Interviews of FFWPU President Kyeung-Seuk Lu in the First Sunhak Peace Prize

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[Joongang Ilbo] The Sunhak Peace Prize will be given to those who have prepared for the future of humankind - FFWPU Korean President Kyeung-Seuk Lu - Award Ceremony of the First Sunhak Peace Prize to be Held on August 28

"Those who have prepared for the future of humankind, rather than the past or present, will be selected as the laureates of the Sunhak Peace Prize."

On August 25, FFWPU (Unification Church) Korean President Kyeung-Seuk Lu held a press conference at the Taepyeong-ro Press Center in Seoul, and revealed that they will be holding the "Third Seonghwa Memorial of Rev. Sun Myung Moon" as a large-scale event.

The FFWPU will be holding twenty-five commemorative events including the Third Seonghwa Memorial, which is scheduled to take place on August 30 at the Cheongshim Peace World Center in Gapyeon-gun Gyeonggi-do with more than 30,000 participants, including current and former heads of state. President Lu explained, "This year is significant because we have approached the third year. The number "three" carries a very important meaning within the FFWPU community. This is because all beings reach stability and perfection by achieving the number three." He continued, "Concerning the Unification Church after Rev. Sun Myung Moon," he said, "The Unification Church has accomplished stability centering on Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon (Rev. Sun Myung Moon's wife)."

As part of the memorial events, the Award Ceremony of the "First Sunhak Peace Prize" will be held on August 28. Rev. Lu revealed, "The first laureates are President Anote Tong of Kiribati, who has catalyzed the international response to climate change, and Dr. Modadugu Vijay Gupta, an Indian fisheries scientist who has taken the initiative in solving the world food crisis." Each of the laureates will be awarded a monetary prize of \$500,000.

Meanwhile, the "International Highway Project" event which aims to connect all continents in unity is also taking place. The "PEACE ROAD 2015 Global Journey" which started simultaneously in the United States, Africa, Chile, etc., on May 30, will be concluding on August 27, as the participants arrive at Gwanghwamun Square in Seoul and the National Assembly in Yeouido

[DongA Ilbo] Laureates of the First Sunhak Peace Prize, President Anote Tong and Dr. Modadugu Vijay Gupta - Prize of \$1,000,000 will be shared ... The Third Seonghwa Memorial of Rev. Sun Myung Moon on August 30

On August 30, 9 AM, the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification (FFWPU) will be holding

the Third Seonghwa Memorial of its late founder Rev. Sun Myung Moon at the Cheongshim Peace World Center in Gapyeong-gun Gyeonggi-do. More than 30,000 participants from Korea and abroad, including Rev. Moon's wife Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon, are expected to attend.

Prior to this, FFWPU will hold the Award Ceremony of the First Sunhak Peace Prize on August 28 from 10 AM at the Grand Continental Hotel in Gangnam-gu, Seoul. President Anote Tong of Kiribati, a South Pacific island nation, who has made efforts to prevent climate change and Dr. Modadugu Vijay Gupta, an Indian biologist who has achieved remarkable innovative progress in the field of aquatic farming, have been selected as dual laureates. The accompanying monetary award constitutes \$1,000,000 (approximately 1,195,000,000 won)

[Maeil Business] FFWPU Korean President Kyeung-Seuk Lu: 'We must become a religion accepted by the local community' - Completion of Canon Law and Three Great Scripture on the Occasion of the Third Seonghwa Memorial of Rev. Sun Myung Moon



"If the founder's revelation was emphasized in the early days, from now on, we must become a religion that is accepted and wanted by the local community. We will become a religion that can benefit the nation and a religion that is needed by the people."

Prior to the Third Seonghwa (ascension) Memorial of Rev. Sun Myung Moon, late founder of Family Federation for World Peace and Unification (FFWPU) scheduled to be held on August 30, FFWPU Korean President Kyeung-Seuk Lu (52) explained, "For the past three years, FFWPU has focused on building a foundation to carry out activities as a religious organization."

On August 25, President Lu held a press conference at the Korea Press Center in Jung-gu, Seoul and revealed, "There are more than 1,000 books on the FFWPU. We have compiled them into three scriptures, established the Cheon Il Guk Constitution (Canon Law) and composed an administrative organization called the Supreme Council."

This is to declare that the FFWPU, which expands globally to 194 nations throughout the world, shall transform its structure centered on Rev. Moon's wife Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon. He specifically emphasized to communicate with society centering on the family and the community.

The FFWPU faces the fact that humanity's greatest happiness lies in the family and exemplifies this point in a practical manner. We will provide a solution to the Korean families who are facing a crisis today.

President Lu is a FFWPU second generation member who was born in a family joined together through the Holy Marriage Blessing hosted by Rev. Sun Myung Moon and Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon. He is the first

second generation member to be Korean President, a position symbolizing a significant landmark in the FFWPU.

The FFWPU operates 231 churches throughout Korea, and the estimated number of members in Korea comes to about 300,000. According to FFWPU, there are 3,000,000 members throughout the world, with the number increasing by 5-6% every year.

Various events will be held on the Third Seonghwa Memorial. Among them, the most spectacular event is the Sunhak Peace Prize caremony, during which its first selected dual laureates will be awarded this year.

[The Korea Economic Daily] FFWPU Korean President Kyeung-Seuk Lu: 'We focused on the future on selecting the laureates of the Sunhak Peace Prize' - FFWPU Korean President Kyeung-Seuk Lu Commemorates the Third Seonghwa Memorial of Rev. Sun Myung Moon President Anote Tong and Dr. Modadugu Vijay Gupta Win the Sunhak Peace Prize

"In comparison with existing peace prizes, which select those who have contributed to peace in the past as their laureates, the Sunhak Peace Prize intends to focus on the 'peace of the future.' This is the reason why we have selected President Tong and Dr. Gupta, who have taken initiatives in combating climate change and curtailing the food crisis, as the laureates."

Kyeung-Seuk Lu, the Korean President of Family Federation for World Peace and Unification (FFWPU, Unification Church) stated as above at a press conference held on August 25 in Taepyeong-ro, Seoul. The FFWPU has selected President Anote Tong of Kiribati, a small island nation in the South Pacific and Dr. Modadugu Vijay Gupta, an Indian biologist, as laureates of the First Sunhak Peace Prize.

The Sunhak Peace Prize established by FFWPU, advocating as a "Korean Nobel Peace Prize," is a prize given to individuals or groups who have contributed significantly to the peace and welfare of future generations. They picked out the middle Chinese characters from the names of Rev. Sun Myung Moon and Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon. The laureates will be awarded a monetary prize of \$1,000,000 (approximately 1,100,000,000 won), which is by far the largest amount given with a single peace award. Starting from this year, Sunhak Peace Prize laureates will be selected every year.

President Lu explained, "President Anote Tong of the Republic of Kiribati, an island nation facing the crisis of being submerged by the ocean due to global warming, was recognized his effort to steer global awareness toward the seriousness of climate change, as well as his active role in seeking a solution to it." As for Dr. Gupta, he explained, "He has led the 'Blue Revolution' by developing aquaculture technologies as a solution to future food crises since the 1960s. He is a 'Blue Clergy' who has encouraged self-reliance for extremely poor people throughout Southeast Asia and Africa through his aquaculture methods."

[Herald Biz] FFWPU has Established the Sunhak Peace Prize on the Third Seonghwa Memorial of Rev. Sun Myung Moon



"This year, which marks the Third Anniversary of Rev. Sun Myung Moon's Seonghwa, bears a meaning of achievement. Therefore, we will be holding various global-scale events with members throughout the world"

On August 25, FFWPU Korean President Kyeung-Seuk Lu held a press conference at a press center in Seoul on the theme of the Third Seonghwa Memorial of Rev. Sun Myung Moon (July 17 by lunar calendar), and revealed that they will be holding a memorial event on August 30 at the Cheongshim Peace World Center in Gapyeon-gun, Gyeonggi-do, with more than 30,000 participants, including prominent figures from Korea and abroad.

The establishment of the "First Sunhak Peace Prize" added greater meaning to the Third Anniversary Memorial. The Award Ceremony will be held on August 28, with its first laureates President Anote Tong of Kiribati and Dr. Modadugu Vijay Gupta of India. Simultaneously, "World Summit 2015" (August 27 – 30) will be held under the themes of peace, security, environment, education and development with leaders from all parts of the world. Also, the "PEACE ROAD 2015 Global Journey," which began in the United States, Africa, Chile, etc., on May 30, will be concluding on August 27 at Gwanghwamun Square in Seoul and the National Assembly in Yeouido.

Along with these events, they will also hold other events including "Rev. Sun Myung Moon International Academic Conference," "World Assembly of FFWPU Youth and College Students," "World Peace Martial Arts Festival" and "Exhibition Celebrating the Life Accomplishments of Rev. Sun Myung Moon in the Providence of Japan."

President Lu explained that for the last three years, "Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon has quietly and gently led FFWPU toward harmony and balance," and that the "FFWPU is making efforts to become a religion that is needed by the local community."