

Profile



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Born 1947 in a traditional city Jinju South Korea, from the age four I studied Confucianism under famous confucian scholar Jee Dong for 15 years. Having completed long and hard study, I came up to Seoul and started giving private lessons for Korean leaders what I had learned. With the intention to revitalize Confucian values I established private school (KumGok Seodang). For last 40 years the school have produced thousands disciples from all walks of life, and they lead the Korean society.

To spread Confucian values worldwide, with a few talented disciples of next generation who share the same ideas I established KumGok Academico-Cultural Foundation in 2008. The Foundation hold the cultural events several times a year: 'Korean Cultural Night with 8th US Army', 'Victory Party for Key Resolve', 'Victory Party for Ulchi Freedom Guardian', etc.

More than twice in a year, I visit foreign countries and give a lecture in Confucianism. A lecture addressed at US Air Force Academy in 20 February 2013 is one example among others.

Early last year to celebrate the 15th anniversary of monthly environmental magazine ECOVISION21, with ECOVISION21 staff and citizens who share the same value I have initiated a preparatory committee of IECD (International Earth Cleaning Day).

Its intent is to recover Earth's self-purification capability through making our body, household, country and planet bright, clear, clean, new and whole. Its objective is to establish International Earth Cleaning Day and lead participation of global citizens to clean Earth for a day. Since then the members of IECD have practiced steadily the cleaning activities bimonthly. Especially 29 June and 25 November last year, the activities had an important turning point by the participation of LTG Bernard S. Champoux (8th US Army CG), accompanied by his wife Mary Sue, Staffs and US

service members, to clean the streets and sewage drain together. In the near future the cleaning activities will be expanding in New York and San Francisco.

Education

1950 ~ 1965 : Studied Confucianism under the scholar Jee Dong

Experience

2001 ~ : Headmaster, KumGok Seodang (Private Confucian School)
2001 ~ 2014 : Headmaster, Kwangyeong Seodang (Private Confucian School)
2002 ~ : Chairman, Seokjeon Institute
2003 ~ : Chairman, Myeonam Institute
2008 ~ : Chairman, KumGok Academico-Cultural Foundation
2011 ~ : Publisher, Ecovision21 (Monthly Environmental Magazine)
2011 ~ 2014 : Chairmen, Green Cross Korea (UN NGO)
2013 : Established KumGok Academic Award (Math. & Engineering)
2014 ~ : Headmaster, Hak Ije (Private Confucian School)
2014 ~ : Adviser, 8th US Army CG

Activities

- Teaching
Teach the Confucianism for Korean leaders since 1970
Produce thousands eminent disciples
- Cultural Exchange
Host annually 'Korean Cultural Night with 8th US Army'
Host annually 'Victory party for Ulchi Freedom Guardian'
Host annually 'Victory party for Key Resolve'
- Environmental action
Publish a monthly environmental magazine ECOVISOIN21
Organize a preparatory committee of International Earth Cleaning Day
Lead worldwide cleaning activities
- Lecture
UC Berkeley
US Air Force Academy
Lecture tour in EU, Southeast Asian countries

Awards

May 16 National Awards (2016. 06. 15)

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