



Seung-Young & Youn-Shin Chung

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Christianity in Mongolia

Christianity has a long history in Mongolia. During the seventh century the ancient Nestorian Church was established across Central Asia. However Christianity virtually disappeared in Mongolia and it wasn't until the fall of the Soviet regime just twenty years ago that Christianity began to be an important factor in Mongolia once again.

Much of Christianity's current growth in Mongolia is due to the witness of Korean Presbyterians who started work in the region during the early 1990s. Today there are more than 500 churches and some 40,000 Christians in the country. Korean Presbyterians have established a university, a theological college, kindergartens, primary and secondary schools and many churches. Our partner church, the Presbyterian Church of Korea, is deeply involved here.

"We are here in Mongolia thanks to the Australian missionaries who came to Korea 122 years ago," said the principal of Ulaan Bataar's theological college. "They offered us the Good News of the Gospel and we are now doing likewise in obedience to Christ who sends us out to other parts of the world". This is a powerful statement and it links the early Australian missionary commitment with what is happening in Mongolia today.

UnitingWorld, in partnership with the UCA Korean Church of Melbourne, is part of this ongoing mission in Mongolia. The focus of UnitingWorld's programs

in Mongolia involves placing volunteers at Ulaan Bataar University and its agencies. Both Ulaan Bataar University and UnitingWorld are excited about this new development.

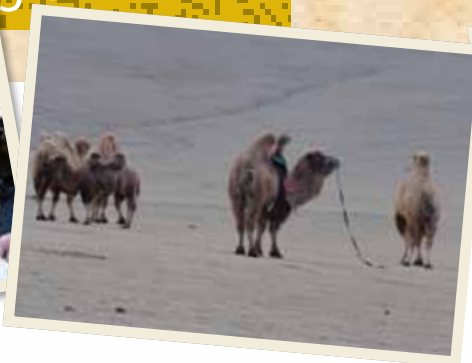
About the Chungs

Seung Young Chung is a professional violinist who has served with the Melbourne Symphony Orchestra. With many years of training, performance and leadership experience in professional orchestras and choirs worldwide, he has also spent much of his life teaching students. For many years he has been involved in music and leadership in churches in South Korea and Melbourne. His commitment to serve in Mongolia involves combining God-given musical talents, a love of teaching and his strong faith in an area where God is calling him.

Youn-Shin Chung is one of the first female elders to be commissioned to serve in the Korean Church of Melbourne, which is a congregation of the Uniting Church. Prior to this she has served in leadership, particularly in education and oversight of Sunday School programs, for many years in Melbourne and in Korea. Youn-Shin has considerable experience in prayer ministries, small groups and worship groups. She is being affirmed in her call to teach children in Mongolia and to serve God there, whether that is in English, Korean or Mongolian!



Experience Program



The Project

Mr Seung-Young Chung will work with the Ulaan Bataar Secondary School on the authority of Ulaan Bataar University as a musical teacher. Mrs Youn-Shin Chung will also serve as a volunteer. The nature of her role will be dependent upon the context and needs of the local community.

Ulaan Bataar Secondary School's motto is "Faith, Hope and Love" and their focus involves a whole-person approach to education, building on the foundations of quality education, research and service. Teachers, including Mr Chung, are encouraged to model servant leadership within the context of quality christian education. Almost all the students are local Mongolian students, and the School leadership is keenly anticipating Mr Chung's engagement with their vision: "This is so important; if we can get good educators here, we can help get the students established".



The Chungs' Australian Support

Seung-Young and Youn-Shin are supported by the Korean Church of Melbourne and UnitingWorld. Please join us! Your prayerful and financial support would be much appreciated!

Good bye! - Баяртай - Bayartai!



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