

Investing throughout the Hope-Filled Spring

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This year is of great providential and historical significance, because on behalf of all of us True Mother has personally offered to Heaven her three years of mourning and dedication since True Father's ascension. This year kicks off, with a sense of hope and expectation, the last four years until Vision 2020. We have ushered in a period in which we now have to spread the substantial Cheon Il Guk to the entire world.

Heavenly Parent's purpose behind the Creation was to establish true parents substantially; yet, they were lost in the garden of Eden. Heavenly Parent, who has taken a long journey, enduring suffering, exists alone as the invisible God, which is why we welcomed the return of that historical spring -- the spring of hope, the revolutionary spring of true love -- which set off the manifestation of True Parents, through the marriage supper of the Lamb. In the

positions of Adam and Eve, True Father and True Mother established on earth the original standard.

True Mother celebrated True Parents' birthday and the third anniversary of Foundation Day this year. In setting True Father's providential activities in South America to be the theme for next year, True Mother stressed that through art and cultural expressions, we need to shed new light on the valuable and laborious South American providence conducted by True Parents, who have toiled on earth.

One can read of the commencement of the South American providence through the São Paulo Declaration on page 1174 of Chambumo Gyeong. Celebrating the thirty-sixth True Parents' Day in São Paulo, Brazil, on March 31, 1995, True Parents wrapped up the forty years since the founding of HSAUWC in 1954. At that time, they proclaimed the São Paulo Declaration, as a means of beginning a new forty-year course. Based on that course and its substance, the eight Jardim Declarations refer to a new history and to creating a new heaven and a new earth. Father explained the direction that the unification family and humankind must take in the future.

Blessed couples and second-generation members inherited the fruit of True Parents' victories during True Parents' forty-year course. The core of the São Paulo Declaration bears the significance of starting the forty-year course for children who expand, as successors, True Parents' foundation. 2016 marks the first year of the latter half of that forty-year course. As religious norms of this course, True Parents urged us to practice total self-abnegation, to discard our arrogance and selfishness, to practice only true love as True Parents do, to inherit their traditions, to contribute our own successes and to restore our nations. They continued to explain that the core of a blessed family's portion of responsibility lies in restoring the nation as successful tribal messiahs. In other words, True Parents have clearly stated that the duty of blessed families that have fulfilled the tribal messiah mission is to remain united in mind and body until they restore their nations.

True Parents, who have declared such an ideal, came to South America to lead members so that they could achieve ideal families through the word. To re-create the environment and (externally) set up a model ideal village as a farmer and a fisherman in the most rugged, primitive and remote area of the South American Pantanal, Father showed us by practicing the ideal he has personally taught us. In the context of all True Mother's dispensational work, her leading the providence on earth while being one with True Father is completely in line with the future direction of the providence progressing through the Declaration of São Paulo. You can actually feel in the flesh that the administration of the providence through True Mother today is progressing from a providential viewpoint that clearly penetrates into the past, the present and the future of the unification family.

As we greet the month of April in the fourth year of Cheon Il Guk, blessed couples and young second-generation members in the world must be absolutely one with True Mother and stand aloft as leading players in the providence. True Parents have bestowed on us the blessing that allows the second forty-year course to be accomplished in four years, depending on whether we fulfill our portion of responsibility. We feel grateful for this spring season, which we welcome within the precious grace of True Parents' holy matrimony. We love you, True Parents. We will now resemble you and actualize true love. In this auspicious spring, in which four years of hope remain until the fulfillment of Vision 2020, I hope a providential spring in which all of us, as tribal messiahs, unite with our future leaders, our hope, those in the second-generation, with the driving force that restores our nations, and determine to bring glory and victory.