

# Introducing the *Korean Journal of Frontier Missions*

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When was the last time your birthday party made front-page news? Probably never, unless yours had a little more excitement than recommended (who left that 56-candle ice cream cake in the kitchen unattended anyway?) or unless you're the *Korean Journal of Frontier Missions (KJFM)*.

On November 16, 2005, during a celebration that culminated in a special cake-cutting ceremony, the *KJFM* was officially launched. The photo to your right made the front page of at least one Korean daily newspaper, *Christian Today*.

And already news items concerning the *KJFM* have appeared on at least ten different Korean web sites, including [www.KJFMission.com](http://www.KJFMission.com) the journal's site. This is certainly an encouraging beginning for the *KJFM*, which is being published bi-monthly by a major mission news source in Korea, *The Mission Times*.

Representing the *IJFM* editorial team, Dr. Winter and I briefly addressed the some 200 people present. (Dr. Winter's remarks are reproduced on the next page.) We also heard from Rev. Chun Yill Park, General Secretary of the Church Council of Korea (CCK, representing 44,000 churches) and from John Kim, editor of the *KJFM*.

Although the first issue of the *KJFM* is barely a month old (see front cover, pictured right), the seeds for the journal were planted over three years ago. As John Kim, editor of *KJFM*, explains:

I believe it was no accidental encounter when Rev. Paul Han and Rory Clark . . . met at the Singapore international mission conference focusing on UPGs in 2002 and shared the idea of cooperation through *IJFM*. In fact, it must be partially related to the longstanding desire to see real breakthrough in mission paradigm shift of both Western and Asian (especially Korean) mission societies.

The celebration of the *KJFM* was integrated into a 2 1/2 day conference, the 5<sup>th</sup> International Forum for Korean Mission Leaders. The forum was a cooperative effort between the Korea World Mission Association (KWMA, representing 120 denominations and mission agencies),

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한국전방적선교지널(KJFM) 창간 축하 행사 열려



제5회 한국선교지도자국제포럼 회의에 이어 2부 순서로 한국전방적선교지널 창간 축하 행사가 지난 16일 강화청산체육관을 가시 열렸다.

창간 축하를 겸한 USCWM 총재 랄프 윈터 박사는 "한국인들의 폭발적인 믿음의 성장은 결코 엄청난 것이며 그 열매라 헌신은 모든 시를 지게 뿐이 될

실현될 것입니다. 창간 축하 행사를 가진 주제의 3가지 주제 중의 1가지는 "세계 개척적 선교"

사 과송과가로서 전 세계 선교에 대한 한국의 공헌은 선교의 이정표를 새롭게 할 것"이라고 밝혔다. 윈터 박사는 한국전방적선교지널의 자문위원 KWMA 사무총장 김충삼 박사와 발행인 김성훈 목사, KWMA 총무 한정국 목사 등 한국의 여러 교 목자들을 격려하기도 했다.

한국전방적선교지널(Korean Journal of Frontier Missions)은 전방적선교를 지지하는 세계선교의 흐름에 따라 전방적선교의 본지선교사역을 위해 지난 10월에 창간호를 시작. 2006년부터는 격월로 발간될 예정이다.

한국전방적선교지널은 지난 30년간 세계 선교 최전방의 선교사 훈련과 선교봉헌에 공헌한 선교프로그램인 미션퍼스펙티브를 이끌어왔던 윈터 박사가 편집을 맡고 있는 국제전방적선교지널(IJFM, International Journal of Frontier Missions)

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Ralph Winter / 아시아의 선교가 직면하고 있는 전방개척지

Todd Johnson / 세계 기독교 동향 2005

Mark Harlan / 한국전방개척선교 네트워크의 태동을 축하하며

Rory Clark / "USCWM" 스토리

Kevin Higgins / 내부자 운동의 열쇠들

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협력 : I S F M(International Society for Frontier Missiology)  
USCWM(U.S. Center for World Mission)  
K W M A(한국세계개척선교협의회)

This cover is definitely more beautiful in four-color!

the CCK, the newly formed Korea Frontier Mission Network (KFMN) and the *KJFM* AND the US Center for World Mission, the International Society for Frontier Missiology and the *IJFM*. Some 244 leaders, nearly all from Korea, participated in the forum.

At the invitation of Dr. Sung Sam Kang, president of the KWMA, *IJFM* editor Ralph Winter gave two major plenary addresses followed by small group discussion and Q&A. Mack Harling (President, ISFM), Chong Kim (Director, Band Barnabas), Greg Parsons (General Director, USCWM) and Rory Clark (Managing Editor, *IJFM*) each gave a plenary address and two 2-hour seminars. One of Dr. Winter's plenary talks and Mack Harling's paper will both appear in this issue of the *IJFM*. Other talks will appear in future issues. For more on the forum, see Dr. Winter's *Editorial Reflections* on page 175.

During a roundtable discussion following the forum, the *IJFM* and *KJFM* decided to collaborate on a special issue in time for the nationwide mobilization focus this summer. For more information on the ambitious goals of the Korean mission movement (including 1 million tentmakers by 2015 and 100,000 new workers by 2030), see the ISFM report on page 134. If the

Koreans reach their goal, we should see a reversal of the trend reflected in Figure 1 of Detlef Bloecher's report in this *IJFM* (p. 149). May God give them great wisdom as they move ahead.

There's certainly more we could report on. Expect more in coming issues.

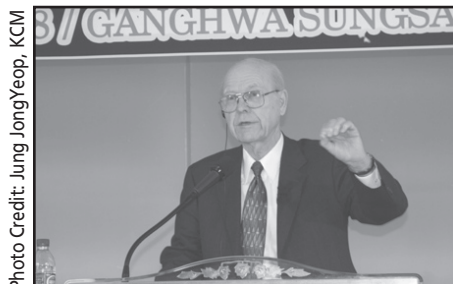


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### *Dr. Winter's Word of Congratulations*

I want to congratulate you for your initiative in founding the *Korean Journal of Frontier Missions*. At the same time it is impossible for me not to be impressed by the amazing energy and intelligence of the Korean people. I have been to Korea many times in the last more than thirty years. Americans in general have been more involved on this peninsula than in any other part of Asia. Americans in general have been very friendly to Koreans. In my case, I have the additional experience of being closely interested in the growth of the Korean church, and, in particular, of the growth of the Korean mission movement. For me it has been one long happy experience. I feel closer to Korea and to Korean people than to those of any other country.

I do not have many years left. But I am eager in whatever time I have left to offer anything I can to the Korean mission movement. I am equally aware that I need to learn from Koreans. I have no

doubt that Koreans are already and will become even more of a teaching nation. You may lead the way not only in industry and technology but in the realm of the Christian faith and specifically the Christian mission. I come as an equal partner in the exploration of the will of God for our joint involvement in the purposes of God for our time.

### *Also of Note* Perspectives in Korea

Speaking of our "joint involvement in the purposes of God for our time," one significant event not directly related to the Forum meetings was a gathering of alumni of the course "Perspectives on the World Christian Movement," now in the Korean language. Some 700 alumni came out one evening to hear Dr. Winter speak in Seoul, some distance from the Ganghwa Island "Jesus Town" where the Forum meetings were being held. In just three years there are already over 3,500 alumni of the Korean Perspectives course.

### Global Network of Mission Structures at the Forum

John Kim mentioned the meeting with Rev. Paul Han at Singapore '02. Another fruit of Singapore '02 is the Global Network of Mission Structures (GNMS). David Packiam, who represents the GNMS, gave a special presentation on the Global Network at the Korea meetings. For more on Singapore '02 see *IJFM* 19: 4 and 20:1. For the basic documents underlying the call for the GNMS, see *IJFM* 20:2. **IJFM**



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