



The First European Young Leaders' Conference 2011

Young Leaders Transforming the World

“In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams.” Acts 1:17

“But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.” 1 Peter 2:9

The first European Young Leaders' Conference 2011 was held from July 29 – August 3 in the medieval city Gemuend located in the heart of Eifel in Germany. A total of 113 delegates from 20 different countries worldwide, 11 in Europe (Germany, France, England, Switzerland, Austria, Greece, Hungary, Sweden, Portugal, Czech Republic, and Romania) and 9 from other continents (Uganda, Brazil, USA, Canada, Qatar, Russia, Belarus, Mexico, Korea) gathered together at this conference. We had originally prayed for 80 attendees, but God blessed us with more than we expected.

EYLC 2011 was the very first conference, which took place right after the 50th Anniversary Celebration in Korea. At the Missionary, Shepherds' Seminar in Korea, Dr. Peter Chang had led a track session on Empowering the Next Generation and this conference was the first step to fulfilling God's vision on UBF's next generation.

The main focus of the conference was the inductive Genesis Bible study. The EYLC 2011 aimed at raising Genesis Bible teachers who will restore this postmodern generation to the truth of God's



word. Providing the environment for deeper fellowship amongst young leaders, we sought to build a strong spiritual network worldwide. The philosophy of YLC is "Unity, Distinction, Diversity." Through the conference, regardless of the generation, all the attendees were able to develop a strong sense of family under the roof of UBF and build up the next generation leaders together practically helping them find positions within the ministry and spiritually renewing their identity as a people chosen by God only by his grace.

First, Messengers' Training Camp



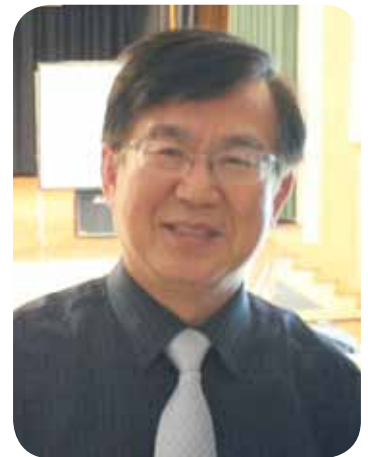
YLC messengers' training camp cut the starting line of the YLC marathon. It was held from July 26-28 in Bonn UBF Center under the mentorship of Dr. John Jun and Dr. Peter Chang. Dr. John Jun started the messenger train-

ing on the day he arrived in Germany. He brought a luggage-full of Genesis Bible study materials was more than eager to bring the best out of them. As a result of his shepherding and dedication, all the messengers brilliantly delivered Genesis messages comparable to Young Billy Graham. Thanks to Dr. John Jun's messengers' training, we had never heard such heart-moving and spirited Genesis messages. We saw God's vision in them to be the world-transforming and dynamic next generation leaders of UBF.

Second, Opening Message, Introduction, and 7 Genesis Lectures

Soon the greatly expected first day of the conference arrived. The conference took off with the opening message of Dr. Peter Chang titled "Young

Leaders Transforming the World" based on Acts 2:17. He encouraged the young leaders in their teens and 20s to clothe themselves with the power of God's word and to see God's visions to be used as world transforming Genesis Bible teachers and global



leaders. Before the message, we watched a 10-minute video clip of history of Korea and the miracle of its highly accelerated growth in the last 60 years, which miraculously transformed the country from the ashes of the Korean war to a globally influential country today. At the root of this miraculous transformation stood the young Koreans who experienced power of His word and the Holy Spirit. We saw God's vision of achieving spiritual revival in Europe and in each continent through UBF's next generation. So the conference started with the prayer topics to experience the power of God's word, to have God's vision, and to be used by God as world transforming Bible teachers and young leaders.

Including the introduction to Genesis, a total of 8 messengers spoke at the conference:

First, Introduction to Genesis. Johannes Chang (Germany) delivered a presentation on the introduction to Genesis. This presentation was compact and well-organized to help Genesis Bible students lay a good foundation to learn creation faith and the faith of our spiritual forefathers. He shared a brief testimony about his decision of faith, not to only live as a medical doctor and a professor, but to be used as a global leader for the spiritual revival in Europe.

Second, Lecture 1: "It was very good" (Genesis 1-2). Petrus Chang (Germany) delivered the very first lecture titled "It was very good" based on Genesis chapters 1 and 2. He is currently pursuing his residency at the department of Ophthalmology at the

Bonn University Hospital. He boldly proclaimed the story of God's creation, the nature of man, and the mission given to man. In his message, he warned us of distorted truth about creation and widely spread lies of humanism in Europe. In his personal testimony, like his name "Petrus" says, he shared his decision of faith to be a rock of UBF world mission ministry in Europe.

Third, Lecture 2: "When God's love is doubted" (Genesis 3-10). Abraham Lee, who is working near President Obama in Washington, delivered the second lecture. The title of his message was "When God's love is doubted" which entailed the story of fallen man and God's love toward sinners in chapters 3-10. He delivered a message of God's absolute love and His salvation plan for the fallen man. He heart-movingly testified to God's saving love and we all shouted together "God is good, all the time!" "All the time, God is good!"

Fourth, Lecture 3: "God called Abram" (Genesis 12-14, 18-19). John Park of New Jersey UBF delivered the third lecture titled "God Called Abram." He is a recent graduate of NYU School of Business. He delivered the message by heart off the podium reminding us of the young Billy Graham. Through delivering this message, he made a decision of faith to leave the materialistic and secularized old life and to obey God's sovereign leading in his life. After he went back to his mission field, he decided to co-work in the Princeton pioneering ministry according to the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Fifth, Lecture 4: "God tested Abraham" (Genesis 15-

17, 20-22) John Rhee of Guadalajara, Mexico delivered the fourth lecture. He is the first son of the Latin America Director Timothy Rhee and an Abraham of Latin American second generation missionaries. He delivered a heart-moving message about Abraham's Isaac-offering faith based on his own life experiences. When he offered his studies, his future, and his house church to God, he learned that "God provides." When he learned the faith of Jehovah-Jireh, God blessed him to bear fruit among the college students in Guadalajara. Currently, he is co-working with his parents and serving his fellowship of more than 30 members as an influential next generation house church.

Sixth, Lecture 5: "God blesses Isaac (Genesis 24-28)" David Shin of Czech Republic served the fifth lecture on Isaac's faith. He is now a business student at the prestigious Charles University in Czech Republic. He is co-working with his mother Msn. Hannah Shin in the house church ministry in Prague. When his father passed away, he felt lost and wandered off from God, but when he submitted to God's sovereign will and remained in the promised land with his widowed mother, God blessed him abundantly. Recently, he has been selected by the Czech Korean immigrant community as "Outstanding Korean". Holding onto Genesis 26:3, he is now serving campus intellectuals in Czech Republic with Sh. Ales and his mother.

Seventh, Lecture 6: "God shepherds Jacob" (Genesis 28-35, 46-49) Msn. Peter Lee of Germany delivered the sixth lecture on God of Jacob. As a self-supporting missionary, he works as a CEO of a German com-



Dr. Johannes Chang



Dr. Petrus Chang



Dr. Abraham Lee



John Park Jr.



pany. His message was flawless and full of spirit. He testified to God of Jacob who shepherded him with love. He thanked God for his love of training him and for giving him the true blessing. Through this lecture, he accepted God who shepherded a strong-willed person like him and realized this love of God. God raised him as one of the ancestors of faith in Germany and Europe. He is already a father of two healthy boys, Paul and Joseph.

Eighth, Lecture 7: "God was with Joseph" (Genesis 37-50). Last but not least, Dr. Titus Keller delivered the last lecture titled "God was with Joseph." He is the first son of Sh. Volker Keller and is currently working as a pediatrician at the Cologne University Hospital. He testified to God of Joseph who led his life according to his sovereign will and he himself was moved to accept God's sovereignty in his own life. He had to struggle a long time to establish his house church and throughout the process, there were many things he could not understand. Through delivering this message, he accepted sovereign God's plan and was filled with joy and thankfulness. I pray that he may be used as an Abraham of faith and a shepherd for the next generation missionaries.

All the messages were faithful to Dr. Samuel Lee's Bible study materials and yet were witty, powerful, and touching. All of them prepared creative and captivating powerpoints to go with the message. Throughout the conference, the word of Genesis touched the hearts of many and we witnessed God's work and vision to raise this young group of messengers as the potential global leaders serving the generation.

Next generation co-workers witnessed the vision alive in the hearts of the main speakers and were strengthened to find their position and mission. Missionaries and national leaders also became aware of the importance and the meaning of their house church ministries. We are also grateful for Msn. David Kim's (DuPage UBF) co-working with Dr. John Jun and that he took over the messengers' training and served them to the end. May the UBF next generation leaders discern biblical truth, creation faith, and God's order in this postmodern times depraved by humanism and relativism and be used as the spiritual transformers. (<http://media.bonnubf.org/2011/08/2011-young-leaders-conference-july-29-august-3/>)



John Rhee



David Shin



Peter Lee



Titus Keller