

NEWS RELEASE

The largest mission group ever to visit the Orient will leave for Tokyo on Friday of this week, 57 persons departing from O'Hare at 1:30 Friday afternoon. They will be joined in Seattle by the remainder, 54 persons, making a total of 111. Sixteen of the travelers are from Chicago and suburbs, and another group of 8 is from Blenheim, Ontario, Canada. The tour is sponsored by Compassion, Inc., a Chicago-based orphanage mission work.

Dr. G. A. Hemwall of Chicago, acting director of Compassion, Inc., will be in charge of the Orient tour. He will be accompanied by Mrs. Hemwall. Youngest member is Kim Forsyth, Blenheim, 11 years, and the oldest is Mrs. Helen Aufderheide, 83, of Indianapolis.

The party, traveling by air, will stop first in Tokyo, visiting evangelical churches on Sunday. Japan stay will continue through following Saturday. They will spend 9 days in South Korea, visiting Compassion orphanage homes in Seoul, Taegu, Pusan, Kwangju, and other points of interest. Visit will also be made to the de-militarized zone at Panmunjom. Returning they will have 2 days in Hong Kong and 2 days in Honolulu. They are due back in the States, November 28.



-2- (News Release - cont.)

Compassion, Inc., is the largest orphanage work of its kind in Korea. Presently it is caring for more than 22,000 children in its 173 homes. This faith mission was established in 1952 by Dr. Everett Swanson, a Chicago Baptist minister. He became burdened for the fate of thousands of homeless Korean orphans when he visited the country on a preaching mission. Compassion has its headquarters at 7774 W. Irving Park Road, Chicago. The work is independent and is financed by voluntary sponsors. The traveling group is made up of some of these sponsors.

Revere Advertising, Inc.
100 E. Ohio Street
Chicago, Illinois 60611
Phone 943-8560 (Area Code 312)