

제4회 세계스카우트 종교심포지엄  
결과보고서  
REPORT OF THE 4TH WORLD SCOUT  
INTER-RELIGIOUS SYMPOSIUM



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## 4th World Scout Inter-Religious Symposium

🌸Period : Aug 1st 2012(Wed) ~ Aug 5th 2012.(Sun) / 4 days and 5 nights

Aug 5th 2012.(Sun) ~ Aug 7th 2012.(Tue) / International Zen House

🌸Place : Won Kwang University and Manduk House of Zen

🌸Theme : Growing Scouting through Families and Communities

🌸Host : World Scout Inter-Religious Forum

🌸President : WSIF

🌸Supervision : Korea Scout Won-buddhism Association

🌸Sponsor : Ministry of Gender Equality and Family, Culture and Tourism Committee,  
Korea Scout Association, Chonbuk Provincial Government , Iksan City, Won Kwang  
University

🌸Attendance : 317 people from 7 religions(Won-buddhism, Buddhism, Catholic,  
Christian, Islam, Hinduism , Other National Religion of Korea)

1) The number of staff : 90

2) The number of teenagers attended: 90(75 Korean nationals, 15 foreign nationals  
residing in Korea )

3) The number of people attended in symposium: 137(from 27 countries- 60 foreign  
nationals, 7 foreign nationals residing in Korea, 70 Korean nationals )



## POCKET AGENDA

The 4th World Scout Inter-religious Symposium

1~5, August, 2012

Won Kwang University, Iksan, Korea

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 1

13:30~16:00      **Registration**

- Desk 1 : Receive ID Card, Agenda
- Desk 2 : Room Key, Gift Bag

16:00~17:30 Opening Session at Meeting Hall

18:00~19:00 Reception & Dinner

19:30~20:30 Opening Ceremony

20:35      Group Photos

20:45      Retire

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 2

07:00~08:00 Breakfast

08:30~09:00 Plenary Session

09:00~10:00 Seminar I

10:00~10:30 Break

10:30~11:30 Seminar II

11:40~12:00      Walk/Ride to Cafeteria

12:00~13:30 Lunch

13:30~14:00 Back to Meeting Hall

14:00~15:30 Seminar III

15:30~16:00 Walk to Won-Buddhism HC  
16:00~17:00 Meeting with the Head Dharma Master  
17:00~18:00 Pilgrimage Tour  
18:00~19:30 Dinner at invitation of Head Minister  
19:30~21:30 Free Evening

### FRIDAY, AUGUST 3

07:00~08:00 Breakfast  
08:30~09:00 Plenary Session  
09:00~10:15 Seminar IV  
10:30~11:30 Bus Ride  
11:40~12:00 Educational Tour at Mosque  
12:10~12:30 Bus Ride  
12:40~13:20 Lunch at KyoDong Temple  
13:40~14:40 Educational Tour at Catholic Church & Kyongijeon  
15:00~16:00 Bus Ride  
16:00~17:45 Closing Session  
17:45~18:00 Walk/Ride to Cafeteria  
18:00~19:30 Dinner  
19:30~21:30 Free Evening

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 4

07:00~08:00 Breakfast  
08:30~09:30 Reflection & Evaluation  
09:40~10:50 Bus Ride  
10:50~11:20 Educational Tour at Holiness Church  
11:30~12:10 Bus Ride  
12:20~13:20 Lunch  
13:30~14:20 Educational Tour at Buddhist Temple  
14:30~15:40 Bus Ride  
15:50~16:40 Disability Rehabilitation Center  
16:50~17:30 Bus Ride

18:00~19:00 Farewell Dinner  
19:30~20:30 Closing Ceremony

## SUNDAY, AUGUST 5

07:00~08:00 Breakfast  
08:30~09:00 Walk to Won-Buddhism HQ  
09:00~10:15 Dharma Service  
10:30~11:15 Tour of Won-Buddhism History Museum  
11:15~11:40 Free Time  
12:00~13:00 Lunch at the Cafeteria  
13:00~13:30 Check-out  
14:00~ Move to Jungdo Retreat Center

### \* Exhibition Booths

#### ① Religious Groups

Buddhism, Catholicism, Hinduism, Islam, Judaism, Last Day Saint, Orthodox,  
Protestantism, Sikhism, Won-Buddhism

#### ② Korea Scout Association Booth

#### ③ Won Scout Gallery

World Scout Jamboree Patches & Scarves, Jamboree Souvenirs, Wonmani

#### ④ Souvenir Shop

Paintings by Rev. Seol, Calligraphic Works,  
Korean Paper Handcrafts, Wonmani,  
Happiness Pouch, Quilt

### \* Gallery Open Hours

- Aug. 2 (Thu.) 10:00~18:00
- Aug. 3 (Fri.) 10:00~18:00
- Aug. 4 (Sat.) 10:00~18:00



## The Symbol of World Scout Inter-Religious Forum :

### Review of 4th World Scout Inter-Religious Symposium

- Head of Won-buddhism association, Kim Duk Young -

#### 1. Pursuit of the Purpose

1. In accordance with World Scout Inter-Religious Symposium, The symposium is based on thesis of harmony to discuss methods of developing religious minds of teenagers. In that sense, this time, we succeeded in the pursuit of the purpose this time because teenagers camp and International House of Zen collaborated for the first time. Unlike before, we could see the concrete image of harmony this time.

#### 2. 4 days and 5 nights of schedule was too short for the long-distance travelers

Most of the attendants, except some of them who came from other Korean regions, travelled all the way from Europe and other foreign countries to get to the camping place. They spent much time and money in order to join the symposium which is scheduled for only 4 days and 5 nights. With that, some attendants expressed their disappointment because they relatively spent much time preparing for the short symposium. For this reason, there was an opinion that symposiums should be held on a continent scale, and a world scale symposium should be held once or twice a decade term.

However, since accordance(with harmony) is the main thesis this symposium, continent-scaled symposium would only highlight the regionality rather than aide harmony. In addition to that, since this event is not annually, 3 years term is appropriate for the attendants not to forget each others' faces and to remind the meaning of the previous event. 5 years term can make the attendants to recall the

meaning of the symposium and worse the hardships required to hold the event making it hard for the hosts to enjoy the event.

### **3. Intention**

No matter how the intention of the symposium is great, it can be hardly achieved with the low attendance. With this reason, Korea Scout Won-buddhism Association has always been emphasized on the number of the attendants. This time, we have achieved the number of 300 attendants with the help of 90 staff. To manage this number of people on such a short schedule, our staff had to be busy all throughout the schedule. It showed us the significance of staffing in a event—the number of staff required and how it is important put the right staff in the right place. We realized the significance of the staff training and the need of systemized staffing to hold a event with success.

### **4. Meaning- Consideration on the Education and Choice**

#### 1) Educating people and leaving them choice

One of the main purposes of the symposium was the education. It was the reason why we made teenagers camp and it was connected to the international zen house program so that attendants who are not satisfied with the short 4 days and 5 night can choose to stay longer.

#### 2) Direct experience which goes right to the future

In addition, this opportunity provided the attendants not only simple symposium itself, but also direct experience which can go further to future visions. However, this left less opportunities to be together among people who have been hosting the symposium itself. Everything has its merits and demerits both.

### 3) Obtained Safety

It helped to obtain safety to restrict the event area to the university building . There was no thereat of outside disputes and car accidents.

### 4) comfort in food, clothing and shelter

We were concerned about the food the most. For vegetarians and people who do not prefer to eat different foods, we served the attendants buffet dinner for every meal and offered plenty of salades with breads. Besides, we provided the university dormitory building as a shelter in order to give attendants comfort in taking bath and resting. But there was a little distress to each other—both muslims and non-muslims—due to Ramadan of Islam. I think this type of event should be held avoiding Ramadan period.

### 5) Prompt medical aide and Dealing with Emergency

Since university hospital is close, we could deal with the emergency promptly. There was one emergency patient(a french priest) being right sent to the hospital and he was able to receive the treatment immediately. We were all relieved to see him leaving the hospital being well. We came to a conclusion that we need be prepared for an emergency and unexpected situations by using simulations and preparing through and through .

## **5. Supplement Point**

### 1) Mistakes in Operation

Although there were no communication problems, there was an opinion that daily necessities were not provided enough. This made us wonder how this could happen because we prepared enough daily necessities for all attendants. Later, I could figure



out how this happened. The staff in charge did not distribute all the daily necessities by mistake. This mistake in operation reminded me of a well dish enough cooked, but not served.

This was not the end of the story. Overall, it seemed the staff from each department did not recognize their parts properly. It comes to my mind that we need a more systemized and network of staffing under the supervision of a head supervisor in addition to the staff training.

## 2) inconvenience in moving line

The long distance between the restaurants and the auditorium left little disappointment. If the weather was refreshing, it could have been a good walk in the park, but unfortunately outside weather was very hot and humid. If we had enough funding to change restaurants and accomodations we would do that, but donation money was the only funding we could rely on. As a result, all the attendants had to take this inconvenience throughout the event so we felt sorry for that.

## 3) Opening and Closing Ceremony in a Scorching Weather

There is no doubt that opening and closing ceremonies are important in an event. We put emphasis on highlighting the beginning and the end of the event just like any other hosts. Looking over the whole programs of 5 days, we figured out that there is no outside event that all participants can enjoy and get together. So we chose to stay outside at the beginning and the end of the event because we were with the young teenagers. We thought It is better for teenagers to release their excess energy having some quality time in outside. We thought that inside ceremony would give them stifling atmosphere. As a result, the ceremonies were held in a scorching weather of summer days. Our choice of place would be appreciated if it rained or the

sun was less hot, but the sun was with us all throughout the ceremony. We were having a hard time as well with all the participants.

#### 4) No diversification of religious events

Since Won-buddhism was the main host of the symposium, the event was a little bit Won-buddhism. This means that there was small room for participants to experience observances and rites of various religions. If we could provided time for such experience, we would be able to profound the meaning of symposium and encourage much harmony among participants. We are sorry for that.

#### 5) Need for Rest and Slowness

We are human beings, and human beings get tired. We knew that tight schedule can make participants tired but we had no choice because we had to put many programs in limited time. There was a feedback that people couldn't rest well enough because each break was too short. We understand that people can be inspired and get fresh energy by taking enough break and enjoying slowness. Fortunately, teenagers could take their time discussing and preparing for their declaration but other participants were running out of their time preparing for the symposium declaration.

As a conclusion, we will be able to host a better symposium next time if all these points above are in consideration of.

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