

FFWPU USA Next Gen Mission Weekly Newsletter

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Hope all mothers had a wonderful Mother's Day yesterday, we are grateful for all that you have done and continue to do!

Next Gen Mission's Korea trip is wrapping up, and it's been a blast. We hope you check out these blogs written by our fellow missionaries!

Blog — Mission

Keep up with what the NGM missionaries are up to in more depth here.

<https://www.nextgenmission.us/blog>



Along with the joyful experiences, many missionaries have also had deep, meaningful realizations as the program explores the movement's spiritual roots and history. We hope to share some of them in the next newsletter!

Announcements

Project Orenda registration is open! It is only happening in the Midwest, with priority given to participants of the Midwest region. If you or someone you know is between the ages of 14 and 22 and wants to spend some time connecting with God out in nature and with friends, this is for you!

Midwest Orenda 2026

Midwest Orenda is a regional workshop for high school participants. Our mission as Midwest Orenda is to provide an environment to support young unificationists in their personal identity with God while creating authentic relationships with their brothers and sisters. The Midwest Orenda consists of workshops, fundraising, travel, sightseeing, and experiences in nature.

<https://hsa.regfox.com/midwest-orenda-2026>



And, regular applications are open!



Next Gen Mission Promo 2025

MISSION APPLICATIONS ARE OPEN
FOR THE 2026-2027 YEAR

→ [nextgenmission.us/apply](https://www.nextgenmission.us/apply)

Start your application — Mission

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The graphic features a blue circular background on the left with the text "MISSION APPLICATIONS ARE OPEN FOR THE 2026-2027 YEAR" and a link "nextgenmission.us/apply". On the right, a group of six young people are posing on a grassy hillside. Below the graphic, the text "Start your application — Mission" is bolded and underlined, followed by a note that it takes about 2 weeks to complete the application and another link to the application page.

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This has been the Next Gen Mission Newsletter.

Thank you for reading, and see you next week.

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MAY 9, 2026: PILGRIMAGE TO BEOMILDONG HISTORICAL CHURCH AND BUSAN CHURCH HEADQUARTERS



WRITTEN BY: STANISLAV IVANENKO

"On May 9, 2026, the NGM missionaries completed one of their final days of the Korea pilgrimage, before entering the upcoming workshop to prepare for returning to their respective communities in the United States. The day became an opportunity not only to reflect on the roots of the movement, but also to consider the direction each missionary hopes to take moving forward."

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MAY 8, 2026: TRAVELING TO BUSAN AND VISITING THE YAMOK CHURCH



WRITTEN BY: SOOAH LEE

"On May 8th, 2026, the missionaries had a long day of travel to Busan. They got the opportunity to visit Yamok Church, one of the first places True Parents gathered with their members. This day was filled with opportunities to connect to the Unification Church's roots and also reflect and bond with others on the long drive to Busan!"

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MAY 7, 2026: EXPLORING CHEONGPYEONG



WRITTEN BY: MI HYE BAKLANOV

"On May 7, 2026, the Next Gen Mission missionaries had their first opportunity to explore Cheongpyeong independently. This allowed them to deepen their relationship with our Heavenly Parent and have the utmost gratitude for the beautiful nature and work of True Parent. Every missionary today visited different parts of Cheongpyeong, and overall, they felt grateful for this time, especially with the busy schedule they had since their arrival!"

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MAY 6, 2026: FINAL DAY OF THE ROOTED WORKSHOP



Written by: Kenko Morikawa

"On May 6, 2026, the missionaries, alongside participants of the Rooted Workshop, had a full day of adventure and reflection, as today was the last day of the Rooted Workshop. The day was filled with fun activities, with some powerful testimonies given by some of the participants to be able to offer this workshop up."

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MAY 5, 2026: PILGRIMAGE TO PAJU WONJEON, THE DEMILITARIZED ZONE, AND KOREAN WAR MEMORIAL



Written by: Stanislav Ivanenko

"On May 5, 2026, the NGM missionaries continued into their second full day of the Rooted Workshop pilgrimage in Korea. The day began with a bus ride to Paju Wonjeon, where members of the True Family are laid to rest. Along the way, the group engaged in Hoon Dok Hae, receiving background on the lives and sacrifices of those they were about to visit. Upon arrival, a short guidance given by Junta Naito, helped prepare their hearts before entering the grounds."

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MAY 4, 2026: HYOJEONG BLESSING WORKSHOP



Written by: SooAh Lee

"On May 4th, 2026, the NGM missionaries had another long day full of guidances about the Blessing, at the CheongAh Youth Camp (CYC). While they didn't move as much physically, they were spiritually moved by the Blessing content they received from the Blessing and Family Ministry Team (BFM)."

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MAY 3, 2026: THE HIGHER GROUND TOUR



Written by: Mi Hye Baklanov

"On May 3, 2026, the Next Gen missionaries had a busy schedule packed with the Higher Ground Sunday Service, plus studying the meaning behind the Blessing through guidances and discussions. To begin their day, Bishop Abram Dixon and Bishop Ron Shelley led us in 'Words and Worship.' It was truly an inspiring experience mixed with the words of God and praises to our Heavenly Parent!"

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MAY 2, 2026: THE DAY OF THE BLESSING



Written by: Kenko Morikawa

"On May 2, 2026, the Next Gen Mission missionaries had an opportunity to attend the HyoJeong Cheonju Blessing Ceremony. This day commemorates the celebration of the 66th anniversary of the Holy Wedding for the movement and holds a very special memory in some people's hearts, as it was some people's first time attending the Blessing!"

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MAY 1, 2026: ROOTED WORKSHOP KICKS OFF WITH A VISIT TO SEODAEMUN PRISON AND CHEONGPA-DONG CHURCH



Written by: Stanislav Ivanenko



"On May 1, 2026, the Next Gen Mission (NGM) missionaries stepped into their first full day of the Rooted Workshop in Korea. After arriving the day before and receiving an orientation on prayer, resonance, and the significance of CheongPyeong, the group woke up ready to begin their pilgrimage."

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APRIL 29, 2026

Written by: Hosanna Nitro

"...They traveled to the HJ Heaven and Earth CheonBo Training Center, where they stayed the night—only to go back to the airport the next morning. With a two-hour flight later, the missionaries landed in Japan!"

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