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*Reaching the Nations for Christ*

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**OMS International celebrates 100 years of ministry in Korea.**

The Greenwood mayor, The Honorable Charles Henderson, OMS missionaries past and present, and Korean dignitaries from the Korea Evangelical Holiness Church (KEHC) will participate in an event to commemorate this centennial celebration.

It will be held at the OMS International world headquarters in Greenwood, Indiana, on Tuesday, April 17, 2007. A special chapel presentation kicks off the celebration at 8:00 a.m., which will include a welcome from Mayor Henderson, a time to worship to thank God for His faithfulness for the past 100 years—and words of encouragement from the KEHC guest speakers. At 9:00 a.m., a special dedication ceremony will be held outside the OMS building to unveil a memorial plaque to honor the OMS-KEHC partnership. The KEHC is the OMS-founded church denomination in Korea with whom OMS partners.

OMS President, David Long, says, “It is the mission of OMS International to be a tool used by the Lord in establishing His church throughout the world. This is reflected in our mission statement, which reads, ‘By God’s grace, OMS International exists to establish responsible, reproducing, Christ-centered churches among the nations.’ This mission is carried out through our four-fold emphasis of evangelism, church planting, training of leaders and partnering with a church to reach its nation.

“Establishing churches of this quality (ones that have the maturity to be self-governing, self-funding and self-propagating and ones that understand the importance of multiplying themselves and embracing the challenge to start daughter churches throughout their neighborhoods and nations) is the mission of OMS International. As we join with the Korea Evangelical Holiness Church (KEHC) to celebrate our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary, we do so with joy, knowing that the mission of OMS has found full realization in the KEHC.”

The KEHC was born in the midst of adversity, a time of foreign occupation and great opposition to the Church. It persevered through the devastation of the Korean War and was there to help rebuild the nation both spiritually and physically. Today, with more than 2,700 churches throughout South Korea, the KEHC has become a prominent and influential body within its nation. And beyond this, the KEHC has sent out more than 525 missionaries to 49 countries throughout the world. It is truly a church that is reaching the nations for Christ.

OMS International—a 106-year-old evangelical, interdenominational faith-based mission, formerly known as the Oriental Missionary Society—reaches the nations for Christ through evangelism, theological training and church planting in Asia, Latin America, the Caribbean, Europe and Africa. OMS then joins with those churches in global partnerships to reach the rest of the world. OMS began ministry in Korea in 1907. Today, OMS International serves in 43 countries around the world.