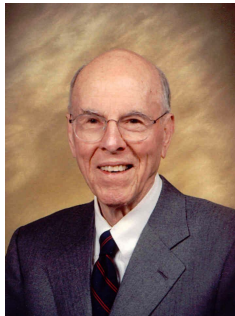


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MONTREAT -- Legendary Far East missionary and Church History Professor at Princeton Theological Seminary, Dr. Samuel H. Moffett will speak on Wednesday afternoon, 2:30 pm on June 11 at Convocation Hall, Assembly Inn in Montreat.

A Henry Winters Luce Professor, Moffett will discuss the Great Korean Revival of 1907 and missionary work which resulted in Korea having the largest Presbyterian membership in the world. Presented as part of the Presbyterian Heritage Center's special events, Dr. Moffett will be joined by Rev. Hunter Farrell, head of the Presbyterian Church (USA) World Mission Program, headquartered in Louisville, KY. Rev. Farrell will speak on the crisis in world missions and future plans.

Recognized as the world's leading authority on the history of Christianity in the Far East, Dr. Moffett was born in what is now North Korea in 1906 to pioneering missionary parents. Samuel Hugh Moffett received his basic education in Korea, returning to the United States for his secondary education at Wheaton College (B.A., 1938), Princeton Theological Seminary (Th.B., 1942) and Yale University (Ph.D., 1945). After ordination and service as an assistant and interim pastor, Moffett was named youth director for the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions. In 1947, Moffett and his wife, Elizabeth, were named missionaries to China. He was a faculty member of the Yenching University and the Nanking Theological Seminary until 1951, when he was expelled from the People's Republic of China.

He was visiting lecturer at Princeton Theological Seminary (1953 - 1955) and acting candidate secretary for the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions (1954 - 1955). His first wife, Elizabeth, died on January 17, 1955. In 1956, he married Eileen Flower, who met him at Princeton.

In October 1955, he returned to Korea as professor, dean of the graduate school and co-president of the Korean Presbyterian Seminary in Seoul. He also served as director of the Asian Center for Theological Studies and Mission from 1974 to 1981.

Moffett was appointed the Henry Winters Luce Professor of Ecumenics and Mission at Princeton Theological Seminary (1981 - 1986). His published works include *Wher'er the Sun* (1953), *The Christians of Korea* (1962), *Joy for an Anxious Age* (1966, with Eileen F. Moffett), *The Biblical Background of Evangelism* (1968), *Asia and Mission* (1976), *First Encounters: Korea 1880 - 1910* (1982, co-edited with P. Underwood and N. Sibley), *A History of Christianity in Asia: Vol. I: Beginnings to 1500* (1992) and *Vol. II: 1500 to 1900* (2005).

The Presbyterian Heritage Center is a non-profit learning center on Montreat history and the heritage of the Presbyterian and Reformed churches. The center is open Tuesday through Friday from 10 am to 4 pm, no admission. It is also open on Sunday afternoons from 1:30 – 4 pm, and on selected Saturdays. For more information about hours and the Center, go to the web site at [www.phcmontreat.org](http://www.phcmontreat.org).

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