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Passing of our Beloved Brother, Donato Pasion

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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Our beloved brother, Donato Pasion, passed away on Wednesday, August 22, 2012 in Chicago, Illinois. He faithfully served True Parents and God's Providence for many years and lived a life of great courage and devotion.

Let us support Donato's family during this important time and pray for his victorious transition to a glorious new life in the spiritual world.

Following is a biography from his pastors, Jario and Leena Vincenz-Gavin.

Sincerely,

Rev. Joshua Cotter
Executive Vice President
Unification Church USA



Victorious Life of Donato Pasion

Yesterday at 9:22 PM, our dear brother Donato Pasion transitioned into the spirit world. Our community in Chicago as well as around the world has been inspired by his courage and spirit. We are proud to be his brothers and sisters and wish him well on his journey home.

Donato was diagnosed with cancer six years ago. Over the years, there were many times when we thought he might overcome the cancer. Through all the surgeries and hospital visits, Don was able to maintain an encouraging spirit and bring strength to others. While in the hospital, he always wanted to help others, many times asking his wife to bring his tools so that he could fix lights in the hospital. When it came to the last several days, he was only thinking about True Parents and whenever he awoke he inquired about their situation and if True Father was OK. He stopped suffering yesterday and now we know his spirit is free to follow God and True Parents from the spiritual world.

Donato was born on March 31, 1968 in Tarlac, Phillipines from the loving parents, Diosdado and Dolores Pasion. He joined the Unification Church in the Cabanatuan Center through our elder sister, Vivian Bamfo. While in the region, most of Don's mission life was spent in MFT, leading teams and driving for them. In 1990 when there was a need for a special task force, he joined the National Teams for witnessing and fundraising and was one of the volunteers among the 52 young promising members of Cabanatuan City.

He toured around the country and was then assigned for an international mission. Before coming to the USA, he had the opportunity to serve the former Asia Continental Director as driver and special assistant. He moved to America in 1995 and joined World CARP and stayed in New York City for almost ten years. Afterwards, his family moved to Chicago to settle down and worked there as an electrician. He contributed his talents as an electrician to keep the church center in good repair.

Donato was blessed on February 7, 1999 (360,000) with Aida Quiros. Together they have two sons and two daughters; Angel Hana (12), Brandon (10), Christopher (8) and Faith (2). Don was a wonderful father spending a lot of time with his children. He worked hard, even throughout his illness, to ensure that his family would be taken care of.

Donato is a loving brother and a very responsible member. He is loved by many, especially those whom he was with in mission. In the workplace, he gained the respect and love of his co-workers. He was a natural witness everywhere he went. He had a wonderful sense of humor that gave a lot of happiness to others. He maintained a strong dedication to fulfill his mission through his deep love for God and True Parents.

Seung Hwa and Won Jeung Ceremonies

The Seung Hwa Ascension Ceremony for Donato will be held on Sunday, August 26 at 5:00 PM at the Countryside Funeral Home (1640 South Green Meadows Blvd., Streamwood, IL). The viewing hour is from 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM before the Seung Hwa Ceremony. The Won Jeung Burial Service will be held on Monday August 27 at 10:00 AM at Evergreen Cemetery (610 South Dundee Ave Barrington, IL 60010).

During this time of preparation for the Seung Hwa Ceremony, all members are welcome to visit the Pasion family (105 Des Plaines Rd., Hoffman Estates, IL) and pay their respects at the altar at any time. Please send all donations and gifts to Aida Pasion, 105 Des Plaines Lane, Hoffman Estates, IL 60169.