WestRock Family Church News

Andrew Compton October 13, 2013

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Greetings!

As you may have heard I was away last week. I am sorry I missed Justin Okamoto's sermon - everyone I spoke to liked it very much. Luckily I have the recording. If you missed it, you can listen to it if you go to the link below (Sermons).

This past Saturday I met with the local NY District pastors. We went over the model charter for local churches that is being developed by the National Council. Hopefully the final details will be worked out this weekend and the document will be available for all to see.

As I am sure you are aware, this is an important time of transition. In the past True Father, or the Korean leaders, appointed each church leader to his or her position. And although True Mother may still appoint leaders, the time is coming for us all to become leaders and take ownership in our local communities by becoming active participants. In the new pastor-council system, there will be a strong vertical line centered on the pastor, but in addition the members of the council, chosen by the community, will play an important role. I am sure that where there is good participation, cooperation and unity between the vertical (pastor) and the horizontal (council) there is going to be the best result.

And please remember that we need our community of faith - as it represents (even temporarily) our tribe and nation. I don't know of many members who have successfully established a Tribal-Messiahship foundation. To compensate for that, and to support the future success of our tribes, we need to fully invest ourselves so that our church community becomes one that is strong, growing, developing, and giving life to us and to those we who connect with us.

My sermon topic this last week was, "Looking A Little Deeper." Let's all look at ourselves and those around us a little deeper. Let's make effort to look at who we are, our Blessing, and the truth that our Heavenly Parent has given us a little deeper. If we do, I am sure we will find the inspiration to accomplish the goals our True Mother has given us.

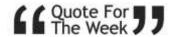
Thank you for your hard work. Let's make this a great week! God Bless You Andrew Compton



Please pray for Laura Nabetani - she is in the Cedar Manor Nursing Home in Ossining. She is still fighting an infection



Monday, October 21st, 2013



Look deep into nature, and then you will understand everything better.

Albert Einstein

The sermon this past Sunday at Belvedere, was given by Andrew Compton – the Title was "Looking A Little Deeper", you can listen to it at this link: http://snd.sc/1ghNh6m

If you missed Justin Okamoto's sermon from Sept 29 you can go to: $\underline{snd.sc/171qeZP}$

I am sorry that Noah Ross' sermon, Oct 6 was not recorded.

- True Mother is on a 5-City speaking tour in Japan. It will conclude on Oct 22
- =There is a national prayer condition to support True Mother's tour that will conclude Oct 31
- The 20-20 Providence has begun! WestRock and Upstate have been paired with the Solomon Islands and Italy. Metro NY and Long Is have been paired with Nepal and Israel.

Share Your Testimony: If you would like to share your testimony at Sunday service please visit our website at www.westrockfamily.com/sermons to find out more. If you are interested contact Rev Compton.

Also if you have any testimony or report to share please send it to me.

OUTREACH

- 1-Day Divine Principle Seminar: Saturday Oct 19, 9:30 am to 5:30 pm. Location: the White House. Reg Fee is \$20. Please contact Julia Okamoto if you would like to attend or have a guest.
- Open DP/Bible Discussion: Mondays & Fridays 7:30PM at Whitehouse each week!
- Witnessing Cards are still available after Sunday Service & at White House anytime. They're easy to use
 & a great help for outreach! Free!
- **NEW BABY!:** Congratulations to Kenshin and Taeka Furuta! On Monday Oct 7 at 1:16 pm, Taeka gave birth to a healthy girl. Her western name is Katerina. Her Japanese name is Ayako. Welcome Katerina Ayako Furuta to the NY District and the WestRock Family!
- Meeting for Parents to Learn the New Guidelines about Parents Matching: Thursday, 10/17 at 7:30 pm at the White House. We will cover information in the new Matching Handbook, also Matching Advisors training, and Parents Matching Convocation. For more information contact David Okamoto.
- Congratulations: 31st anniversary 6,000 Blessed Couples, Oct 14, 1982
 - Hike Up Bear Mt.: On Oct 26 (Saturday) join us for an early morning walk up Bear Mt to see the sunrise and to greet our Heavenly Parent. We will be back by 9:00 am. If you are interested contact Rev Compton.

MAKE IT A GREAT WEEK!!