
Abstract**On the “2015 Theological Statement of the Presbyterian University
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This thesis provides the full translation and commentary on the “2015 Theological Statement of the Presbyterian University and Theological Seminary”, released on August 15th of 2015, close to the 70th anniversary of the liberation and division of the Korean peninsula. The paper seeks to demonstrate that the theological position of the Presbyterian University and Theological Seminary, as manifested in the statement, is a holistic one.

The 2015 Statement is a progressed follow-up of the “1985 Theological Statement of the Presbyterian College and Theological Seminary” and the “2002 Theological Education Statement of the Presbyterian College and Theological Seminary”. The two preceding statements share a holistic character and orientation, being based on the Bible and stressing both conservatism and progressivism; theory and practice; individual and social salvation; and the gospel of Jesus Christ and of God’s Kingdom, rather than being inclined towards one or the other. Those holistic traits are theologically reinforced through further development and succession by the “2015 Theological Statement of the Presbyterian University and Theological Seminary”.

Its contents are based on the holistic Theology—Ohn Theology, with the goal of “spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ and realizing God’s Kingdom”, in light of the current crisis of the Korean Church. It aims for an “ecumenical theology based on the teachings of the bible and the gospel”, taking into account the unification of the Korean peninsula, world peace, justice and public interest, restoration and conservation of the ecosystem, agreement between churches founded on God’s missionary work, training to overcome crises, and changes in the secular culture. The statement exhibits a strong sense of duty to take social and historical responsibility using theology, bearing in mind not just the churches of Korea but worldwide.