

History of the Unificationist Calendar

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The Unificationist Calendar is a combination of lunar and solar dates. It is said that in the Kingdom of Heaven every day will be a celebration.

There are numerous different "lunar" calendars. Most people are familiar with the Chinese lunar calendar and other lunar calendars of other religions. The lunar dates used by the Unificationist calendar correspond to the Japanese lunar calendar. This differs slightly from the Chinese calendar--usually by a day or so every so often. In 2017, there was a difference as to which month was the leap month.

Each nation, state, family or locality should also add any local events to commemorate--i.e. visits of True Parents, Father's visit establishing the holy ground, establishment of any local organizations, anniversaries of any local blessings, birthday celebrations of the first and current missionaries to their nation, etc.

Creation of Calendar

Microsoft Outlook has an option for the Korean lunar calendar that works very well. If you input a known solar date, making sure to put the calendar year, you can set it to recur according to the Korean calendar. It will identify the precise lunar date and inform you if it is affected by a leap occurrence. The only issue is when an event falls in a month that is duplicated in a particular year, it will be listed on the calendar in both months. You need to identify which occurrence to celebrate.

Handling of Events Affected by Leap Months

When a person's birth falls in a leap month, it is celebrated in the leap month those years that a leap month occurs. Events are not celebrated in both the original month and the leap month.

On occasion a month might have 28 or 29 days, instead of 30. If a person's birthdate falls on a date that is missing, it is usually celebrated the day before (similar to those born on February 29th in the solar calendar).

Changes to the Calendar

In 2010 Father announced changes in the church holy days, such that all holy days are to be celebrated according to the heavenly calendar. Blessing anniversaries, deaths and secular occasions would be celebrated on the solar calendar.

In 2013 Mother announced that with the True God's Day celebration, the calendar year would be called Cheon Il Guk, and it would be the first year. There was also a memo from Korean HQ clarifying certain points.

Message from the Founders

Father has a relationship to every Unification Church member, so even if they die or are washed out into the satanic world, Father later pulls them back to God. You have good security.

Father, 10 Jan 1993, "The Reappearance of the Second Coming and the Completed Testament Era"

Turning heaven and earth upside down cannot be done overnight. Our conditions and efforts, the results of our witnessing, will show how many of our brothers and sisters, our clans, our nations and our neighbors we have embraced with love.

Mother, 29 Oct 2012