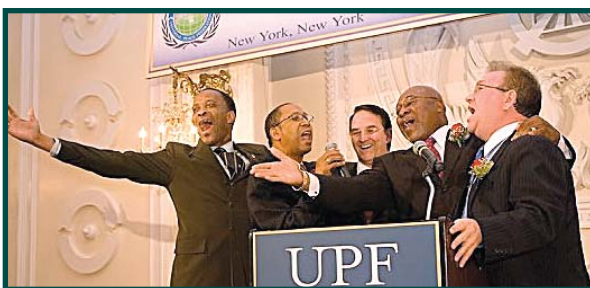


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FOUNDER'S DISCOURSE ON UNIFICATIONISM

HIDH with True Parents at

Notes by Rev. Michael Jenkins, translation by Mrs. Hee Hun Standard and T. Cromwell, edited by L. Strait and J. Flynn. These notes are taken from a simultaneous translation. Simultaneous translation is done in summary form and depends greatly on the translator's ability to communicate the essence of the message. These cannot be published as definitive texts and should never be used in the future as an "official" publication on Rev. Moon's words. However, they do provide a good idea of the "spirit" of the message.

We must fulfill the contents of the Peace Messages walking together hand in hand with God and our spouse. To do this, we must take action. We must make a joyful world through fulfilling our purpose. Yes or no? You have to clearly understand that this is one chapter in history that will be at the center forever. That kind of atmosphere can make a world free of doubt. You can make a world full of love, freedom, and complete oneness.

There is one God and the ideal family will be His central dwelling place. Only one spot, and then it expands horizontally through unification. Automatically you can find that one cen-

tral point, where God created the Kingdom of Heaven on Earth, through True Parents. I am speaking about the contents that can resolve this problem, moving out from that problem through the solutions fulfilled by the eight-stage development to the ideal world. I understand God.

We should build such a world in America. We cannot change even one chapter in terms of value. Always understand. We have such amazing people, who are people of God. We are coming to Hoon Dok Hae at 5 am. Do you know how serious I am? We are going on a very serious path of destiny. We must really understand that this is the moment that has the highest value in history. This is the time of absolute value. God gave us absolute value before the Fall; after the Fall, all was relative and in such a miserable situation. Dr. Peter Kim, do you understand?

You must understand that the Peace Messages are the most precious words of all-- more precious than anything in the British Museum. It is the most precious thing. Where do we go from here? We have to understand absolute sexual morality. If we don't, then homosexuality, promiscuity, divorce and free

sex will emerge. We must clean up all of that.

Free sex in the fallen world is not good. It is dirty and smelly. I do not like to hear it or see it; it is fallen and defiled. If we don't understand absolute sexual morality, we cannot create the Kingdom of Heaven. I don't want to have anything to do with the world of free sex. We must establish the world that is pure, holy, and untainted. Especially you young people must understand that you must have a life of purity. Now we must understand the 10th Peace Message on absolute sexual morality. True Mother likes this speech.

After creation, what comes next? The Peace Ideal Model of Absolute Sex. Unless we can reach that kind of state, we cannot fulfill our purpose in life. We can fulfill centered on absolute sex. Now let's read the 10th Peace Message. We cannot go to Number 11 from Number 9. We must go through Number 10 because 10 is the point of commitment.

Absolute sex is the hill that we must go over -- otherwise we will go to hell. This is a deep problem in America. What is pure love? It is something that you have to keep; it is something very

clean and pure. Chult Tae Cheong -- absolute sex

From Peace Message 10: Absolute sex has fidelity, purity and absolute loyalty between husband and wife. Ladies and gentlemen, the absolute-ness of conjugal love is the greatest blessing that Heaven has bestowed on humankind. Without adhering to the principle of absolute sexual purity, the path to the perfection of one's character and spiritual maturity is closed. Furthermore, without securing the foundation of absolute sexual morality within a true family of perfected individuals, it is impossible for God to manifest His presence in dignity as the incarnate God of character.

In order for God, the Absolute Being, to have direct dominion over our lives and to live and share joy with us, we who were created as His object partners and children must assume the form of a perfected family based on the standard of absolute sexual ethics, as God intended. Only within the boundaries of a family upholding absolute sexual morality is it possible to create relationships based on an ideal model

J U N E 2 0 0 8

Ahn Shi Il • 1st, 9th, 17th, 25th

- 3 Inauguration of the Federation for Cosmic Peace and Unification South American Headquarters (2001)
- 4 Day of All True Things (5/1/63)
72 Couples' Blessing (1962)
- 10 Il-Heung Shipbuilding Established (1986)
- 13 Hee Jin Nim & Hye Shin Nim's Blessing (1998)
39 Couples' Blessing (1981)
1st Stage of the 360 Million Couples' Blessing (1998)
- 14 Jeung Jin Nim's Birthday (1982)
Declaration of True Parents' Cosmic Victory (1999)
- 17 Declaration of the Return of the Sea to Heavenly Dominion (2000)
- 19 Shin Goon Nim's Birthday (5/16/02)
- 20 Young Jin Nim's Birthday (5/17/78)
- 21 Rally for the Unity and Completed Settlement of the Parents of Heaven and Earth (2002)
- 23 Il-Sung Construction (1978)
Day of One Heart (1989)
- 24 Declaration of the Return of the Land to God (2000)
- 29 Ceremony of the Return of the Cosmos to Heaven (2000)

J U L Y 2 0 0 8

Ahn Shi Il • 3rd, 11th, 19th, 27th

- 1 Shin Kwang Nim's Birthday (5/28/01)
Chil Il Jeol: Declaration Day of God's Eternal Blessing (1991)
Day of the Celebration of Victory (1973)
2075 Couples' Blessing (1982)
- 3 Interreligious and International Blessing and Rededication Ceremony (2002)
- 13 Shin Ha Nim's Birthday (6/11/98)
International Blessing of 400 Million Couples, Fourth Phase (2003)
Universal Ballet Company Established (1984)
- 16 Kook Jin Nim's Birthday (6/14/70)
- 17 Sun Jin Nim's Birthday (6/15/76)
Bering Strait Resolution for Peace (2005)
- 18 Sung Jin Nim & Dong Sook Nim's Blessing (1973)

- 21 Hye Jin Nim's Birthday (6/19/1964)
- 24 124 Couples' Blessing (1963)
- 26 5th Phase of the 400 Million Couple Blessing (2004)
Youth Federation for World Peace Inauguration (1994)
- 27 National Parents' Day (1994)

A U G U S T 2 0 0 8

Ahn Shi Il • 4th, 12th, 20th, 28th

- 1 Hee Jin Nim's Ascension (1969)
6th Phase of the Blessing of 400 Million Couples (2005)
Day of Returning to the Home Country (1993)
- 4 Hye Jin Nim's Ascension (1964)
- 7 Chil Pal Jeol: Declaration of the Realm of the Cosmic Sabbath for Parents of Heaven and Earth (7/7/97)
Unification Theological Institute (1971)
- 12 Shin Goon Nim's Birthday (7/12/83)
Shin Kwon Nim's Birthday (7/12/89)
- 16 Il Sung Il: Total Victory Day (1985)
- 17 Declaration Day Jeon-ban & Jeon-neung (1999)
- 18 In Jin Nim's Birthday (7/18/65)
Blessing (2004)
- 20 Declaration of the Advent of a Revolution of True Heart and the Era of True Liberation and Complete Freedom (2004)
Declaration of the Providential Age of Salvation by Love (1989)
Blessing for Registration in Cheon Il Guk for the Revolution of True Heart and for True Liberation and Complete Freedom (2004)
Father's Release from Danbury (1985)
- 25 30,000 Couples' Blessing (1992)
360,000 Couples' Blessing (1995)
- 28 Shin-Il Nim's & Shiori Nim's Blessing (2006)
Shin Bok Nim's & Yeonseon Nim's Blessing (2006)
Shin Won Nim's & Shinhwa Nim's Blessing (2006)
Holy Blessing of the Third Generation (2006)
Federation for World Peace (1991)
- 30 Shin Ji Nim's Birthday (7/30/94)
- 31 Pal Jong Shik: Day of the Settlement of 8 Stages (1989)

Due to the manner in which the lunar calendar corresponds with the solar calendar, Yun Ah Nim's and Un Jin Nim's birthdays are not celebrated in 2006. Contact me if you come across any errors. (c) 1999-2004 Kathryn Coman [KathrynComan@worldnet.att.net]

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East Garden, April 27, 2008

of sexual ethics for life as it should originally have existed. This life includes the three-generational realm of grandparents, parents, children and grandchildren. Please understand clearly that God's eternal life and a human being's eternal life are possible only on this foundation.

Is America a nation of absolute sex? No. I came back to guide America. Even the key leaders of America have forgotten how important this morality is. America must be engrafted now and go through the eight stages to restore the homeland. We should all be united and living in the Garden of Eden.

Even the leaders of this nation have not established the values that are necessary to guide this nation. Who is the owner of the woman's sexual organ? It belongs to God. He gave it to women so that they could bear children. We should not just use it because we like doing it. Things have been very fallen, filthy, and smelly. Is there true love in America? Many are pursuing love through humanism and seeking to love others. But it must be based on Godism or it may turn into free sex. You should understand the importance of True Parents. True Parents will have to sign for you to go to the Kingdom of Heaven.

We don't have a homeland right now or God's nation. We need to have a new family, a new country, and new nation. We are entering the era of the global unified world. All nations of the world should come together as one. In history, nations conquered others with force. We should promote spiritual liberation in Russia, China, America, and all nations.

Peace Message Number 3 is teaching all people to be blessed. In Korea, based on that foundation, we can go from the individual, family, and tribe to the nation. The United States and the United Nations should be united and harmonious. We must have absolute sex, and then true freedom can emerge in love. This is how we can rebuild the world. The Abel UN should be helping get this done.

In this fallen world, parents are killing children, children are killing parents; the only way to solve this is through True Parents' teaching. We must go up through the level of the nation as ideal families. We must understand God's words. With Ambassadors for Peace, we should build a ladder to the Kingdom

of Heaven. Everything has been based on what God has taught me and what I learned by serving people. God has been behind me every step of the way, almost like a prisoner. There should be three generations of representatives from one family to fulfill the direction of the future. The United States and the United Nations should be united as one. To build Cheon Il Guk, we must help UPF to do the job. Abel has been totally sacrificed in history. The Unification Church was completely sacrificed.

This time Hyo Jin Nim went to the spirit world. Heung Jin Nim has been the commander of the spirit world. However, there has still been division there. Now through the ascension of Hyo Jin Nim these final barriers will be removed. He is the lord who can open the deepest spiritual realm and make it a garden of loyalty and filial piety. Heung Jin Nim worked on the basis of religion. Now even greater things will happen through Hyo Jin Nim.

We must have the interreligious and international concept. Whether it is

France, Germany or any other nation - they all must be restored. I didn't go to prison for crimes or sin but to pay indemnity for the world. That is what I have come here for. If I don't come here, the UN will not fulfill its true purpose and could be abandoned.

Peace Message Number 3 was based on giving the blessing to all Koreans. Peace Message Number 4 is dealing with the fact that 74% of all the people of the world descend from the Mongolian lineage. In Hawaii, we have many projects going on. Based on our projects in South America, I want to develop the systems that can more effectively feed the world. ❖



**True Parent's
48th Holy Wedding
Anniversary Fishing
Tournament
May 4, 2008
East Garden, NY**



New Regional President Appointed

by Rev. Michael Jenkins

Tue Parents--on May 18th, the 5th anniversary of the Jerusalem Declaration--asked Dr. Chang Shik Yang to become President of FFWPU Korea. Dr. and Mrs. Yang have victoriously completed their duties as the Regional Presidents [Continental Directors] for North America Region I. Dr. & Mrs Pyung Hwa Kim were asked to become the new Regional Pres-

idents and arrived in America on June 2 [more next month].

Two farewell and victory services were held for Dr. Yang and his family.

The first at the Washington Family Church on Columbia Road and 16th St. N.W. on Sunday, May 18, at 10:30 AM. All Sunday services in the Washington Area for Sunday, May 18th were combined as one service at the Washington Family Church.

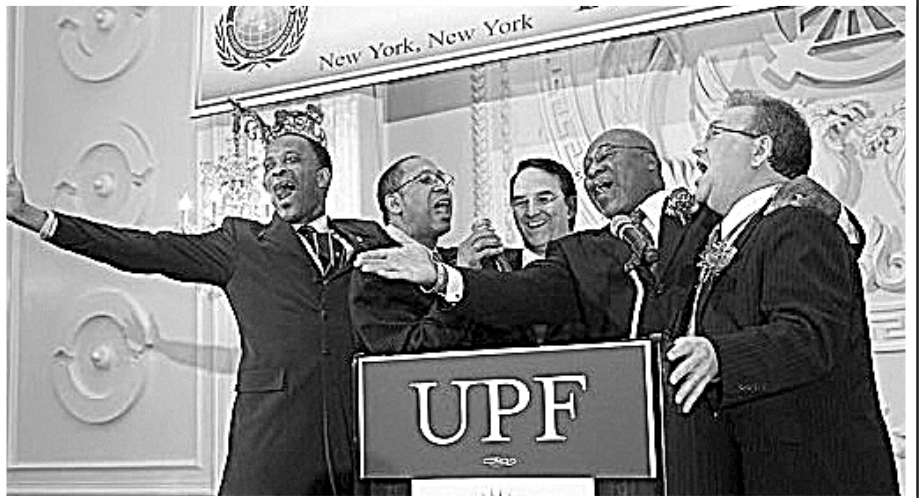
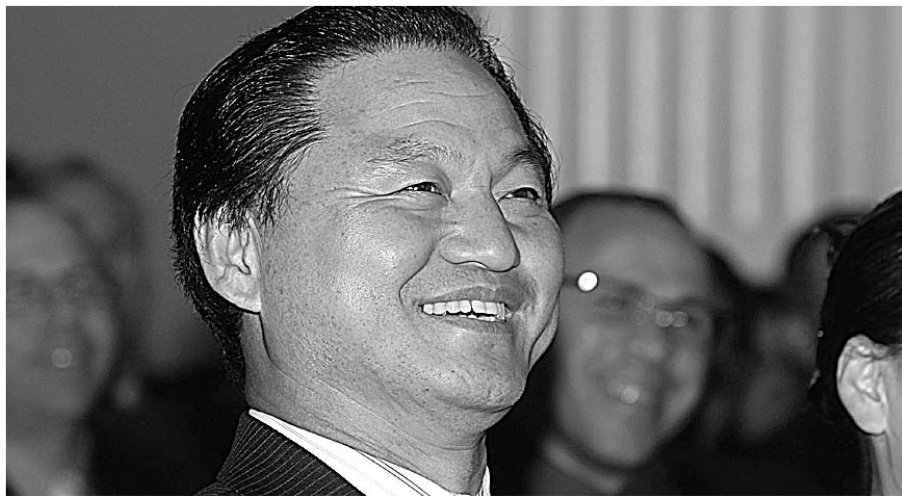
After a fond farewell to the headquarters staff at 43rd Street in the

afternoon, The second victory and farewell service was held in New York at the Grand Ballroom of the New Yorker Hotel on Tuesday, May 20th at 7 pm. Dr. Yang departed for Korea immediately after the Tuesday service. All the directors and heads of organizations came to New York for the Tuesday evening service.

We share profound gratitude for the development of the Elder Son Nation centering on the True Parents and True Family under the direction of Dr. Chang

Shik Yang. He became Continental Director in June 1999.

The American movement has completely transformed under his leadership. We pledge to carry on and expand all the foundations in the Sphere of Life and the Public Sector that God and True Parents have inspired in America under the leadership and ministry of our beloved leader and central figure Dr. Chang Shik Yang. ❖

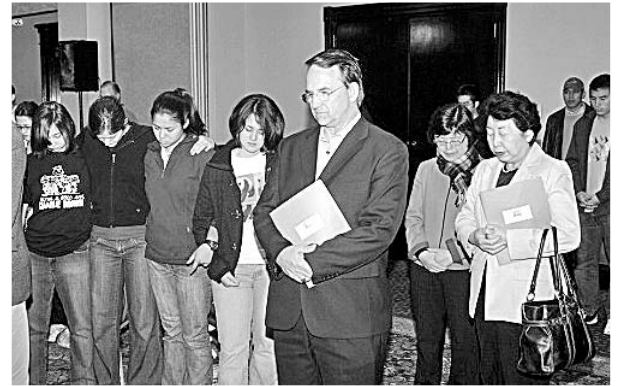




Dr. & Mrs Pyung Hwa Kim welcomed by the 43rd Street staff on their arrival in America on June 2, 2008



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United States Second Generation Activities in Sri Lanka

by Rev. Dr. Ratnasabapathy Thillairajan

The Seattle-based Next Generation Academy Leader Jeff has arranged with Dr. and Mrs. Kim for second generation leaders in training to visit the Asia Region to do service work as part of their training.

The nations chosen were Sri Lanka, India, Nepal, Bangladesh and Thailand. This is the first time the second generation team was visiting South Asia for this type of project. This report is about their activities in Sri Lanka.

The second generation members of the team had started preparing for 6 months to visit these nations. They are high school graduates and wanted to experience and serve this part of Asia for the first time. Initially they contacted several leaders in Sri Lanka. Due to the country's security situation as well as other local activities, they were advised by the national leader not to visit Sri Lanka but to go to Nepal. Instead, this was very difficult to accept for them as they have already planned and did the research about Sri Lanka as well as prayed for this nation.

So they discussed all the possible problems of doing service work in Sri Lanka. They started a bowing condition as well and asked me what else they could do. So I told them that when I was in Korea I met Hyung Jin Nim. Whenever I met him he shook my hand and said, "Thillai, my Friend" with utmost sincerity. This is like Jesus telling his disciples that they are his friends. Also I learned that Hyung Jin Nim is very happy to pray for any problem of members in the morning prayers. So I suggested they send a letter about the situation to Chongpadong and ask for prayers, and I myself also asked Hyung Jin Nim for his prayer and support. After several

days of such prayers, the Next Generation Academy decided to serve Sri Lanka despite all the problems they may have to face here. So the family of Thillai was thrilled to host them and also asked Dr. and Mrs. Kim for their

tor, Jeff, arrived in Sri Lanka.

We visited a few places in Colombo during the first few days and visited the centre as well. The national leader welcomed them and asked them to have good time in Sri Lanka. I already felt it

4. On the second day they also went and stayed in a village. The village welcomed them very warmly.

5. They helped to renovate and paint the school of that village. They played with the children and sang some songs to them. They told them that we are One Family.

6. Then they went to different parts of the country and did educational training service, giving presents and loving the people as brothers and sisters.

Reflection:

They have shown a remarkable example in attitude and their work and really loved the people. So whenever they left a village, the village people were in tears and they themselves were in tears, too. This was the first time I saw this kind of investment from any foreign missionary to this nation with my own eyes and was very moved by it.

Although I designed it to be some sort of service learning experience with very little time to relax, they eagerly participated in all activities to the last day. On the last day just before the departure, the national leader and his wife invited them for a Korean lunch. It was a great experience for all of us who were involved and we really appreciate the power of prayer from Chong Pa Dong and Hyung Jin Nim for this great experience.

On the 18th of April in the early morning at 2 A.M they left Sri Lanka to Bangkok, Thailand, and (we received the wonderful news) at the same time which is 5 A.M, in Korea during the morning Hoon Dok session True Parents appointed Hyung Jin Nim the head of our organization. It is a great victory for God and True Parents as the second gen could have such a remarkable experience in Sri Lanka. During their stay, one powerful minister of the government was killed by a suicide bomber. But God and the spirit world were so powerfully guiding the whole program so we completed the program without any major problems, so we want to thank our national leader and Dr. and Mrs. Kim for their prayers and support for the program as well.

I also must thank the three main Ambassadors for Peace Mr. Ariyapala, Mr. Vathanam, and Mr. Bandara for the immense support of organizing this service program for them. Also the support of the second generation Sukun, Yoshimi, and Koukun was indeed very valuable. Kimiko Thillairajan did her best as well. It was a remarkable team effort and was a great success. ❖



prayers as they are the Continental Directors.

On the 28th of March the three second generation leaders, with their Direc-

tor, Jeff, arrived in Sri Lanka.

The Activities of the Second Generation (Elisa, Tasia, and Audrey)

1. On the first day they visited an Assembly of God church with the letter from the first missionary to Sri Lanka, Frederica to the main pastor. He had received our missionary 33 years ago when he had a small church and now he has so many churches all around the country including the main church, which can accommodate 5,000 people. He is a friend of Rev. Cho Yong Gee from Korea.

2. On the first day they also met university law students with Ju Yong, the second generation leader in Colombo.

3. On the second day they went to a village called Madabowita and initiated a microfinance program with seed money True Mother had given them. It was a moving experience for all of us. We spoke about the visit of Father and Mother Moon and we also told them we are initiating this program in remembrance of the visit. This will be linked to IRFF as well. The former national leader of Sri Lanka contributed the money True Mother gave during her visit to Sri Lanka for this ongoing project.

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AN APPRECIATION OF DR YANG PRECIOUS UNITY

by Ken Owens, New Future Photo

Archbishop Stallings once said, Dr. Yang is someone "who is always seen and rarely heard!" I realized, and had mentioned to Rev Jenkins, that I believed that the main reason America was able to achieve so many victories for True Parents in the last decade is because of the absolute unity between Dr. Yang and Rev Jenkins.

Ever since Rev Jenkins was appointed by True Parents after you had become the Continental Director, one can see immediately there was going to be great achievements made. It was the first time that the Elder and Younger could really unite. Because of that, spirit world could come down and miracles could happen which we had only dreamed of in the past.

I must give credit to Rev Jenkins who totally abandoned his "self" and devoted to fulfilling every your every request. Because both of you respected each other tremendously, cooperating with each other fully, the providence in America was able to



go "full steam ahead!"

Having been raised and served in the Navy, I know the relationship between the officers and enlisted personnel can be strenuous. Every thing is done

based on duty. Because you and Rev Jenkins were not only united as elder and younger, but had great affection for each other in brotherly love, the members in America came to deeply respect you and tried their hardest to fulfill your directions. Because of this, True Parents felt extremely inspired and realized that America was finally in capable hands.

There is one other point I would like to share. Having been raised in the Navy, my dad would sometimes be gone on assignments for as long as a whole year. Our family wouldn't see him at all until the following year. So, I know how it feels for a child to grow up when the father is gone for so long.

I must give praise to your family, and Rev Jenkins' family as well, for they sacrificed their time and love so you can be free to fulfilling True Parents' will. It was not only you, but your entire family that has made God and True Parents happy.

Dr. Yang, may God's blessings rain down upon you and your family for generations to come! Thank you, Dr. Yang, thank you! ❖

by Dr. Hyun Jin Moon

This is from an address given in Peru on April 22, 2008

Although this is my first visit to Peru, I truly feel embraced by a long lost family. I was tremendously moved by the comments that encapsulate the vision of UPF by the General and the activist activities of really taking ownership of the vision of UPF and sharing the leadership of this nation of Peru by our Congresswoman. I believe that tremendous things can happen here if our Ambassadors for Peace become the owners of this dream of building One Family under God. For a vision and a dream, without an owner, is just an idea but a vision and dream with an owner can transform the world.

This Latin American tour is a tour rooted in a vision. I have been graced by the presence of a historian and we had a chance to talk about history. Every time I talk about history it excites me because in my earlier life when I was going to Columbia University, I asked my father as I was thinking about choosing my major, what do you think I should major in? My father never tells his children to do one thing. He wants us to choose. He wants us to take ownership. So he gave me three choices. And to make a long story short, I chose history. Especially the history of America.

Yes, that history is a history fraught with violence, with promise, with passion, and with dreams. When the Europeans first came to America they were looking for the East. Christopher Columbus, however, found the Caribbean and it was from the hub of those island nations within the Caribbean that later Europeans landed in Central America. One of the observations that I noted to our esteemed professor here

was, before the coming of the Europeans the seat of civilization of the Americas was in Central and South America. A civilization that is equal among all great civilizations of the world.

When I think about the Incan people who built Machu Pichu on the highest mountains of the Andes, I wonder what their aspirations and dreams must have been to toil so hard to build a beautiful temple and a city on top of the world. And I can only imagine the first eyes of Europeans that looked upon the majesty of that civilization and were totally overwhelmed. Yet

many times those who have some times lose sight of what we cannot see. As the Europeans came onto South America, their eyes seeing the richness of the culture and the bounty and the wealth, moved by greed, raped Central America and South America.

Yet the history of the North was very different. The Native people of North America were nomads. They did not

establish these grand civilizations. So the Europeans that came to North America came for other reasons than for wealth – for enrichment. Of course we had Jamestown which was venture of building a base in which economic wealth could be established. It was a total failure. The only settlement of Europeans that flourished was a settlement that was seeking to find and build a nation under God. They came because of religion.

To me, as also a person that is not native to the Americas, for I was born all the way Westward across the Pacific Ocean, in the nation of Korea. I consider the Americas my true home. I have adopted the nation of America as my second home. But to me, the American dream was never a political dream. It was not an economic dream because we know that democracies without values rooted in self-interest can be just as ruthless and just as dictatorial as a totalitarian regime. We also know that capitalism not controlled by values can lead to a world of those who have and those who have not. For we as human beings are given different gifts, different faculties by God. There will always be those who under that system will have more bounty on this earth. So I never thought that the American dream was a political dream nor was it an economic dream. The American dream to me, was a dream of building a nation



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The idea behind the web site is that every person that exists has a story to tell- his or her own life story. Who else but yourself knows better your life? In each of one's life, there is a story that would be an incredible story to read. The hope is that we would come to respect each other, because we come to realize that each person is a unique story in itself. Maybe even realize that there is a great mind behind all of our lives-a Creator- a God a being that is beyond each of us. The hope is that we can realize that we are truly all brothers and sisters, who may look different, speak different and yes act different but each one should be respected and loved.

A new feature to the site is a translation tool so you can read it in your own language. As of now, the Web site can be translated into 11 languages. Let the story of your life be told. We all have a story to tell.

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under God that recognized the sovereignty of God and thus, through that realization was committed to uplifting the human family to the dignity that can only come from God.

Thus the first document that marked the birth of that nation, The Declaration of Independence, recognized directly the sovereignty of God as the basis upon which the basic rights of any American that finds this nation will be established. But human beings are flawed. Thus throughout the history of North America, though it had this base in God and this base in universal principles that can only come from God uplifting human dignity to the level of human rights, universal human rights, human beings are flawed. Yet as a government, as a people etched the history of that nation, it was these universal principles that was the founding bedrock of this nation that brought it back on track and made that nation great. One only needs to look at the plight of the Blacks in America who came on that continent as slaves, less than men. Those founding fathers who built that nation upon that sacred document, that covenant with God, realized the moral sin that they were committing.

Thus before even the first 100th Centennial, the nation embarked in a great Civil War where this issue was resolved and with the instrument of government all people – whether Black or White – were given equal freedoms under the law. But we know that human value, human rights are not given by governments. It is only given by one human being to another. So although the Blacks had equal rights under the law, in practice, they were still second-class citizens because the Whites would not give them the dignity that comes from the truth that we are of one common heritage and before we are Blacks and Whites, we are sons and daughters of God and Americans. This issue only became resolved in the 20th century when a religious leader, not a political leader, not an academic, not a civic leader, carrying the authority that can only come from God, did not site the Bible, but cited the founding documents upon which that nation was built which said “we hold these truths to be self-evident that we are all endowed by our Creator, certain inalienable rights” peaking the conscience of a nation and finally moving a nation to align with the truth and the vision of building One Nation under God.

But today, centered upon the work of the Universal Peace Federation we have an even greater dream than One Nation under God. One Nation under God means, One Nation out of 200 nations will be a nation that recognizes the sovereignty of God. But with the vision of building One Family Under God, going beyond national borders, going beyond races and ethnicities, and even going beyond religious traditions, we can build a world of peace based on this common vision and common value system, principles that comes from this truth.

One of the amazing Blessings that God has given this hemisphere was

that this hemisphere is a Christian hemisphere. I have always asked myself and those Christian brothers and sisters, “What is the true mission of Jesus?” “What does it mean to be a true Christian?” 2000 years ago, a young son of a carpenter changed the world in which he lived by offering a vision for humanity that touched the conscience and the hearts of men not only in his native Judea, but throughout the Greek and Roman worlds. What was that truth that he taught? In the most momentous occasion of the three years of his public ministry, the culminating moment of that ministry where he gave that sermon on the Mount, he said, “It is said, an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth.”

What was he making reference to? He was making a reference to the Mosaic laws. He was giving a message of new wine that should have been put into new wineskin. It is said an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth, but I say unto thee, that if you are hit on one cheek that you shall even offer the other. It was a message of True Love that could even embrace one’s enemy. But even more significant, recognized by the religious leadership within his native people of Judea, was the message that we are sons and daughters of God, members



of one eternal human family and is the role and the mission of the son of man to bring this family together as one under God.

Yet those people which he was born into being the chosen people who were the only people in that empire that believed in one God, all the other civilizations believed in many gods. Carrying the lineage of Abraham, they felt they had a sacred covenant with God. So instead of becoming new wineskin to be able to receive that new wine, because as the son of God just as the birds that fly in the air, the fish that swim in the sea, and the animals that crawl on the earth have a home without borders, the son of man has no home to rest his head. Jesus was to fulfill the original mission, the original dream that God had for humanity before humanity separated from God – of building One Family under God. It was that message and that vision that he gave 2,000 years ago that transformed the world, a world that had no sense of human rights as we understand for slavery was an accepted institution. There was no sense of women’s rights.

There was no understanding of building a family under God. This became the foundation upon which the modern world today was built.

Thus, if one wants to talk about human rights, human rights first and foremost starts with God and the truth that we are all of one family under that God.

I believe that in this world of global crisis and conflict where there is a potential religious war that the true message that was seeded 2,000 years



ago of One Family Under God needs to be brought to the world stage centered upon a hemisphere that had been appointed and anointed by God to carry on that mission. That is why when that dream once again was revisited to humanity on the windswept hilltops on North Korea on a cold Easter Sunday when a young boy at the tender age of 15 went up into those hills deep in prayer and meditation received the inspiration and the revelation of building one family under God.

That young boy made a promise on that fateful day. He knew that life would be a cross. Yet he was willing to surrender his life, his own ambitions for the sake of bringing this message to the world, bringing this nation to the world, for this is not a vision of just one man, of just one family. This was the vision for all humanity. That young boy that went up into those hilltops in North Korea those many years ago is none other than my father, the Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon. He brought to us again the importance of the vision of building One Family under God. It is based upon that vision, that dream, that aspiration that a network of Ambassadors for Peace spans the globe committed to fulfill this dream. And this is the foundation and only this foundation that can lead this world to peace for this is the truth that will allow the faith leaders of the world to not use their faiths and their denominations to divide and justify conflict within the human family nor just merely tolerate other faiths because in the truth of building One Family Under God, before we are Muslim, Christian or Jew, before we are America, Peruvian, or Korean, before we are Black, White, or Yellow we are first and foremost the sons and daughters of God all with the responsibility of fulfilling One Family under God. That is the common shared truth that we as the human family should aspire for.

Just as your ancestors your Incas aspired as they built that great civilization upon the highest mountain-

tops of the Andes, I believe that Peru has a special place, that the seeds have been planted in the Ambassadors for Peace where there is ownership. In other words it’s not just ideas, it’s not just nice talk, but our Ambassadors for Peace in this nation are becoming the owners! For I explained, a vision and a dream without an owner is just an idea. Yet a vision and dream that has an owner can transform the world.

And this is the time in which we need to dream big. We need to aspire for the greatest of things. Just like that nation to the North that was anointed by God have risen to the highest peak of all nations in the world, so too, can Central and South America if it becomes the owner of the dream of building One Family under God, not One Nation under God, but One Family under God rooted in the eternal universal principles that can only come from God for his region has been held back not in the abundance of its resources or the capacity of its people.

You know I am continuously amazed as I was engaged in this Latin American Tour starting

from Central America now South America, in terms of resources and in terms of potential industrial people of this region, there is nothing lacking here comparatively to the North. But if I am to be as bold to suggest what this region of the world needs is not resources, is not people, but it needs the greatest vision and principles and values that can uplift the people of this nation to go beyond individual self-interest, interest of one family, even interest of one nation but to seek and aspire for the greatness of a region, of greatness of a continent, the greatness of the Americas, reviving the spirit and dream and leading the world to peace. That is why I am here.

I hope that this message can inspire more owners because I believe God has prepared this nation of Peru to have a special place amongst nations. Great things happen in small packages. Although the United States stands at the top of all nations in the world, its history of 250 years when they embarked in their bold adventure of nationhood, was a backward rag-tag colony of 13 small small states. Yet they sheaved independence from the most powerful empire in the world. The reason why that nation rose to greatness as I explained, was not because of politics, was not because of its economic system, it was because it was anointed by God because they established a covenant that recognized the sovereignty of God. If Peru can become a nation that recognized the sovereignty of God as the basis of creating a new Peru rooted in the greatest vision of all, One Family Under God, rooted in those fundamental principles, this nation can become a leading nation not only in this hemisphere but in the world.

I want to challenge you Ambassadors for Peace, to dream the greatest dream of all, and to aspire for the greatness of your ancestors that built the majesty of Machu Pichu and the civilization of the Inca Empire. ♦

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From *Emotion* to **Action**

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When you have emotion, it's OK. We are human beings, we have emotions. God has emotions. We are made in His image. It's OK to feel emotions. It's very important actually to feel emotions in our lives. If we don't feel emotions - psychologists dignose people who cannot feel strong emotions, intense emotions, as psychopaths - so it's very important to be able to feel emotions. It's important to give yourself the permission to feel emotions.

I'd like to share this with you from Cheon Seong Gyeong, page 1250: "Of all the blessings in the world, the most precious blessing is the love of God. The second most precious blessing is inheriting God's power of creation. Just as God created Adam and Eve, you were given the power to create through the children that you have."

I really want to draw attention to that because today I want us to recognize how precious our children are. It's so important that we understand the power of this blessing and that we really see our children with those kind of divine eyes, that we see them as the real blessings that they are.

When we call them - I encourage you, even when we are a little upset with the kids - "O blessings, come over here!" Always call them "Blessings" not "Little rascals get over here!" Always make sure you say, "Blessing, come here child." Let's see them with God's eyes. Let's remember that we are receiving God's love.

Our pastor's wife Genn Toffey has just come back from America. Welcome back! (applause) Allright, good to see you

Let's always remember that we are precious. Let's always see ourselves with God's eyes; let's see ourselves with divine value, cosmic value. Let's see ourselves as unique, one of a kind, no one like us.

It's so important that we fill ourselves with these types of visions, that we create our self-identity along such teachings that we hear. It's very important that we don't go through the day and give ourselves a hard time, being very critical. Of course all of us have things to change and improve but it's more important - the majority of the time - to fill ourselves with God-filled words,

faith-filled words, knowing that we are powerful, that we have the power of creation, knowing that we have the love of God, knowing that we can get through any obstacle that is in our path, knowing that we have the courage and the strength, the wisdom, to make the right decisions etc...

If we can start seeing ourselves that way, then we'll be able to move through life with more Peace, more Illumination, more Victory.

Brothers and sisters, I want to invite you all today. Thank you for coming. We really welcome you today on this beautiful glorious spring. I know it's warm outside, but let's keep it warm and beautiful on the inside as well. Let's have a great service. Thank you so much!

Yeon Ah Nim's Message:

Once I asked my husband about my frustration. I asked him, "Yobo, sometimes I don't feel like myself. I don't know. Sometimes I feel like I have to live up to some super-human expectations, since we've started our ministry. Especially I feel this pressure, when I raise my children, that I have to raise them to be a certain people who never cry and never have their bad days, and speak divine words at the age of 3 (laughter), something like that."

So when I said that, my husband told me something that made me really think again. He said, "Yobo, let's not raise our children well because we want to get a reward or a trophy from somebody else, but raise them well because it is worth doing. As long as we stick to this principle we will be OK and they will be OK, too."

Brothers and sisters let us keep our direction moving upwards. We will have bad days and good days, but let's give ourselves and our children permission to be human. Let us keep our trend moving up. Brothers and sisters we love you so much and we believe in you!

Now we have to be very clear that the emotions were not the fall itself; they were contributing factors to the fall but they were not the fall itself. So it's very important that we understand that our emotions are not the act of the fall itself or the act of wrong actions, but they may cause us to create such things in our lives. So it is important to learn how to work with our emotions, to allow ourselves to have those emotions, to learn how to work with them, so they don't start to influence our actions.

Hyung Jin Nim's Interesting Story:

As we always begin, I'd like to begin with something a little interesting. I heard a very interesting story; you may like that. A story about a nice elderly woman. She used to sit on her porch and whenever anybody passed by -she was a very faith-filled woman- she would say, "God be praised! God be praised!" like

that.

And next door, she had a nice neighbor; he was an atheist and he was passing by one day and the old grandma, she said, "God be praised!, God be praised!" and the atheist said, "There's no God, stop screaming that!"

One day he was coming on back from work, and he saw her on her porch, but she was quiet in prayer, she was talking in prayer. So in passing by, he heard her pray; and she was praying, "Heavenly Father, please give me some help! I have a party that's coming up and I need to have enough food and good recipes for the occasion, so please bless me with that."

The atheist heard that and he said, "You know what, I'm going to play a little joke on that woman". He went to the grocery store, bought a whole bunch of groceries. Then the next morning, he placed them out, layed them out in front of the porch. The lady came out the next morning. She saw these miraculous groceries in front of her porch. She said, "Oh my God! May God be praised!"

At that instant the atheist jumped out from the bushes and he said, "I bought it lady. It wasn't God. I'm the one who bought it". She waited for just a moment and she said, "May God be praised! Not only did He buy me groceries but He made the devil pay for them too!"

Hyung Jin Nim's Message

I'd like to talk to you today about "From Emotion to Action" Many times in our lives, when we are living the blessed life, it's important to allow ourselves, as my wife said in the opening, in her comments, she said, "We have to sometimes give ourselves the permission to be human, give ourselves the permission to be made in God's image".

We have to realize that human beings have very strong emotions. Sometimes we feel anger; sometimes we feel other things in the emotional realm. And it's important to realize that it's OK to have feelings. It's OK to have emotions; even sometimes it's OK to have what we usually associate as negative emotions (what we usually call "negative" emotions).

The key to living the blessed life is to make sure that our actions are moving in the right direction. Our emotions can influence our actions, but it's very important that we don't start condemning ourselves for sometimes getting a little upset or having a little less patience than we should have etc.. but (it's important that) we continue to grow, continue to improve our actions as we move along.

People say that there are two types of people that cannot feel strong emotions. The first type of persons that cannot feel strong emotions are what they call psychopaths. The second one are dead people (laughter).

So we have to realize that it's very important to learn how to feel emotions. It's important to acknowledge that we can at times have strong emotions. When

we look theologically, we see that God also has great emotions. Father taught us about a personal and emotional God, a God that we are truly made in the image of. And even God gets angry. We've seen His holy anger. We heard about it in the Principle.

When Adam and Eve lied to Him, when they didn't answer Him when He called, He felt betrayed; He felt very displeased. He was even angry at that time. He saw His ideal crumbling before Him. Even with Noah and the flood, we already know the story about how God was very angry with humanity. He was very disappointed. And particularly, when He saw Christ on the cross, when he (Jesus) was not able to create unity with the people of his time, then we see also God had tremendous pain.

For 6,000 years (technical problem occurred at this point)...Let's take a look at this. That's God's tear; you see there His tear! That's from "The Passion". We have to realize that also God has the ability to feel emotions. He also feels intense pain at times. For 6,000 years, He has felt resentment, a sort of unfulfilled emptiness in His heart that we usually translate as resentment. It's "han" in Korean.

And at the beginning - when we look at the whole situation of the fall - we see that Lucifer who was created by God - he was an angel, and he also felt very strong emotions - he felt jealous of Eve, for example. He felt very powerful emotions. The real key here is to realize that he started acting on those emotions. He started believing that they were his identity. He started being controlled by these emotions.

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Let's have a look at this slide, next: When we look at it, there're probably about 6 ways of behaving when we have for example different types of emotions. Let's say we have a negative emotion, and that negative emotion can, number 1, lead to a positive action. For example when Martin Luther King felt the real injustice of slavery or inequities of the racial distinctions in the racism that he felt in his country, then his anger, that holy anger, turned into positive action. He turned it into an action that was making a call for social justice.

Gandhi in India had the same thing where he felt the intense anger of the inequities of the caste system and he began to mobilize a movement to fight against that, to change that. That would be where a negative emotion like anger turns into a positive action, OK?

There's another type of action that a negative emotion can lead to and that is no action. A negative emotion can lead to no action and that would be the yellow light that we see; the yellow light would be no action. So although we feel that (emotion), we don't necessarily act

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on it, we just keep in the phase of non-action.

And the third would be that a negative emotion leads to a negative action, right? And of course, that would be considered one of the not so good ways of using a negative emotion where a negative emotion leads to a negative action. I am angry at somebody, so I am going to verbally attack them. I am angry at somebody so I'm going to hit them, etc..like this. This is where a negative emotion would lead to a negative action.

In the next slide, we'll see how a positive emotion can of course lead to a positive action, right? I feel joy so I want to give other people joy. That's a very good thing, but we can also see how a green light turns into a yellow light, from positive emotion to no action. We feel joy but we keep it to ourselves. It doesn't lead to any particular type of action. The third of course is where a positive emotion leads to a negative action. I may feel joy, and so, because I am the only one who wants to feel joy, I'm going to try to steal everybody else's joy, so I'm the only one who can feel it. That would be a positive emotion leading to a negative action.

So we can see that there are different ways to behave after we feel the initial emotions. And I would say it's very important to keep our action life, to keep our blessed life moving with greens, and sometimes yellows, but let's keep them away from the reds. It's very important that we are able to feel those emotions, that we're able to work with those emotions and guide them towards the green lights into positive actions; or sometimes no action is better than negative action. It's important that we learn how to work with these emotions so that we can start moving into the right direction, to keep progressing. We can use the green and the yellow lights to keep moving forward in our blessed lives.

Now let's remember one thing that we can see from this: Negative emotions are not always evil.

If you have a negative emotion, it's important not to start condemning yourself, and start saying, "How evil I am! I am getting angry. How my fallen natures are coming out". (It's important) not to do this kind of thing but to learn how to channel that, to start learning that if we use even powerful emotions like anger, powerful emotions like frustration, in the right way, we can change them into positive actions, or at the very least that we can keep them to ourselves, keep them in the non action phase.

I gave some example where Martin Luther King used his holy anger to fight against discrimination. Here is Martin Luther King, negative emotion leading to a positive action; we have Gandhi, the same example, negative emotion leading to a positive action, and True Father as well. When True Father was fighting

against communism.... a lot of you were very active at the time, where communism was really making an injustice against God, not allowing religion to be set in their lands, and so Father initiated the VOC movement, Victory over Communism movement, to really bring justice to God. He used that holy anger, that feeling of injustice, and worked on it to make social change, to bring about a better land, to allow communism to not thrive and put their roots down.

We can see that it's very important in our lives to start learning how to practice with our emotions, to start learning how to train with our emotions. I was speaking to a mother, who felt very guilty. She was very guilty to herself, because she kept on being very angry at her children. She is not nec-



essarily screaming at them, or yelling at them, but she is angry sometimes. It's important to allow yourself, as a mother, to sometimes to feel angry; sometimes kids do things that make us angry as parents, you know! But it's important not to start condemning yourself, "I am such a bad parent! Satan is invading me, he is destroying my life. I am very evil!"

It's not good to do that. It's important to allow ourselves to feel the power of that emotion, but to change that emotion into good action. So, I feel angry at my children; so I am going to use that to give me a positive impetus or a positive drive to treat them better or to speak with them with a kinder voice.

I was speaking to a father. He was very judgmental of himself. He was talking about when he had his first child. He was feeling jealous of that child. Here he was, he used to spend time with his

hold her and kiss her all the time, and he's saying, "Hey, what about me?"

So I heard the husband talk about that and feeling judged, "Maybe I am a bad father, maybe I'm selfish because I'm feeling jealous of my child because I feel a little envious. Maybe I'm not a good father." And I told him, "You know what, it's important to allow yourself to be human. All fathers feel that. At some point in our lives, as fathers we feel, 'I wish I could get a little more attention from my wife'".

Dads, I see you laughing, so you can't hide it from me, but it's so important that we allow ourselves to feel that. OK we have those emotions, that's fine, but let us not act on those emotions, let's not take them to try to separate our child from the mother. Let us not do those kinds of things, but let us acknowledge that we are human; let us allow ourselves to feel those emotions. Let us not start condemning ourselves.

It's very important that when these negative emotions come up, when anger, these powerful emotions, like a little bit of envious feelings with the kids come up, it's important to learn how to work with them. It's important to learn how to use them, how to be in work with them. It's important that when they come up, not to necessarily converse (have a give and receive) with them.

You'll see in this next picture that when a negative emotion comes up, it's really saying to you (don't say to you), "Oh, you really are not a good daddy. How can you be jealous of your children, they are only 2 months old. How can you be so jealous? How old are you? You are 30 + years old, you are 40 years old, and you are only thinking about yourself?" Don't get into dialogue with that thing. Don't start saying, "I know, I'm so terrible. I really am kind of selfish", "Yes, you are selfish, you should really be repenting more", "Oh I know. I can't get out of it, it's just overpowering me".

You see, we don't want to get into

overpower us.

Here, take a look at this picture: it's kind of like this, when these negative emotions come up, they're going to be trying to tempt us into getting into a common base with them. They're going to be trying to say, "Come, come, make a common base to me so I can have give and take with you". They're going to want to do that with us.

It's very important that when we have these negative emotions, we allow ourselves to have them. We don't deny that they're there; we allow ourselves to have them but not necessarily start giving and taking with them. It's important to sometimes just watch it come, watch it trying to tempt you saying, "Talk to me, you know you are a bad parent, talk to me, you know, you're neglecting your spouse, talk to me, you are neglecting your children". When it says those kinds of things, just watch it; just watch it, and don't give and take with it. Let it just use up its energy.

What you'll find is that that emotion will become weaker. As you do not create a common base with it, you will not allow it to move into give and receive action with you. As it cannot be moved into give and receive action with you, that emotion has absolutely no power over you. So it's important to allow yourself, not to start to condemn yourself as soon as you have it, but to see it, to keep yourself distant, to put it in a little box, in a nice little box like that.

Don't let it come and talk to you, don't let it come and try to tempt you to talk to it and to converse with it, and remind yourself how bad you are. But just you can watch it, you can see it getting weaker and weaker. And as you do that it will gently pass; it will gently move away.

It's almost like being a doctor, who's watching a patient, not necessarily giving and taking with that patient but observing it, watching, seeing what are the symptoms, what are the things that that patient is doing. In the same way as those emotions come, we don't have to deny them, we don't have to condemn ourselves for having them, but we don't have to necessarily create a common base with them. It's so important that when it (the emotion) is in that drive to try to connect with us, that we start to separate ourselves, that we don't let these emotions overpower us.

And really, when we think about it from a Principle perspective, this was really the problem of the fall. The problem with Lucifer was not that he felt emotion; the problem was not that he had a powerful emotion, because any elder son, or elder child may feel envious of their younger siblings. The point was not that. The point was that he started to dialogue with that in his mind. He started to say, "Yes, wait a minute, that's right. God loves them more than me. He does not love me as much" and he started to get into conversation with that. That allowed the emotion get



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lyze this in our lives, that we learn to not judge ourselves so heavily for having the emotion. The emotion itself is not the problem; it's the emotion that we start giving and receiving with, that influences our action, that is the problem. So it's important (to understand), at times, we have good days, we have bad days, as human beings. It's important to let ourselves have the permission to do so, to have the good days, to have the bad days as well, to feel the ups and downs of life but to not necessarily be controlled by these ups and downs.

In my own life, during Hoon Dok Hwe, I remember one time - Shin Ju is our fourth child and he travels with True Parents a lot - I remember one time it was before breakfast, and he came out and Parents were giving him candies. He (True Father) gave him one candy, OK, he was happy, very delighted, and a couple of seconds later, it was another candy, and a couple of seconds later, another candy and if he started complaining a little bit, OK there another candy, more candy. And they also bought me a shirt, very cute. It says, "Grandma's rules: Number 1: Give the grandchildren praise, number 2: Give them candy, number 3: Send them home" (laughter).

I remember that one time, Parents were giving my baby boy a lot of candies, and I am sitting here watching and saying (to myself), "This is terrible for his health, this is not good for his health; he has not even had breakfast yet. The child has eaten maybe 20 servings of candy, he is not going to be healthy". And personally I felt angry. I would be lying if denied it. I am feeling angry; I am very frustrated seeing my little boy digest 20 pieces of candy before breakfast.

And at times I could hear myself say,

So I hear myself saying these kinds of things. But it is important, because at that time I didn't start judging myself. I didn't think, "Oh my God, you are getting angry at the True Parents of heaven and earth. You are condemned to hell for ever". (laughter). No, I allowed myself to be human. I said, "OK I can feel his emotion, I have the permission to be human. I can feel this emotion, I can feel this anger", but I didn't act on it. I didn't start yelling at them, and start cursing at them, saying, "What are you doing?" I let myself feel that emotion, and I separated from it; I didn't have give and take with it.

And what I noticed is that.... and it's the same in meditation practise as well, but you'll notice that emotions fade. If you do not create common bases with them emotions fade, they always fade. So as I became more calm, as I became more centered, then I went to Father, and said, "You know, Father, maybe it's better to give him vitamins instead of the candies before breakfast", a more skillfull way of approaching that situation, without the anger. (Laughter) There is no need for the anger to come out with my actions, even though I gave myself permission to feel that internally. There is no need for them to start coming out and ruining my relationships. So when I did - it was very interesting - Father said, "That's a good idea!" Now before breakfast Shin Ju is eating 4 to 5 vitamins. I am happy, Parents are happy. You see it all worked out. (Applause). Occasionally there is a little candy, but I feel that on the majority of the side, it rather came out quite well.

What am I saying? I am saying, "It's important in your lives to not overcondemn yourself (to not condemn you too much)." When you have emotion, it's OK. We are human beings, we have emotions.

God has emotions. We are made in His image. It's OK to feel emotions. It's very important actually to feel emotions in our lives. If we don't feel emotions - psychologists dignose people who cannot feel strong emotions, intense emotions, as psychopaths - so it's very important to be able to feel emotions. It's important to give yourself the permission to feel emotions.

But it's important then that we take responsibility for our actions, to be accountable for our actions then. Because allowing ourselves to have the emotions is very freeing, but it would be misleading to think, "Oh, you know, during the sermon he said that I can feel emotions, I can feel whatever I want, I can do whatever I want; it's fine." It's really not what I am saying. I am saying that the emotion is OK to feel, to have, but it's important that we start being responsible and accountable for the actions, and that's where we have the control. We may not

have the control over what kind of emotion we have but we have the control over what kind of action that becomes, and really this is the key to living a blessed life, I believe, in this realm.

So what can we learn today? Human beings have strong emotions, brothers and sisters. God has emotions. You all have emotions, I have emotions. It's OK to feel these emotions; it's normal to have emotions. In fact, it's even psychologically healthy to have strong emotions, OK? To feel them it's totally OK.

But let's remember the 6 ways of acting on those emotions. Remember that green light, yellow light, red light? We want to stay away from red lights. Even though it may be a negative emotion or a positive emotion, we want to stay away from turning them into negative actions. But in our blessed life, if we have these strong emotions, even joy, even anger, whatever they may be, let us use them to move to the green lights, to the yellow lights, to positive actions.

Even at times, if you can't do it into a positive action, then no action is better than a negative action.

Let's be then like a doctor, and let's put that negative emotion into a separate space. Put it into a nice little box as you saw; don't get into dialogue with

it. When it starts trying to condemn you, trying to say, "You are bad, you are this and that, you are so selfish; look at you, Satan is invading your mind, you are only thinking of yourself." When it starts doing that, don't listen to that, OK? Put it in this little place, and allow it to waste its energy. Don't create a common base and let's move forward like that. If we do that we will not be denying that it's there. We'll be allowing ourselves to have that emotion, but we will not be doing the self condemnation that is so devastating for our lives. So we'll be moving (away) from emotion, having more control and creating stronger actions in our lives.



If we do that, if we create the right common bases, create common bases that move into positive actions, create common bases with emotions that move into positive good will, good actions, good change for social environment, even for ourselves, we will be having more Victory, more Illumination, and more Peace in our lives, and we'll live that blessed life that True Parents have blessed us to live.

Hyung Jin Nim's Prayer

"Heavenly Parents, we are offering this day to You today, and Father, we are thanking you for the ability to have heartistic realms, and emotional realm, and intellectual realm, and a realm of will that you have given all of us. Father, we ask that you may allow us to feel the greatness and depth of each one of those realms and allow us to become responsible for our actions, accountable for our actions. Thank you for this day. We are praying that you may allow us to become the palaces of your love, your peace and your lineage. Father we are repenting for any wrong doings that we may have done and Father we pray that You may come into our hearts and always be sitting in our hearts of glory. Father, thank you for this day; we pray these things in the name of Hyung Jin Kajong (family), a member of a blessed central family. Aju!

Brothers and sisters, if we always keep True Parents in our hearts, if we attend them in our hearts, on the throne of glory that we place there, I do believe that we'll have more Victory, more Illumination, and more Peace then we can imagine. ❖

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New Youth Festival in Japan

As a build-up project for the 'Global Peace Festival-Japan' which is due to take place in October this year, "New Youth Festival 2008" was held in Chiba, a city next to Tokyo on March 15 with 550 participants gathered.

The first session began with some opening remarks. One Chiba prefecture councilor, who is one of the ambassadors for peace, gave a congratulatory address. Then five of the service project participants and children of international families gave speeches.



Based on their experience the children appealed that the spirit of service breaks down walls within their hearts and also walls between nations. The speeches certainly moved the hearts of the audience as one of the participants reflected, "Listening to the speech by children of international families, I was moved to see someone younger than me looking at the world so seriously and I felt embarrassed of myself." Then some more inspiring words for young attendants continued.

A prefecture councilor, who was appointed to be an ambassador for peace in the youth festival, spoke about the importance of the young people in taking responsibility for Japan's future referring to his experience of a service project, which he participated with young people. Mr. Ichiro Inamori, the President of the Youth Federation for

World Peace - Japan, spoke passionately that a culture of service promoted by true love will be a driving force for realizing one family under God.

The first session was closed with appointment of youth ambassadors for peace. The feeling over the festival ran very high with young people's energetic songs, dance, and saxophone and band performances. The festival closed with the whole audience stood up singing together enthusiastically. We expect there will be a fantastic GPF in Japan this autumn. ❖



GPF Launching Ceremony in Paraguay

Asuncion, Paraguay - On May 12, the official "kick off" ceremony for the Global Peace Festival (GPF) in Paraguay was held at 7:30 pm in the prestigious Excelsior Hotel. The hall was overflowing, with no place to sit, and even no place to stand. Everyone looked excited to be part of what they expect to be a great festival in July 2-5.

Before the event GPF committee members were anxious about the turnout, as Omar Halasa, GPF Executive Director, said, "We prepared for only around eighty people. We even set up tables for a buffet dinner in the back of the room so it would not look empty." However, contrary to their expectation, by 6:50 pm staff had to take all the tables outside to make a room for more chairs, and in the end, more than three hundred people attended the launching of the festival.

The program started off with three songs performed by Generation, a highly popular folk music group. Then, Mr. Thomas Field, co-chair for GPF, greeted the audience and spoke with enthusiasm that many people will be coming to Paraguay from all around the world to attend the festival in July.

Oscar Solomon, President of the Congress, explained how important GPF is to Paraguay. Ministers of Education and Tourism declared GPF "an event of national interest in tourism."

In the audience there were a number of congressmen and other high-



level government officials from Asuncion and other cities, as well as high-level business leaders and social movement leaders. Journalists from various newspapers, television and radio stations came and interviewed GPF leaders.

After the ceremony, no one left immediate-

ly. People enjoyed stand-up buffet snacks and stayed around for another hour or more, talking about the festival. "There was a high excitement in the air," said Mr. Halasa.

Much of the success of the official launch seems to be attributed to Paraguay's GPF committee with co-chairperson, Senator Lilian Samaniego and her network of high-level supporters, which has attracted many to join in response to GPF's vision, "One Family under God." GPF Paraguay has the potential to influence not only on the national level, but furthermore, on the regional level. GPF Paraguay's leadership itself consists of people of many nationalities: Argentina, Chile, Japan, Uruguay and more. The team is delighted and highly inspired: "We are now full of hope, encouragement and determination to make a model GPF in Paraguay so we can bring about a new culture of peace."

This launching ceremony was broadcast in Paraguay. The ABC newspaper, one of the largest daily newspapers in Paraguay, reported the official

launching ceremony of GPF. The paper states that Minister Liz Rosanna Cramer, Head of the Secretary of Tourism, has signed Resolution 554/08 dated 24th April. The document expressed "the stated event will have the Republic of Paraguay as its center and with its unfolding it will increase the number of foreign visitors in the country"* indicating that GPF is much more than a world-wide mass movement. It has capacity to serve the interests of a government and citizens of a nation which will be connected to all parts of the world by leaders coming from other countries.

GPF Paraguay has significance for the world-wide project, GPF, in that Paraguay will be the first in the sequence of GPFs in 2008. With the overflow at the launching ceremony and with the presence and recognition from government officials that GPF is of national interest, GPF Paraguay may certainly be expected to be a highly influential, remarkable and exciting program for the people of Paraguay, Latin America and all GPF supporters around the world. ❖

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Washington, DC 40-Day Condition

by Rev. David Reed

At the March 16, 2008, Palm Sunday Service ACLC National Chairman and Washington, D.C. Bloc Advisor, Bishop Ki Hoon Kim invited the congregation to join him in beginning a 40-Day 5am Prayer Hoon Dok Hae Condition at the Washington, D.C., Columbia Road Church. The condition would begin the very next morning.

On the very first morning more than twenty people attended and began what would become a very significant condition for brothers and sisters in Washington Metropolitan area. The time and location were not convenient, yet many brothers and sisters challenged themselves in order to make this condition. Going beyond the difficulties of time and location, one couple strategically calculated that it would be better to walk a very long distance and arrive on time than to catch the bus right outside their home and arrive late to Hoon Dok Hae.

This was only the first of many testimonies which were shared on the first day of the condition. Later that day we would receive the news of our dear brother

"Messages of Peace", share our testimonies and hear from Bishop Kim.

Bishop Kim would continue to give constant encouragement, throughout the rest of the condition. We received inspirational testimonies from brothers and sisters every single day. Many began to feel a special significance of being called to the Washington, D.C., Capitol Church. Reflecting upon our lives of faith, we concluded that we must step up to the plate and recommit ourselves. Many of our members witnessed to their friends and colleagues and the numbers of participants continued to grow daily. Members began to experience the feeling that the entire Washington, D.C. Church community was being resurrected through this condition. Even when Bishop Kim was called to join True Parents in Hawaii, the condition continued at full strength. Rev. David Reed (now the newly appointed Assistant Pastor of the DC Church) was chosen to lead the morning gathering and the participation just continued to grow.

Those who participated testified as to their own spiritual growth. They testified to their heightened awareness of the love of God, whether it be in their relationship with their spouse or in their relationship with their brothers and sisters, and other friends and members. Several members testified as to the elimination of personal problems. Many shared how they were developing and feeling a greater sense of security. It was a wonderful time to be together and it brought us closer to the proper way to live in the era after the coming of heaven. On many occasions, Bishop Kim would drive members home after they had taken one or two busses to the church. On other occasions he invited many members out to breakfast before beginning the rest of their day.

By the end of the condition, regular participation had grown tremendously, with brothers and sisters coming from other corners of the region. Members were sharing many deep and personal experiences. Their spiritual lives were changing and growing in ways that they had never expected. Many members from outlying areas, joined especially on the final three days. Then, on the final day of the condition, Rev. Jenkins joined us and shared very deep internal guidance. Bishop Kim was then inspired to immediately begin the second stage of what would now be a 120 day condition. Then, just as we began the second forty day period, we had the blessing to welcome True Parents to Washington, D.C. and to join them for Hoon Dok Hae on several mornings. What a wonderful blessing!

During the forty days, Bishop Kim had shared from a variety of experiences in his life. As our elder brother, he naturally won our hearts with his example, his love and his guidance. The internal guidance we received from him was deeply appreciated by everyone. We will always be grateful to him for this wonderful inspiration to rekindle the tradition of restoration through indemnity by setting the proper conditions to receive God's blessings. Hoon Dok Hae, once thought of as a condition, has now become a tradition once again in the Washington, D.C., Capitol Church. Thank-you, Bishop Kim; Thank-you, True Parents; and Thank-you, Heavenly Father. Aju!❖



er Hyo Jin Hyung Nim's passing. That night the church was filled to capacity as members from throughout the region joined together to celebrate Hyo Jin Nim's Seung Wha ceremony and ascension to the spiritual world. Bishop Kim explained that True Parents had changed his name to "son of loyalty and filial piety" and that he would be the gatekeeper to welcome members into the Kingdom of Heaven. That night, as the night before, was filled with so many testimonies from members who had many special personal experiences with Hyo Jin Nim. Some emphasized his music, some emphasized his passion, but everyone emphasized his filial piety and his loyalty to our True Parents.

Now, in such a tender environment we would continue to gather each morning at 5 am, pray, greet Heavenly Father and True Parents, read from the



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IRFF-Zimbabwe Overcoming Difficulties

by Life C. Madondo, Director, IRFF-Zimbabwe

The International Relief Friendship Foundation Zimbabwe Chapter is doing very well considering difficulties the country is going through, politically, economically as well as the HIV/AIDS pandemic.

One difficulty is that non-governmental organizations may carry out microfinance programs to help people who start business projects, but they may not charge interest. We talked to the authorities and reached some kind of understanding; we then started our program.

After offering character education and business education to twenty women from a poor area of Epworth in the capital, Harare, on October 27, 2007, we then gave US\$45 to each of the fifteen women who qualified to start businesses of selling vegetables.

At the end of the workshop, held Sunday, April 13, 2008, women filled out an application for a loan and signed an agreement form; the loan money was then distributed. These recipients are selling vegetable and fruits at the mar-

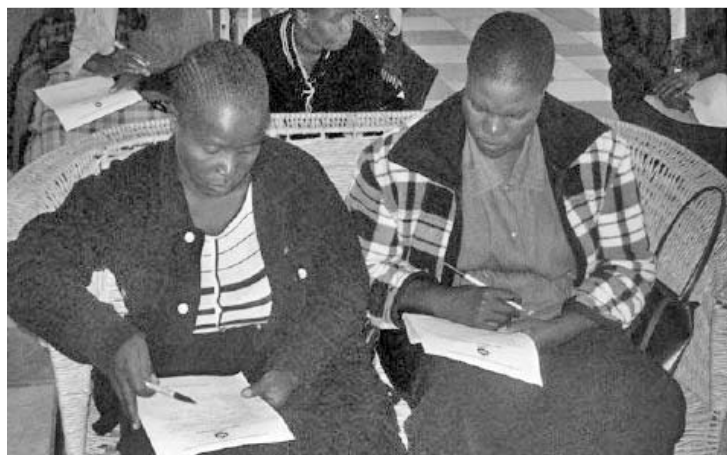
ket place. They are willing to work hard and be successful in life and express their appreciation to IRFF for opening the way for them to achieve success.

The second phase is to give money to about ten women who are doing well as well as some newcomers. However,

because of high inflation rate, the money will not be sufficient to give to all the fifteen women, as we had planned.

There is so much to be done in Zimbabwe because of many programs the government is undertaking. One of the programs we think is important is resettle-

ment. People are being resettled in new areas around the country, but in some areas there are no schools or hospitals. These areas could benefit from IRFF's help. ❖



5TH ANNUAL MONTANA ACLC CONFERENCE

The Power of People Working Together

by Pastor Mike Yakawich

On Saturday, April 19th, 2008, the 5th Annual Montana American Clergy Leadership Conference was sponsored in Billings, Montana, at the War Bonnet Inn. There were over 45 clergy, lay ministers, educators, counselors and community leaders in attendance. The conference began at 8:30 a.m. and ended at 4:00 p.m. This conference was cosponsored, organized and staffed by four different churches.

The title of the conference was "Creating Outer Peace In Our Community Through Addressing Inner Peace In Ourselves." The focus of this conference was on the topic of drugs and alcohol abuse. Many spoke from a spiritual view on how we can overcome such social problems with a strong character where God is the center. Many insights, guidance, and solutions were offered.

One of the cosponsors, a pastor of the All Nations Christian Fellowship Church, guided us with prayer and a personal testimony of how someone so involved in the secular world could emerge with the grace of God to become a pastor of a church and a community leader. Then, Mr. Paul DiLorenzo

guided the conference with an internal perspective to peace by using the model of the three blessings found in Genesis 1:28.

The conference then turned to a real and serious understanding of the problems of drugs and alcohol use in our community. A DEA agent provided deep insight from his 30 years as an agent. He clarified that marijuana has been a

vital for recovery.

Our lunch program began with a testimony on a prayer vigil that sprouted out of our past conferences. This prayer vigil has continued each month for over two years. Then our District Leader of ACLC, Larry Krishnek, gave the keynote speech, "A Vision of Peace from a Global Perspective." He praised the good work of the local ACLC members. He then shared on a national and internal level what great accomplishments inspired by Father Moon that the ACLC membership has been doing all over the world.

Our afternoon program included entertainment by six Latter Day Saints (LDS) elders offering wonderful songs. A young 6th grader performed on his clarinet for the audience as well. We proceeded with Evangelist Eunice Terry, who spoke from her heart and the Bible on the need to push through these serious conflicts in our community and not give up.

Then we were given an excellent presentation by a member of the LDS church on addressing addictions by building strong families. The next speaker, the Imam of Montana, shared deeply his views of building peace through the

Koran.

One pastor spoke on his work with building addiction homes for recovering addicts. Later, a psychologist from Billings shared her new discoveries of breakthroughs in addictions by addressing chronic stress. Finally, another speaker also offered keen insights regarding her ministry of compassionate communication. These later two presenters then continued with breakout sessions addressing these topics in more depth.

In a nutshell, some remarkable insights emerged. We need to include God in all this type of work. We need to work on a clearinghouse for youth activities in the city. We need better training for parents. We need to change our way of looking at issues. A determination was reached that we are giving new birth to our city. This is a "people's war on drugs," not just a government's. We need to engage in spirituality and not enable our youth to do whatever they want. Marijuana has THC, a chemical that has increased dramatically in strength over the years. We need to study this and other issues to be more educated and provide better alternatives. We need a stronger attitude to identify the problems earlier, become caring adults, provide safer places, offer a healthier start, educate more effectively, and provide opportunities for people to give back to their community.

We felt these goals for our conference were fulfilled: 1. Unity and coop-

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Los Angeles ACLC Monthly Prayer Breakfast

by Rev. Mark Tengan

Our ACLC Monthly Prayer Breakfast was held on Saturday, April 26, at True Vine Baptist Church in Inglewood. People were streaming in the bright morning sunlight into the beautifully decorated sanctuary with warm, welcoming by ushers.

Elder Otis Wright, Church of God in Christ, greeted to begin the program as emcee. His humorous talk warmed up everybody. Rev. Shinei Hokama, Founder of the East-West Outreach and Better Living Center, read the scripture. He has been a pastor of the Seventh-Day Adventist Church and was awarded as the Parents of the Year in Nikkei Parents' Day Festival in 2007.

Dr. Eva Benson's reading of the Peace Message made the room even brighter. Reverend and Mrs. Henning explained the significance of the Holy Wine Ceremony of marriage. In the beautiful atmosphere, Reverend Millsap's couple and other couples were called to come to the front. Participants together received the holy juice.

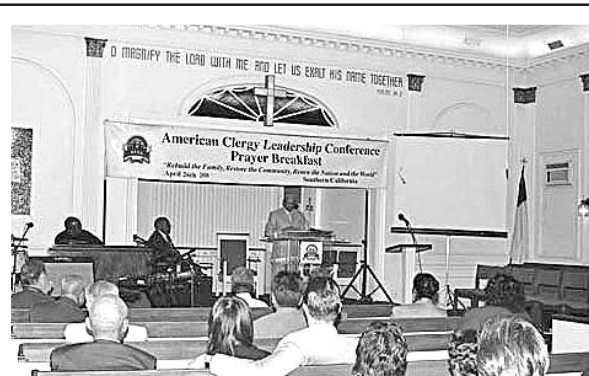
After the Global Peace Festival DVD presentation, Rev. Tengan announced the event in August in Washington, DC, encouraging all to participate. He also spoke about the ACLC membership drive, which is a tool to strengthen the member's ownership consciousness.

Minister Blinky Williams, music minister to the late Dr. E.V. Hill and sister of the day's keynote speaker, performed a special musical interlude with Rev. Naoko Hiraki's song "Jesus Loves Me." Minister Williams's song and keyboard, joined by Rick Joswick's drums, made a joyful upbeat sound that every-

body could sing and dance to.

The keynote speaker, Dr. Austin Williams, opened his church for the ACLC that morning. He greeted Dr. Cecil Murray, mentioning his talk on the radio, and introduced his work with Inglewood community and training youth in his church in witnessing. His message, "Pass the Salt" (Salt of the Earth, Light of the World), was deep, touching everyone and helping us to make a fresh start to reach out to people of the world to accomplish God's ideal. After the offering prayer by Dr. Cecil Murray, the Praise Dancers (teenage girls) of True Vine Baptist Church performed.

Warm homemade breakfast was served in the fellowship hall. Volunteer sisters worked in the kitchen from



6:00 a.m. Their serving with bright smiles made breakfast even tastier. Guests shared a table over the breakfast and the whole room had an atmosphere like a family reunion. New guests talked and laughed at the table just

like old friends, with clergy and members whom they met for the first time. We thank all those who worked together and made this whole program a beautiful offering. ❖

Philadelphia ACLC Prayer Breakfast

by Shota Iwasaki

Our April ACLC Prayer Breakfast was held at the Sayre High school, in partnership with the Sayre Recreation Center and the Tabernacle Lutheran Church located in West Philadelphia. We could hold this event at the high school cafeteria with support of Brother Russell, Brother Jeff, and Sister Tanya Thompson.

ACLC of Pennsylvania experienced our biggest turn out ever of 33 partic-



ipants. At the beginning of the program, Brother Jeff gave report on the Father's Initiative conference held at the Sayre Recreation Center a few weeks ago, followed by a powerful presentation by Bishop Jesse Edwards.



Mr. and Mrs. Sayre gave a short presentation on the Discover Me Character Ed Curriculum. After the presentation, a few representatives from

various local organizations talked about their exciting upcoming programs and conferences to empower the community. Finally several pastors received Peace Flags.

Rev. Moses volunteered to host the next prayer breakfast and several ministers expressed their strong interest to hold a seminar at their church. ❖

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eration for those committed to freedom from addictions, 2. Education and sharing resources regarding solutions to addictions 3. Implementing and networking with religious, spiritual and holistic practitioners 4. Creating a whole new addiction-free family.

We handed out over twenty door prizes generously donated by businesses in the area. We then gathered in closing prayer with representative prayers spoken in Dutch, Russian, Japanese, Ara-

bic, and English. One Lutheran minister was so inspired, he asked to lead the group in singing the Lord's Prayer. We had twelve faiths represented. Those attending were two bishops, five ministers, seven missionaries, an evangelist, an Imam, lay ministers, three social workers, several community leaders, community members and several youth. We had Native Americans, Blacks, Asians, Hispanics and Whites in the audience.

We are very grateful for the local members who worked so hard to help make this conference such a success, including the Martin, DiLorenzo and Yakawich family. The spiritual guid-

ance by our District ACLC coordinator Mrs. Noriko Fisher was vital. The conference stayed within its budget by including donations from several churches and a freewill offering. The local papers, The Billings Gazette and the OutPost, did a fine job in publicizing our event.

I will conclude with the words of those who participated. A social worker stated, "I really appreciate being invited. I liked hearing the variety of viewpoints. I love the diversity of religions and ethnicities here and the tolerance for differences." One Lutheran minister shared, "I really enjoyed the interaction between

so many different ways that were presented and how to have relationships and understand one another." A community leader explained, "The breakouts seemed to cause a lot of excitement." Finally the DEA agent wrote, "What a wonderful group of people who have come together to address the drug problem. The passion and experience of the people is what makes the conference so powerful. I strongly encourage that the conference continues every year and that word spread to an ever broader extent." ❖

THE NEW VOICES OF OUR GENERATION



Mini Global Peace Festival



by Shin Young Chang

Saturday, May 23th, 2008

The day began early with an inspiring interfaith prayer breakfast. About 70 middle, highschool, and college aged students from the New York area gathered at the Ebenezer Missionary Baptists Church in Flushing New York, to greet representatives from the Islamic, Buddhist, Sikh, Christian and Jewish Faiths. The morning began with a prayer given by each representative and a short video explaining GPF, followed by the GPF song. Breakfast was in the lower level of the church and was prepared and served by various youth groups from the Unification Movement such as BCP, SFP, and NLTP. Everyone made an effort to sit with a guest.

The following is a series of short interviews done with participants of the Mini Global Peace Festival to illustrate the event. Lombardi Center, Fordham University, Bronx.

Hanako Ikeno, Mom

I was really inspired. Having all this come about by a group of middle and highschool students who relentlessly pursued this vision is very, very, inspiring. I didn't openly refute them or tell them it was very, very difficult but I thought it. They didn't give up and because of that I think they were able to mobilize nationally. I was part of the planning committee and I helped put Service For Peace (in this are) together. I brought them food for their meetings! That was my job. I am a mom.

This winter workshop many came, including Westchester area highschoolers and Hasako. We were able to receive alot of internal guidance on what it means to be God's ambassadors. During this time, there were two main initiatives that began to form. One was the Student Ambassador for Peace idea. that is the idea of middle and high school students being nominated and posted as Ambassadors for Peace and the other idea was the Global Peace Festival and how it's important to begin to reach out not only to your own small community but to go out and experience rather than just observation. We had a reflection after the meeting and we split up Westchester and New York and the Westchester area began reflecting and saying "We have to do something to build momentum for the Global Peace Festival." One of the reasons we had

this Mini- Global Peace Festival is America is so big and if we have many smaller versions of the main event in many different places, we could build partnerships that way and build awareness that way.

The idea was brought up in the winter and honestly, I was so overwhelmed with the idea that I just sat on my hands and thought, maybe if I just do nothing then it will just go

the beginning, they were like, "Mini, right? So that would be one percent of what they thought would be one million." So they were like, "one percent of one million, hmmm? That's ten thousand, right? So we are going to bring ten thousand to the Mini Global Peace Festival. And this number keeps glaring in my face and I thought, " we work our butts off to get three thousand to an event and they



away! I was overwhelmed because the idea of putting on a festival at this scale, with hundreds of people, well I couldn't see how we could do it. In the end they accomplished what they had set out to do but not at the scale they had hoped it would be. This is an example of how visionary they are: In

want ten thousand?" But I think even that kind of naivety or idealism is inspiring. They don't see what's impossible, they only see what is possible.

So even though alot of the older people, such as Rev. Grodner (District Director) and myself, we were

scrambling to put this together, we were inspired by this idea. Rev. Grodner jumped on board and he was supportive and enthusiastic, and he was completely inspired by the idea of it. And he brought on alot of the partners, like Andrew Cane, and the founder of the International Peace Vigil and the executive director of Eco Living, he brought them into the fold and together we started putting this together. Afterwards, Mr. Cane had some kind of world peace initiative and he decided to be one of the main organizers of the entertainment. It was him and Justin Kim calling people, frantically trying to force them to be a part of the entertainment! That's another example of their relentlessness.

Justin Kim had the idea of making this an entertainment festival and I thought, why not have that at the end, make this all a bit smaller, but he just wanted it to be bigger and bigger! He just kept calling people and saying, "You're our entertainment," and they were all like, "Global Peace What?" and Justin would just say, "Okay come here tomorrow! See you tomorrow!"

The tables we had set at the festival was a Service for Peace fair idea. We asked these organizations to come out and represent themselves as the support SFP. This helped SFP to mobilize under the theme of One Family Under God, to display how they worked together with other organizations for that vision, and more importantly, to give them the experience of networking, to begin to network. One of my ideas as a follow-up to the Mini GPF is to create a kind of clearing house, a place where organizations that are motivated can post themselves on a website so that volunteers that want to serve God's family can come to this website and find organizations that serve or fit their desire.

The Mini GPF may become an annual thing if we can learn the budgeting and the salary and stuff like that.

Abraham Deshotel, NLTP Fundraising Captain

I think it's really amazing what's going on here. I'm really inspired that highschool students got together and took initiative to create this meaningful peace festival to prepare for the main Global Peace Festival in D. C to come. I think we should have mini Global Peace Festivals in all of America. There's only going to be one major festival in D.C. and we are trying to inspire all regions.

Hyung Son Kim, Director of International Cultural Education Foundation (ICEF)

Today was a beautiful day. The people from the Raban organization interviewed us. We're here talking about peace and how to achieve it so today was great.



THE NEW VOICES OF OUR GENERATION

Making an Impact - Leaving a Legacy

This sermon was given by a 2nd gen, Brinda Dungan, Sunday June 1, in Bridgeport where she works and goes to graduate school. She is the oldest sister of Barrett Dungan who passed away recently. Like many of us who live(d) here, we have seen Brinda grow up. To read this talk is a testimony how much wisdom and insight she has gained and I am very impressed by it.

I appreciate the fact that ya'll are here today, instead of watching the Orioles-Yankees game live in Baltimore. I am still undecided about which Major League Baseball team to be a fan of, so if you can convince me your team is best, then I am all for it.

My dad taught me the secrets of delivering a successful message. He told me you only need to know three things, be short, be concise and be seated. So I intend to fully practice his advice today.

Who here plays or has ever played soccer?

When I was in high school my soccer team would go every Friday to a worship breakfast at a local church. The youth pastor would give a short inspirational talk to motivate us to win the next week's games. The most impacting talk I heard was called "What do you want on your Tombstone?" Do you remember this commercial where there were two cowboys and one says to the other one as he is about to shoot him, "What do you want on your Tombstone?" and the other then replies "Sausage, Peppers and Pepperoni"

The minister asked us, what we thought was the most important part of someone's tombstone. What do ya'll think it is?

The dash in between the day you are born and the day you die. This dash represents the impact you make on the world and the

legacy you leave behind. Your name might not be remembered, but the impact you make on the world around you will be remembered forever.

Life is short and no one knows for certain how long they will live, so therefore we must live a life of greatness and one with the largest impact, in our day-to-day lives.

When I was in Israel, organizing projects for Service for Peace, I met this one Israeli who wanted to have a project at his organic farm. His name was Emilio Mogilner and he was a well know painter and sculptor. Explaining his art movement he founded called One Breath Time he told of a failed assassination attempt on his life in 1999 which left him without the use of his right arm. The aftermath of this experience was very trying for him and he thought his career as an artist was over. Then after much questioning and soul searching he realized that life is short, it is like a single breathe, and that we should live every day like it was our last breath, to the fullest. So he developed a technique of painting where he takes one breath and paints until he no longer can hold his breath. Once his breathe is gone, his painting is finished. To him this is representational of living life in the moment.

This idea really resounded in me and then later I heard Rev. Moon mention how our lives are but a moment. If our lives then are only a moment, then we should make the most out of this moment and grab every opportunity for greatness.

There are numerous told and untold stories of people rising to greatness of people who have gone beyond themselves and impacted the world for the better. If asked,

these people would most likely say, there was some inner strength that compelled them. This inner strength is in all of us. To quote Rev. Moon once more "When you look into your self, you will find something of vast value, which is something like the source, God."

We each have God in us and as such are able to make the impact we are.

When we were younger, my family went one camping trips or just out into nature almost every week. When we were out in nature my parents used to tell us to be quiet so we could experience God. I always thought this was some form of punishment so needless to say I broke the silence a lot, but looking back, I see how this experience played influentially in my life. Through being able to find God in nature, I could see that he was in me, so that makes me a hugely powerful person. To me having alone time with God is being with myself. My dad used to run in races and when he did, I would also run in the fun runs. Running for me is very spiritual, because the only person you are competing against is yourself, all that matters is what is happening at that time, it is truly living in the moment, and experiencing God. I just started running again after two years and my goal is to run in a 5K this summer.

The idea of individuals' power is a commonly heard theme in many facets of society. Many business philosophies focus on the power of the individual. Nowadays, books are being written for the business executive about how to create the largest return on their investment- the investment referring to their employees. One such book, a fictional business parable "The Angel

Inside" was written by Chris Widener founder of Made for Success. My dad who is a CEO sent me this book. The story uses Michelangelo's life and works to illustrate life lessons. One lesson is "Every person has this tremendous capacity to be both king and warrior, a person of value and a person of accomplishment- of beauty and power"

Another: "Whatever you have as your work, do it with excellence. Excellence is what will open the door for further opportunity...Become a person whom others will be proud to know. Do the best

you can at your work. Above all, be passionate about what you do and how you live your life. First, yes, you will have to do some soul-searching about what is that you are passionate about, but if your search you will find it. When you do, pursue it with your whole heart. Throw yourself into the work that you love. Do the same in your life. And if you will do these things, everything that is destined to come to pass will indeed come to pass."

If you are passionate about life, then you will make the biggest impact.

Another business executive aimed book is Walk the Talk and Get the Results You Want. Also a business parable, one learning from this book is "We judge ourselves mostly by our intentions, but others judge us mostly by our actions."

This hits home most to me. My brother just passed away and I feel he really walked the talk. For him doctrine and words were useless. He told me that he believed you did not get to heaven by believing the right thing or not, but by living a life that helps other people. Even though his life was short he made a phenomenal impact on people. He truly embodied living for and helping others by bringing happiness and creating an environment where those around him could be comfortable. His friends who he brought together, would never have done so in other circumstances, because they we so vastly different. But it was his mission to bring people together, not through words but through action.

I want to leave you with one last point, from The Celestine Prophecy "We are not here in this life merely by accident, playing out some meaningless drama. Our lives have purpose, a sense of destiny." So with that, in closing, if you take away one point from today, I hope it is, how will you live your dash.

PS: if you would like to send comments about this talk to Brinda, let me give you her Dad's (Brett Dungan) e mail address and he can forward them to her:

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A Message from the Assistant Editor

The New Voices of Our Generation has now been running successfully for over a year and the editors at UNEWS would like to thank all those who have contributed an article to this section.

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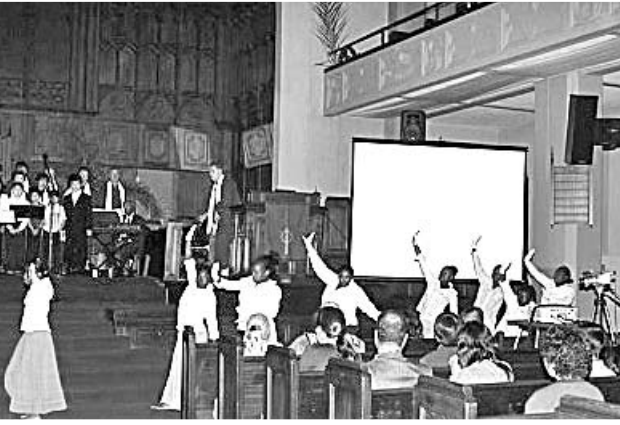
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A Classroom of Love

by Pastor Mike Yakowich

I experienced a classroom of love today. Monday, April 28th 2008 at the St. Francis Upper School. Mrs. Dow, the religion teacher for the sixth graders invited me to her class to speak on the topic of The Value and Importance of Family. I was able to speak to all three of her classes with a total of 63 students in attendance.

Even though I was able to speak from my heart on True Family Values, I must testify that that love and joy the classes gave me was both overwhelming and inspiring. Their attention and their comments in return touched my heart as well.

I was able to share about the value of God in both our physical and spiritual families we all share. I gave them a personal testimony of my father being adopted and how grateful I am of his adopted parents. We discovered that our family includes spiritual aunts and uncles and others who look over us, pray for us and love us.

We could talk on the Four Realms of Heart and Love. We talked on the

value of praying and attending church as a family. We then shared about the importance of not keeping secrets within a family and to find time even during a meal to report and share about their day and how they may have felt God in their day.

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We were able to talk about the value of responsibly in a family. It is good for a family to have a list of chores like doing dishes, cleaning the table, taking out the garbage and cleaning up after the pets. Also, we talked on making a family tree and being respectful of your family. I encouraged the youth to talk with their grandparents and learn from them about their lives and their ancestors. I asked each of them to consider writing a personal letter to their grandparents.

The students were each given a penny. We discovered how wonderful America is to have In God We Trust on all the money made. It shows how God is and should be the center of the family.

I was able to introduce the Family Flag to the class. We talked on what the symbols mean. I then presented it to Mrs. Dow as a gift. She was very grateful and hung it up in her classroom. We also addressed the value of our body and how precious our bodies are and we should respect each other. We should think that we are brothers

and sisters and keep proper relationships now and as they get older.

I truly felt the Holy Spirit among this teacher and her students. It was my honor to share my faith with these future leaders. I would conclude with some words the students sent me in some thank you cards:

"Thanks for everything...I just wanted to tell you that I am starting to pray more by myself and with my family."

"When I told my family about what you told me, it brought us closer together, thanks!"

"Thank you for all you have done for me! I have been talking with my mom and we found many ways we can improve our family and our relationship. I also realized that it is not a bad thing to be adopted."

"I went home and did things that you told us to do and they were proud of me."

"Thank you for coming to tell us the importance of the family and the different kinds of love...I learned a lot." ❖

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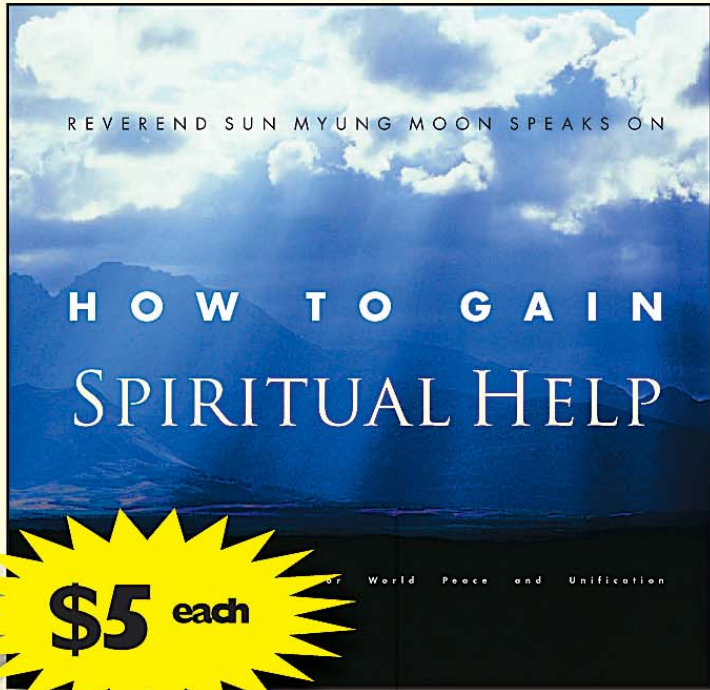
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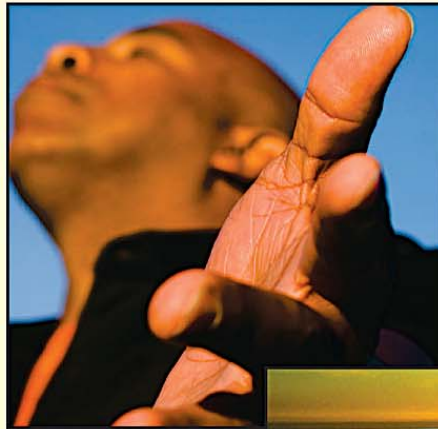
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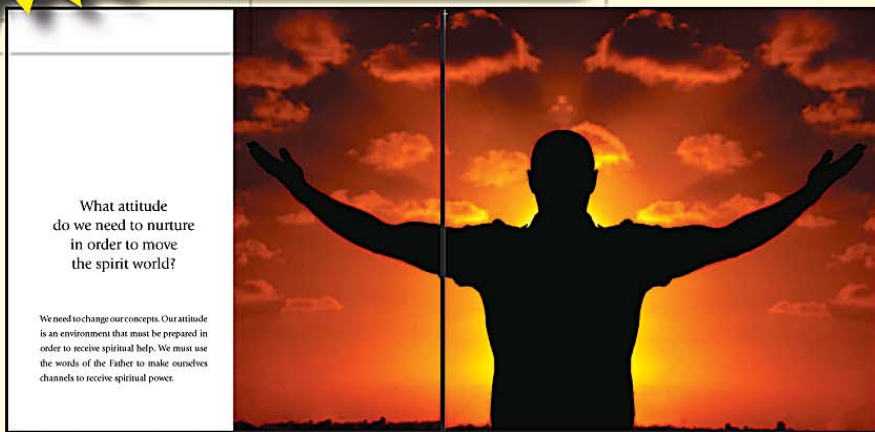
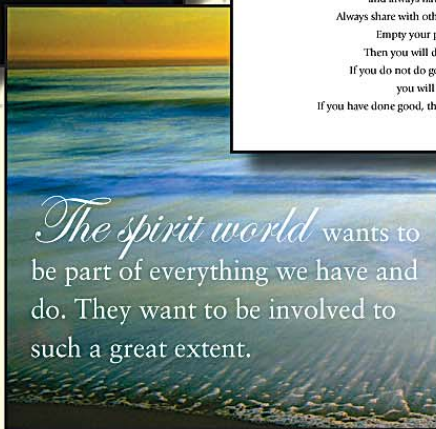


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