### The YUST PUST Foundation Newsletter









### YUST

This summer marked the graduation of 440 YUST seniors as they left their dorms and entered the working world. It was exciting for YPF to see these graduates start the next phase of their lives, and wish them well in their journeys ahead. Having had the opportunity to attend this year's graduation ceremony, YPF was able to witness the fruit of the faculty's service as English majors shared long hugs with their advisors and teachers while saying their goodbyes.

Graduations are reminders of the essential work that occurs at YUST each year, and YPF looks forward to the continuation of that work with the new wave of freshmen set to arrive this fall. YUST's English Conversation Department is also excited to welcome 20 teachers who have committed to serve this upcoming fall semester. In the meantime, volunteers were hard at work throughout YUST's summer term.

## **PUST**

Summer 2015 began with 4 faculty members and 27 PUST seniors taking part in the YUST graduation in China. This has been an annual event for the past four years, and YPF hopes to see it continue as it provides an excellent opportunity for PUST faculty and students to share in their sister university's milestones. Last semester, 26 freshmen, including PUST's first 10 female students, arrived after completing high school. Another 74 will transfer this August from other area universities. PUST's graduate program accepted 30 of the university's own undergraduates who will begin their studies this fall. In addition. students enrolled in the new Schools of Public Health and Dentistry will begin their first semester with intensive English courses, followed by clinical work next

spring. This fall, the university will have roughly 500 undergraduates, 100 graduate students, 130 foreign faculty, staff, and family members, and approximately 240 local staff members on campus. YPF also looks forward to PUST hosting its third annual international conference in October and celebrating its undergraduate graduation ceremony in November.



## **THANK YOU** FROM THE PRESIDENT

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Our brothers and sisters are packing their bags to return to school for the fall semester in China and the DPRK. We expect that the Lord's hands will be at work as they receive new students and staff in each community. In the latest edition of the YUST PUST Foundation Newsletter, we are excited to share about new developments regarding these very brothers and sisters.

We have highlighted three critical areas of need: the Partner with PUST campaign, the Lee Nichols Scholarship Fund, and PUST DMS. We hope you will join us by giving and praying to raise needed funds for these programs to continue.

YPF bridges supporters with our leaders and professors at both schools. We hope that these updates bring you encouragement, as well as motivation, to support those at work at YUST and PUST through prayer, giving, and remembering them throughout your day. We also ask for your prayers and support for the team at YPF as we continue to serve our Lord from the U.S.

On behalf of YPF, we are very thankful to have the opportunity to share updated news from YUST, PUST, YIA, NK Children, and YPF with you.

> **Jeff Kim** President, YPF

"I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that He who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus." — Philippians 1:3–6

### NK CHILDREN PROGRAM

In 2015, the NK Children Program expanded its services to four more locations in North Korea. Currently, the program provides goods and supplies to approximately 43,000 North Korean children. Due to the inconsistent supply of corn, the children at these homes survive off of heavily diluted corn porridge, which contributes to the high number of malnourished children. The NK Children Program will continue its



efforts to improve the welfare of these children, lower mortality rates, and work to ease permanent disabilities. A staff member continues to visit each location to verify the validity of each request and ensure the flow of aid to the children.



### YIA

The Yanbian International Academy has come a long way since its humble beginnings 18 years ago. Until last year, in order to take an AP test or the SAT, students had to endure either an 18 hour train ride to Shenyang or a 5 hour car ride to Changchun. YIA students and teachers who embarked on this arduous journey attested to the burden this added to the test-taking process. After nearly one and a half years of much prayer and petition, on October 20, 2014 at 11:45 pm, administration received news from the College Board granting YIA testing center status. For the first time at YIA, AP tests were administered on May 15, 2015 and the SAT was administered on June 6, 2015.

# YPF

This year, the YUST PUST Foundation launched both a new initiative and a new scholarship fund to support its partnering institutions. Additionally, YPF continues to work alongside the PUST DMS project.

#### **Partner with PUST**

This global initiative by PUST faculty and administrators seeks to alleviate the monthly cost of \$90,000 to operate PUST. In a supporting role, YPF has raised \$39,060 out of its goal of \$1,080,000. These funds will provide food, heat, teaching supplies, transportation, maintenance, and more for the students and faculty at the university.

### Lee Nichols Scholarship Fund

This scholarship aims to provide financial support to help cover YIA tuition costs and provide higher education scholarships to qualifying children of YUST faculty members. We are still working to reach our goal of \$15,000 this year for YIA.

#### PUST Division of Medical Sciences

The development of PUST's Division of Medical Sciences (DMS) is still in progress. DMS is currently in need of funds to sustain its building project and purchase a substation (electric generator, 60k voltage) next year.

## **HOW TO SUPPORT**

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