

Charlotte Family Church combines Cheon Il Guk Holy Day celebrations into one

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The Charlotte Family Church combined their Cheon Il Guk Holy Day celebrations into one, celebrating all on Sunday, January 29 this year, while planning to watch the live broadcasts of True Parents' Birthday and Foundation Day in the coming weeks.

The local celebration included congregational songs and musical offerings, readings about the significance of the Holy Days, and a commitment to the community's 2017 goals: "For our families to experience more unconditional love of Heavenly Parents, and True Parents. Secondly, that we will grow our membership. Thirdly, for all Blessed Central Families to finish writing his or her Spiritual Journey by the end of the year."

Mrs. Elise Tape read True Father's words from January 1, 1969 on the significance of the Holy Days: "We must create a circuit of giving and receiving based on God's heart, a high standard that cannot be invaded by Satan. The foundation to do this is to observe the Holy Days. You must cleave to these Holy Days with all your loyalty and sincere devotion."

Mrs. Elizabeth Dussek brought the Holy Spirit in her sharing of True Parent's Birthday. "Jesus's hope for us was for us to become God's children. True Parents brought it to another level by teaching us to take care of our Heavenly Parent. True Parents gave us the tools to do it by giving the Divine Principle and Marriage Blessing Ceremony. The Principle gives us the understanding of God's desire and the hope for humankind. On our Blessing foundation, we may be able to think to expand the Blessing movement and make a goal to accomplish for the next True Parents' Birthday".

Rev. Dr. Bessell spoke about Foundation Day with enthusiasm, comparing the booming growth of buildings in Charlotte, North Carolina, with a foundation that likewise is being build by True Parents for Cheon Il Guk (God's Kingdom).