True Father's Letter from Danbury and Videotapes sent to 300,000 U.S. Ministers

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Sun Myung Moon walking out of Danbury Prison

Shortly after his incarceration in the Federal Correctional Institution at Danbury, Connecticut, True Father proposed that Unificationists produce and distribute sets of videotapes explaining the Unification Principle for Christian ministers throughout the United States. Originally the plan was to offer 30,000 videos to 30,000 ministers and to ask each of them to share their tapes with ten other ministers and with their congregations.

By October 1984, American Unificationists had distributed more than 30,000 tape sets. True Father felt that was not enough. So it was decided to distribute videotapes directly to 300,000 ministers. It required several months to produce, duplicate, label and package the videotapes, which was done entirely in-house. New Future Films worked with 25 staff members around the clock in areas set up on the sixth, eighth and tenth floors of the World Mission Center (New Yorker Hotel) with 800 video-copying machines in continuous use.

The crew managed to turn out 900 tapes daily. Another 23 members worked in the shipping

department. Packets included three 120-minute-long videotapes on the Unification Principle, a brochure and booklet about the Unification Church, an Outline of the Principle text, a book of True Father's talks titled God's Warning to the World, and True Father's personal "Letter from Danbury." Twenty-eight tractor-trailers were required to ship all 300,000 packages to the mailing location. The project was completed on February 16, 1985. True Father stated, "I feel very good because that is all done now; that was an incredible operation."

Stony Path of Tears - Reverend Moon's Message to 300,000 Christian Pastors in America from Danbury Prison in February 1985