

Kwon In Seong leads the First Wongu Peace Cup CARP Festival

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Mr. Kwon In Seong, president of CARP—Korea, gives the opening address for the Wongu Peace Cup CARP Festival

An uplifting cultural event for the members of the Collegiate Association for the Research of Principles (CARP) was held at the Sun Moon University on November 10, 2013 and named: “The First Wongu Peace Cup CARP Festival.” The festival, hosted by CARP—Korea, was funded by the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification (FFWPU)-Korea, Youth Federation for World Peace (YFWP), Sun Moon University and the Ilhwa Corporation. A total of 402 people participated in this event including leaders of the CARP centers and college students all around Korea.



Participants of the “First Wongu Peace Cup CARP Festival” at Sun Moon University in Korea spell out the name CARP (Collegiate Association for the Research of Principles.)

The event began with a National CARP Worship Service at the Chapel in Sun Moon University led by Rev. Gi Seong Lee, vice president of FFWPU—Korea. During his sermon, Rev. Lee encouraged participants to make outreach efforts.

After worship, the opening ceremony for the cultural festival was led by Mr. In Seong Kwon, president of CARP—Korea. His address included a message to participants asking them to continue to drive forward for True Parents.

The CARP Festival included a variety of programs such as, team work games, group dancing, soccer, basketball, kickball, dodge ball, mission relay and tug-of-war. Also, Sun Moon University students

prepared traditional games and food so everyone, including those not competing in the matches, was able to enjoy the festival.



Rev. Gi Seong Lee gives a sermon during worship service.

Through the festival, participants were able to make a new determination to inherit True Parents' legacy and move forward with a healthy body and a healthy mind.



Participants warm up before the matches by dancing.

One of the organizers, Mr. Man Ho Woo, explained that the event was held to uplift CARP members who are worn-out from continuous outreach efforts. They advertised the event at key campuses. “We put posters on the campuses that are considered key campuses. CARP members brought guests to the event. We were able to show the guests that we have a big, active community all across Korea. Because of the care given by spiritual parents, spiritual children were able to participate and enjoy themselves fully.

Mr. Woo added, “There are a lot of workshops we provide for college students such as, one-day and three-day workshops for outreach, workshops for core-CARP members (Divine Principle workshops, National Student Assembly, etc.), but college is a place for cultivating culture and the students are the people who lead that culture. It is my belief that these kinds of cultural events will help the students use their talents and establish good relationships with each other, more so than they could through a one-way lecture-style workshop. Most especially, through this type of cultural event, we can take the burden of mission work off our shoulders for a while and just have some much needed fun.” He also shared the vision for CARP going forward: “Currently in Korea, we merged CARP with the youth department. Now it is called the Youth-Student Department. Our plan is not just to make outreach efforts on campuses but to also help the church revive by raising and helping youth plant a church.”



Ms. So Eun Kim and Mr. In Gil Kim, members of CARP Korea, take the sportsmanship pledge on behalf of all the participants.



Mr. Sang Jin Oh serves as emcee for the Wongu Peace Cup CARP Festival



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CARP members play soccer during the festival.