



## **Announcement of New Pastoral Appointments: Hyungtae Ha, David Rendel, Carl Swearson, Jean Pierre Sonna, Ndassi Yorkzarh and Achille Acolatse**

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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

As we prepare to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the Yankee Stadium Rally in Belvedere, NY on May 29, and celebrate this anniversary and the Blessing throughout the nation on Memorial Day weekend, we'd like to announce the following new appointments all effective from May 1:

### **New District Appointments**

**MINNEAPOLIS: Rev. Hyungtae Ha** is the new district pastor for District 8, which encompasses large parts of the Midwest. We'd like to express our gratitude for Amadea deGroot, who served as district coordinator for over two years.

### **New Community Pastors Appointments**

**CHICAGO: Rev. David Rendel** who has been recently appointed as IW for the Midwest, has now taken on a second role as the senior pastor of the Chicago Family Church, where he will work to support and raise a new and growing ministry team. We sincerely thank Pastor Johnny Porter for his dedication while serving as interim pastor in Chicago for the past year.

**WASHINGTON DC: Rev. Jean Pierre Sonna, Pastor Ndassi Yorkzarh and Dr. Achille Acolatse** have been confirmed as the new pastoral team of the Washington D.C. church. We thank Rev. Zagery Oliver, who has served as the Washington D.C. pastor for the past eight years, and now joins the national team of UPF USA.

**IOWA: Rev. Carl Swearson** is the new Iowa State pastor. He previously served as leader on state and district level in other areas of the country until 2013. His predecessor, Alan Jessen, was Iowa pastor for the past fifteen years and now serves on the National Council. We thank Alan for his dedicated service as pastor and welcome him in his new role.

We wish all new pastors good luck and God's grace in their new missions as leaders in our districts and communities as we move forward together to accomplish our Tribal Messiahship mission and to realize Vision 2020 in America.

God bless you and your families,

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