Dr. Lee said that he would reward all of us because we worked very hard. He looked really happy. So we seriously thought that he would tell us to rest at home at least during the weekends. Then that Friday night he told us through Little Sarah, his youngest daughter, that we should memorize 100 English words with their definitions and sentences and come to the center at 6a.m. the next day to take a test. We had to stay up the whole night to memorize them. This training went on and on every week for several years. Sometimes, Missionary Work Hard Yoon in

Waterloo, Canada, received missionary training in Chicago. Missionary Work Hard Yoon really worked hard by faith. Then Dr. Lee gave M. Work Hard Yoon a new name, "Work Harder Yoon." Dr. Lee believed in hard work by faith, as James 2:26 said, "As the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without deeds is dead."

Dr. Lee would always feed us with delicious lunch at the center. I really enjoyed delicious "Kim chi Chigae" with spam and tofu, prepared by Missionary Grace A. Lee. In fact, Dr. Lee fed us all the time, so I gained a lot of weight and began to look like a bear. But I became very strong and healthy. Even though it was not always pleasant to receive training, we could enjoy receiving training because we felt that he deeply cared each of us.

I really wanted to become an excellent Bible messenger, especially during the conferences. Dr. Lee also gave me special English training, sometimes directly but mostly through American shepherds and shepherdesses. But I would serve the conference, not as a messenger but as an environment maker, such as decorations and arranging audience seats and playing cello in the orchestra. I had delivered messages to CBF children or to one or two sheep during our



Dr. Lee and UIC Leaders

supplementary worship services for many years. But I really thank God for these kinds of training to make me genuine before God. At that time, I had a hidden selfish ambition to go out to pioneer a huge and beautiful campus as soon as possible. In fact, after receiving training in Chicago, many young missionaries were sent out to pioneer new campuses in the US, beginning with MSU, UW-Milwaukee, UW-Madison, UMKC, Pittsburgh, Seattle, Texas, etc. Whenever a missionary family went out to pioneer a new campus, I envied them. Dr. Lee knew my hidden ambition and told me one day that I needed a lot of training, not just a little, to become a truly fruitful missionary. "More training?" I said to myself, "I almost died while I was painting the Evanston Prayer house."

However, several months before my son David was born in 1982, Dr. Lee told me that Joy and I should move to the UIC Bible house. At first, I was very happy because I thought that soon I was going to be the new director of the UIC chapter, not realizing that my training had just begun. From 1982-1993, I received intern shepherd training. Although I didn't know what was going on during those twelve years, I was greatly blessed to learn and cowork with Dr. Lee to pioneer beautiful work of God in UIC campus. I thank God for using Dr. Lee as my spiritual mentor, a shepherd, Bible teacher and trainer.

Second, UIC ministry from 1982 to 1993

UIC used to be called "Circle Campus." At that time, Circle Campus was not an impressive campus to pioneer. Someone even commented, "Can anything good come from Circle Campus?" But Dr. Lee was inspired by



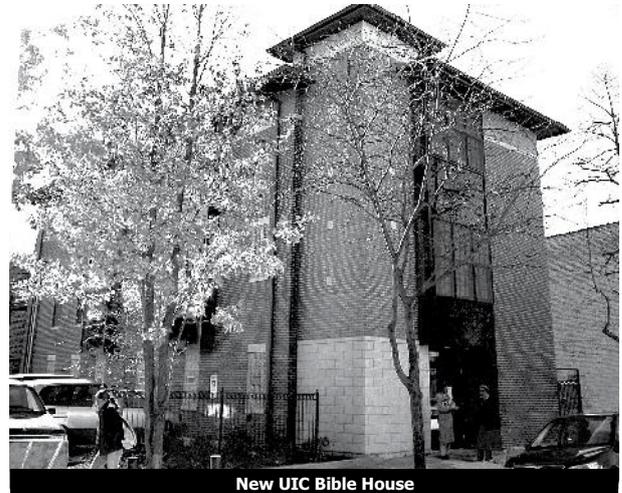
Dr. Lee in his soldier uniform

Jesus' Galilean ministry and had a great vision and faith that UIC ministry would be very fruitful. UIC campus pioneering began through Missionary Daniel Sohn and a group of sacrificial missionaries, such as Missionary Isaac Choi and Dr. James Joung. They were like John the Baptist for UIC ministry. They faithfully built an altar of prayer at the campus library and went fishing, driving an old junky car back and forth between the Chicago Center and Circle Campus. One time, while several missionaries were on their way to a prayer meeting at UIC, the old vehicle they were riding lost one of its wheels on Lakeshore Drive. They were almost all killed. But nobody was hurt.

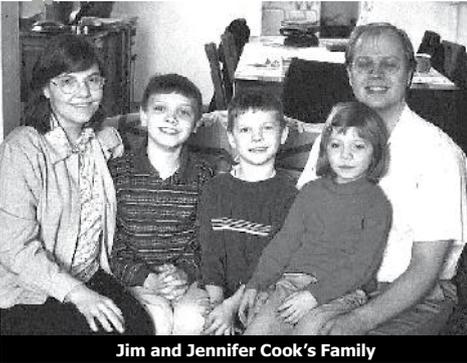
Dr. Lee began to invest a lot into



UIC Genesis Bible School



New UIC Bible House



Jim and Jennifer Cook's Family



Chris and Christine Kelly's Family



Jim and Dr. Helen Rarick's Family



Abraham and Dr. Liz Lincoln



P. Kevin and Dr. Maria Albright's Family

UIC ministry in many ways. He rented an apartment in front of the campus, sent many young servants, such as Shepherd Dr. Ben and Christy Toh, and Missionaries Joshua Lee, Mark Hong, Abraham Lee, Paul Chung, Richard Choi, Peter Kim, etc. I was also sent to join UIC ministry. God worked mightily at UIC through many coworkers' constant prayers, fishing and one-to-one Bible studies. Soon, the rented apartment on the second floor of the building was packed with overflowing one-to-one Bible studies. UIC coworkers had no place to sit down at the Bible house. Dr. Samuel decided to purchase the entire apartment building. Missionary James Joung's family and Dr. Ben Toh's family also moved nearby. God sent many disciple candidates who later became "Abrahams" and "Sarahs" of faith at UIC, such as Shepherds Joe Horvath, Rhoel Lomahan, John Peace, Tony Gale, Maria Quilton, Chris Kelly, Dr. James Rabchuk, Dr. Dan Pierce, Dr. Greg Edens, Elena Quilton (Lomahan), Dr. Helen Maheras (Rarick), Dr. Maria Galluzzo (Albright), Sharon Tardrew (Schafer), Dr. Liz Thomas (Lincoln) and many others. In 1986, we had the first Genesis Bible School at UIC. God sent many thirsty students.

I was wonderfully blessed to co-work with Dr. Samuel Lee for the pioneering of UIC ministry. I was often discouraged by my weaknesses and seemingly impossible situation. Dr. Ben Toh's fellowship was always big while my fellowship was small. Many times, I wanted to move away to another campus. But Dr. Lee always encouraged me to see what I had and to learn the principle of finding and offering five loaves and two fish to Jesus. Whenever he came to attend my small fellowship, he prayed that I

might overcome my deep fatalism and experience God's power by learning Andrew's faith. God gave Dr. Lee his vision and courage and used him as our spiritual general and prayer servant like Moses, whose hands were lifted upward to heaven on Mount Sinai. Dr. Lee's arms were held up by our senior missionaries, while younger servants were fighting in the battle field through fishing and one-to-one Bible studies, like Joshua. I learned that the work of God is not done by one person. There is a great work of God when the spiritual environment is well cultivated through a firm vessel of prayer among coworkers.

Dr. Lee was a strong person. However, I am also aware that he often broke down in tears, facing all different kinds of hardships and trials in the course of serving his task. Although he was not perfect, he was a man of faith, who knew the grace of Jesus, loved God and young people, and dedicated his entire life for the mission God gave him. In short, he was a good soldier of Christ Jesus. Dr. Lee knew that I was an artistic person. So when I left for New York in 1993, he prayed for me that I may not become like an opera singer but be a good soldier of Christ Jesus, who is fully committed to his task, enduring hardships and pleasing his commanding officer. My commanding officer is Jesus Christ, who died for our sins and overcame the power of sin and death through his resurrection. I want to become a good soldier of Christ Jesus and please him rest of my life. May the Lord raise many good soldiers of Christ Jesus for 561 American campuses and the world campus evangelism.

One word: Not an opera singer, but a good soldier of Christ Jesus.

Testimony

By Sharon Schafer



“THE TRUTH WILL SET YOU FREE”

“To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, ‘If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.’” (John 8:31, 32)

I was born in 1963. Americans of my generation experienced turbulent and rapid change. Race riots. Assassinations. War in Vietnam. Watergate. And so on. American values and beliefs were shaken to the core. The sexual revolution. Permissive parenting. Education reform. Abortion rights. No-fault divorce. What happened in the culture was also happening in the church. The Bible was reinterpreted again and again. Jesus Christ became a superstar. Scholars, pastors, and teachers tried to rewrite all the books. They wanted to free us from the manmade constraints of the past. Truth became whatever we

wanted to make it. One of the most popular books of that time was, I’m OK, You’re OK. We were told that human beings are good and would realize their potential if everyone was set free to do his own thing.

But there was a problem. The freedom that people were searching for did not exist. After being told to find our own way, young people got into big trouble. The permissive parenting of Dr. Spock and the vague teachings of new theology left us unprepared for the storms of change around us. We fell under the spell of drugs and casual sex, irrational anger and a spirit of rebellion. As a young person, I did not know who I was. In my search for

answers, I listened to music. I read books. But there were too many ideas to choose from. Once I asked my youth pastor, “How can I know myself and find the meaning of my life?” He said, “I don’t really think you can.” Every summer, at a church camp I asked Jesus to come into my life. But one week during the summer wasn’t enough. As I grew into a teenager, leaders at the camp became scared of me and ignored my attempts to seek help. Later I saw psychologists. They recognized that I was adrift with too many choices and too little guidance. They helped me to better manage my anxiety. But they could not tell me who I was. The effect of this counseling was to give me confidence to sin a little more boldly.

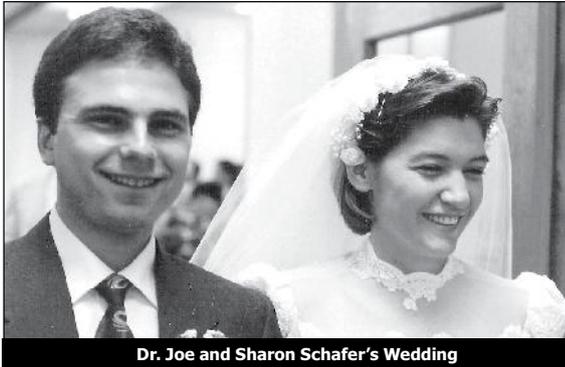
I came to Bible study at UIC in 1987. For a year and a half I resisted. But eventually, through John chapter 1, I confessed Jesus as my Savior. God’s amazing grace began pouring into my life. I began to share testimonies every week at Dr. Ben Toh’s fellowship meetings. At that time, a friend invited me to a megachurch which had everything a young person could want: cool music, visual presentations, and lots of people my age. My friends took me out to dinner and introduced me to a nice guy, but they directed me to a church office for spir-



Dr. Ben Toh's Fellowship



itual guidance and fellowship. I saw something more sincere in the humble and sacrificial lives of Dr. Ben and Christy Toh and Dr. Samuel Lee, who attended our fellowship meetings. I was moved by his personal interest in me and his spiritual council. At a megachurch, my life could have been easier. But I would have missed a great spiritual blessing. The fellowship I experienced there could not match Dr. Samuel Lee's uncompromising, passionate faith in the word of God and his love for one person. Steeped in the values of the American upper-middle class, I did not need a church that would accommodate my easy-going and superficial lifestyle. I needed shepherds who would personally challenge me to display real faith and grow in ways that I did not expect.



Dr. Joe and Sharon Schafer's Wedding

American girls like me come to Jesus with heavy baggage, bad habits, anxiety, shame, and insecurity. We are scarred by sin and broken relationships. I was supposed to be free, but I felt more like a caged bird. Once Dr. Lee told me that maturing in Jesus meant to become younger and younger. He prayed for me to become like a fourteen year-old again. I really liked this hope and prayer. He often said that true freedom was to obey one word of God. As Jesus said in John 8:31-32: "If you hold to my

teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." Through Dr. Lee's Bible study and spiritual guidance, I recognized that unlimited human freedom was not what I wanted. I needed to start my life over as a pure daughter of God. Dr. Samuel Lee clearly wanted to help me. I welcomed his help because he dealt directly with my sin and unbelief and gave me hope to start a new life.

Dr. Lee was always looking for creative ways to build up the faith and character of young women. He invited us to participate in music and dancing. He utilized our talents in all kinds of ways. He encouraged us to study hard and helped many of us to obtain medical degrees and PhD's. When he heard that I played the oboe, he asked me to perform at the Sunday worship service. I didn't want to play until I was ready. But he wanted me to perform ready or not. Whenever I played, my face turned bright red. If I made a mistake, I would show my disappointment. It was difficult to watch. But Dr. Lee asked me to play at the Chicago Sunday worship service week after week for almost a year. Some people complained to him about this for one reason or another. But Dr. Lee wanted to help individuals like me. He took risks and endured criticism to build up my character. He trained me to put aside my fears and insecurities and do something difficult by faith. On another occasion, Dr. Lee asked me to perform a dance at someone's wedding. Again, my performance was awkward, and some people complained. But he continued to

encourage me; he thanked God that I overcame myself and finished the performance. He taught me to offer to God what I have by faith, believing that God would accept and bless my efforts. Through this practical obedience, I experienced God's power personally.

As Dr. Lee helped young Americans, he challenged a permissive culture. My parents were told not to thwart my creativity. Teachers wanted me to display my individuality, believing that conformity and imitation were wrong. The American system of education opened our minds but failed to provide necessary guidance and structure. Instead of making us creative and productive, it often produced young people who were undisciplined and underdeveloped, who thought too highly of their own feelings and ideas. In contrast, Dr. Lee encouraged obedience to the word of God and imitation of those who did so. In his approach to Bible study and testimony writing, the purpose was never to create a work of art or a masterpiece of self-expression. The point was to accept God's word. The discipline of studying the Bible inductively and writing testimonies week after week did not turn me into a mindless robot or a UBF clone. It actually set me free. It helped me to challenge my own ideas and my preoccupation with myself and listen to what the word of God was saying. Armed with God's word and the examples of others who were obeying it, I began to experience God's power and God's work in my life.

Dr. Lee's ways of helping young people were sometimes controversial. He got involved in our lives in ways that other pastors never would. Our culture was teaching young women to dress provocatively, to make a bold

fashion statement. But he encouraged us to dress modestly, to project a wholesome image, to dress for others rather than ourselves. Sometimes I followed his directions strangely, not following the principle behind them. Critics have said he was manipulating and controlling people, trying to make UBF members look the same. But that was not what I experienced. I did not always agree with his sense of fashion, but I'm glad that he taught me to bring my appearance and every other aspect of my life under the lordship of Christ. Dr. Lee also challenged the American culture of dating. As society lost its traditional values, responsible courtship gave way to dating and "hooking up." Today there are no rules, and no one understands what is going on. Young people are making bad choices, falling into sin and getting hurt. But Dr. Lee taught the importance of the God-centered "house church" as the building block of society, and as a primary vehicle for world salvation work. He wholeheartedly prayed for young women to marry with this

purpose. He took an active role by introducing me to eligible bachelors. For me, it was a welcome relief to stop dating and a great blessing to marry to please God.

God answered Dr. Lee's prayers for me. On July 6, 1990, I married Joe Schafer. At our wedding, Dr. Lee gave us Ephesians 5:33: "However, each of you also must love his wife as he loves himself, and the wife must respect her husband." He decorated the Chicago center with flags from around the world as his prayer for our family to serve world mission. His prayer for my family remained with us and bore fruit. God blessed our marriage, and gave us four precious children. We've kept our mission to raise disciples as a house church. In 1992, we began a new ministry at Penn State. Pioneering a new UBF chapter is a difficult and lonely task. Humanly I am under-qualified. As a layperson, I often wondered whether I needed more training. Of course I do. But I found that Dr. Lee's prayer and guidance have laid a strong foundation for our

ministry. I read a lot of books. But the best advice I ever received came from Dr. Lee. When I was overwhelmed by loneliness, fear or doubt, I decided to just do something, even something small, to honor the word of God---to write a testimony based on the Sunday passage, to visit the campus and invite someone to Bible study, and so on. Doing something real to obey God's word is hard, but it always revives my spirit. Jesus is with those who obey him by faith. Where Jesus is is a taste of the kingdom of God where my spirit is free. Dr. Lee knew that, as a young Christian, I barely understood such things. But he had faith to teach them to me, believing that God would finish the work he began. I praise God for giving me a spiritual father. I believe that God will bless us as we continue in his example of simple obedience to the word of God and will make us a blessing to countless young American women of this generation.

One Word: I found true freedom through obeying the word of God. ✨



Penn State New Bible House Opening, 2007



Testimony

By Dr. Jim Rabchuk



“FROM A SENSITIVE ANIMAL TO A PH.D. SHEPHERD”

“You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit – fruit that will last. Then the Father will give you whatever you ask in my name.” John 15:16

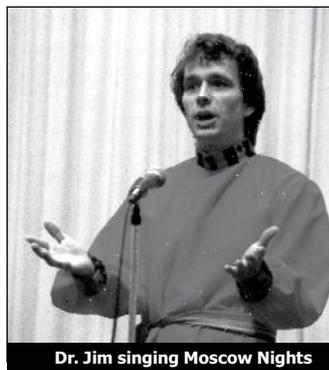
May God accept this testimony as my prayer that many Ph.D. shepherds may be raised so that this nation may become a kingdom of priests and a holy nation!

I. I did not choose God, but God chose me.

I was born in 1961 as the youngest of four children. Though I was a good student and obedient to my parents, I was a slave to my lust. I tried to be noble outwardly to cover up my inner corruption. I became, in Dr. Lee’s words, a sensitive animal – thoughtful, but totally godless in my thought world and desires. I idolized my father, but when I was seventeen, he had a nervous breakdown. So at college I began to seek other examples for my life. I did drugs and engaged in immoral behavior just like my friends did. As a result, everything began to feel very cheap and empty. I lost the motivation to study. I got the sense that my life was becoming a trap. I graduated in 1984 as valedictorian at Grinnell and went to the University of Maryland to study physics. After a year, however, I quit in order to teach in my old high school.

Life as a high school teacher was a shock to me. All of my weaknesses as a

human being were exposed. So when shp. John Bird invited me to Bible study in the summer of 1986, I was humble enough to accept. I can testify that the Holy Spirit came to me and convinced me that Bible study was what I had been looking for, and was the one way to find true freedom from the trap of sin I had fallen into. After a few weeks of Bible study, I came to my first worship service. I was moved by the 1 to 1 vocal team and asked to join. Dr. Lee discovered that I knew Russian, and I told him I knew Russian songs. He asked me to sing



Dr. Jim singing Moscow Nights

them as our prayer for pioneering the Soviet Union. Dr. Lee’s favorite was Moscow Nights. I became a fixture at worship service, at weddings and even at dinners. I began to feed sheep. I moved down near the center. Dr. Lee loved me so much that Little Sarah became a little jealous. I also began to

pray to go to Moscow for a language training program for teachers. Dr. Lee encouraged me to go back to graduate school. So I applied and was accepted to UIC in the physics program in 1988.

It seemed that my human dreams were being restored. Quickly, however, that fantasy was crushed. It began with my father’s suicide on March 21, 1988. I had tried to help him overcome his depression, but I was too weak. I went to Russia that summer. There I met a woman at the one Evangelical church in Moscow. Lydia was young and attractive, but also homeless and desperate. I thought I could handle the situation. I was wrong. I fell into sin. Then I was driven by my guilt to marry her before returning to Chicago at the end of the summer. I hoped that things would just work out. But when Lydia came to the US three months later, the truth came out. She was a very sick person mentally. She needed more help than I or anyone else could give her. My selfishness and sin were exposed, and my life quickly began to fall apart. I barely survived those first six months, spiritually and physically. But by God’s grace I maintained my studies in physics, often eating canned fish and sleeping in my office like a homeless person. I dropped one to one Bible study, the vocal team and most every other UBF activity. I came to the



Dr. Jim and Jennifer's Wedding

Sunday service, looking like a whipped dog. Then Mother Barry began to study Genesis with me, 1 to 1, coming down to UIC to meet. I realized that the world did not and would never revolve around me. I was living in God's world. God wanted to be my eternal father, if I would let him. I needed a father so badly. I let him in to my heart. Then I remembered God's promise in Romans 8:1, "Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus." My life was still a mess, but my direction was 'up' in God.

Dr. Lee's basic direction for me was to be faithful to testimony writing for the Friday meeting. So, I shared my testimony every week. Many people complained about my long testimonies, often written at the last moment. I wrote for all of 2nd Samuel, Daniel, Romans and John, just to name a few. Finally, when we were studying John's Gospel, after I had been living at Mother Barry's apartment for some time, I decided to take testimony writing seriously. Then we studied John 3. I confessed that I had been like Nicodemus, asking "how" instead of submitting to the work of the Spirit. Then we studied John 4. And I confessed that I was a Samaritan man, drinking from Jacob's well but never satisfied. I came to Jesus

and confessed from my heart that I was wrong, and he had always been right. By the end of John's Gospel study, Dr. Lee acknowledged that I had been changed in Jesus.

Dr. Lee began to pray for me to be built up as God's servant, especially as a prayer servant for Russia. He asked me to support Moscow mission by translating all of his Luke's Gospel messages into Russian. I did it even when my Ph.D. study seemed to be failing, and later, when my first son was in the hospital because of his heart. Dr. Lee brought me to the Korea WMR 1991 and had me share my testimony in Russian. Then, he encouraged me to go to the first Russian conference that summer. I was to be translator for all the main messages. I went to every Russian summer conference from then on, missing only one, translating nearly all the messages. Dr. Lee also prayed very faithfully for my family in God. He tried to help me as a shepherd, with the prayer that I might be set free in Jesus to serve God. In time, God himself opened the door for me to divorce Lydia, and it was finalized in the spring of 1992. I sent her away with the money I had saved up as a teacher for retirement. In September of that same year, Dr. Lee introduced me to shps. Jennifer Fitzpatrick. Shps. Jennifer only knew me in my time of struggling. But she did not judge or despise me for my sin. She believed in God's grace of forgiveness, and after a lot of prayer – 30 minutes a day for a month – she agreed to marry me before God.

When shps.

Jennifer and I shared our testimonies before marriage, I confessed my hope that from then on, I would no longer suffer for sin, but only for the gospel. And by God's grace, this has largely been true. Shps. Jennifer has been a willing partner with me in sharing the burden of suffering together with me for the sake of his gospel. Because of her prayers, I could serve 12 students as a Bible teacher each week during my last year of graduate studies. We struggled a lot because of our first son's heart condition. But we learned to have faith in Romans 8:28, and to trust God's good purpose for Joey and for us. Finally, in the summer of 1995, I defended my Ph.D. thesis. But I had to confess that it was all God's grace. I had wanted to be a great man. But I was actually helpless to do anything good until I repented and submitted my life to God and God's purpose for me. When I saw the fruit of submitting to God's will ahead of my own, I confessed to God from my heart, "I did not choose you, but you chose me and appointed me to go and bear fruit – fruit that will last."

II. Life as a Ph.D. shepherd

After receiving my Ph.D., Dr. Lee began to prepare me for life as a pioneering shepherd. In 1995 and 1996, I worked with Mother Barry, Pastor Ron and Dr. Henry Park as a team to serve Luke's Gospel, Ephesians and 1 John messages. Then in God's time, I got a job at WIU starting in 1996, ten years after beginning Bible study. Dr. Lee gave us his blessing to pioneer. My son Joey had successful heart surgery that fall, and my family moved to join me in November. A missionary family of David and Priza Choi were



Dr. Jim Rabchuk



already there as student missionaries, and we began holding services in our rented house. M. David was pretty young spiritually, but he was very friendly, and made friends with Dave Hull. M. Priza invited Sarah Gates. Both began to grow through Bible study and began feeding sheep in a year. Our first year, we brought 1 student to the Christmas service, the second year, 37 attended, and the third year, 60 people attended our Christmas service. Tony Blanco joined from UIC, and we had a hope to build up Macomb as a large chapter. But then reality set in. Tony left because he couldn't bear the pressure. Dave Hull and Sarah graduated, and so did M. David. By the summer of 1999, shps. Jennifer and I were left alone to serve the campus. But Mother Barry and Dr. Lee continued to pray for us. Nick Joseph Kryda was established as a shepherd, and shps. Jessica Kryda also faithfully came. Other sheep came and went, including Chris Lang, David Lovi, Tim McEathron, Giga Lewis and many others. We have been wounded and discouraged countless times. But God's grace is always greater than our difficulties and trials. And God has helped us to bear the fruit of deep Bible study and discipleship.

Dr. Lee wanted to support our family in the summer of 1998, so he invited me to come to Chicago to help serve the messages from Matthew's Gospel. Shps. Jennifer remained in Macomb with the two children and served the ministry. She fed 20 sheep a week sometimes. Dr. Lee wanted to train me extensively, in spite of his pneumonia. He insisted that I come down to his hospital room on Saturday each week. By God's grace every week we would memorize the passage from the Sermon on the Mount for

several hours, laughing and enjoying God's word. It was an unforgettable summer. The next summer, I began writing my own messages, starting with Galatians. When I brought Dr. Lee my Galatians manuscripts, he was so happy. He told me, "You have gone



Dr. Jim and Jennifer Rabchuk's Family

beyond the imitation stage, and have now begun your creative stage." He also told me, "You will see America become a kingdom of priests and a holy nation in your lifetime." I came to understand that Dr. Lee's prayer for me to be a "Ph.D. shepherd" was his wonderful hope that American

students might get out from under the power of sin and begin to serve God creatively as stewards and shepherds for their nation and for the world.

I feel sometimes that I was like the disciple John, the disciple Dr. Lee loved the most. But when I hear other peoples' testimonies, I realize that's not true. He loved and prayed for so many people, and helped many student shepherds like me become Ph.D. shepherds, including Dr. Joe Schafer, Dr. Helen Rarick, Dr. Joe Wert, Dr. Richard Anderson, Dr. John Doty, Dr. David Lemmon and Dr. Harvey Siy. Many missionaries under his care also become Ph.D.'s. Dr. Lee prayed for 1,000 Ph.D. shepherds to be raised from among North American college students. We are a student ministry. We are also a disciple-making ministry. We need a vision how we can transform the intellectual climate of this nation and of the world. That vision begins, I believe, with the prayer for 1,000 Ph.D.'s and Professor Shepherds. May God help us to learn newly from Dr. Lee the vision to pray for 1,000 Ph.D.'s to be raised from among North American shepherds!



Dr. Lee, M. Barry, Msn. Joseph Chung at a conference

Testimony

By Dr. Joseph Chung



“AMERICA, A KINGDOM OF PRIESTS AND A HOLY NATION”

“Now if you obey me fully and keep my covenant, then out of all nations you will be my treasured possession. Although the whole earth is mine, you will be for me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.” These are the words you are to speak to the Israelites.” (Exodus 19:5,6)

On one Monday evening, we fellowship leaders sat around a table waiting for Dr. Lee for a weekly report meeting of fishing and one to one Bible studies. On that evening Dr. Lee looked so bright and joyful and somehow excited. He said, “I am so happy and thankful to God.” I thought he would treat us with free chicken dinner for some good reason. But it was not. He said, “I have found a clear prayer topic for America after ten years of prayer and Bible study.” Then he presented to us Exodus 19:5,6. Until that time we had not heard that any spiritual leader presented a Biblical and national prayer topic for America. At that time Dr. Lee studied American history and philosophy and read books on the faith of founding fathers. In addition to these, he reviewed church history. He said, “The gospel began in Jerusalem through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Then it went to Rome through St. Paul; then it went to England through Christians under persecution; finally it came to America through Puritans who had sought a way to serve and worship God freely in a new world. He was convinced in his heart that God called America to be a city on a hill in this generation to bring the good news of Jesus to all

nations. Since then, we, including CBF members, have been praying for America to be a kingdom of priests and a holy nation. What does it mean to be a kingdom of priests and a holy nation? It means America to be a Bible teacher’s nation and a shepherd nation for all nations. Then what did Dr. Lee do practically for the hope of God for America?

First, he emphasized one to one Bible study. As he studied the Bible, he discovered that God helped one man



Dr. Lee Studying the Bible

Abraham for 25 years until he became an ancestor of faith and would be a blessing for all nations. God visited Abraham time and again with the word of God. Whatever God said to Abraham, he accepted it and obeyed God. God did the same to Isaac and to

Jacob; then they became pillars of faith in Israel. Dr. Lee believed that one to one Bible study was God’s wisdom then and in modern evangelism. In the 1990s, he assigned 12 one to one Bible studies to full time shepherds and 6 one to ones to fellowship leaders. At that time, “Kamikaze one to one Bible study” was accepted. He called our one to one Bible study “A great one to one” and “one to one battle.” Dr. BiliGraham once mentioned in a magazine named Decision that he wanted to engage in one on one Bible study with sheep rather than mass evangelism.

As you know, there was time when the Bible was written only in the Latin language; that it was for clergy people. God called Martin Luther to translate the Bible into German; since then the Bible reached the hands of lay Christians, even to me. It is an amazing thing and amazing grace that I have my own Bible in my hand to read at anytime I want to and I can serve gorgeous American students with the word of God. With this thing in his mind, Dr. Lee wrote classic Bible study materials for lay people. In this world, there are many beautiful things to see. To me, the most beautiful thing I can describe is to see my coworker Esther studying the Bible one to one with God’s sheep. My daughter Esther, who



lives in Toronto, Canada, used to tell to me on the phone, "Daddy, I have had five one to ones every week for the last five years." Then I say, "Amen." My daughter-in-law Rebekah, who lives in New Jersey, also wants to live as a one to one Bible teacher. Please remember her in your prayers.

Second, Dr. Samuel Lee shepherded many. According to his testimony, Dr. Lee once was a sorrowful person because his mother died when he was an 8 months old young infant. He said that one of the reasons to go to heaven was to see his mother's face. He said he was raised under a mean stepmother who made him a factory boy and baby sitter for her own children. He testified that she hit him hard on his face until his left eye bled and left him half blind for the reason he spent a little more kerosene oil for his English study. At that time he decided to pay her back for all the harm she had done to him. But later he said he forgave her unconditionally because God's grace in Jesus was indeed great to him. As he studied the Bible, Ephesians 2:10 came to his heart, which reads, "For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." He said that the words "prepared in advance" truly moved his heart. He accepted that God had prepared him in advance through many hardships. Based on this word, God blessed him to be a mother-like shepherd for many throughout his life.

At his homecoming ceremony in the year 2002, many came from everywhere; some of them from a thousand miles away. When I saw them one by one, I realized that everyone of them had been

shepherded by Dr. Lee in some way or another. In other words, they had received God's grace through him. When Pastor Ron came to Chicago, for some unknown reason, he was called "a man of few words," esp. while he ate. Dr. Lee shepherded him closely for many years; now he became a powerful servant of God's word. Once my



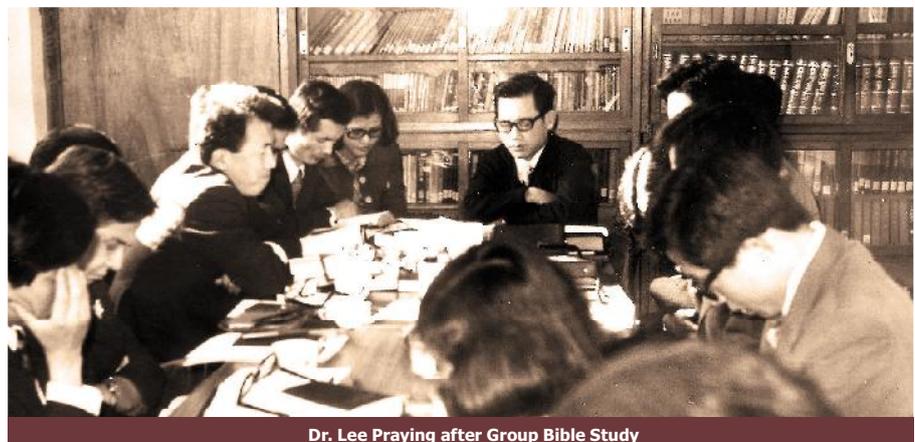
Dr. Lee during Friday Meeting

youngest daughter always looked sleepy like a mangy dog; she moved her mouth as if sucking a nipple even after 6 years old. She was such a small girl that he had pity on her; he fed her one Big Mac a day for years; Dr. Lee asked Miss Yoon to give her violin lessons, and unexpectedly she did well. Then she entered Lane Tech High School; from there she was accepted to a good university. The night before he

went to heaven, he prayed for her marriage, though she had left UBF ministry long ago; God answered his prayer when she was 33 and she had her first baby girl four weeks ago. In 1986, my office was forced to close by authority. I opened a new office on Lawrence Ave. At that time, Dr. Lee checked the daily census of patients. One day there was no patients; he knew about it. In a half an hour, he walked in to my office complaining of a sore throat; I checked him and he was ok. But he kept complaining of a sore throat and asked me for a penicillin injection; I did so unwillingly; he paid me 100 dollars. He tried to make my day by becoming a patient.

As we celebrate Founder's Day 2007, we remember his last words in this world; "Back to the Bible." As long as we struggle to return to the Bible in any situation, God will bless each one of us and God's ministry until God sends 100,000 missionaries to 233 nations beginning with Moslem nations, North Korea and China. My understanding of his words, "Back to the Bible" is that we all become good Bible students and one to one Bible teachers.

One word: "Back to the Bible for America to be a kingdom of priests and a holy nation."



Dr. Lee Praying after Group Bible Study

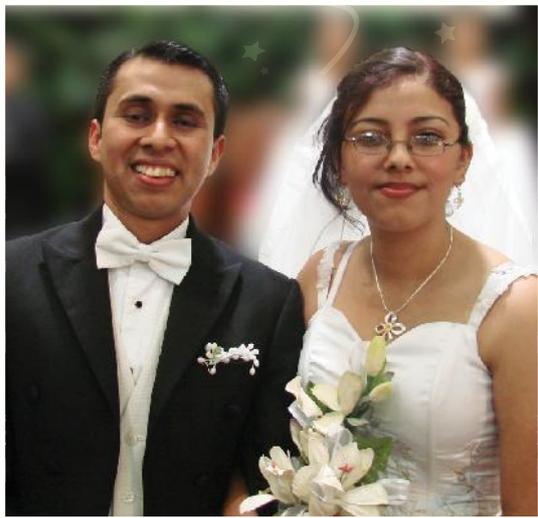
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