

## IN MEMORIAM

# Jong Yun Lee

(1940-2023)



It is with sadness that we announce that Jong Yun Lee, a member of the editorial board of *Unio cum Christo*, passed away on January 18, 2023. However, we rejoice in the hope of the resurrection. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family, friends, and colleagues. He will be missed.

He studied theology at Yonsei University, Seoul, Korea. Influenced by Cornelius Van Til, he came to Westminster Theology Seminary and completed a Bachelor of Divinity there in 1971. He went on to do a Doctor of Philosophy at St. Andrews Uni-

versity, where he wrote a dissertation on “The Problem of Paul’s Understanding of the Historical Jesus in Critical Study” under the supervision of Ernest Best. He subsequently wrote several books on biblical studies.

Ordained in Philadelphia, Rev. Lee had a vision for world mission and planted several churches in the United States and South Korea. For about twenty years, he was senior pastor of Seoul Presbyterian Church. He was also involved more globally in church leadership, mission, and theological education. He served as the President of the Council of Presbyterian Churches in Korea and the Asian Lausanne Committee.

He received an honorary Doctor of Ministry from Westminster Seminary in 2010.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> See “Rev. Dr. Jong Yun Lee Received Honorary Degree,” June 26, 2010, Westminster Theological Seminary, <https://dev.wts.edu/stayinformed/view.html?id=720>.