

TOPIK CONFERENCE

Peace Trip Schedule

(1) Purpose:

- To gain direct experience of the Korean situation
- To understand deeply the division and conflicts of Korean society from the political and military point of view
- To observe the North-South Korean communication and realize the need for sharing between the North and the South.

(2) Outline

- Host: the Korean Anglican Church, Hyundai Asan, Korean Sharing Movement
- Place: Geumgang-san (mountain)
- Date: Wednesday November 14th 08:00 – Friday 16th 14:00
 - ※ Late departing group: Thursday 15th 08:00 – Friday 16th 14:00 / total 7 members
- Participants: 144 people (104 Korean, 40 non-Korean)
- Cost: 50,000 Won per person

(3) Detailed Schedule

Tuesday November 13th

Registration/ Jijihyang Hotel, Paju

(Dinner: In hotel restaurant “Dining Noeul” and other outside restaurants)

Wednesday November 14th

06:30 Breakfast / Restaurant on the 2nd floor

Check out from hotel

(items not being taken to Geumgangsán can be left at the Front Desk for safekeeping)

07:30 Depart Paju / 1 Bus

13:00 Lunch / Hwajinpo Asan Rest-stop

16:00 Arrive at Geumgang-san

16:30 Check-in / Geumgang-san Hotel, Woegeum-gang Hotel

17:00 Dinner / “Onjung-gahk”

18:30 North Korean Acrobatic performance viewing

20:00 Free time

Thursday November 15th

06:30 Breakfast / In-hotel restaurant

08:00 Arrival of Late departing group

10:00 Humanitarian support for flood victims in North Korea / site visit

12:00 Lunch / “Mokran-gahk”

13:00 Guryongyun tour

16:00 Free time and sauna

18:00 Peaceful unification petition; Holy Eucharist/ Haegeum-gang hotel dining hall

19:00 Supper/ Haegeumgang hotel dining hall

20:00 Introductions to Hyundai Asan Geumgang-san development and North Korea supporting Program

Friday November 16th

06:30 Breakfast

09:30 Arrive in South Korea

13:00 Lunch

15:00 Arrive at Paju

(4) Preparations and Notes

- A. There are a number of particular requirements for visitors to North Korea.
- a. Those who have arrived in Korea on the 13th and stayed that night at the Jijihyang Hotel can deposit such items at the hotel for safe-keeping.
 - b. The weather in a Korean November is typically bright, dry and cold, sometimes dropping below zero at night in the Geumgangsan area. Please bring long sleeve shirts and an overcoat or warm jacket for going outside. It is also advisable to have some head gear and warm foot wear.
 - c. The Geumgangsan tour will include sightseeing and other outdoor visiting for which you will need some form of sports shoe and other suitable clothing.
 - d. As there will be a special worship and dinner on Nov. 15 in Geumgangsan, please prepare some appropriate clothes for formal occasions.
 - e. The Geumgangsan resort hotel has a 220 volt, 60Hz supply. The plug has two round pins. It can be difficult to get adaptors here – please obtain one before departure.
 - f. Only US dollars and credit cards are accepted (Korean currency can be exchanged at the South Korean operated banks at the Geumgangsan Resort).
 - g. The Geumgangsan resort hotel provides only soap and towels in its rooms. Please bring other required toiletries, or be prepared to buy them in the convenience store.
 - h. Medical facilities including a pharmacy and clinic are available in the Geumgangsan resort area. In case of serious emergency patients can be taken by ambulance back to a hospital in South Korea. In the event of an emergency, guests at the hotel can be contacted at + 850 0081 – 87
 - i. if you have difficulty with International Direct Dialing to North Korea then you can contact the Anglican Provincial Office in Seoul at phone +82 2 738 8952; fax +82 2 737 4210 and ask them to call the hotel. If calling the hotel in Geumgangsan from South Korea, the full number, including access code is: 008 850 0081 – 87
- B. There are a number of banned materials.
- a. Cameras and video cameras with telephoto lenses of more than 160mm and binoculars with zooming capabilities of 10 times or more are banned.
 - b. Newspapers, magazines and books from South Korea are banned. Material printed in other countries is permitted, except for Bibles and anything concerning Korea.
 - c. MP3 players and similar are permitted if they have no radio or recording ability.
 - d. It is best not to try to take notebook computers, PDAs or similar devices as it is uncertain if they would be permitted or not.
 - e. Mobile phones and other communications devices are not permitted.
 - f. It is possible to deposit small items (electronic equipment, printed matter) at Hwajinpo, the check-in point, when you are issued with your ID and travel pass.
- C. There are a number of points to follow.
- a. You are allowed to take photographs only when explicitly permitted. Generally photography from the bus, photography of North Koreans, military installations, etc, is prohibited.
 - b. You must always wear your ID (you will get this at the check-in point at Hwajinpo, just south of the DMZ).
 - c. You must carry your passport with you at all times.
 - d. You are not permitted to bring alcohol into North Korea. There are some shops where you can buy alcohol and foods at the Geumgangsan Resort area.
 - e. Apart from prescription medicines no other drugs or similar substances are permitted.

- f. Rubbish and cigarette butts must be deposited only in the bins provided.
- g. Washing hands and/or feet is not allowed in the fresh water springs.
- h. Please be aware of the "no smoking" areas.
- i. Do not take any natural objects (such as rocks or sea shells)
- j. There are many large rocks with engraving done by the government. Do not touch or lean on these rocks.
- k. You may speak with the North Korean people that you meet, but you may not take random pictures of them, including pictures from inside the bus. In addition, please be careful of the conversation topics when speaking with North Koreans.
- l. Do not talk about politics, diplomatic relations, economics and other such sensitive issues.

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