The Passing of Our Brother, Takefumi Miyagi

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Dear Brothers and Sisters.

Our dear Brother in Los Angeles, Mr. Takefumi ("Ted") Miyagi, passed away at his home on January 20 due to heart failure. He faithfully served True Parents and God's Providence for many years and was a wonderful father to five children. His beloved wife, Sumiko, had passed away earlier in 2007.

Let us support the Miyagi family during this time and pray for his victorious transition to a wonderful new life in the spiritual world.

Following is information about his dedicated life from his pastor, Rev. Mark Tengan.

God Bless you,

Rev. Joshua Cotter Executive Vice President

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Victorious Life of Mr. Takefumi Miyagi

Our beloved brother, Ted (Takefumi) Miyagi, 1,800 Blessing Couple, passed away on January 20th around 2:00 pm at his home due to heart failure. He was 62 years old. He is survived by his five children; Takayasu, Shuhei, Yoshikuni, Yuka and Mika. Their ages range from 20 to 13.

Mr. Miyagi was well known among us at a journalist. He studied at the Tokyo University, the top academic institute in Japan and joined the CARP Movement in Tokyo in 1969. As a young man with burning desire for righteousness, he worked with the VOC (Victory over Communism) movement in the 1970's when the Communist Party was at its peak of power all over Japan. He started his career as a journalist at the Sekai Nippo in 1975. In1980, Mr. Miyagi was sent to London as an oversea correspondent. Following that, he relocated to Los Angeles to start his family life with his wife Sumiko, and continued working as a journalist.

Mr., Miyagi was also a dedicated activist at the Nikkei Parents Day Coalition as Deputy Chairman from 1995. He served as a volunteer in planning the entire event every year until 2008 with Mr. Henry Yasuda. Mr. Yasuda's couple was the first Nikkei Parents of the Year (from 1995), and serves as Chairman.

Ted's beloved wife, Sumiko, passed away in March 2007 after several months of fighting breast cancer. He was left with caring for their five children. He continued to serve as a journalist and kept sending us his messages from his own unique point of view. He also continued witnessing to

ministers and Ambassadors for Peace. Rev. Shinsei Hokama, an ACLC Minister in Los Angeles, was brought by Mr. Miyagi to the Divine Principle lecture class and later attended the Blessing.

The Seung Hwa Ceremony will be held this Saturday, January 29, 10:00 AM at the Los Angeles Unification Church, 715 Brady Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90022.

The Won Jeon Ceremony will be held at 12:00 noon at Rose Hill Mortuary, 3888 Workman Mill Road, Whittier, CA 90601.

Flowers can be sent to the Los Angeles Unification Church, 715 Brady Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90022.

Your financial support for the Miyagi children would also be sincerely appreciated. Please send your donations to Takayasu Miyagi at 950 Holly Vista Drive, Pasadena, CA 91105. Takayasu is the oldest son. Please make the check out to his name.