

have the dual mission that the prophet Isaiah spoke of: “Indeed He says, ‘It is too small a thing that You should be My Servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob, And to restore the preserved ones of Israel; I will also give You as a light to the Gentiles, That You should be My salvation to the ends of the earth.’” To call the Korean people to return to the Lord is “too small a thing”. It is, of course, something that must be done. However, at the same time, the reason God has planted over 300 Korean churches in the Bay Area is ultimately for the fulfillment of God’s plan for salvation of all nations. The One Voice convention is one avenue to meet this challenge.

5) English-speaking ministries and second-generation workers are urgently needed: The ministry to minorities can be strategically effective by focusing on the children’s education. The majority of minorities came as refugees, coming from economic hardship. Thus they are often unable to provide many things for their next generation. Therefore, a ministry that meets the needs of this second generation of immigrants would always be welcome, and a ready avenue to show God’s love and spread the good news.

a. For example, it is possible to create after school programs such as Kids Club as an avenue to share the gospel

b. In Milpitas, American churches volunteer every Wednesday after school in the Kids Club, where they share the gospel. The majority of children who enroll in these programs from Muslim, Buddhist, Sikh, and atheist families. Kids Club is a Bible study program. During 2 hours, the children are told Bible stories, learn praise songs, girls review the Bible lesson through crafts, and boys through sports activities. Their parents know that the Bible is

being taught, and gladly entrust their children to the program.

2. The need for a Tibetan Ministry in the Bay Area

The evangelization of Tibet is particularly important. The entire nation is Lama Buddhist. If they were to believe in Jesus as their savior, all of the Buddhists in the world would be pointed to Christ. The Dalai Lama is the supreme leader in these regions. This past February 23, on Sunday at 10:30 am, the Dalai Lama spoke at the Berkeley Community Theater. About 3000 were in audience for his talk on “How to Achieve Happiness”. The participants had to go through a metal detector, serving as an indication of the current tension between Tibet and China. There is a constant threat of terror.

Why is the evangelization of Tibet important to the Korean churches here in the Bay Area? It is because this nation that is the “roof of the world”, God has placed in this Bay Area. In the Tibetan Association of Northern California (TANC, <http://www.tanc.org>) show about 1,500 Tibetans in Berkeley, Richmond, and El Cerrito. However, there are no Christians among this group. Rather, they share Lama Buddhism, and leave pictures of the Dalai Lama wherever they go. Their influence is formidable. At U.C. Berkeley, there is a place called the Nyingma Institute, where they teach Tibetan Buddhism and practices. This place was founded in 1972 and runs a tight program, from 10 am to 9:30 pm. However, instead of Tibetans running this place, it is run by Americans, and was founded by Americans. The reason for this was to teach Buddhism to young Americans. The Korean churches have a mission to reach out to these Tibetans with the gospel.