

MSO Newsletter



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MSO extends a heartfelt appreciation to her members and her supporters who are carrying out our Lord's Great Commission in their global military ministerial works. Below are the MSO's August reports:

96 Foreign Cadets and Officers in Korea Applied for the FMC-K Interaction.

MSO invited foreign Christian cadets and officers to the Foreign Military Christians in Korea (FMC-K) Interaction who are currently studying at Korean military schools. FMC-K Interaction is a training program with the aim to nurture the National MCF leaders. It helps non-Christian participants to understand Christianity and develop a friendly attitude toward Christian activities, and Christian participants to further improve their personal faith and to actively participate in their country's MCF activities and AMCF ministries.

A total of 96 people from 23 countries applied for participation from service colleges and academies, of which 52 are students and 44 are their families.

Schools	Countries/Participants	Remarks
Defense Language School	12/32	Officers and Cadets(20)
National Defense University	5/10	Officers (6)
Army College	9/22	Officers (10)
Airforce College	6/13	Officers (6)
Naval College	3/13	Officers (4)
Naval Academy	5/6	Cadets (6)

The 2022 FMC-K Interaction will be held online for two days on October 8 (Sat) and October 15 (Sat). From October 22 (Sat) to 23 (Sunday), a Face-to-face program will be conducted at Myungsung Academy House in Jeju Island. The whole program will be conducted with the active cooperation of the military churches of the Service Colleges and Academies of Korea and interested civilian churches with MSO.

2 MSO Paid a Visit to Leading Civilian Churches (Onnuri Church and Shingil Church)

A. Visit to the Mission Bureau of Onnuri Church

MSO visited Onnuri Church Mission Bureau on July 19 (Tuesday) to enhance the cooperation on the military missionary ministry and mutual fellowship. For the Mission Bureau of Onnuri Church, Pastor Kim, Hongjoo who is in charge of the Mission Center, Elder Jeong, Jinho, and Elder Shin, Chulwoo welcomed the MSO delegates. From MSO, Pastor Son, Bong-ki (MSO Consulting Pastor and Senior Pastor of the Central Military Chaple of the Korean Armed



Forces (CMC)), Secretary General Chung, Bong-dae, and the Director of Operations Park, Back-man attended. Through this visit, Onnuri Church and MSO agreed to further expand cooperation in world military mission ministry. It was also agreed to strengthen cooperation between MSO and the overseas missionaries sent by Onnuri Church, and for Onnuri Church to wholeheartedly support the FMC-K Interaction program to make it fruitful.

B. Visit to Shingil Church

On the afternoon of July 31, MSO executives attended the military mission devotion service of Shingil Church. Elder Lee, Pil-Seop, who was the President of the AMCF, introduced the AMCF and MSO ministerial activities and gave his personal testimony. Senior Pastor Lee, Ki-yong of Shingil Church suggested that Shingil Church cooperate with MSO to support AMCF global military service activities, and MSO gladly accepted his proposal.





3 News on MCF Activities of Cambodia and Indochina Countries by the MSO Cooperative Missionary Rev. Lee, Jae-youl

A. Visit to the Northern Branches of Cambodian MCF

In order to encourage MCF activities that have been suspended due to COVID-19, from July 22 (Fri) to 24 (Sunday), 5 Cambodian MCF leaders including Cambodian MCF President, 2 Vice-Presidents, Secretary General, and Missionary Lee, Jae-Yul (MSO cooperative missionary), visited the 8 Northern branches and military churches. They provided training and education to the branch leaders and shared fellowship with them, and enhanced their understanding of the current status of the branches, and explained the Cornelius discipleship training plan for the second half of this year. During their visit, they witnessed that MCF activities in each region are being heavily restricted due to COVID-19, and confirmed that efforts to revitalize each regional MCF are urgently needed in the second half of the year.

B. Cambodian Kampong Chnang Mahanaim Church 10th Anniversary Thanksgiving Service Held in His Grace

On July 31 (Sunday), church members, MCF leaders, and nearby unit commanders and staff attended the 10th anniversary thanksgiving service of Mahanaim Church in Kampong Chnang, Cambodia. Part 1 was the thanksgiving service, Part 2 was Baptism/Holy



Communion, and Part 3 was fellowship/lunch. This church is the Cambodia's first military church established on July 31, 2012 and is in charge of MCF discipleship training in northern Cambodia.

C. Major Military Ministries of the Second Half

Missionary Lee plans to visit Vietnam and Laos in the second half of the year to visit the Indochina MCFs and discuss ministerial activities, and will coordinate 2023 Indochina discipleship training with the MCF president of each country of this region. The Cambodian Cornelius discipleship training will be held in the first week of November for 5 days and 4 nights.

4 News on Korean Military Christian Fellowship (KMCF)

A. The New KMCF President Inaugurated

A farewell and welcome luncheon for the outgoing and incoming Presidents of the KMCF was held at the Army Hall at 11am on July 14th. Army General and Elder Kim Seung-gyeom, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, was inaugurated as the successor of the retiring Air Force General Won, In-cheol. On this day, there was a meeting between the new KMCF President and the representatives of military mission-related organizations. For MSO, Standing Advisors, GEN(R) Lee, Pil-sup and Lee, Jun, Chairman MG(R) Park, Nam-pil, and the Secretary General COL(R) Chung, Bong-dae attended.

B. A Meeting Held for the Preparation of 2022 East Asia Interaction

To prepare for the 2022 East Asia Interaction (online on October 23rd), on July 22 (18:15) at the Army Hall, the KMCF and MSO preparation committee members met with Army Brigadier General and Ordained Deacon Kim, Jeong-hyeok, KMCF Secretary General, as the moderator. They decided to distribute the East Asia Interaction Promotion Plan to participating countries after completing the plan. It was also agreed the participants of each country submit their applications by August 31st.

5 Prayer Requests

1) For the AMCF

- ① Pray that MCFs will be established as soon as possible in 45 countries which have no MCFs yet (especially Iraq and Equatorial Guinea).
- 2 May God's wisdom be with the AMCF President General Weerasooriya, the Vice Presidents, the Preparatory Committee, and the Host Country MCF (the UMCEB), which are preparing for the Brazilian World Conference.
- 3 Pray that God will guide General Essel Soriano, who has been appointed as the next AMCF president, to be prepared as a faithful worker for the AMCF ministry.
- 4 Pray that the MCF presidents and leaders will be given the wisdom and power of God so as to establish and revitalize MCFs of their own.
- (§) Pray that 3 AMCF PSOs (ACCTS, MMI, and MSO) will effectively support and closely cooperate for world military missionary ministries.

- 6 Pray that the inauguration ceremony of the AMCF president (Oct 2) and the ACCTS staff meeting (Oct 3~7) are well planned and prepared under the guidance of God.
- Tray that the war between Ukraine and Russia will end as soon as possible so that peace between the two countries and world political and economic stability will be achieved.
- 8 For the safety of Christian soldiers and their families in countries where social unrest and suffering are exacerbated by civil wars, military coups, the threat of war, racial discrimination, and drought and other natural disasters (Myanmar, Sudan, Democratic Republic of Congo, Palestine, Afghanistan, Tanzania, Burkina Faso, Nigeria, to name a few).

2) For MSO

- ① During the 2022 FMC-K interaction (online Oct 8 & Oct 15, face-to-face Oct 22~23) where many foreign military officers and cadets applied for participation, all the participants will be educated in a safe and healthy environment, and this interaction will produce many individuals who are determined to believe in God and dedicated Christian leaders who will lead the AMCF missionary activities.
- 2) Pray to give wisdom and zeal to 2022 FMC-K Interaction instructors so that they can carry out the Lord-given missions well.
- ③ Pray that the MEO-P and FMC-K interaction graduates will continue to interact with the corresponding regional teams of the MSO World Mission Division and contribute greatly to the global military missionary movement.
- 4 Pray that the Cornelius discipleship training in the militaries of the Indochina Peninsula region by the MSO cooperative missionary will be resumed as soon as possible.
- ⑤ Pray for God's guidance in the major ministry activities of Korean missionaries working in partnership with MSO.
- 6 Pray that the Holy Spirit will lead all MSO members in peace in 2022 and give them physical and spiritual strength.
- Pray that the number of regular sponsoring churches and individuals for MSO ministries will be doubled.

