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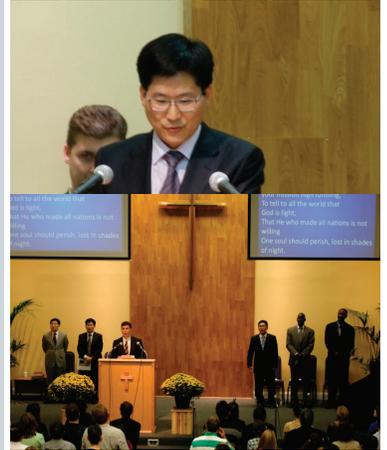
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“AFRICA, A SHEPHERD CONTINENT”

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Hello! My name is Mark Yoon from Kenya. I feel honored to share my lecture with the precious servants of God in Chicago. Through this lecture, may we renew Dr. Samuel Lee’s spiritual legacy and see what God has done in Africa.

Dr. Lee attended the 1996 Inter-Africa Bible Conference held in Kenya. It was his first and last conference in Africa. The most memorable thing was that in the middle of the conference, Dr. Lee changed the conference title from “A Holy Nation” into “A Shepherd Nation.” Africa is known for many problems such as corruption, diseases (HIV), poverty and a dependent spirit. While listening to our African leaders’ messages and Bible testimonies, Dr. Lee realized that when we raise African shepherds, all their fundamental problems would be solved and furthermore, Africa would be raised as a Holy Nation and even feed other parts of the world. He encouraged our missionaries to pray for Africa to be

a shepherd continent.

I. RAISING SHEPHERDS THROUGH A LIFE GIVING SPIRIT

What is a shepherd? Jesus says, “I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.” (John 10:11) Dr. Lee used to emphasize that our missionaries feed sheep with ‘a life-giving spirit’ in each mission field. Currently, we see our African young people

in a medical school in Korea. He could have settled with a stable and well-paid job in Korea. By faith, however, he chose to sacrifice his life for the suffering people in Africa rather than to enjoy the earthly pleasures of being a renowned medical doctor. God opened his way to Uganda through a government-to-government aid program. From the beginning, he suffered a lot for Christ. While treating HIV patients, he was once pricked with a



growing as shepherds. Behind this, there is a life-giving spirit of our missionaries.

Dr. Samuel Yoo pioneered Uganda from June 1990. After his medical training, Dr. Yoo was invited to be a professor

needle. However, he overcame the fear of death by resurrection faith. There was a time when one of his daughters felt sick, almost dying. He found no proper medical help in Uganda but cried for God’s

healing over several sleepless nights. God healed her miraculously. Since then, Dr. Yoo has prayed for building a proper medical clinic for the suffering people in Uganda. Obviously, if he had desired, he could have returned to Korea many times. But he didn't. Instead, he held on to John 12:24, "A Kernel of Wheat," as his life key verse.

Because of his sacrificial life, God has blessed him to be fruitful in discipleship ministry. When I attended their Sunday worship service during the 2010 Africa UBF Director's Conference, one shepherd delivered a message on Mark 6:37, "You give them something to eat!" Claimed, "Up to now, Africa used to ask the world, 'you give us something to eat!' but now we must ask, 'You give the world something to eat!'" Nowadays, in Uganda UBF, about 60 students attend SWS and more than half of them are shepherds.

M. A. Kim pioneered Sudan from August 1990. He was initially employed at the Korean embassy. But due to his missionary activities, he quit his job. He passed through many hardships as a self supporting missionary. Due to poverty, most of the students wish to go abroad. If anyone gets a chance to travel outside, and comes back home, he is treated as a fool. At the beginning of his ministry, M. Kim experienced many failures. One of his growing sheep once attended the MSU International Conference, but on the way to Sudan, he disappeared in London. Many sheep ran away despite his sacrificial support. Once he almost went back to Korea. But he made a decision to stay in Sudan continually by the help of Dr. Lee and Sh. Daniel Rhee. Later, God blessed him to establish a fruitful ministry. God raised Msn. O. M. as an ancestor of faith in S. UBF and a PhD shepherd in E. Shep. Pa. D. gradu-

ated from his college as a top student. He was a very faithful co-worker. In 2007, he established a house church. In 2010, he succeeded M. K. as a new director of S. UBF. Currently, 50-60 students are attending the worship service. Strategically S. is very important as a border between the Northern Muslim Africa and the Southern Christian Africa. S. UBF is now praying to raise missionaries to Muslim countries in Northern Africa.

M. James Lee pioneered South Africa from August 1992. At that time, South Africa went through the turmoil of apartheid. White students despised and rejected M. James Lee more than black Africans. But he devoted his heart to teaching the Bible. Sometimes, he drove more than 200km only to be rejected by a proud sheep. His coworker, Josephine Lee used to pray 4 hours every day, crying for one Bible student. Eventually, a man called Andries Coetsee was changed and became an Abraham of Faith. In 2000, he established a house church with a Korean shepherdess and pioneered Cape Town UBF. M. Mary Kim lived a common-life with a black sister called Eulenda. Due to her sacrificial common life, Eulenda grew as an ancestor of faith among black students. Currently, in South Africa, 60-70 students are attending their worship service.

M. James J. Lee pioneered Zimbabwe from 1995. Initially, M. James Lee pioneered Namibia in 1993 through his embassy job, and then moved to Zimbabwe. In Zimbabwe, M. James Lee and his family suffered a lot due to political and economic instability. Inflation shot up. His family and coworkers suffered from a lack of fuel, basic food and the prevalence of disease. However, M. James Lee did not give up because of his shepherd heart for suffering sheep. God blessed his sacrificial life, turning his

adversity into God's opportunity. When a majority of white people left, inflation subsided and the price of land also went down drastically from 150,000 USD to 50,000 USD. Then, they were able to purchase a Bible house. Not only that, several shepherds are growing, such as Tinago, Oliver, and Shepherd.

Kenya UBF was pioneered by M. Jackie Yoon from 1989 and I joined her in 1992. Initially, students welcomed the Bible study invitations. I was happy to think that I could make a huge ministry



even within a year. Gradually, however, I realized that most students were very hungry. They survived with less than a dollar per day. They sought bus fare if we invited them to join our Bible study or worship service. Once there was a heavy rain on Saturday evening. One of our sheep failed to come the worship service. Out of a shepherd heart, I visited him and asked what happened. He first opened his rugged Bible and read 1John 3:17, "If anyone has material possessions and sees his brother in need but has no pity on him, how

can the love of God be in him?" Then, he showed his rugged shoes. Initially, I thought I should rebuke him for his unfaithfulness to God. But instead, I was severely rebuked for not being a good shepherd to take care of his need. This incident made me feel guilty. From then on, I tried my best to feed them with the word of God and at the same time, with good food and some financial help. But it was not easy to plant independent spirit. Students refused to pay for conference fees, missionaries paid for everything. Some graduates left us as



soon as they had secure jobs. The most painful experience was that one of our shepherds disappeared secretly in the USA. I believed that he was a potential full-time shepherd for our ministry. I supported him with a monthly salary. I supported him to attend the 1998 MSU Summer Bible Conference. However, on the way, he slipped away for study in the US. On my way back to Kenya, I cried a lot on the airplane. Before my tears became dry, two other senior leaders told me that they also were going to the US for further study, following

after him. Whenever I saw a few sheep and huge numbers of empty seats, I had no strength left even to stand on the podium. Out of deep despair, I repeatedly packed and unpacked my luggage several times to go home. Once, I asked my wife, "Honey, let us go back home. I cannot stay here even for another day!" Then my wife looked straight into my eyes, and said, "God never told me go home! If God told you to go home, you may go. But for me, not yet!" I felt like a complete failure both as a missionary and as a husband. At that moment, I remembered what Dr. Lee used to tell me, "Go back to deep Bible study! The Bible has all answers!" I decided to devote my heart to Mark's Gospel Study. God gradually revived me through my life key verse, "For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve and to give his life as ransom for many." (Mark 10:45) I decided to give my life to start all over again. I also found direction based on Mark 6:35, "You give them something to eat!" I began helping my sheep to follow Jesus' way through absolute 1:1 Bible study, Bible testimony writing and sharing, and a self-supporting spirit. Now Kenyan shepherds pay 100% of their conference fees. Out of such a self-supporting spirit, Shepherd Kevin established the first house church without any financial help. He raised two shepherds and one of them is currently pioneering a fellowship. When Shp. Wekesa established the second house church, he had a financial problem. Out of shepherd heart, however, all our leaders sacrificially offered for their marriage. In Kenya UBF, about 40 members attend worship service regularly. Half of them are now feeding sheep. They also offer tithes to God regularly.

II. HOUSE CHURCH MINISTRY

For changing Africa into a shepherd continent, it is necessary to establish

many godly house churches. Why is it so important? Obviously, a healthy family is the foundation for a healthy society, and for a healthy nation. Most African countries record a high rate of AIDS. In the year of 2002, 17 million Africans died of AIDS, and 29 million tested HIV positive. A total of 46 million died or were doomed to die. It is seven times more than the number of Jews murdered by Hitler and three quarters of the death toll during the 2nd World War. Of course, there must be several factors for this rampage of AIDS in Africa. But the fundamental cause is a broken family. A healthy society can be built up through a healthy family. A healthy family can only be established when a husband and a wife establish a God-centered, mission-centered house church.

Shepherdess Betty Kaulinge in Uganda established the first house church with Shp. Abraham Victor in Namibia. It is not easy for a woman to marry outside her tribal boundaries, not to mention cross a national boundary. Under their good influence, now more than 20 house churches have been established in Africa UBF. Among them, Shp. O. M. family went out to Egypt as missionaries. Shp. Andries Coetsee established a house church with Korean shepherdess Annie Coetsee and pioneered Cape Town UBF. Most of all, God blessed Shp. Abraham Omotunde to establish a house church with Shepherdess Elizabeth in Nigeria. Because of their good influence, God has blessed Nigerian ministry so abundantly. Dr. Lee wrote a letter to the national directors in UBF for each chapter to raise 120 SWS attendants. In fact, Nigeria UBF was the first UBF chapter that reached up to 120 members. We praise and thank God for the great work of God in Nigeria.

I know that USA UBF has earnestly

prayed for raising 10,000 house churches so that America may be a kingdom of priests and a holy nation. Likewise, we pray Africa UBF may raise 1,000 house churches, a tenth of American house churches so that Africa may be raised as a shepherd continent.

III. AFRICA, A SHEPHERD CONTINENT

The history of Africa UBF pioneering is as young as 20 years old. This means that we have so many things to do. Most of all, we should pray to follow Dr. Lee's spiritual legacy until we pioneer 54 countries and change African countries into shepherd nations. How can we fulfill this great task? A famous journalist, Rober Guest, in his book, 'The Shackled Continent,' asks and answers the question: "Why is Africa so poor?"

He pointed out the failure of leadership as a key problem. However, if we raise up many shepherds, the leadership problem in Africa will be solved. Who is a shepherd? He is the one who fears the Lord and obeys the word of God. He is the one who feed sheep with a life-giving spirit. How can we raise such shepherds? A famous Nigerian Evangelical scholar, Byang Kato, pointed out the problem of African Christianity as: one inch deep and miles wide. He also emphasized deep Bible study. Dr. Lee strongly believed that the word of God provides solutions to all of our problems. In fact, Dr. Lee himself overcame all the difficulties of UBF through deep Bible studies. Msn. Peter Park went through a serious self-supporting problem during 2006, 7. But while staying in UK, he devoted

himself to deep Bible study. Now, he experienced all problems solved in God's way, and could manage a great ministry in Nigeria. We have many things to do for African ministry, but we must first teach the Bible until our sheep accept it and lay their life foundations on the word of God. We should pray for Africa to be an excellent Bible teacher continent. Eventually, in the last days, Africa will be established as chief among the nations. Many nations will come and say, "Come, let us go up to Africa! Let us study the Bible there and listen to their powerful messages!" Amen!

One word: Africa, A Shepherd Continent!



By Daniel Rhee



THE MEANING OF UBF MINISTRY IN AFRICA

“In the last days the mountain of the LORD’S temple will be established as chief among the mountains; it will be raised above the hills, and all nations will stream to it. Many peoples will come and say, ‘Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob. He will teach us his ways, so that we may walk in his paths. The law will go out from Zion, the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. Isaiah” 2:2,3

It was August of 1990 when I first visited Africa. Dr John Jun asked me to support the First African Bible Conference held in Kenya. There I met Mark & Jackie Yoon from Kenya, James Lee from South Africa, James Lee from Zimbabwe, Andrew Kim from Sudan, Peter Park and Andrew Yoon from Nigeria, and Samuel Yoo from Uganda. Since then, we have gotten together once a year in different countries.

We studied the Bible, shared testimonies, enjoyed eating fellowship, chatting and playing ‘Jokgu’ (Korean football). We sometimes had no time to play Jokgu after sharing testimonies past midnight. Whenever we got together, we laughed a lot and often shed tears. We all became friends. I have accepted their invitation to attend their conferences or officiate at their sheeps’ weddings. For the past twenty years I have visited Africa more than twice a year. The African missionaries are my best friends. I feel honored this time to share my report about African ministry.

Today we are gathered here to remember Dr. Samuel Lee’s spiritual legacy and to see what God has done in Africa. Looking back, I have two memories of Dr. Lee and Africa. The first one is at the First African International Conference in 1996. Most people at that time thought that Africa was a land of scorching sun. But people didn’t know that there is winter in Africa. During the day it is summer,

but at night it becomes so cold that you need a coat. So I informed all the attendants to bring extra jackets. I also asked those who are sensitive to cold to bring long underwear. But not many listened to me. At that time we all did not know much about Africa.

However, Dr. Lee had a deep spiritual understanding of Africa. He delivered an opening message based on ‘The Ten Commandments.’ Africa had many problems such as poverty, disease, corruptions and violences. Dr. Lee told that all these problems would be solved if Africans obey the Ten Commandments by fearing God and loving their neighbors. Our missionaries were deeply touched by his sharp insight on Africa and agreed with his prayer topic. Since then, it became a spiritual direction for the African ministry.

The other memory of Dr. Lee was when he called me to discuss about M. A. K. in Sudan. At that time, M. A. could barely make a living as a tent-making missionary. When he could not engage in his mission work as an employee of the Korean embassy, he quit his job and began a chicken vendor business. However, his business was not successful. Finally he decided to leave Sudan, entrusting his ministry to the growing leaders. Dr. Lee persuaded him to stay there, asking “How can you abandon God’s flock?” Then Dr. Lee called me saying, “Why don’t we support him, half through Chi-

cago UBF and the other half through Namsan UBF? If it is too much for you, Chicago UBF will fully support him.” I volunteered for Namsan UBF to fully support him. Through this I could learn Dr. Lee’s love for the African mission, and even the small matters in Africa.

Then, what is the meaning of UBF ministry in Africa? In one word, the UBF legacies such as tent-making ministry, a giving spirit and disciple-making could be applied in Africa, just as it had already been done in Korea, Europe and America. But I had thought Africa would be different. Yet all the principles could also be fulfilled in Africa because of the universality of the principles.

FIRST, TENT-MAKING MINISTRY

Tent-making-ministry is the most striking principle Dr. Lee has ever taught through Bible study. This is the core of the UBF principles. As a result, we could send 1,700 UBF missionaries to more than 90 countries. But the poor economic condition in Africa made it challenging for the tent-making ministry. Since the consuming market is so limited that opening any business is not recommended. African mission started through several missionaries working at the Korean embassies. Five of them are still working there. Recently, several missionaries have been employed by KOTRA, Samsung and LG. But since most of them are employed by local offices, their benefits are not good enough. Some of

them are running their own businesses, but it is not easy for them to serve their ministry and business at the same time. There are two medical doctors in Uganda, but they also have difficulties supporting themselves. In spite of all the difficulties, UBF missionaries are maintaining their tent-making ministry and are so proud of themselves. So they can teach independent faith to African poor students.

SECOND, A GIVING SPIRIT

Jesus said, “You give them something to eat.” and “It is more blessed to give than to receive.” From the beginning, Dr. Lee had stressed that we may not only become self-supporting, but also give something to others. However, in Africa people take receiving for granted. Missionaries are supposed to give and they are the ones to receive. In reality, some students expect the Korean missionaries to provide them with tuition and even buy them a car in return for helping the ministry. In this situation, planting a giving spirit is not easy. Up to now, some students have come to Bible study with hope of getting some material help. As soon as they found that they were not receiving any, they left. Then, missionaries had to suffer much pain, struggling whether or not they should plant a giving spirit.

Of course, African people need material help. Even many college students do not eat two meals a day. They don't have bus money to come for Bible study. However, our missionaries decided to help them pay their own conference fee. Next, they challenged the students to make Sunday offerings and tithes. In this way, the solid foundation work has been done. Now it is a tradition for the students to pay the conference fee. The number of the Sunday worship service attendants is currently about 350. Fifty percent of them are making Sunday offerings and giving tithes. Though most of the major expenses have been still covered by missionaries, the fact that Africans started offerings is unprecedented. This is really

a historical event.

Jesus also promised to bless those who obey his word, “It is more blessed to give than to receive.” More than 100 African leaders are employed after graduation despite difficulties with employment. If they continue to grow as influential leaders in their work places, even those who are dependent will be changed into tent-making, giving and blessed people of God.

THIRD, DISCIPLE-MAKING

Dr. Lee strongly warned against being ‘cultural Christians.’ He focused on raising up disciples who can absolutely obey Jesus’ word, grow spiritually and can be used by God. But Africa is a super-continent of cultural Christians. Africans enjoy singing Gospel songs. They exchange greetings with each other, “Hallelujah, Amen!” and then “Amen, Hallelujah!” Whatever they may say, it begins with the word, “Thank you, Lord!” Trucks and buses are covered with holy words, such as “God Loves You.” and “God Almighty!” But these are their head knowledges. They are not disciplined to challenge by faith. They are full of their own fatalistic thinking.

Is it possible to raise up disciples in this kind of environment? Yes. There are now about 150 leaders who obey the word, “Feed my lambs!”, and teach the Bible to others. Among them, M. O. M. was sent out as a missionary to Egypt and Sh. James Ronke is now pioneering a medical college in Uni-Lag, Nigeria. There are currently 20 house churches with fellowships under their care.

In addition, some of them are good influences to the African society. Sh. Patrick Ogwang in Uganda graduated from the college of pharmacy. In Uganda the college of pharmacy has a 6-year curriculum like a medical college, and gives a guarantee of a high paying job after graduation. Sh. Patrick got a job as an intern pharmacist in Mulago Hospital which is the best in Uganda. He worked hard

to safeguard medicines from the black market dealers. This offended his boss. He then was fired. Later, he was hired at a pharmacy in downtown Kampala. This time the owner made a false accounting book to reduce taxes and then asked him to sign it. Patrick refused, saying “I am a Christian.” So he was fired. After that, he received an offer from a pharmacy in Jinja, the second largest city. But he declined the offer in order to feed college students. Then the Lord blessed him to get a good job at an institute which is only a five-minute walking distance from the University of Makerere. He is now working on a Ph.D. project in extracting herbal medicine with the grant of the Office of the President. The biggest



problem in Africa is deep-rooted corruption permeated throughout all the sectors of the society. But Patrick has been a good influence to the society as light and salt. When we concentrated on disciple-making ministry, we could see hope for Africa. There are many people who engage in relief activities but our missionaries concentrate on teaching the Bible and raising disciples.

FOURTH, MUSLIM MISSION

One of the UBF prayer topics is to evangelize Muslim countries. Currently we see how fast Islam has been spreading to the whole world. All of the North

African countries are now Muslims. They are extending into the Sub-Sahara countries. Now more than 90% of the following countries are Muslims: Somalia, Eritrea, North Sudan, Chad, North Nigeria, Mombasa in Kenya, Darsalam and Zanzibar in Tanzania. The secret to Muslims' rapid expansion lies in poverty and political corruption in Africa. North African countries are providing funds and weapons to other countries to expand their influence. A scholar predicts that unless Islam is deterred, a third of the world population will be Muslims in 20 years, not to mention the whole continent of Africa.

However, Ethiopian history gives us a good lesson on how to stop Islam's expansion. Muslims had settled along the Red Sea from 980 AD to 1270 AD. Fearing Muslims' influences, the Ethiopian king encouraged the church leaders to study the Bible and send them to all parts of the country so that they could teach the Bible and give spiritual training to his people. In this way Ethiopia was able to defend Christianity. Through this historical event, we realize the importance of raising disciples to deter the spread of Islam.

Africa is vulnerable to Islam's propagation but at the same time, it is a strategic place for evangelizing Muslims. Most Africans are knowledgeable about Islam faith, culture and tradition. There are also many routes and job opportunities to enter the Middle East and North Africa. With self-supporting spirit and faith, they can be sent out to the Muslim countries as missionaries. I believe that raising African disciples is the way to evangelize Muslims. Let's pray for this more earnestly.

FIFTH, GOD'S VISION AND PRAYER TOPICS

Africans have passionate zeal. Whenever I attended African conferences, I was fascinated by their singspiration. It was so uplifting to see them playing a guitar, a small drum, empty cans, sticks

and singing, dancing joyfully and even screaming often. I liked it so much. So one day I asked them to record their singspiration to bring it to our Korean brothers. Then they sang and danced more than two hours straight without any rest. I asked them how long they could sing and dance like that. They answered, "We can sing and dance all night." Africans usually eat only two meals a day unless they attend a conference. Some of them eat just one meal a day. But their passion for singing and dancing is extraordinary. If they devote their passion for God and be trained, they have potential to achieve something great.

Not only that, Africans are very friendly and social. Unlike people from other continents, they do not show pride, coldness, or indifference to others. If you ask them for directions on the street, they give you a full explanation with exaggerated gestures. Sometimes they volunteer as your guide, even holding your hand. They never say, "I don't know." Sometimes they guide you even though they don't know. Anyhow, they never refuse. God may use their friendliness and sociability for gospel work.

Furthermore, Africans don't have any language barrier. Mostly, their official language is English, except French speaking countries in the western and the northern Muslim countries. Any elementary graduate can speak English. They seem to have a special ability to learn languages like singing or dancing. Their linguistic ability will be greatly used for world mission in the future.

Above all, Africans are familiar with the Bible and Christian culture. When you travel abroad, you can often see some people reading the Bible. Probably they are UBF men or Africans. In Africa you can see revival posters all year round. They love Jesus and they have a desire to live by God's blessings. I believe that their love for the Bible and their zeal for God will be used by God precious. In particular, when they deliver a message,

Africans use a high class vocabulary with wonderful gestures like Martin Luther King.

The prophet Isaiah said that Jerusalem will be the center where people learn the word of God. Many people will come to the place to learn the word of God, and that place is 'Jerusalem.' Rome and Europe became Jerusalem, followed by America. Korea is now a modern day Jerusalem. How about Africa? It's been a long time since Europe stopped sending out missionaries. The number of American missionaries has been decreasing. Korea is still sending out missionaries, but the prospects are not bright. Many scholars say that missionaries will not come out any more except from Africa. I suggest we reconsider Africa. It is not a continent which we should just take pity on. I believe that they will be shepherd nations and missionary-sending nations.

Considering all these things, I would like to present a few prayer topics for African mission. First, please pray for discipleship ministry. We may raise up native leaders who can not only lead the UBF ministry in regards to disciple-making but also demonstrate leadership in their own countries. Second, please pray for our relief activities and education projects to prosper in Africa. Third, in 2012 will be international conferences in the three regions of African continent: the eastern, western and southern parts. I invite all of you to attend these conferences and pray for African mission. It will be a great encouragement to us. Through all these, I pray that God may pass Dr. Lee's gospel faith and mission spirit on to next generation.

By O. M.



GOD BLESSED ME TO BE A MISSIONARY TO A.

I. I WAS A USELESS DRUNKARD

My name is O. M., a missionary from Sudan to A.. During the civil war between the Northern Islamic government and the Southern Christian rebels in Sudan, many young people were killed. I hated Muslims very much. I also hated my poor and helpless situation, feeling that my life was meaningless and fatalistic. To escape, I became a drunkard and an adulterer with bitterness and hatred toward Muslims. I went with many women, and never missed a day without drinking alcohol. I was a useless sinner.

II. GOD CALLED ME TO BE A SHEPHERD OF SINNERS.

In 1989 I entered Juba University. In my fourth year a friend invited me to UBF Bible study with missionary A. K.. Through Bible study I received the word of God from 1Co 6:9-10. "Do you not know that the wicked will not inherit

the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: Neither the sexually immoral nor idolaters nor adulterers nor male prostitutes nor homosexual offenders nor thieves nor the greedy nor drunkards nor slanderers nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God." When I studied these verses, I was so afraid and shocked. I found myself a useless and great sinner. From that time I came to God with a repentant heart seeking his mercy. Since then I decided to study the Bible constantly. God changed me from a useless man to his child. Though my situation was terrible because of poverty, I rejoiced in the Lord and found a meaningful life in him. I decided to give my life to serve God. Since then I struggled to help sheep by visiting campuses.

I entered a Master's degree program at Khartoum University with the direction to be a professor shepherd. Since then our brothers and sisters in UBF began to pray for me to become a professor shepherd. In 2000 God answered our prayers and I became a lecturer in Upper Nile University located in South Sudan. By God's grace I pioneered the campus and began one to one Bible study as a professor shepherd and a chapter director. I visited campus every day to look for sheep. Because we had no center, we did our one to one Bible study and Sunday worship service under trees. Many sheep joyfully joined our Bible study. But some sheep were ashamed to attend Sunday Worship service under a tree. When the number of sheep reached 20, I asked the university administration to give us one lecture hall for our Sunday worship service; the administration provided us with a hall. From that time the

number of our Sunday worship attendants rose to 20-30 every week.

While I was working at the university, one of my friends from FAO found a job for me in their organization. The salary was huge; five times more than my salary at the university. However, this big salary required me to leave my mission field and give up my Bible students. It was a great temptation to me. I had to choose between big money and God's mission. By God's grace, I chose to help my sheep rather than taking the big money. My friend was so angry with me saying, "You are an idiot." Through this decision, God blessed me to raise many good shepherds and shepherdess in Malakal chapter. Whenever I see them I realize that I made a right decision.

God blessed me to help many students with the word of God. Yet I had no desire to feed Muslim sheep because I looked at them as my enemies. In 2000 I was invited to the European Summer Bible Conference. Through this conference, I received the word of God, Luke 23:34. "Jesus said, 'Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they doing.'" Jesus' prayer on the cross for his enemies moved me a lot. It made me struggle to forgive Muslims. It was not easy for me to forgive them because of their bad deeds against us. However, through Bible study, God healed my unforgiving heart and gave me a loving and shepherd heart toward Muslims.

III. GOD BLESSED ME TO BE A MISSIONARY TO A.

In 1996, Shepherd Daniel Rhee vis-



ited Sudan. He gave us a prayer topic to send a missionary to the Middle East within 10 years. Since then we prayed with all our hearts though we wondered who would go. After some years from that time, Sudan UBF began to pray to send me as a missionary to A..

As a black African, I felt so helpless whenever I thought about going as a missionary to any nation where the majority of people had white or yellow skin. It was because many of them look at Africans and blacks with no respect. What made things worse was the racial discrimination that was happening daily in my own country between Arabs and Africans. If this could happen to me in my own country, how much more would it happen to me in a foreign land. Despite this fear, I obeyed the world mission command through missionary A. K.'s encouragement.

God answered our prayers and he sent me to E. as a PhD student missionary. When I went, I struggled to fix my eyes not on me, a poor, black African, but on Jesus and his authority which he gave me by faith. I walked on the campus like a lion inside an African jungle. Though some call me "Bonga bonga" which means "monkey," it does not scare or disappoint me. I reply to them with a big smile and a loving heart. God has been using my big smile and loving heart to give me friends among them. God blessed and encouraged me through good sheep. I no longer see myself as a helpless man, but as a strong man that God can use to conquer the world with the gospel. I found great joy to serve God in a foreign land and to be a self supporting missionary. In 2004, Shepherd Peter A. went to A. for brain treatments. His brother, shepherd Philip A. joined us to help take care of him. By God's providence, they joined with me in pioneering A. with the gospel.

That time God blessed us through two sheep from Cairo university, Nagm El-din and brother Fascola. In 2006 God blessed us

through an A. sheep named Mamdouh. We prayed for him to be chosen as Abraham of faith for A. campus mission. In 2007 Nagm EL-din, Fascola, Mamdouh and I were privileged to attend the 2007 Inter-African Bible Conference held in Kenya. After the Inter-African Bible Conference, we had the 2007 Disciple Conference in A.. Through this conference we raised Mamdouh, Nagm El-din and Fascola as disciples of Jesus.

We had the 2010 Summer Bible Conference last July. Twenty A. sheep attended the conference. We continually pray for raising an ancestor of faith among them. We pray that A. may be a Kingdom of Priests and a Holy Nation. Amen!

One word, "God has changed a useless sinner into a shepherd for Muslim sheep."





A KERNEL OF WHEAT

Jesus said, "I tell you the truth, unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds." (John 12:24)

Jesus came into this world as a kernel of wheat that fell to the ground and died. Jesus completely sacrificed his life on the cross for God's mission. By this Jesus overcame the power of sin and death, giving us eternal life. When we follow the footsteps of Jesus, we too become like a kernel of wheat, and participate effectively in God's world salvation work.

PART 1: EXEMPLARY KERNELS OF WHEAT IN UGANDA UBF

Uganda UBF missionaries and shepherds are like a kernel of wheat. The first kernel of wheat is Dr. Samuel Yoo. He arrived in Uganda in June 1992. He gave up a renowned professorship in Korea to come to Uganda as a missionary. His wife Mary Yoo and their 3 children joined him in February 1993. At the time Uganda was still recovering from decades of civil war. Some parts of the country were still insecure and living amenities were poor. About 12 million people lived on less than one US dollar a day; and HIV/AIDS prevalence was almost 30%. While at-



tending to patients in Mulago hospital, Dr. Yoo got pricked by procedure needles from HIV positive patients and as a result he had to take HIV tests several times! He contracted tuberculosis from the patients he was taking care of and became as slim like a dry reed. Surely, at that moment, he could have gone back to Korea. But he chose to live as a kernel of wheat in Uganda.

Dr. Yoo handed over the directorship of Uganda UBF to his junior fellow, Dr. Luke Lim. In 2005, Dr. Yoo began pioneering yet another campus; Kyambogo University. Even without a formal job, Dr. Yoo faithfully fed sheep through 1:1 Bible studies, Sunday service messages and group Bible studies. Dr. Yoo lived a sacrificial life in many ways. As a result, God has blessed Uganda UBF ministry abundantly.

First of all, God sent more missionary families to Uganda. Dr. Luke Lim and his wife Dr. Rebecca Lim came to Uganda in 2000. As a professor of pediatrics, he could have enjoyed a more comfortable and wealthy life there. But he chose to be a kernel of wheat in Uganda. Amazingly, Dr. Joseph and M. Esther Chung arrived in Kampala in December 2009 as silver missionaries. Instead of enjoying the fruit of their labor in the USA, they chose to continue God's work in Uganda. Since Dr. Chung's family moved to Uganda, the SWS at-

tendants have increased to about 60.

God also raised Ugandan shepherds who in turn raised another Ugandan shepherds. For example, God used Sh. Julius to raise Allan; Sh. Patrick to raise Moses and Timothy; Sh. Margaret to raise Rachel; Sh. Allan to raise Albert, Ambrose and John Bosco. This is an historical event in African UBF pioneering ministry. The other shepherds are Kennedy, Specky, Lee Okuga, John, Sarah, Viviene, Beatrice, Angelo and Kenneth. Through this, we see his vision that God is making Africa a shepherd continent.

God also established five house churches: Patrick and Lillian, Julius and Beatrice, Steven and Margaret, Kennedy and Viviene, Allan and Klaire. Most of all, God sent missionaries from Uganda. Missionary Betty Kaulinge went out to establish the first house church with Sh. Victor Abraham in Namibia. She was the first missionary from Uganda UBF. God has opened the doors for Dr. Abraham Omoding to go to University





of Washington in Seattle, and Sh. Allan and Julius to Sweden to serve as short term missionaries, while pursuing their Ph.D. studies.

Finally, God established Bethesda Mission Clinic (BMC) in 2000. BMC is a unique work of Uganda UBF healing mission. Through this, Uganda UBF has supported to Uganda Medical Camp, where UBF doctors came from Korea, Germany, and US every January to serve poor rural communities for one or two weeks.

PART 2: I TOO WANT TO BE A KERNEL OF WHEAT

I am the 20th out of 21 children of my polygamous father who took pride as the first Christian in our village. I grew up in the tense atmosphere of our home as our mothers quarreled, competing for our father's love. I became selfish, quarrelsome, abusive and arrogant. All I knew about the Christian faith was Easter and Christmas because these were the only days I went to church and had an opportunity to

get new clothes and eat delicious food. Therefore, I longed for them with the wrong reason. In my high school and early college days, I became a drunkard and secularist; looking for money in many ways especially by aiding women to commit abortions. I lived only for myself without purpose. I was so miserable and lost.

During my medical college I met a Korean missionary who influenced my life more than any other, not even my father. He was Dr. Samuel Yoo, who was my lecturer at medical school. He also became my mentor and friend, but above all, my Bible teacher and spiritual father. He has fed me with the life giving and life changing word of God. My heart melted as I learned many lessons from the Bible and from his personal life, especially sacrificial commitment in serving God and others. I learned of Jesus, the kernel of wheat, who sacrificed all for me to have eternal life.

I was drawn by the word of God also to live as a small kernel of wheat through sacrificial serving in campus ministry. I accepted the great commission through Mt 28:19, "Therefore go

and make disciples of all nations..." I became a campus shepherd in Makerere and started to pioneer Mbarara University in West Uganda in the course of my residency training. I have had the most meaningful, joyful and purpose driven life. God blessed me with a co-worker, Sister Connie and two daughters, and we joyfully served God at Makerere UBF. I pray to be a kernel of wheat to fully pioneer Mbarara University after my Research fellowship.

God has granted me the opportunity to come and stay in Seattle, WA for 1 year, not only as a research scholar in the medicine of oncology, but also as of first importance to obey the great commission as a witness of Jesus Christ. I pray to co-work with Msn Phillip Won and Abraham Song in shepherding UW campus students. In conclusion, I want to be a kernel of wheat, having faith in God, and following the footsteps of Jesus. One word: Be a kernel of wheat like Jesus.



By Peter Park



FROM A WANDERER TO A LIGHT FOR THE GENTILES

"I will also make you a light for the Gentiles, that you may bring my salvation to the ends of the earth." Isaiah 49:6b

I. A RESTLESS WANDERER

I was born in 1963 as the first-born son. I was a country boy who studied well. My father sent me to Seoul for high school but I was not so successful. So I went home to be a farmer. A farmer's life was harder for me. So I went back to Seoul and entered Kyunggi University. I stayed there for six months and then dropped out. The following year I entered Kukmin University to study Political Science and barely finished freshman year. Again I left Seoul this time to be a real farmer. But soon I went back to Seoul to start school again. While I was wandering here and there, I went to Buddhist temples to seek peace, meaning and direction in life. I tried mind-control, Judo and speed reading. But nothing solved the inner emptiness I felt. Then I met a UBF shepherd on the campus. Through one to one Bible study I met Jesus personally and confessed my sins. The word of God changed me and brought God's salvation into my life. Jesus said, "Put out into deep water, and let down the nets for a catch." This verse helped me to invest my whole life to know Jesus and to accept his mission for my life. I also concluded that I must live for God's purpose. God called me as a light for the Gentiles and a Bible teacher for Nigeria.

II. A LIGHT FOR THE GENTILES

I came to Nigeria in 1990. At that time Nigeria was like Korea in the 60's and 70's. Traffic jams were serious due to few bridges and so many imported European junk cars. The road was dirty and smelly everywhere. It was hot and

there were no traffic laws. I struggled to adjust myself to a new language, culture and life pattern.

Each day after my embassy work, I visited the campus and came back home very late at night. For 3 years we held Sunday worship in a rented lecture room. In May 1993, we found a Bible House near the campus. We held worship and Bible study downstairs, while 5 brothers lived upstairs. In January 1994, Msns. Andrew and Rebecca Yoon joined our ministry. Nigerian ministry grew gradually. Still, we could not take care of many

sheep since we lived far from the Bible house. So I decided to resign my embassy job and move near the campus. Since Feb. 1996 we have lived in the present Center for 15 years. Also in Feb. 1996, the families of Msn. Timothy Lee and Mark Hwang joined our ministry through embassy jobs. All our missionaries had sheep and offered the hearts for Bible studies and fellowship meetings. We had morning devotion absolutely. About 15 to 20 brother disciples lived in an apartment together. Many brothers and sisters had Bible study regularly.



One disciple, Samuel, came from Ghana to Nigeria to avoid the police due to his drug business. Despite my poor English, he accepted campus mission and raised 5 disciples: Abraham, Barnabas, Valentine, Remi, and Jonathan. By his good influence in the shepherd's apartment, junior brothers grew as leaders. He had a strong sense of management and leadership. But in 2001, due to his marriage problem and unrepentant heart, he left the ministry. My heart broke at the time.

Then Shp. Abraham Omotunde became an ancestor of our ministry. He grew up in a polygamous Muslim family. He joined our ministry from his freshman year. After meeting Jesus, he became faithful to God's work. He established the first house church with Shps. Elizabeth. He has led Young Lion Fellowship and raised Msn. Aquila Tunde, who is now in Washington D.C. UBF, and also Joshua, Olumide, Thompson and Onyinye as Bible teachers.

Shp. James Odejimi majored in Chemistry and raised 3 disciples: Gbenga, Ibukun, and Gabriel. He understood the Bible very well and taught others. He established a family with Shps. Ronke. They pioneered a Medical School. Shp. Victor Olusegun was a faithful worker who raised Ben and Sebastine. This past May, he joined Shippensburg UBF in the USA. Shp. Seun has led Disciples Fellowship and has taken care of Tunde, Busola, and Wale. He married Shps. Kemi. Shp. Fato took care of Franklin and Oladayo, and married Shps. Aderonke.

God used our various conferences to raise disciples of Jesus by training them as messengers, Bible teachers and testimony sharers. The year of 1999 was a historical year in our ministry. God fulfilled our prayer topic for raising 120 Sunday attendants. God answered our prayers for house churches. Abraham, Seun, and Fato families are co-working with me. Msns. Andrew Yoon and Timothy Lee's families pioneered Yaba

Tech in 2000. Shp. Barnabas and Chiaka family pioneered Ghana in 2005 as the first pioneers by our leaders. This past April, James and Ronke's family and co-workers pioneered the medical campus, LUTH. We pray that God may use our ministry like the Antioch church, as a power station for 156 Nigerian campuses and 12 West Africa countries by our leaders. Our three chapters now have about 100 Sunday worshipers. We praise God for his work in Nigeria.

After resigning from my embassy job, I struggled to support my family through various jobs. I'm still looking for a proper business. After the Yaba Tech missionaries went out to pioneer, my family had to manage our ministry alone. Sometimes we suffered without proper meals. We visited our children's school several times to beg for discounting their tuition. Sometimes we received others' support. I was drained spiritually and emotionally. My wife Monica became nervous, sensitive and depressed regarding co-working, material problems, and raising disciples. She struggled to raise our 3 children. We did our best to sacrifice financially for God's work even when we did not have money for our children's tuition, food, water or electricity. We were constantly in danger from armed robbers and other inconveniences. Also, we lived in the center with brothers or sisters constantly coming and going with different problems. We often faced our human limitations. In time of need, Korean UBF supported us in many ways. We are so much indebted that they have supported us both spiritually and financially.

However, God has blessed our persistent Bible study as a fundamental power source to overcome many hardships and keep our ministry growing. God has molded our humble family through various trainings and incidents for his world salvation work for the last 20 years. In the course of doing God's work, my wife's role was so great. From the beginning, she has never failed to bring at least one sheep to our SWS. She is absolutely a

mission-centered woman. She is also a heroine of faith. Above all, she is a courageous woman of God. One night five robbers entered my house asking money. I was looking for money, but my wife did not give any money. Instead, she gave the Bible. Then, they did not request money anymore and locked us in a bathroom and ran away.

III. BACK TO THE BIBLE

I want to say a few words about Dr. Samuel Lee's influence on my life and ministry. I went to Chicago in 1991 to join the MSU Conference. I met Dr. Samuel Lee at his office face to face. He asked me what the key verse of my missionary life is. I said it was Acts 20:24. He said, "It is good. Give your whole life to complete the task the Lord Jesus has given you." Then he prayed for me and our ministry. He supported us both spiritually and materially. He cared for me even after I returned to Nigeria by sending messages and letters. He also sent American shepherds to support our conferences. During missionary conferences he said the best way to live as a servant of God is to have deep Bible Study and to read the Bible. I understand that when he confronted challenges, he studied the Bible and wrote new messages. His secret to a fruitful and influential life of faith was to read the Bible and have deep Bible study, depending on the power of God's word. I heard he bought a new Bible every year to read the whole Bible. In brief, his spiritual legacy, "Go back to the Bible," is a secret of the growth of our ministry. On the basis of this legacy, we will study the Bible absolutely and be fruitful and influential in our generation. Thank and praise God who used Dr. Lee very precious and gave us the great spiritual legacy to depend on the power of God's word. Thank and praise and glory to God for all he has done in and through us for his salvation work in Nigeria.

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