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time until my graduation. After serving seven years in CEF Korea, I felt God was calling my family for overseas ministry.

At first, I did not plan to join the AP team. I was sent to Hong Kong to work among the Korean churches. Within a couple of days arriving in Hong Kong, Rev Tan Cheng Huat, then AP Regional Director flew in to meet me. He strongly urged me to join the AP team. After a night's prayer and consideration, I decided that it was God's will for me to follow his suggestion.

**Q: Why are you staying in Sydney, Australia?**

A: There are three main reasons. First, if I stay in Korea (and Christian people tend to think those who are not overseas are not missionaries), I may have difficulty raising my support. Second, if I stay in Australia, traveling to Pacific countries is far easier and cheaper. Finally, the education fees of my two boys are free in Australia. Otherwise, I will have to pay at least 1500 US dollars every month for international school fees which I cannot afford.

**Q: What are the difficulties you encounter in serving as regional leader?**

A: The first and foremost burden is making decisions. Sometimes I have to make a big decision concerning leaders and workers which could change the course of their life. It is a dreadful thing to make the wrong decision. Please pray for me about this. Traveling is the second difficulty. Too often I have to be away from my family. I miss my wife and boys during the travel. Traveling also requires funds for airfare. Raising support for travel is always a challenge. Also, I have difficulty in teaching in English. Since English is not my mother tongue, I feel I can express myself only 50 percent in English. I pray for the improvement of my English skill and I feel God is answering my prayer.

**Q: What is your vision for Asia Pacific Region?**

A: Asia Pacific Region is huge and vast in terms of population and land. There  
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# AP Regional Conference in Snapshots



The President, Mr Reese Kauffman in one of his speeches



The conference venue: Sarang Ministry Center



Rev & Mrs Jim Neigh, VP Int'l Ministries (right) with Rev Edgar Schroeder (Canada) and Ron Mclean (Britain)



The AP Team with former Regional Director, Rev Tan



Rev David Ra being commissioned as the new Regional Leader



At the Sessions



Group picture (in part)



With the President and his wife Mr & Mrs Kauffman



Hong Kong delegates with Miss Joan Stapleton



Praise and Worship



AP Conference Opening and CEF Korea's 50th Anniversary Celebration

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are many different religions and cultures. I want to see more workers from the countries in our region reaching more children. Also, I desire to bring unity and harmony among the workers and the board members, and mobilize stronger countries like Korea and Hong Kong to serve for the betterment of the whole AP region.

**Q: Do you have final words for the newsletter readers?**

A: I believe God called me into this leadership position not to lord over you but to serve you. I do want to follow the Great Leader who called us friends rather than slaves. I want to call each one of you a friend from the bottom of my heart. Let us diligently pray for each other.

## Training in the Region

We had three great weeks in Indonesia with the Preschool course. The first was held at the National Office, the second for CEF Banten, and the third for the Korean churches in Jakarta. In all, there were 83 students enrolled, reaching 212 children of whom 55 made decisions to receive Jesus Christ in the preschool practicum classes.

Learning about preschoolers, we find out that they are everywhere. Children ages three, four and five years are in parks . . . play-grounds . . . shopping centers . . . high rise apartments . . . housing projects . . . churches . . . zoos . . . day cares . . . homes and preschools.

Authorities tell us that the preschool years are the most important years in a child's life. Tremendous amount of learning takes place during these years and this learning is the foundation for all future learning. Educators and scientists are affirming that a child's learning and remembering abilities are greater during preschool years than they will ever be. According to specialists, the first five or six years of a child's life are his most sensitive, receptive and crucial period of development. (From the Preschool Syllabus) What joy to see so many new teachers trained and have a burden for the "little ones".

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