

# Amazing Lecture at the Faculty of Theology

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To present the teachings and life course of Rev. Moon to any audience is a challenge. The challenge is even greater if the listeners are students of theology! This was the case in Bratislava on March 24, 2015. The Department of Contextual Theology offers lectures about the world's religions.

Every year in spring one university lecturer is inviting our movement to present itself to her students. The first two years we focused on the Divine Principle and the Blessing, this year above all our founder should be introduced to the class.

Thanks to the rich material available and the autobiography we were confident to present True Father in the most professional and dignified manner. For the PowerPoint presentation we took pains to select pictures and facts which

appeal to non-members. Searching for photographs we considered what is most suitable for a Christians audience? How would they view a new messianic figure? Whether blessing events or the early church life – not all pictures are suited the same.

Milos Klas was supported by his wife Barbara and our elder sister Dorota Simekova. In the class room 25 young people faced us with friendly but reserved spirit. They had heard some basics by docent Dr. Monika Zavis. After a while they were captivated by the manifold aspects and activities of Rev. Moon. To remove any doubt about the mission of True Father they heard an outline of the Parallels of History. Milos Klas emphasized that the Second Coming should have happened between 1917-1930 – and it did so. One student wanted to know how Jesus and Rev. Moon cooperate, what is the difference? He did not oppose our explanation.

We were given 90 minutes, which passed all too quickly. At the end Dr. Monika Zavis expressed much joy and satisfaction. She said that looking around she could see that "they were truly listening and not just sitting there passively". At the end every student received the Slovak autobiography which is given the title "In Search of the lost Peace". Now we hope and pray that the students keep our encounter in fondest memory and carefully read the book! Based on our experiences during the last three years, we can recommend you to approach teachers and students of religious history because they are more open and even obliged to study new religious movements. Many theological faculties have a department of Religious studies.

