Dallas Baptist University had the distinct honor of hosting Dr. Billy Kim, president of the Baptist World Alliance (BWA), Dr. Denton Lotz, BWA general secretary, and the Korean Children’s Choir in a special chapel service on Tuesday, January 27. The choir is touring the United States along with Dr. Billy Kim as they present music and highlight the ministry of the BWA.

The DBU concert took place as part of a unique Tuesday chapel at DBU. Chapel is usually reserved for Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at DBU, but for president Dr. Gary Cook, the opportunity to have the choir on the campus necessitated this break with tradition. Included in the performance were songs in Korean and English and even choreography utilizing Korean drums and Korean costumes, which left the crowd cheering for more.

Following the chapel service, Dr. Kim and Dr. Lotz attended a luncheon with area Baptist leaders and members of the DBU faculty and staff. Dr. Kim stressed to the audience what international unity brings to Baptists around the world. “If we come together as a Baptist family, we can work together as partners and work together as a team, and God is blessed,” he stated.

Dr. Lotz followed Dr. Kim’s comments with a challenge to the audience to remain supportive of the ministry of the BWA. From supporting missionaries and handing out Bibles to speaking with international leaders and defending human rights, the BWA maintains a wide influence throughout the world. With this influence in mind, Dr. Lotz stressed the need for Baptists in the United States to remain connected to and supportive of Baptists throughout the world. As he stated, “We belong together, because we belong to Christ.”