

David S. C. Kim and Dennis and Doris Orme visit Ireland

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David S. C. Kim in Ireland

"The highlight of all our experiences was undoubtedly the lightning visit of Mr. David Kim and Mr. and Dr. Dennis Orme," writes June Perrin, national leader of the Irish Unified Family.

"We have a spiritual banquet Of love and wisdom alone when we are blessed with a visit by Dr. and Mrs. Orme, so to have them accompanied by Mr. Kim as well was overwhelming.

"All the Irish members gathered in Dublin for their visit, and were deeply moved and inspired by their great love and intimate concern, especially Mr. Kim's sacrifice of not attending the kick-off banquet for the Day of Hope in New York in order to be with us. Mr. Kim is like a jewel, brilliant and sparkling with crystal clarity, yet emanating a paternal warmth of love and concern, and deep, compassionate understanding that melts everyone's heart.

"We had a wonderful evening," June continued. "Everyone shared their talents, interspersed with words of encouragement and enlightenment pouring forth in an eager torrent from Mr. Kim. He gave each member such love from our Father that the evening closed with each one glowing, believing that they were the most precious, beloved child of our Father.

"He stressed the importance of the time we are in, and how fortunate we are to be young at this time. We must constantly center all our actions with love and respect on our Heavenly Father and really love one another as brothers and sisters. We should develop parental feelings for spiritual children.

We are custodians of the creation, since it is God's, so we must fulfill our responsibility of caring for the creation. Mr. Kim urged us no matter how difficult the going might be, to stay with the 'express train,' to share our difficulties and problems with the 'conductor,' and not jump off and get left behind. He encouraged us to feel so zealous that we don't even think of sleep, but of first fulfilling all our responsibilities and duties."

During their visit, three people who had been studying the Divine Principle dedicated themselves to serving the Lord, to the building of God's kingdom on this earth. Several others have recently joined, including two nuns, Eleanor O'Rahilly, who last year left the convent after eight years, and Mary Fitzgerald, who has been waiting for a dispensation from her Mother Superior.

A few clerical students and a very good-hearted missionary priest are also interested. People in Ireland really desire a deep, personal relationship with God, according to June. They are hungry for genuine, concerned love, so when they hear the Divine Principle and experience the warmth of Father's love in the family they don't want to leave.