This is an introduction to “Paidion,” which is an evangelistic organization.

(Paidion, (παιδιον) which means “child” in ancient Greek, focuses on the next generation, the purpose of children’s ministry. Paidion evangelistic organization is located in Gaepodong Kangnamgu Seoul.)

It began with the prayer of three people: Yangseonghun, Yangyounghak, and Hanguchul, members of Paidion. For 35 years, Paidion, a small group of the theological school has grown and been promoted powerfully with the Korean church and Sunday school to influence the world and the next generation.

**The 7 principles of Paidion are:**

(you don’t have to say 1st one, 2nd one, just list them or just put a number in front)

1. Authenticity
2. Building Leaders
3. Being childlike
4. Dynamic challenges
5. Excellency
6. Fellowship with colleges
7. Globalization

1. Paidion works with God and His faithful Word. (Proverbs3:5-6)

All ministries of Paidion are based on God’s word and are evaluated on that criteria. (Authenticity)

2. Whenever someone is trained to do better ministry, growth compared with the former life is the primary goal of Paidion, like the banana tree spontaneously bearing new buds after 6 months. (2Timothy 2:2).

We emphasize building up leaders who will serve children and adolescents. (Building leaders)

3. Paidion works toward being childlike basic reason, good attitude, and simple principles. (Matthew 18:1-5) (Being childlike)

4. Paidion does not hesitate to face creative challenges and trials for Christ. (Joshua수14:12-13) We are ready to change and try something new, if it is pleasing to God. (Dynamic)

5. Paidion does not work alone; we work with the community. (Ecclesiastes4:9-12) Paidion realized that working as a team is what makes God happy, so we work together. (Fellowship)

6. Paidion recognized that, whatever we do, we feel God’s burden for the world. We imagine and expect the blessings of God to flow to people, to see the dream come true. (Matthew28:18-20)(Globalization)

**5 Ministries of Paidion**

**We serve the Korean and global church by creating the framework of 5 ministries for the next generation.**

**1. Server training to work for the next generation.**

CEE (Christian Education by Extension): ① CEE is a course of server training for the next generation. The purpose is to train people who will serve all over the world, based on the word of God. There are many professional servers and normal servers who want to work for the next generation, but haven’t been given ample opportunities for training. CEE is a curriculum for ministering to real people who want to be taught, not to those who don’t want to be found a server passively.

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| A classification | A blade of an ax | A weigh of an ax | A dimension of an as ax | A helve of an ax |
| A group of newly budded banana | Dynamic teaching Methods (1) | Victorious life | Understanding Bible | Leading a Class |
| A group of banana buds | Dynamic teaching Methods (2) | Victorious Christian Home  | Basic ChristianDoctrine | Sunday School Ministries  |
| A group of banana farms (or farmers) | Dynamic Teaching principles  | Victorious Workers | Building Academic Foundation | Leading Christian Education |

② A Bible school course and seminars for the server are separated into two parts: summer and winter. The goal of both is to set the word of God into the hearts of the children. A summer Bible class explores the problems or issues the children face and works to help the children find answers through dynamic activities. The winter Bible class works to impart the big picture of the Bible for three years. There are worship songs, rhythmic dance, and teaching materials to train the instructor. Moreover, in order to train the server with the Bible, we hold seminars of children’s sermons, missions, and an adolescent ministry.

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1. **A missionary work for the next generation**

The mission work of Paidion is for the next generation. Our goal is to train the leader to work in the field in the most appropriate way, to publish papers, to preach the gospel, to promote the culture, and to develop the mission work.

1. **A ministry of publishing papers for servers and for the next generation**

A ministry of publishing the papers for the servers and for the next generation: Paidion confesses that the Bible is not just for information, but is also for transformation. (2Timothy3:16-18) We believe that if we teach the Bible to change our awareness and lives, the course of study should be altered. Therefore, we consider the realities of Sunday school, and then we publish the book, “The Garden of Christ, which is systematically developed through graduation.

The course of study for the Sunday school (compiling ministry for a book of seasonal school and Christian educational material): Paidion produces and supplies not only the book for the course of Sunday school, but also the book, the educational material for the summer and winter bible school and the training camp.

The publishing organization of Paidion, Timothy, selects and publishes excellent books in order to develop leaders and stimulate the spiritual growth and consciousness of the parents. Many separate volumes have been printed, such as the Story of Saddleback Church, The Life with Purpose (in English: The Purpose-Driven Life), Yebas’ Prayer and so on.

1. **Promotion of the culture for the next generation**

In the beginning, Paidion started by making a gospel song for children. It is difficult to deliver a melody, rhythm, and the unchangeable truth of God on a level for children. So, we improved the cultural contents with modern music and the word of God, although the modern music of beat is fast and the musical interval is changeable. We have worship song meetings and people who love worship; we train people to serve the next generation. Through various worship song seminars, we serve the entire church. Through the cultural center, we produce visual, sound and multimedia materials necessary for Bible study and leader training about CEE, Bible school, curriculum, and teaching aids.

**5.Preaching the gospel for the next generation**

 Paidion practices preaching the gospel to children and teenagers, as well as for the teachers. We train the teachers’ complete comprehension of the Bible, and when the children respond to the Gospel, we train the teachers to lead them to Christ. We also build up teenagers so they may be a blessing to themselves and others, as well as a witness to the children. Through Timothy evangelism training, teenage disciples can testify to Jesus by their life and word. In addition, we suggest not only the hand of gospel (the book which has gold, black, blue, red, white, and green pages – not sure what the rest of that sentence means) and the cube of the gospel (the tetrahedron-shaped toy which, whenever it’s turned, shows the gospel), but we also suggest developing the evangelistic equipment and papers for the entire church.