

Rev. Moon's name is a household word to the Mennonite community in Paraguay

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Museum of the Mennonite Community in Paraguay

One of our friends has done very effective work in the Mennonite community in which she has grown up, gaining the positive support of her parents, three of her sisters, and many of her friends. Her work has caused Reverend Moon's name to be a household word among the 25,000-member Mennonite community here in Paraguay. Even the schoolchildren have been talking about us. On the other side, there is much negativity being spread among them because of their rigid fundamentalist beliefs. However, at the same time, many of the young people, who are more liberal minded, are actively and sincerely studying the Divine Principle.

I cannot say that we have made substantial progress to solve any national problems. In terms of the problem of morality, which is the internal cause of all of the problems, our daily work of witnessing and teaching the Divine Principle is laying the foundation for future solutions. I will be speaking to a group of 50 high school students tomorrow, and we expect that many similar opportunities will soon be opening up.

One new member moved in this month. Her name means "console," and we expect that she will do much to console the hearts of our fallen brothers and sisters and bring them closer to God. She and her family came to Paraguay about one year ago from Spain. Her parents own a restaurant and a private beach on Lake Ipacaraf. We may be able to use this property for workshops.

Growth always causes change, and some internal struggles, but through constant prayer and deep unity, we are in strong spirit and optimistic. I must learn to become a better father to the members, to become more loving and more constant. We are helping each other in a healthy united manner, and we feel God's help continually.