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In God, Integrity and Excellence
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We aim, in God's direction, to equip
students
with Integrity and Excellence.

Mission

To seek Truth and Freedom

● CHANCELLOR'S MESSAGE

Today, we are especially honored to welcome esteemed guests from Korea. Among us are Bishop Chul Lee of CTSI Company, Bishop Jung Seok Kim of the Korean Methodist Church, Rev. Young Geol Kim, Moderator of the Presbyterian Church of Korea (PCK, Tonghap), and Rev. Jong Hyuk Kim, Moderator of the Presbyterian Church in Korea (Hapdong). These leaders have greatly contributed to the advancement of God's Kingdom, not only in Korea but also across the world, through the proclamation of the Gospel and Christian education.

The presence of our distinguished guests today reminds you that you are not alone. Around the world, there are people who trust on you, support you, and pray fervently for your success.



UAUT CHANCELLOR
DR. KYUNG CHUL KAM.

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UAUT UPDATES

Major Korean Church Denominational Leaders Visit UAUT, Pledge Support for Educational and Media Missions

In commemoration of the 140th anniversary of Korean missions, prominent leaders of the Korean Church visited our university from February 26 for three days, reaffirming their commitment to supporting and collaborating in the fields of educational and media missions. This significant occasion was graced by the presence of esteemed leaders, including Rev. Chul Lee (Former Presiding Bishop), Rev. Jung Seok Kim (Presiding Bishop), Rev. Jong Hyuk Kim (General Assembly Moderator of the Presbyterian Church in Korea - Hapdong), and Rev. Young Gul Kim (General Assembly Moderator of the Presbyterian Church in Korea - Tonghap). Accompanying them were Chairman Kyeong Chul Kam (CTS) and Vice President Do Young Kim. The delegation was warmly welcomed at Julius Nyerere International Airport in Dar es Salaam by Prof. Sung Soo Kim, Vice Chancellor and Prof. Thierry, Deputy Vice Chancellor, as well as representatives of administrative staff and faculty members.



Visit to Faith Kindergarten and King's Vision Middle School

On the first day of their visit, the delegation toured Faith Kindergarten and King's Vision Middle School, affiliated with The United African University of Tanzania (UAUT), where they encouraged the students and teachers. They then proceeded to The United African Technical College (UATC), the university's technical and vocational training institution, to gain firsthand insight into the higher education programs offered on campus. Additionally, the denominational leaders held a special meeting with missionaries representing various denominations, sharing updates on the current state of missions and offering mutual encouragement.



Visit to King's Vision Middle School



THE MAJOR KOREAN CHURCH DENOMINATIONAL LEADERS, WITH KOREA MISSIONARIES IN TANZANIA

Through this visit, the church leaders deeply resonated with the vision of UAUT in advancing both educational and media missions and pledged their continued support and collaboration. Their visit was particularly meaningful as it transcended denominational boundaries, serving as a powerful testament to the unity of the Korean Church in its global mission efforts. As the Korean Church commemorates 140 years of missionary work, this occasion marked a pivotal moment in reinforcing the shared vision of world missions between Korean churches and UAUT.

Moving forward, the faculty and students of UAUT remain steadfast in their commitment to fulfilling the vision and the mission of UAUT via Education and Media ministry. In partnership with major Korean denominations, the university will continue to expand its transformative impact, bringing the gospel to Tanzania and the wider African continent through the power of education and media.



UAUT STAFF WELCOMING THE MAJOR KOREAN CHURCH DENOMINATIONAL LEADERS.



**REV. JONG HYUK KIM, GENERAL ASSEMBLY
MODERATOR**

During the recent visit of the General Assembly leadership to the university, Rev. Jong Hyuk Kim, Moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Korea (Hapdong), delivered a powerful message during the university's weekly Wednesday chapel service held at the JCC Hall. Preaching from Acts 17:10-15 on the theme "The Bible and the Life of Faith," he imparted deep spiritual insight, touching the hearts of faculty members and students alike.

Rev. Kim emphasized, "The core of all Scripture is Jesus Christ. The Bible is divinely inspired by the Holy Spirit and is therefore inerrant." He further declared, "The truth of salvation is found solely in Scripture, which serves as the only standard for our life of faith." Encouraging students to engage with the Word, he stated, "The Bible contains answers to all fundamental questions of life, so we must draw near to it and read it diligently."

In addressing the proper attitude toward Scripture, Rev. Kim urged, "We must approach the Bible with reverence and respect, reading it with a heart willing to obey. It is essential to read prayerfully, attentively, and regularly. Moreover, we should make it a lifelong habit to continuously read and listen to God's Word." He also advised, "When listening to sermons, we must receive them not as the words of men but as the Word of God. The more we listen with a longing heart and in prayer, the greater the grace we receive."

Rev. Kim passionately encouraged students and faculty to put Scripture into practice, leading them in a collective call to action: "Let us read the Bible! Let us listen to sermons attentively! Let us study the Scriptures! Let us memorize God's Word! Let us meditate on the Word! Let us teach the Bible! Let us proclaim the Word!"

Concluding his message, Rev. Kim exhorted, "The house of faith that we are building must not be according to our own desires but according to God's blueprint—His Word. We must live in accordance with the Bible at all times and in all places. May our faith be firmly established upon this truth."



**STUDENTS & FACULTY LISTENING TO THE
SERMON**



**REV. JONG HYUK KIM DELIVERS A POWERFUL
MESSAGE TO STUDENTS & FACULTY**



Rev. Jung Seok Kim Donates \$2,000 in Scholarship

These students were previously at risk of missing their final exams due to financial constraints. However, thanks to Rev. Kim's generosity, they were able to sit for their exams without hindrance. The scholarship recipients expressed their heartfelt gratitude, unanimously affirming their commitment to repaying the love they had received by helping others in the future.

A university representative also conveyed deep appreciation, stating, "Rev. Kim's scholarship donation is more than just financial assistance; it is a testament to the spirit of Christian love and generosity. His kindness has provided struggling students with hope and encouragement." Rev. Kim's act of benevolence has left a lasting impact on the students and the university community, embodying the essence of faith in action.

Rev. Jung Seok Kim, Presiding Bishop of the Korean Methodist Church and senior pastor of Kwanglim Church, generously donated \$2,000 in scholarships to support students facing financial difficulties. His donation came during his visit to the university alongside the heads of major Korean denominational assemblies.

The university administration, through its scholarship committee, identified students with outstanding academic performance who were unable to pay their tuition for the semester due to financial hardship. As a result, eight students, Paul Philip Rimhani, Mawazo Ibrahim Laita, Peter Godfrey Rocks, Rashid Juma Shabani, Norbert H. Kira, Nurdin Qassim Shafii, Isack John Simbeye, and Paulo Mathew were awarded the scholarship.



Rev. Chul Lee's Dedication and Love for UAUT

The acquisition and operation of United African University of Tanzania (UAUT) by CTS was made possible through the deep interest and unwavering dedication of Rev. Chul Lee, the former Representative Bishop.

His leadership played a pivotal role in laying the foundation of UAUT, and he continues to provide steadfast support for the university's growth and development. Rev. Lee's commitment to educational missions is evident through his scholarship sponsorship for UAUT students, enabling many financially struggling students to continue their education. His exceptional care and love for the university have significantly contributed to its advancement.

During his recent visit, Rev. Lee extended his generosity beyond the university community by providing a lavish meal for all faculty members, students, and missionaries serving in Tanzania, encouraging them in their work.

The faculty, students, and missionaries deeply appreciated his kindness and commitment, expressing how his love and dedication have strengthened and inspired them in their respective journeys. Rev. Lee's enduring support continues to serve as a testament to his vision for Christian education and global mission work.

Chancellor Dr. Kyung Chul Kam Inspects Campus Facilities and Discusses Development Plans

Dr. Kyung Chul Kam (Chancellor) recently conducted an on-site inspection of campus facilities, including lecture halls, student dormitories, and other key infrastructure, to assess maintenance and improvement needs. He meticulously examined the ongoing remodeling of the single-room guesthouse, male and female dormitories, the newly constructed Baraka Hall, and various student welfare facilities, providing detailed guidelines for facility management.

During the inspection, Chancellor Dr. Kam instructed Architect Missionary Jong Gil Kim and Head of General Affairs Hyun Seok Kim to expedite the renovation of the aging dormitories and requested that the guesthouse remodeling be optimized to accommodate short-term mission teams from Korea more comfortably.

Additionally, he emphasized the importance of improving student welfare facilities, urging for continuous management and maintenance efforts to create a more comfortable living environment on campus. Even in the final hours before his departure for Korea, Chancellor Dr. Kam remained dedicated to the advancement of UAUT and UATC, attending multiple high-level meetings. Facilitated by Dr. Obeid, the Eastern Regional Director of the Tanzanian National Council for Technical and Vocational Education and Training (NACTVET), Chancellor Kam, along with Vice President Do Young Kim, Vice Chancellor Prof. Sung Soo Kim visited the Dar es Salaam Institute of Technology (DIT).

During the visit, the Dean of the DIT School of Engineering provided an in-depth briefing on the DIT's history and current status, expressing a strong commitment to collaborating with UATC for its future growth and development.



Chancellor Dr. Kyung Chul Kam (Chancellor) Inspects Campus Facilities and Discusses Development Plans.

This visit by Chancellor Dr. Kyung Chul Kam was not only instrumental in enhancing UATC's campus infrastructure but also strengthened collaborative efforts to advance technical and vocational education in Tanzania. Moving forward, UATC remains committed to continuous growth and development, striving to provide students with an enriched educational environment and greater opportunities for success.





Scholarship Donated by Missionary Joshua Jin Sup Lee and His Son Kyu Han Lee

Rev. Jin Sup Lee, the founder of UAUT, has generously donated \$1,800 in scholarships, while his son, Kyu Han Leen, residing in the United States, contributed an additional \$600. This scholarship fund is expected to provide significant support to students facing financial difficulties.

The university's scholarship committee carefully allocated Rev. Lee's donation into loan scholarships, merit-based scholarships, and service scholarships, selecting students in need to receive financial assistance. The selected students were honored in the VC's Office, where they were presented with scholarship certificates and financial awards, along with words of encouragement from Rev. Lee and university officials. A total of eight students were awarded scholarships from Rev. Lee's donation: Gift, Joseph, Herman, Mohamed, Peter, Samuel, Steve, and Deo. These students were selected based on academic excellence and their contributions to the university through service.

Additionally, the scholarship donated by Rev. Lee's Son, Kyu Hwan Lee (Hannah Lee), was awarded to four students: Yusra Abdallah, Edison John Makalangra, Linus Rwechoka, and Samson Patrick Joseph. These students were recognized for their outstanding academic achievements and dedication. A university representative expressed deep gratitude, stating, "We sincerely appreciate the generosity of Rev. Joshua Lee and his family. Their kindness provides students with the strength to continue their academic journeys."

The scholarship recipients also shared their heartfelt appreciation, vowing to work even harder in their studies. This scholarship initiative has served as a powerful reminder of the value of education and the importance of giving, inspiring hope for continued support so that more students can achieve their dreams.

ELDER KWANGSEOK CHOI DONATES A PING PONG TABLE, GREAT ENCOURAGEMENT TO STUDENTS



**UAUT VICE CHANCELLOR AND HIS SECRETARY
PLAYING PING PONG**

Elder Kwangseok Choi of Evergreen Church in Atlanta, USA (Senior Pastor: Rev. Choongki Han) has generously donated a ping pong table to our university to support the athletic well-being of our students. His thoughtful contribution has provided great encouragement to the student body and has helped cultivate a more vibrant sports culture on campus.

Thanks to Elder Choi's warm generosity, the university administration is planning to further enhance students' athletic welfare by securing additional ping pong tables, establishing a table tennis class under the Korea-Tanzania Cultural Center (KTCC), and hosting an intra-campus table tennis tournament. A university representative expressed gratitude, stating, "Elder Choi's love and support have been a great source of strength for our students. We will strive to foster an even more lively campus culture through this opportunity."

Evergreen Church, to which Elder Choi belongs, has been actively engaged in missionary and community service activities in the Atlanta area. In addition to supporting our students through scholarships, the church continues to grow as a model Korean-American congregation dedicated to both faith and service.



**UAUT VICE CHANCELLOR AND ARCHITECTURE
KIM PLAYING PING PONG**

OPEN-AIR CHURCH CONSTRUCTION PROGRESSING TOWARD COMPLETION



OPEN- AIR CHURCH UNDER CONSTRUCTION

The construction of the Open-Air Church, initiated with the generous support of Elder Jaeduk Ryu from Haneul Central Church in Daejeon (Senior Pastor: Rev. Youngwan Yoo), is progressing smoothly toward completion by the grace of God. Barring any unforeseen obstacles, we anticipate holding the dedication service in May or June, fully equipped with a stage, lighting, seating, and sound systems. With a capacity to accommodate between 700 and 1,000 people, the Open-Air Church is expected to host a variety of events, including national gospel song competitions, university choir festivals, and youth Bible conferences and so on. This facility will significantly enhance the university's mission in educational and media evangelism mission, strengthening its outreach efforts.

A pressing prayer request remains securing the additional construction funds needed due to higher-than-anticipated costs, as well as acquiring the necessary lighting and sound equipment in a timely manner. We earnestly seek the prayers and support of those with a heart for missions in Tanzania and across Africa.





UAUT University Choir Established, Bringing Glory to God Through Graceful Praise

In early December of 2024 last year, UAUT formed its university choir, marking the beginning of a new chapter in its worship ministry. Despite having only two months of preparation, the choir delivered a deeply moving performance during chapel on January 29, touching the hearts of many with its spirit-filled praise. Under the passionate leadership of Choir Director Thomas, the ensemble has made remarkable progress in a short period. During the chapel service, the choir lifted its voices in beautiful harmony, offering songs such as O, Happy Day, Amazing Grace, and This is My Father's World in worship and adoration.

A particularly profound moment came when the choir performed Meeting God is the End of All Struggles a song that deeply moved the visiting church leaders from Korea and missionaries serving in Tanzania. The lyrics carried a powerful message: "Do not listen to those who say everything is over. God has not taken His eyes off you. Do not seek answers in the world only God can solve all your problems. Never cease to pray, never stop praising. God is watching over you..." Sung in clear and heartfelt Korean by the African choir members, the song provided immense comfort and encouragement to all who attended.



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The UAUT Choir's ministry extends beyond musical performance; it fosters a spirit of worship, faith, and devotion within the worshiping community. As the choir continues to grow, we look forward to its ongoing mission of sharing God's grace and inspiring many through the power of praise.

UAUT LAUNCHES "MANNA PROJECT" TO PROVIDE FREE BREAKFAST FOR STUDENTS AND WORKERS



STUDENTS HAVING BREAKFAST AT MANNA HALL

The United African University of Tanzania (UAUT) has launched the "Manna Project", an initiative providing free breakfast to students and workers facing financial hardship. Since its inception, the project has expanded to serve nearly 80 people daily, including dormitory students, security guards, Maasai night guards, and construction workers.

UAUT Vice Chancellor, who took office in February last year, has been leading multiple efforts, including university promotion, student recruitment, staff management, policy restructuring, and preparations for meeting the requirements of the Tanzania Commission for Universities (TCU). Amid these responsibilities, providing free breakfast for dormitory students emerged as a key priority, as many struggled with financial difficulties, often skipping meals. To tackle this issue, the university hired a chef, Samuel, and secured essential ingredients such as flour, cooking oil, and sugar. The meals provided include Mandazi, a popular East African sweet, doughnut-like bread, and Chapati, a flatbread made by rolling and pan-cooking dough. Initially, the project supported 50 students, but its impact quickly grew, now benefiting around 80 individuals daily, including security personnel and laborers working on campus.



UAUT expresses deep gratitude to all supporters who have made this initiative possible. As the project grows, the university is exploring ways to ensure its sustainability, including potential partnerships with local communities. The Manna Project reflects UAUT's commitment to serving students and workers not only through education but also by meeting their basic needs. For those interested in supporting or learning more about this initiative, further details can be found through UAUT's official channels.

STRENGTHENING THE FACULTY: NEW PROFESSORS JOIN UAUT FOR EDUCATIONAL MISSION



DR. HO-WAN SONG AND HIS WIFE

The United African University of Tanzania (UAUT) is pleased to welcome two esteemed teaching faculty who have recently joined the faculty to fulfill the mission of educational ministry. Dr. Ho-Wan Song, a mathematician and missionary, and Prof. Jin-Ki Hwang, a New Testament scholar, have committed themselves to the development of Christian education and the training of pastors in Tanzania.

Dr. Ho-Wan Song: A Bridge Between Mathematics and Theology

Dr. Ho-Wan Song earned his bachelor's and master's degrees in mathematics from Kyungpook National University, Korea, and went on to complete his Ph.D. in mathematics at the same institution. He later built his academic career by teaching mathematics at KAIST, Kyungpook National University, and Kyungnam University. In addition to his expertise in mathematics, Dr. Song pursued theological training, obtaining a Master of Divinity (M.Div.) from Korea Theological Seminary and a Master of Theology (Th.M.) in missiology. He was sent as a missionary by the Kosin Church General Assembly Mission Board (KPM) and devoted several years to theological education and missionary work in the Philippines and India.



Since August last year, Dr. Song has been serving at UAUT as the Chaplain of the University Church, while also teaching mathematics. His mission is to integrate faith and scholarship, nurturing the next generation of Christian leaders. His wife, Mrs. Jiwon Shin holds a Korean language teaching certificate and serves at both UAUT and UATC, providing Korean language education as part of her missionary work.

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PROF. JIN KI HWANG AND HIS WIFE YOUNG SIL HWANG

Prof. Jin Ki Hwang: A Scholar of the New Testament

Prof. Jin-Gi Hwang pursued his undergraduate studies in philosophy at Seoul National University, Korea, before earning a Master of Divinity (M.Div.) from Chongshin University. He then specialized in biblical theology at Golden Cornet Seminary in the United States and obtained a Ph.D. in New Testament Studies from Fuller Theological Seminary.

Dr. Hwang has dedicated his career to integrating faith and academics, serving as an assistant professor at Fuller Theological Seminary and as a faculty member at Georgia Central University and Evangelia University. Now, he has embraced the calling of educational missions at UAUT in Tanzania, where he is committed to training local theology students and church leaders. His wife, Mrs. Young-Sil Hwang, also shares a missionary vision. She is devoted to evangelism by teaching English, Bible studies, and the Korean language to the Maasai people responsible for security at UAUT.

Dr. Ho-Wan Song and Prof. Jin-Gi Hwang will take on a significant role in equipping church leaders in Tanzania and across the African continent. They will oversee the Master of Divinity (M.Div.) program and the establishment and operation of a theological seminary at UATC. Through their efforts, UAUT and UATC are expected to offer a more structured theological education, with a particular emphasis on training pastors and enhancing missionary work through media. The dedicated ministry of these two scholars in Tanzania marks a new chapter for the university, reinforcing its vision for pastoral training and media-driven ministry.

INVITATION TO A MEAL FOR MAASAI GUARDS, SECURITY PERSONNEL, AND ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF



**VICE CHANCELLOR PROF. SUNG SOO KIM HAVING DINNER
WITH SECURITY GUARD AND GENERAL AFFAIRS**

Vice Chancellor Prof. Sung Soo Kim hosted a special meal to honor and encourage the security personnel who diligently guard the university, including the Maasai night guards, as well as the administrative general affairs staff who serve behind the scenes in cleaning and facility management.

He personally invited about 30 individuals and shared a meal with them as a token of appreciation for their hard work. On this special occasion, the Maasai guards, in gratitude for the kindness and care they had received, prepared a goat meat that was provided as a gift to VC.

Chef Samwel skillfully cooked the meal, creating a joyous and blessed time where everyone felt appreciated and encouraged.



HIGH SCHOOL VISITS FOR UNIVERSITY PROMOTION AND STUDENT RECRUITMENT



VISITING PUGU SECONDARY SCHOOL

Vice Chancellor Prof. Sung Soo Kim, along with DVC-arc Prof. Thierry and IT team members Herman and Gift, visited Pugu Secondary School as part of an initiative to promote the university and recruit students. Pugu High School (Principal: Mwl. Juma Orenda) is a prestigious institution established in 1963, currently educating approximately 800 students.

Herman is a graduate of Pugu Secondary School. The visiting team also stopped by Kisota Secondary School, located near the university. Both schools agreed to establish a close partnership with UAUT and UATC and committed to recommending outstanding students for admission.

The university will continue to engage with local Secondary schools, promoting UAUT and attracting prospective students.



VC GIVING GIFT TO PRINCIPAL OF PUGU



VC WITH PRINCIPAL OF KISOTA SCHOOL

PRAYER REQUESTS:

- Construction of security posts and reassignment of security guards, including Maasai guards.
- Cafeteria remodeling.
- Website revamp (ongoing).
- Establishment of an athletics track and football field.
- Remodeling and construction of faculty housing.
- UAUT King's Bakery – Cafeteria operations and bread distribution for mission
- Establishment of a Bakery and Pastry Department at UATC.
- Construction of a Media Center for educational missions.
- Development of an online education system.
- Launch of a Christian TV station (Educational Broadcasting Network) for media missions.
- Establishment of an M.Div. program for training pastors.
- Implementation of a continuing education program for local pastors.
- Church planting in collaboration with the Tanzania Child Evangelism Fellowship.