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# True Parents Govern the Future



*On October 9, the day that Father later spoke in Chungju, Korea, he asked Rev. Kwak to speak about his life of faith at hoondokhwaie at Hannam-dong. What follows is Rev. Kwak's testimony.*

One day in December 1958, while I was working in Pyeongtaek, True Father came to see me. He asked me if I intended going abroad to do missionary work. Looking back, I can't understand why, but I said, "Shouldn't we concentrate on witnessing to local Christians, since they are so hostile toward us?" As I recall, in those days persecution from Christians was so common it seemed routine. Especially there in Pyeongtaek, we went through lots of ordeals, which gave rise to a desire in us to avenge Father's name; perhaps that's what provoked my prompt response to Father. Still, it appears Father once had the idea of beginning the overseas missions through me, but he had to withdraw the idea and change the subject, because I was neither prepared for nor focused on what he'd had in mind.

After Father left, though, I began to regret what I'd said; it was a serious mistake, because I hadn't been able to reply with absolute obedience, telling him, "I have no personal plans for myself; I'll do whatever you desire me to do and go anywhere you command me to go." I should have given the appropriate reply of someone who was determined to follow the will of Heaven at any cost. This memory always causes me to deeply repent and pray. As a result, I became resolute about pushing forward in doing God's will, absolutely never offering to True Parents my own opinion about what course of action ought to be taken. To set that as a perfect standard in front of Heaven I have been making every effort to live in this way.

I have been so blessed! Despite my immaturity, True Parents have expected a lot from me and entrusted me with many tasks. For example, as he was departing for a global speaking tour in 1973, Father instructed me to hold a conference for professors and to found the Professors' World Peace Academy (PWPA). I thought it extraordinary that he stipulated that the name had to have what words, "peace" and "professors" in it. (I couldn't then imagine what precious significance this would have.) In any society, only the top tier intellectuals, acceptable in every respect, are qualified to be called professors. Also, the higher the person's status, the harder it is to maintain a good relationship with him. With such a stratum of people it would be difficult indeed. Being asked to include the other word, "peace," also astonished me. It didn't seem like the right time to use "peace" in a name, since it was a word that was bandied about so much by others in those days. Actually, it was the communists, who were such a menace to peace, that had been using it as part of their strategy, as one of their tactics. The democratic world had responded to their use of the word "peace" by contrasting

it with frequent use of the word "freedom." That's why the building at Panmunjeom that sits half in North Korea and half in the South [where the two sides meet to negotiate] is called the "House of Peace" by North Koreans and "House of Freedom" by South Koreans.

You need to keep in mind that Father made these comments to me nearly twenty-three years ago, when we were engaged in tremendous efforts to digest and assimilate the communist world as part of God's providence. It was toward that end that Father made an organization for professors, prominent intellectuals, and used the word "peace," which the communists were so fond of. It was to open the door to the communist world. From a narrow perspective, what Father was doing might seem like a dream within a dream—it seemed impossible, given our domestic Korean circumstances, to think that we could open the door to the communist world and absorb them. Nevertheless, True Father emphatically instructed me to use both words in the name.

### Predestined by Heaven

I was reminded of all of that when Father said to me, "Chung-hwan, you seem destined to work in an academic field and to be responsible for educating professors. Try to find a way to do that. In line with that, you need to finish your university studies and get a degree."

At that time, as the student director, I lectured on the Principle though I didn't have a university degree. Nevertheless, I was convinced of the supremacy of the Divine Principle, which Father had taught us. There was no one I felt I had to be afraid of or ashamed in front of, because the knowledge I had was of the Principle, which has the potency to resolve all problems, once it is accepted. That's how I felt about it, but Father's desire was for me to head toward an academic field, so I needed to find a university.

In those days, having left Kyungpook University, it wasn't possible for me to return there; another student would have filled the vacancy I'd created. After looking around for a vacancy, with the help of professors in PWPA, I managed to find night classes I could attend at Sangji University in Wonju. Looking back, I'd have to call myself an irresponsible student. After passing the admissions exam, though I was enrolled, I didn't attend the classes; I only submitted the homework.

A term still remained before I would get my degree through Sangji University night school, when though I had only a half-completed diploma, Father ordered me to work as a professor. What an amazing situation it was! I could not even admit the facts of my circumstances. I couldn't say to him, "I don't even have a diploma, yet," because there were other people watching us and it would have been an embarrassment for the church if

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# The 39th True God's Day



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二〇一六年五月廿日  
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*The Era of the Completed Settlement of the Model  
Providence for the Ideal of Peace in Heaven and on Earth*



# Midnight Prayer

**B**eloved Heavenly Father, thank you for allowing us to hold this ceremony of blessing, the pledge service, observed closely by heaven and earth, on this morning of the first day of the year, where we have ushered out the fifth year of Cheon Il Guk and welcomed in the sixth.

Father, up until yesterday we have endeavored, by restoration through indemnity, to right history, which has been embedded in Your heart as a source of grief and sorrow; from the individual to the family, nation, world, and the cosmos, history has left You confined, unliberated and unfreed; in history materialism preceded theocentrism and heaven and earth were turned upside down and top and bottom reversed due to the fact that the lineage of love centered on Adam's family was lost in the Old Testament Era, for Satan had planted the seed of love before God did in the human body, based on love in this world.

In the position of liberating the realm of heart of the original mind, You were to have freely supervised and presided over everything according to the ideal You held at the time of the Creation, and stood in the position of the king of kings of heart and love and in the position of the master of humankind and of everything in the entire universe both in heaven and on earth. However, all this, and furthermore, the foundation of the heart of God, were lost, on account of which the lineage of the kingdom of God was lost in the family. This in turn allowed Satan to get ahead and make it so that the elder brother Cain felt intimidated by the view of the will of the providence that is God's providence of restoration, which was carried out based on his younger brother. Under the dominion of Satan, the Devil, Cain failed to embrace Abel in love and instead murdered him, leaving behind a history of bitter sorrow. The blood of Abel cried out to heaven from the earth, and God, who had to bring this matter to settlement, plunged into heartrending grief and anguish. In spite of the fact that they were already in the depths of sorrow owing to the Fall and the consequent estrangement from each other, the fallen Adam and Eve were plunged deeper still into the same position as God in the realm of despair and lamentation when their firstborn son killed his brother Abel, and were forced to look upon their family as the lineage and realm of brotherly ties taken by Satan. Furthermore, on that day was also lost the right of inheritance of everything in the entire universe, which first came to be from the realm of oneness based on Your love, life and lineage, and from that day forward, You have been passing through a history of grief and anguish. Given the mission and responsibility, and guided and directed as the True Parent who had been established on this earth in sight of our Father, Your son has labored to right the history of the tradition of true parents.

The first Adam erred and lost the bloodline in the family, together with which brotherly ties were also destroyed. In order to recover what was lost, history had to be restored through Cain and Abel. On account of the fact that the lineage, brotherly ties and the family itself had fallen under the dominion of Satan, everything came to be in a lamentable state: Your ideal realm in which, as the seed of love, life and lineage, Adam's family and everything in the universe should have achieved oneness over which You should have reigned, was instead under the control of Satan, in complete

darkness.

In order to hide this, You used Seth in place of Abel, and waited with prayer until Seth could redeem the situation and rise to the position wherein he could receive the heart of Heaven. Thus was begun the course of the history of restoration to recover everything that had certainly caused nothing but sorrow for God, and this course had to pass through the path of indemnity, faced with opposition on all sides.

We know only too well the tens of thousands of years You have endured throughout history to be liberated and set fully free centering on the first family of Adam, the second family, of Jesus, and the third family, that of the Second Coming, thereby gaining Your place in the free environment in which can be put right the lineage of love and all things in the universe brought under Your dominion.

In order to perfect the position of the first, second, and third Adam, and the lost position of True Parents, the Second Coming, who has come to earth in the position of the third Adam, should restore the bloodline lost in the first family of Adam on the level of the family and the brothers. Together with Your bloodline, everything connected and belonging to You in the entire universe should be restored. This son, sent down to earth as the True Parent, knows how heartbreaking it has been for You, our Father, in whose innermost heart the history of anguish and sorrow has been deeply entrenched, to see our ancestors stand before You, not knowing all the work that you had done in the course of the history of restoration, and failing to serve You and to unite into one to bring You solace. With this knowledge, I had to embrace the woes of Adam's family, and the failure of the family of Jesus on the national level, and the failure of Cain and Abel on the world level to form a family that can serve the realm of the heart of love, thereby failing to achieve a unified nation with the realm of the lineage of True Parents and the brotherly love of True Parents in harmony on the world level, representing the state and the church in the positions of Cain and Abel in the Jewish nation. Due to the failure of Jesus, who died on the cross to surmount the hill of Cain and Abel with Rome on the national level through brotherly love, and in order to surmount the hill of the lineage, the plan to rise above the bitter grief of Adam's family and lay the foundation for victory came to naught. Therefore, the errors of Adam's family and Jesus' family were to be restored through indemnity with the coming of the third Lord, by the Catholics and Protestants united into one and all religions and nations made as one and serving the Lord at his Second Coming after World War II.

The United Kingdom, the United States and France, and Japan, Germany and Italy, in the form of Adam's family and in the positions of the mother, the younger son and the archangel, were to establish the liberated realm of the true olive tree, the realm of religion.

The first three nations were to triumph over Japan, Germany and Italy, representing the world of wild olive tress swallowed in the fallen realm and symbolizing the unity of the mother, younger son, and archangel of the satanic world—during the Second World War—so that, on the national level on Abel's side, the realm of children and of the archangel would have been able to become one and take over and engraft to the true olive tree the realm of children and all things of the satanic world on the national level.

By doing so, Your restored lineage and the restored nation of the Abel realm, and the failure to establish the nation of the Abel UN realm were to be redeemed as the one true olive tree in the extended forty years of history. However, because of the opposition from the Catholics and the Protestants, the religious sector, and nations, it became impossible to fulfill the mission and responsibility of the

exiled Lord at his Second Coming on the victorious foundation of the family, and so I stood in the position of having to indemnify the forty years once again.

After passing through four thousand years of history and the eras of indemnity repeated up to the era of the Second Coming of Jesus centered on Jacob, and surmounting immeasurable opposition and innumerable hills of grief and anguish, last September 12, we were able to establish the Abel UN realm in the name of the Universal Peace Federation (UPF). Based on this victory over Cain, we could become one with the realm of Israel, which had failed to connect to the 120 nations in the time of Jesus and establish the victorious supremacy, on the foundation of which can now be completed the cosmic mission of the Lord at his Second Coming to bring together the divided spiritual and physical worlds and achieve the third right of ownership, that is, to cross over national boundaries centering on the complete unity of the bloodline and the brotherly ties, and to make one the right of ownership.

This is represented by the religious conflict between Israel and Palestine centered on the Arab realm, and the blood shed in the fratricidal war between the two divided brother nations of Korea centered on the realm of brotherhood. At this moment we are passing through a time of strained confusion in history brought about by such struggles. Furthermore, the time has come to break down national boundaries and abolish the right of ownership centering on the Bering Strait, centering on the right of ownership, to surmount and do away with all ridges of grief and anguish left in the history of the providence, to completely absorb and digest the foundation under the control of Satan by crossing over the national boundaries and bringing into oneness Palestine, bringing into oneness the Korean peninsula and the areas across the Bering Strait.

The time is now ripe for us to love the satanic realm and humanity, and even the Cain world in the satanic world, as we would our real brothers, with Your unfallen, original heart, so that the bloodline of Satan comes to a complete end and the position of the parents, then the position of the brothers, and finally the right of ownership over all that was lost by the first, second, and third true parents, up until the era of the Second Coming, can be brought to a complete settling of accounts. In order to accomplish this, everything of these three eras should be put together and on the substantial stage on the national level, extending to 120 nations, this task was to be finished between September 12 and the end of last year, so that, with the coming of the new historic period of great transition, the cosmos can be liberated and freed, and every form of possession in the entire universe can be dedicated in Your name. Such is the urgent era of transition that we have ushered in.

Hence, as of this day, as the representatives of Adam's family, Jesus' family, and True Parents' family, the blessed families and those who have been married cross-culturally must become one with True Parents in complete oneness in absolute faith, absolute love and absolute obedience in order to inherit the victorious realm of the True Parents and stand in the position wherein they can inherit the traditions that can take in everything that was made by our enemies, by Satan, our enemies on the levels of the family, nation, and world, the blessed families. Through this, everything that has been blocked up in heaven and on earth, the wall standing between the mind and the body in the individual, the wall between husband and wife, the wall between parents and children, the wall between siblings, the wall between tribes, races, nations, the world and the cosmos, and even the wall in the heart of God can be dissolved, so that indemnification of everything can be completed on the basis of the heart of God, together with the realm of liberation and complete freedom, and the kingdom of God on earth and in heaven. Now, as the fully freed and liberated being, Father, You

can embrace in Your bosom of love the model family, the model nation, and the model world for the ideal of peace in heaven and on earth, and establish in victorious supremacy all the paths of indemnity that have led from the perfection of the ideal individual to the world stage in Adam's family. Thus, You have achieved the realm of oneness of true parents and have trod across and brought under Your governance, in triumph, 120 nations of the world, on the foundation of which was welcomed this new, sixth year.

This year is the second year of the second period, following the fifth year, and in the three years remaining in this second period we plan to liberate the "Era of the Completed Settlement of the Model Providence for the Ideal of Peace in Heaven and on Earth." Please therefore bless us and be with us as we embark on this great task.

The congregation gathered here today are blessed families, and just as True Parents were successful in establishing the standard of supremacy, and victory, and endeavored through matters of life and death centering on the oneness of the era of absolute faith, absolute love, and absolute obedience, now it is time for the blessed children to establish the bloodline and fraternal harmony with one mind, one body, and one ideology through absolute faith, absolute love and absolute obedience, centering on True Parents. As the representatives of True Parents in the position of the master with the right of ownership over everything in the universe, with the right of having the right to the same position, participating and living together, wherein they can inherit everything bequeathed to them at this moment from six years ago, with the same values, and, at the point of one hundred percent intersection crossing over the inter-cultural world, assert themselves as the heirs in the stead of True Parents who can inherit the traditions of Heaven.

This has been permitted to them at this time, and so with a heart of absolute faith, absolute love and absolute obedience, they should be in a position wherein they lead and guide others, and the standards of their nations and the world endeavor to keep pace with their lives, and as the owners and the kings of love in the era of tranquility and prosperity echoing with cheers of "eog mansei" for thousands of years, they can take the lead in the liberation of all nations and of heaven and earth.

Through this pledge ceremony held on this day, the first day of the sixth year of Cheon Il Guk, we are crossing over a ridge of the resolution, indemnity, and restoration of the history of grief and anguish. At this time it has been permitted to bequeath the right of inheritance of the heart of oneness with God on the foundation of the victories of True Parents over all. May all nations and heaven and earth be grateful under the guidance of the blessed families, and be willingly led by them, and may they march and advance into the ecstatic, liberated world of the kingdom of heaven on earth in the time of peace, together with True Parents. We beseech you to allow us to do our utmost to fulfill our responsibilities, starting from now, the sixth year of Cheon Il Guk, until 2013 when True Parents and all others can dedicate everything to God together; and please let us become families, nations, and the world of the ideal realm of a family of loyalty and filial piety.

Please accept all that we have prayed, our hearts united in devotion, on this morning of the first day of the new year. Please allow us with pleasure all that we have asked you, knowing that you will promise to bequeath this to us as the victorious domain, and please embrace the entire cosmos with blessing and grace, and with the heart of victorious true love. Hoping from the bottom of our hearts that You will permit us to march forward with fortune on our side into the era of the liberated kingdom of heaven on earth under Your self-assertive supervision, I report and declare this! Amen! Amen! Amen!◆

# 39th True God's Day Speech



**B**lessed families of the Unification Church recite the Family Pledge. What comes before the words, Cheon Il Guk? [Owners!] As owners of Cheon Il Guk, whose family does the Pledge refer to? [Our family!] What does it say about our family? [It's centered on true love!] This phrase, "our family," refers to the three generations centered on the four-position foundation of the father and the mother, that is, you and your families. Were you around in Adam's time, your families should have encompassed three generations before you could refer to yourselves as "our family" in the Family Pledge; you should realize that you have attained the position without having done anything to deserve it. You should know that you are like empty cans, with the contents missing. Do you understand that? [Yes.] Do you? [Yes.] What good are empty cans?

The bloodline, what comes after the bloodline? Siblings! Siblings do. Aren't the sons and daughters of God siblings? And after the siblings comes the right of ownership of heaven and earth. Since it was completely snatched away from God, He needs to take it back, not by fighting but by reaching the state, centered on absolute love, of being able to love the one who took it more than He does His own sons and daughters. The archangel himself cannot deal with sons and daughters who are above Adam, sons and daughters who are superior to him and come from a different bloodline....

That is why we held the Holy Wine Ceremony before the [December 27th] rally. What the Holy Wine Ceremony does is sever the fallen bloodline. Yes, it is not something that can be buried just where it is. Based on the blessed families, families should first be restored and then made ideal.

Because True Parents have succeeded, united as one, you need to unite and apply the teachings of True Parents, with absolute faith, absolute love and absolute obedience. Though True Parents have completed the indemnification, and the world is now full of billions of those born sinless, similar to the son and daughter born sinless in the Garden of Eden, they do not have a nation to which they can belong, a nation wherein they can register their births, marriages and deaths....

What connects with the ideal of peace in heaven and on earth? [...the model providence.] The era of the model providence, the

era of the model family refers to the Old Testament Age. Next comes the era of the model world, which refers to Jesus' era. The era of the model world refers to the unified spiritual and physical worlds. You have no idea how wonderful it is that, through the the Second Coming arriving, embracing the one family ideal, the kingdom of heaven on earth and in heaven can be established—a breakthrough that was reached without struggle or conflict—and the announcement of the era of the model providence of the family for the ideal of peace in heaven and on earth. Do you realize that? [Yes.]

You have passed through the era of the family and the era of the nation, and once issues related to the era of the world and the issue of the Bering Strait are settled, everything will be brought to a conclusion. Through the blessing, the Unification Church has already recovered all that was brought about by wrongful marriage. The Old Testament Age and the New Testament Age were recovered. In the Completed Testament Age, though, Catholics and Protestants opposed us in Korea; the central religion, Christianity, and ten other religions opposed us. If this Cain and Abel, that is, if Christianity and all the other religions, had become one and if the union thus formed had absorbed the nations of the world from the position of Abel, everything would have been immediately restored.

If the religious realm could be brought under control centered on the Bering Strait Abel realm that is mentioned in my speech, there would be no need for nations to intervene. States, in the position of Cain, have suppressed Christianity, in fact, religion generally, until now. Isn't that so? They are enemies. Abel has shed blood until now without having gained sympathy from his enemy....

Were religious people to support the Bering Strait project, it would be accomplished quickly. It would be ridiculous for it to take thirty years; it would take me seven, eight years—no more than ten years. Seven years remain until the twelfth year. Isn't that so? [Yes.] I'll complete the work in seven years.

That is why in the twelve months of the year I will visit separately the representative organizations of the twelve religions. Therefore the road going around the world should have more than eight or ten lanes. Eight, nine, ten! What would it be? *Ssang hab! Ssang Hab* what? [...*Shib Seung II!*] Haven't I previously



announced Ssang Hap Shib Seung II? That is why everything must be completed in units of eight, nine or ten. It should not take more than ten years, and even if it does take more than ten, it must absolutely not take more than twelve.

Within this period of time, I must embrace the entire world. Satan swallowed up the bloodline of Adam, the siblings and the right of ownership, making them completely his. In doing all that he desired to do with them, he destroyed them, but all avenues for his continued work have been blocked during my time, in the True Father's era. And so the Old Testament Age needs to come to an end, and the 38<sup>th</sup> parallel, which is all political, got caught in the issue of Cain and Abel. Next came the issue of the Bering Strait, over which the United States and Russia are in conflict.<sup>1</sup>...

So pressing is this issue that I am emphasizing the importance of the quick resolution of the problem of the Bering Strait. Repeat after me. Quickly! What about it? [Quick settlement of the Bering Strait!] I am managing religious problems with my own hands, and the United States too....

I hold the Old Testament Age, the New Testament Age and the Completed Testament Age in my hands. They must be brought to a point of settlement. [Applause] You need to realize this. It is Adam's family that can liberate everything: it is in Adam's family that the bloodline can be liberated, the battleground of brothers liberated and the right of ownership regained. After surmounting these three obstacles, the Messiah needs to redeem the mistakes of Adam, the mistakes of Jesus, and as the Second Coming, break through the boundary of the right of ownership....

Japanese women should educate people wherever they go. They need to raise the children of the world. That is why I instructed them to translate Japanese junior high and high school textbooks ten or fifteen years ago....

What? Hello, where did she go? Mother! [Laughter] Bring Shin-joon here for a minute, so I can get a drink of water, my throat is hoarse. [Applause] [Father cuddles Shin-joon nim] Let's sing a song after I have drunk this. Mother, let's sing. Hey, come on out here, with your sister. Hey, come; come out here. *Ajuma*, you too. [Shin-joon nim dances to Father's singing of "Milyang Arirang"]

Let's sing a song. It seems you are not in the mood for that! [Laughter] Though there are thousands of people here, he is not shy; he is dominating the stage with his wonderful performance. Look at the audience admiring him. His one-man show is simply superb.

You people, are you hopeful or hopeless? [Hopeful!] This is really hopeful. [Yes!] At least 70 percent of the Palestine region, the 38<sup>th</sup> Parallel and the Bering Strait will be resolved. [Applause]

Now all blessed families need to be dispatched; to do that, and to solve these problems, all those who have received the blessing and consider themselves blessed members and a part of the realm of the chosen people of the kingdom of God should not object to my instructions to move.

I have turned eighty-seven, haven't I? Have I, or not? [You have.] By the Korean system of reckoning age, on the sixth day of the first month, or is it February third?<sup>2</sup> [Yes.] On that day, I will completely become eighty-seven years old. I can't shave off a few years. Eighty-seven years of age... Seven times eight is fifty-six, and it is hard enough for those who are fifty-six years old to work, isn't it? By that age, many are retired and leading a restful life. Well, you should appreciate my sitting here for hours on end and speaking to you. Do you understand?

We need to save the nation and the world and liberate God, even if it means our young people have to suffer. This work must be accomplished without fail. We fast up to forty days, and it is ordinary for us to do week-long fasts. So, if you become upset because you have missed a meal, you are worse than wild boars. They go for days without eating if there is no food. Once it starts to snow, they find themselves some shelter and never come out, sometimes even for a month, not even to dig up and eat arrowroots.

Is there anyone here who would like to be in the vanguard? [Yes.] If I were you, I would have gotten ready before having been told, dressed in a military uniform and waited for the command to mobilize; you need to take part in it.

See for yourselves. Now the families of the 36 couples will be dispatched worldwide, then those from the 72 couples, then from the 120 couples and then from the 430 couples. This is the new tradition that arises from the fact that the gates to the kingdom of heaven have been opened for anyone from the Republic of Korea to enter, and this tradition must be implanted in all nations of the world.

Yes, I have told you this on various occasions, haven't I? I have told you to bless 36 couples, 72 couples, 120 couples and 430 couples in your own clans and to wait for further instructions. Did I direct this, or not? [You did.] Well? [You did.]

So, do you think this mobilization is possible? Would it absolutely be a mobilization? Would it possibly be a mobilization? Or will it just be a conceptual mobilization? What would it be of the three? [It would absolutely be a mobilization!] Those who prefer the absolute one, let me see you raise your hands and applaud! Wow, wow, wow, wow! [Cheers and applause]

Now then, the ultimate conclusion we can reach today is that the lineage, brotherly ties and right of ownership lost in Adam's family are now in our hands, in the hands of blessed families. If you were to fail to fulfill this task, and consequently failed to inherit the 70 or 80 percent of the work that True Parents have accomplished up to this point, what would happen? Would the kingdom of God perish, or prosper? It would not matter so much if it were only you who would experience destruction. But if you were to fail, you would block the path for God and True Parents as well.

It is truly regrettable to have something you have worked on for ten years come to naught; how, then, would it be to have nothing come of your work of fifty years? Since the work has been carried out, before you reach your end in this world you should endeavor to push through with it to its conclusion. You should take it in your hands, hold out to the end and fight desperately, so



# 23rd Day of Victory of Love

This year Father asked that the offering table on the Day of Victory of Love be set up in memory of (left to right) Moon Shin-yea, Moon Young-jin, Moon Heung-jin, Moon Hye-jin and her husband Ra Young-shin, Moon Hee-jin and his wife Lee Hye-shin (both couples were blessed after ascension)

At the beginning of the ceremony, Father gave a special title, "Seong-bak," which means "holy educator," to Heung-jin nim and Dae-mo nim to honor them for the educational work they are doing in the spiritual world. "Seong" means "holy" and "bak" is the word for "a scholar," specifically a doctoral degree holder.

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that in the end you can triumph. At your death, you should have a notice board put up claiming your victory, in front of which everyone, even the spirits from the spiritual world, can shout out cheers of mansei. Only then can the will be fulfilled in this world. Do you understand what I'm trying to say? I will bequeath all that I have accomplished to anyone who has done this, even if it is only one person.

This tour encompassed 120 nations; I was thinking to myself that of the people who listened to my speech, at least one person from each nation who understood this concept would stay with me. That is why I put my heart and soul into my speeches. To the people from each nation who came, I was a foreigner. They saw this very old foreigner come to their nations and take to the streets, shedding sweat and doing his utmost; and they came to respect me more than anyone from their own nations. On many occasions I saw them cheering; some even wept who were sorry to see me go.

Should people who are from my own country surpass people from other countries, or not? [We should surpass them.] Well? [We should surpass them!] Should you surpass them, or not? [We should surpass them!] It is only too obvious that you should surpass them. Raise your hands only if you are sure that you will surpass them! Ah, put up your hands, why are you hesitating? You don't have confidence....

You didn't come here to enjoy yourselves, did you? [No.] What? [No.] What did you come here for? Aren't you the group who has come to liberate God, Father, the nation and the world, and to take everyone to the kingdom of heaven? Are you, or aren't you? [We are.] You can achieve that only when you are ready to stake your lives on it.

When I set out on that tour, it was at the risk of my life. How far should I have gone before returning to Korea? The trip back to Korea seemed thousands of miles long; I thought of Korea as a faraway dreamland, a land on the other side, surrounded by misty clouds. That is how I have come so far without succumbing to death. If you lose heart, you will fall. I know this only too well.

You need to become a member of a peace-preserving corps and a peace-preserving police. Let me see the hands of those who are going to apply to join the peace-preserving police. Let me see your hands if you are going to become a soldier of peace in the peace-preserving corps. No need for men to raise their hands, they have to go anyway. [Laughter]

I am a ruthless man. I'll illustrate that with an example. I heard where the largest roe deer in the Korean peninsula lived, that

is, the leader roe deer, in fact, a buck and a doe. I climbed up to catch them and came face to face with both of them at once. It was around nightfall, and snow was falling; it was getting darker every minute. I found them puffing and panting as they dug a hole to get arrowroots.

After I shot them both, the doe and the buck, I cut a hole in their bodies with a knife, stuck a straw in their hearts, and sucked their life blood from them, thinking of their hearts as those of an enemy. I was ready to do more than that, but at the same time, my heart to love and forgive was greater. Thus, God and even Satan could not help admiring this.

That is why those blessed by me are the most feared by Satan. Their lineage has been converted, and the situation would get out of hand if he were to meddle with them, wouldn't it? God is watching over them, and True Parents are not easy to deal with, either. I am a man of strong ambition. Back in my school days I never allowed anyone to beat me. If anyone studied for three hours, I studied four; if he studied for ten hours, I studied twelve. I had to be in the lead. Well, that is how my grandchildren are now. Shin-joon also takes after his grandfather. He is so much like me! While others went round our village, I went further into the hills and valleys and searched day in and day out. After many failures to find God, I finally found Him, and have come so far. Since He is capable, God has no difficulty in choosing people like me.

It is only too true. Look at this fellow [Shin-joon nim]. No matter how much you admonish him, if he decides to do something, nothing can sway his determination. In my case too, I told my parents to repent for being wrongful parents. I told my mother, when I was very young, "Mother, you must repent." She scolded me, "You rascal! You are too young to know anything. How can you say such things when you don't know anything about your mother?" I answered, "Though you may be my mother, in my opinion you are wrong." I was beaten, but no amount of beatings would change my mind. I would endure the blows until I passed out, if necessary. I did not even try to escape from it. That's the kind of man I am.

I do not like to look at my mother's picture hanging in Sutaekri. Though I may look and look, she is not my mother. Because I know her faults, I can say such things about her. My mother was very good-looking. She had been quite a beauty, but having nothing to eat made her the way she was.

In her youth, she came from a renowned, noble family. Whenever I visited my mother's maiden home, I saw the garments worn by state ministers of old in the ancestral shrine. It was great fun to go in there, put them on and play act, though my maternal uncles ill-treated me rather than praised me. In such a way, I had to investigate everything until I was satisfied. I didn't care whether I was scolded for it or not. That is a part of my character.

Bear this in mind, that there is no other way; this work must be done. It is only I, and no one else, who can pull out by the roots the cancerous germs that have been sown in Adam's family. The lineage that proceeded from the wrongful marriage must be righted. As of now, 250 billion spirits in the spirit world have received the blessing. They will come to earth and treat those people and nations who do not believe accordingly.

The era of restoration through indemnity is now past. We have entered the era to be governed by the law. There are many who are unwilling to believe in this. There is no need to talk of those who do not believe, for I'm sure they know plenty enough already. We are now living in a time where the germs infecting Adam's family can be uprooted. If the world does as I would



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like, there will be many people in the peace-preserving forces and many peace-preserving police. Do you understand? [Yes.] ....

Those who have been in a mission a long time will be shifted. The people who have not done graduate studies in theology will either have to study or return to their hometowns to cultivate the land of their ancestors. From now on, everyone needs to go to a graduate school of theology.

Kwak Chung-hwan and other leaders, have the directors of the six continents meet and have those who wish to be shifted write down their names. [Yes, I will do so.] Is that clear? [Yes.] And whenever possible, install a person who has attended a graduate school of theology. It would be better for those who have not gone to graduate school to do so; study there for two or three years. Those who were just appointed to a post, if you don't want to go to graduate school, you should go to Sun Moon University or the University of Bridgeport at the very least.

Cheongpyeong should be strengthened. The time will come for me to go to the spirit world. We should do things well. We should not make any mistakes or errors, otherwise problems will arise when I go to the next world....

From now on, I plan to follow instructions from the spiritual world whenever personnel changes are to be made. Until now, you have all done as you pleased, for decades, for fifty years in fact. What is there to show for it? The year before last, the person who'd witnessed to the most people had blessed forty-eight, hadn't he? My word! It would be good if it were 480, or 4,800. That goes to show that the members are like parasites on the Unification Church. I do not want such people in the church. Don't make personnel changes of your own accord [Yes.] Working on this, you will stay here past April, until June of this year, until we enter the palace, and then you will go to the United States.

Hwang Sun-jo, you've been busy until now, haven't you? [Yes.] You will return to your old post of the president of the Korean church. In every job he has done, Hwang Sun-jo has always organized things cleanly. Though I have set him many tasks to do, his reports have always been accurate. You should continue to take charge of the History Committee as well, and you should publish many textbooks in the future.

Kwak Chung-hwan, you don't have time to make them yourself, do you? [No.] Even after you have gone to the United States, you should consult with each other and the two of you should become one. In other words, we are now entering an era in

which, though you may be stationed in the United States, you can take charge of Gyeongsang Province as well. [Yes.]

First of all, based on Cheongpyeong, since we are here, I will now make personnel changes in earnest. It is all right for those who are over sixty or seventy years of age to return to their hometowns....

Yoo Jeong-ok! [Yes.] Aren't you supposed to educate the nation of Japan first with the materials translated into Japanese, and then in the Korean language? [Yes.] In order to educate the whole nation of Japan, when you return there, you need to give missions to the ten thousand people who came here this time. A public announcement has already been made that they have been appointed as ambassadors for peace and assistant ambassadors. Forty thousand Korean people, too, should be appointed as official ambassadors for peace and assistant ambassadors and be educated. And then hoondokhwae should be held! Through hoondokhwae, you will be able to teach the Korean language wherever you go, but until then we should make preparations here until the translation work is completed.

The Interdenominational Christian Association must fulfill its interreligious responsibility. Isn't it true that not one person from that organization participated in the cross-cultural blessing at this time? Centering on the interreligious area, the religious realm should concentrate on educating people, because Korea is the homeland of the world. Only then can they develop too. The time will soon come for the abolition of interreligious and international.

Only the other day, where was it? Two hundred or two thousand nuns came to listen to the speech. When I told them they would all end up in hell unless they got married, they all clapped for joy! The same is true of Buddhist temples, Buddhist monks and priests. The gates should be opened to them all.

Enough about that! [Yes.] I think I'll stop here. I think I have given most of the essential points to you, so should I stop talking now, or should I go on? Hey, be quiet for a moment. [Laughter] It's not even twelve yet, so why are you in such a hurry? [Laughter] Just one more hour to go, one more hour. Then we will be finished in time for lunch.◆

#### Notes

1 Father may be referring to the fact that the Russian Duma has not yet ratified the 1990 Maritime Boundary Agreement, nine years in the making, that clarifies control of water adjacent to Alaska.

2 On the lunar calendar, Father and Mother's birthday is the sixth day of the first month. This year, that falls on February 3 on the Gregorian calendar.





# Hyun-jin nim Speaks to STF & JSTF Members

*The eighth floor of the FFWPU building was bursting with youthful excitement on January 4, as 170 STF members, aged 20–30, all in black suits and 85 Junior STF members aged 14–19, all in black jackets, prepared for Hyun-jin nim’s speech. Hyun-jin nim poured out his heart to the young people, who responded with an elevated sense of joy and set their sights on bigger dreams.*

**I**f you want to become universal people, you first have to change and become owners. To become universal people, you should understand true love. How can you come to understand true love? With your head, or with your heart? How are you able to feel? If you feel love, you want to go on feeling it continuously. Babies are like that. Everyone has that kind of character. Who made us like that? In the Bible, it is written that men were made in God’s image. If we can feel, God can feel. Young people’s behavior changes according to the situation, but children act according to heart. Young people are as free as babies, but they have yet to learn how society expects them to act, the social code. Once people learn the social code, they don a mask.

If you want to follow me, you have to be like a baby. If you go to the spiritual world, you can see anything. When you feel good, you smile. How about in the kingdom of heaven? People know everything. They know who they are. In heaven can you hide? You know yourselves. Will your thinking be decided by you or by others?

STF [Special Task Force] members raise your hands. Young people don’t wear masks. That’s why I like them. I told CARP leaders and members of the first generation that we have to change culture. More important than the head is the heart. Heart is important. When I look at my life, my heart has moved me, not my head. At each turning point, it was my heart that moved me.

What kind of character does God have? Are you going this way because it’s a good way to go? In your heart is that what you believe? Heart is important. You have to meet people with an open heart, without a mask. In our church I am a fearsome person. That especially applies to those in the first generation, because I point out their faults without hesitation. What is love? Love requires responsibility, even though that may be hard. Why do parents push their young sons and daughters? Why are we asking you to complete the STF course? Parents love their children, so the parents push them, even if it is hard. In a love relationship, are there any lies? Are there any masks?

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In the heavenly kingdom you can feel love and receive love. Hell is where you can't receive love. How could you live there? I'm not interested in hell. What makes us extremely sad? Young people who live selfishly may say God does not exist. "I can't feel God when I pray. Does God exist?" There are many people like that. When God hears these things, how does He feel? Does He feel happy or sad? Hell is a place without the presence of love. People are not interested in God. That is the saddest hell. How did the Fall occur? They lost God. Love is interest. Living for others' benefit is not easy. You should be interested in God's will. You should walk the way of true love. Going that way isn't easy. Do you think that I am a strange person?

We can overcome this within a family. When I teach you, I think the most important things to emphasize are to become an owner and to practice true love. Because of that, I thought deeply when I created STF. Before STF, you attended workshops to meet your friends, not to study the Divine Principle. There was no ownership. You were not changing people. Those in the first generation look on the Divine Principle as something very attractive. Forty-four years ago, there was nothing. Did the internet exist? When people heard the Divine Principle, they were astounded. What about the current generation? You are Unification Church members. Do you know what Buddhists believe? When I went to UTS, I learned a lot about what Buddhists and Muslims think. What is most important? This generation has too much information. The answer is to focus on the origin of people. Even if I study a lot, I find that changing people is done with heart. People are similar to one another. When I became vice-president of FFWPU, Father asked me to educate our second generation. I worried about what I should teach you.

The problem with Unification Church education was that it didn't follow principles of education. We should teach not to reach people's heads but to reach their hearts. How can you feel love? You can feel it only through experiences. Do you think that experience-based education is important? Don't be mistaken, there are good experiences and bad experiences. You can become a different person depending on what kind of experiences you have. There are good ways and bad ways. Education is letting people have good experiences. Good education creates a framework to internalize experiences through reason. Experience-centered education and reason-centered education relate to each other as a subject and object. That's the fundamental principle.

Witnessing and fund raising are difficult, but through them, you can learn about true love. At first, the parents didn't understand. Why didn't we give you Divine Principle lectures rather than sending you out to witness and fund raise? Their perspectives differed from mine. They were focusing on knowledge. If Adam and Eve hadn't fallen, what kind of thinking would they have had? They would have learned about the world by experience. Had people not been tainted by the Fall, they could learn love from their parents, their children their brothers and sisters.

You have to push yourselves to live for the greater good. Is it okay for me to send you to a place of hardship? Are you saying yes because you don't know, or because in your hearts you accept the idea? Not through your head but through your heart? I want to inculcate a new culture but it's hard. When I see you, I provide you with education of a different standard, therefore in your generation things will be different. I want to see leaders without masks. I want to believe in people. I hate when people lie. That destroys basic trust. If you want to build Cheon Il Guk, you have to become universal people.

I've dealt with many people whom I thought were not wearing masks, but I eventually realized they were. We have to build a new culture. In a company, if subordinates don't report problems, how do we know they exist? If they are just trying to please me and don't speak candidly, I cannot think of that person as responsible. If I am made aware of problems, I can fix them, but how can I deal with something I don't know exists? Even though you don't report these things to me, I am responsible for them. We have to re-create our culture. Taking responsibility is tough. When I was creating STF, I dreamed of all our leaders becoming new leaders. I'm interested in what you people become.

STF gives hope. I have a high standard. I think of the whole world. If God's will is important, we have to make people without masks and people who possess the ability to lead. People are important. Leaders are important. After two years, with joyful hearts you should become CARP leaders and missionaries. CARP is important. Especially when in Korea, I strongly feel that. Two years from now, there will be a presidential election. If you want to change the nation, you have to win your enemy over to your side.

Movies are political and economic reflections of society. For movies to be successful, they should reflect the social atmosphere. I saw a movie where America was shown as imperialistic and intervening in Korea's domestic policies. Young people think like that, so that's why they made the movie. If they make a movie with that idea, what conclusion can be drawn? Koreans don't like foreign people staying in Korea. Do you think is it better for Americans to leave Korea?

I've heard that Korea's education and values have changed a lot. In high school you don't talk about the world, but in university you do. In university, conflicts of ideas occur. I want STF members to become CARP leaders. I want our foundation in universities to be ten or twenty times bigger than it is now. Do you want to go this way? If you do this, what you'll experience will be better than an MBA course. Simply put, it is education centered on experience. Leadership can't be learned from theory. Leadership can be learned through practice. Among the people who've finished STF, if I were to order them to personally create the foundation for a CARP center, it would be difficult for them. Are you afraid? Leaders should overcome fears and become owners. You can't learn this from school. You have to whip yourself to overcome fear and skepticism. Do you think that I have fear? Sometimes I do. But I am a person whose character develops more as I overcome difficulty.

Is it okay if I send you out as a lone CARP center? You would



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probably be frightened. If you were put in that situation, the next time we met, you'd be a different person. It has been said that experiencing war changes people. Through difficulty you grow. I think like that. I will put you on the front line. Do you think that's a good idea, or not? How can I have forty-year-old men working on CARP?

University groups are important. The first place you will experience a war of ideas is in college. We should send young leaders to college, where they would face their first important test in life. Through that test, it will be determined whether or not they are suited to be leaders. Junior STF members, will you become missionaries and CARP leaders in two years? Or will you only live the way you want? My dream is that you think of CARP as yours. If you are successful here, you can change this nation. If you want to change the nation, you should have this foundation. Without this foundation, you can't change the nation. If we change young people's standard, after ten or twenty years, a revolution would emerge. Twenty years ago, communists educated young people. Now those young people are in their forties. They built their nation. We should build Cheon Il Guk. Without educating young people, how can we build the nation or change the nation? If you believe in this and train yourself, our church has hope, our nation has hope and the world has hope. Therefore, I'm here even though it is tough. Without this foundation, we have no future. Parents, do you think STF is good? Now, you think it is good, but you don't know how I created it. If you become owners and great leaders, our dream will come true.

When I see you, I feel hope. After I speak to you, I feel that you work harder. We are tough, because we have a high goal. If you think that it is your own goal, you can work joyfully. I set up Core Values; the second one is Ownership. You may think that what I'm speaking about is something large, but you should think that you can become an owner. Alexander the Great's goal was very big. If he hadn't been able to believe, he couldn't have accomplished it. First you have to believe. "I can do it." Is that wrong, or right? Strangely, people limit themselves. That's why I made Dream Big one of the Core Values. Mostly, people could do big things if they weren't limiting themselves. People who are doing great things are those who believe they can. That power comes from inside. You can do it because those in the spiritual world are working with you. If you were to pioneer a CARP cen-

ter, your internal power would grow, even if you were alone in fighting the whole world.

Here we have black people and white people. There is no racial discrimination. We are one family under God. Will you give hope to Filipino students? I want to send STF to the world. I want to send you to more difficult countries than the United State or Japan. I want to send you to undeveloped nations. If I send you to one of those nations, I can connect to you easily. Is it okay to send you to one of those tough countries? They may not have running water or toilets. Is it okay to send you there? Why aren't you answering? If you go to Africa you have to be careful of Malaria. It's possible to get diarrhea and a fever and even die. Would you go there with a joyful heart? Could you go there thinking of it as training? If you really want that, we have hope. When I go to the mountains, I don't want to come back. I like the countryside. Because people there don't wear masks, my mind is at ease. When I go Montana or Alaska, my mind is contented. Mongolia is good, too. Animals are similar to people. I learn a lot from them. Even puppies have character. You need conviction. When you appear in public, you need conviction.

We're talking about heart washing, not brainwashing. The way of true love is a tough way. You have to whip yourself. Will you experience hardship for hardship's sake? If you experience hardship in becoming an owner of true love, that hardship is valuable. Even though you and your brother are different, is it possible for you to think of him as your enemy? Even though you don't have a good relationship, you will become one with him when hardships come. That's the family experience. There is no enemy in true love's way.

I have to prepare to go to the United States. This time is valuable time. Don't forget this. We have to change this nation. Will you go the way of true love? Will you be trained in the church and become true leaders? Will you change this nation? Amen!

When you are blessed, do you want to be blessed to a Korean, a Japanese, or someone from another country? I told my father that my children can be blessed internationally. From the inside, we have to become international people. Would it be okay for you to be blessed to an African queen?

Blessed STF members raise your hands. Don't start your family life early. You should work first. Blessing is fine, but don't start your family early. You need training. Do you know how big our responsibility is? Can you promise me you will wait? What I'm saying is that if you know the way of true love before you start your family it's better. Jun-sook reads lots of books. I like activity. We become like this because based on love we live for others. If you want your blessing to turn out well, you have to individually prepare. Happiness can come more quickly. If you have a family, can you focus on your mission? It's not easy. You have to raise children well. A father has to worry about many things related to his wife and children. Before being in that circumstance, I want you to train and prepare. That's why I'm asking this. To unify the world of men and the world of women is not easy. Do you like romance? To work, you need sacrifice. Don't start your family early. You have to clean up. You have to think about your mission first. After you are successful, you can start your family. When I see you, I feel good; I have hope. Do you feel good when I meet you with love? Love has such power. Love intoxicates us and makes us work harder.

Are you going to become cynical as you become older? Even though your situation may be difficult, you need conviction. The purpose of the four Core Values is to align with the vertical axis. Can you work harder? Will you become owners of true love? Amen? No men? Will you become owners and build a new culture? Amen? No men? Will you build a new culture? ♦

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people knew. None of the professors who were there at that time could imagine that I was not even a college graduate. I couldn't dare mention it, so I just responded to Father by thanking him but expressing my regrets that I wasn't qualified to work as a professor.

A university president then spoke very positively; he asked, "Why do you say that? Having listened to you lecture, I am convinced you are more than qualified to be a professor. Please come to my office at 10 AM tomorrow morning." He had kindly made the proposal, so out of courtesy, I visited him the next day to express my gratitude to him and to tell him the truth about my situation. He was waiting for me when I arrived at ten o'clock the next morning. As soon as I arrived, he launched into a personal testimony of how much heavenly grace he had received. I followed that by saying, "Mr. President, I have been spiritually awakened by the word given through Rev. Moon; I am determined to devote my life to pursuing his teachings, which is why I had discontinued my university studies to dedicate myself to living a religious life. At Rev. Moon's suggestion, I have gone back to university; I have enrolled at Sangji University, but I'm still a term away from graduating. I came here today to explain that to you and to express my deep gratitude to you."

That little speech of mine caused him to carry things a step further. He replied, "Why do you say that? I've listened to your lectures and thought about them a lot. What you speak about is essential for our students to hear. Do you remember Professor Shin Sang-ju, who left Kyongsung Imperial University to join the military and so never got a degree? He's the most famous professor in Korea now. Having a diploma is not the point. Your working as a professor can be taken care of based on my authorizing it. Please go to my secretary right now and go through the necessary procedures." In that way, I became a professor in a day. As a professor, I taught national ethics based on Victory Over Communism material as well as the Principle.

Over such a tortuous course, we arrived at the point where we held a PWPA preparatory committee meeting, where we were to choose its secretary-general. Except me, who would dare ask for the post? Under the guidance and protection of God, I was appointed the first secretary-general of PWPA. While performing the duties of that office, I graduated from a university and a graduate school. Looking back on the old days, I can say that it was Father who put me in a position to have gained all these qualifications in a very natural way. I mean by that that True Parents had taken perfect control of my future.

### **True Parents move the future**

A year before PWPA was organized with an American headquarters, Father founded the International Conference on the Unity of the Sciences (ICUS). He treasures professors and scholars who toil at their work for many years in order to obtain a doctorate and rise in prominence. Some people have observed that the work done day and night by a professor is enough for him to have built a business of his own or even enough for him to have become a millionaire. That is why they are afforded such elevated status in society.

In 1984, the Soviet Union appeared full of vigor. They had been making prey of some Latin American and African nations, whom they'd duped with their vision of world communism. At that time, while incarcerated in Danbury, Connecticut, Father instructed me to hold an international conference, where the fall of the apparently prosperous Soviet Empire was to be announced.

Imagine how absurd, how ridiculous, this idea seemed at the time! I fell into a state of deep anxiety after being instructed to hold

the conference. I worried, "How on earth can I do that?" At that time, the international president of PWPA was Dr. Morton Kaplan, who has written extensively on the cold war. I spoke to him about PWPA holding such a conference, and he was astounded. He said it would be nothing less than suicidal to have a conference whose theme was the end of the Soviet Empire. Nevertheless, I persuaded him to hold the conference, though at one point he asked if I might make the proclamation instead of him. Which of us made the proclamation was somewhat beside the point to Father, who from prison was even yelling, he was so insistent that a proclamation of the end of communism be made through an international conference. Yet, Father spoke to Dr. Kaplan about what he had suggested and encouraged him. He said, "You might want someone else to make the proclamation now, because you are not keenly aware of the situation, but you'll one day be seen as a hero if you believe in what I'm saying now and follow me." Dr. Kaplan is quite frank and straightforward. He has worked under Father for some years through the series of Science Conferences years ago. He understands Father's personality well, so he agreed to do as Father asked.

### **Proclaiming the death of an empire**

In preparing the conference, there was one more big surprise. A hotel had been reserved in Geneva, Switzerland for the event. When I arrived the day before the conference was to begin, I discovered that the hotel was face to face across the street with the Soviet Embassy. Of all the hotels in Geneva, I couldn't imagine how it was that this hotel was the one chosen for our conference.

Not only was it the Soviet Embassy, it was the biggest Soviet Embassy in all of Europe. It must have been a strategic foothold for the activity of manipulative work related to international communism that the Soviet Union was involved in. Precisely in front of this building, we held a conference where the end of communism was proclaimed. It is at such peak moments that we encounter God.

After almost a year of preparation since I received instructions about it, the conference began in August 1985; and what a surprising result came out of it! Numerous erudite specialists from around the world were there to discuss and systematically analyze a series of actual problems that the Soviet regime was facing in areas including its agricultural policy, diplomatic strategy and military system, as well as within the hierarchy of the Communist Party itself. Oddly enough, from their analyses, the scholars drew the conclusion that the Soviet communist regime would come to an end before long. Though it still looked mighty, True Father had already foreseen the fact that there was no way for the Soviet empire to avoid collapse. As Father had expressed it, what was seen on the surface was false—a result of satanic deception. He had the foresight to predict the end of communism, because he had succeeded in setting all the necessary spiritual indemnity conditions, thereby building up spiritual fortune to the point that victory was within his grasp.

He never chooses the easy way; he pushes things to the point of showdown in order to expedite the providence. As you know, the Geneva conference and its announcement of the demise of communism was a turning point that hastened the fall of the Soviet empire by serving as an incentive to international society. All this was done by PWPA, which has been involved in work directed by True Father since 1973 and continues to be.

### **Love of mankind expressed through missions**

In 1975, Father founded the Unification Theological Seminary in the U.S. for the purpose of linking his providential accomplishments





**On December 27, around 50,000 people came to a rally in the Seoul suburb of Ilsan to welcome home True Parents, who had completed their worldwide speaking tour and the inauguration of the Universal Peace Federation in 120 cities. True Parents' work to establish UPF began on September 12 in America, where they continued holding events until October 2; from October 3–14 they worked simultaneously in Korea and Japan. After these three providential nations, from October 16–December 23, they traversed the globe planting the seeds of universal, everlasting peace.**

to the Christian world, which from that point should be the center of linking to the whole religious sphere. Father invited the scholars of the major religions—Islam, Judaism, Catholicism, Protestantism, Buddhism—and others to work as professors in the seminary he started. This was exceptional, unprecedented, surprising. It was an epoch making event in the history of seminary education. Father's desire was for his industrious efforts to overcome all the discord that exists between religions and denominations to expand all over the world. Do you think it likely that graduates of the seminary would reach a level that they could sit and have heart-to-heart talks with Father? The students were like children in their level of understanding and the professors from overseas knew nothing of God's providence. Despite the fact that there didn't appear to be anyone who could achieve success for Father, he himself went on to found the New Ecumenical Research Association (New Era) for the purpose of uniting and bringing reconciliation among Christian churches. In contrast to existing ecumenical organizations, Father began to develop New Era in such a way that problems between religions were resolved by looking at them from entirely new perspectives, and he did not give priority to his own church.

Substantiating the vision of this organization was a task entrusted to me by True Father. In order to activate this new movement toward the unity and reconciliation of churches, beginning in 1975, a series of seminars were held, to which were invited professors and theologians, who it turned out caused us problems in the beginning. We had invited world famous theologians to listen to lectures on the Divine Principle and to discuss the theology they covered. The lectures were given by UTS students, who seemed to lose their nerve when standing in front of theologians. They did not lecture confidently enough, which provoked the professors to use their shallow knowledge to criticize the Principle.

Watching over this scene, I was so thoroughly disgusted as to almost lose my temper, though I couldn't understand perfectly

what the professors were saying in English. How rude and uncivilized they were when railing against the Principle! They abused our Principle and the work of True Father in a way that was akin to covering his head with a cloth and beating him in the face from all directions.

At the same time, because of their lack of experience and confidence, our students just sat there idly watching. I was becoming increasingly enraged. I wanted to fly over to them and speak out, were it not for the level of my English language skills. How could I persuade them without even knowing the theological terms in their language?

At a prayer meeting in the morning I asked our lecturers and staff members, "How on earth can you be so easygoing? Condemning our Principle and movement is equal to abusing our True Parents, isn't it? Why didn't you confront and confute them?" Though *my* English may have been insufficient for the task, I instructed them to never retreat at any cost.

Though I could only catch part of what the theologians were saying, if

metaphorically I call the Divine Principle a tree, what they were criticizing was only one of the leaves or a bud on a branch. Nonetheless, our lecturers were disconcerted by that. The lecture series was begun under such frustrating conditions, but we settled down and gradually reached the state where world-renowned, learned scholars and theologians were won over to our side and united with us through those seminars.

As I recall, it wasn't until 1978, after we had a seminar in the Caribbean region, that I could report good news about the workshops for theologians to True Father for the first time by saying, "Father, the war has come to an end. We won by a decision this time, right before the eyes of famous theologians who came to attend the seminar from the United States, Canada, the United Kingdom, Germany and other European countries. Now our Principle has been confirmed; it is no longer to be the target of theological criticism."...

I want to tell you today that without fail True Parents contemplate circumstances at length and in depth, set up sufficient conditions, prepare all that is necessary in advance and seek feasible timing beforehand whenever they give us any instruction. I have followed them and walked along the path of the will to this day taking note of a large number of details concerning the providence. Someday, in the remaining years of my mission, I wish to edit my notes and produce a book to bear witness more concretely to the glory of True Parents.

I have followed the course of God's will with constant gratitude for the good fortune of being able to assist in the providential work True Parents have undertaken. They have developed various sectors of human endeavor, laying cornerstones there that will make possible a new future for humankind.

I feel gratitude toward True Parents for giving me this opportunity to reminisce, and at this point I'd like to conclude my testimony. ♦

# The Highway of Peace Blessing

International Cross-Cultural Blessing Ceremony for World Peace

December 29, 2005

Cheongpyeong Heaven and Earth Training Center

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## Blessing Benediction

Given by True Parents on December 29, 2005 at Cheongpyeong Heaven and Earth Training Center

Dearest beloved Heavenly Father, it is 11 AM, on December 29, in the fifth year of Cheon Il Guk. It is now time to declare and carry out the Blessing Ceremony, a hallmark of the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification, before heaven and earth, the True Parents and God.

The 1,147 couples here today will become the new direct children of the good parent in heaven and on earth. Amidst the watchful gaze of the blessed families in the spiritual and physical worlds, they will inherit the tradition loved by Heaven, and as a family of citizens of Cheon Il Guk that enlarges the family for establishing the domain of love on earth and in heaven, they will become children with heart before God and True Parents, an ideal family in heaven and on earth, and a model family for world peace. I truly thank You for giving us this era in which the Abel-type UN can be established. The Abel-type UN was announced through the 120 national inaugural rallies for the Universal Peace Federation. By absorbing the Cain-type UN and bringing the elder brother to the position of the younger brother, the spirits can come down from the heavenly world to live in attendance to the True Parents on earth. By learning the language of the heavenly homeland that is spoken by the True Parents, all of humanity can now become a protective fence for True Parents' love centering on God the parent, and amidst the watchful gaze of heaven and earth, please allow a model family to be established that can multiply the number of heavenly blessed

Father matching in the main hall at Cheongpyeong



families. Let the 1,147 couples here today enter the heavenly station as citizens of the heavenly kingdom and become the standard, ideal family that can fulfill Your love, grace and ideal.

With all the family and relatives gathered in this hall, and in the presence of the national realms transcending religion and nations centering on the five great saints in the spirit world, I fervently, fervently, fervently pray that these couples become model blessed families that can create the heavenly kingdom to inherit the victorious kingdom of heaven on earth and in heaven; let them create an eternal reign of peace, thereby fulfilling the way of loyalty and filial piety, while serving Heaven on the foundation of Your ideal love. On this day, with the union of the heavenly and earthly thrones, I offer to You these 1,147 couples who are being announced to all nations in the world through the broadcast media as Your ideal family and a model family for world peace. I fervently pray that you may accept them in love as You have always done before. I truly pray that you guide these families and people of this nation here today, along with the parents and relatives, toward the world of Your grace, in which they can all participate in the grace of the blessing of peace before all of humanity. I truly, truly, truly pray that you bless this marriage ceremony today, so that it can draw respect, affection and glory and bring about a life of splendor before humanity on this global stage. In the name of the True Parents, I bless and offer these new families who are participating in this marriage ceremony to You. ♦

## We Will Be an Exemplary Couple

from an interview

My name is Noel, and I am from Cote D'Ivoire. I am a missionary in India. I attended the blessing on December 29, 2005. I am truly happy. I was blessed with a sister from France.

Before being matched, I was at a point of desperation. But in the end I was matched, and we are very happy.

I believe that marriage is so important. Of course, it is a big challenge too. I am a black African. She's white and European. As a couple we have been much admired by people; when people see us together, they are very happy and proud of our couple!

This is a great challenge, because if we set a good example, others will be inspired and will want to have an international marriage. So, we will do our best to make it a success. Intercultural marriage is not something that people in the world pursue as something good. One must believe in it, one must have no fear...

A cross-cultural marriage can be an example for the whole world, and can help unify the world. It is for the benefit of all the world's people.

We believe the good spirit world and our good ancestors will help us to establish an ideal family. Thank you. ♦



Noel and his bride

세계평화 국제합동 교차축복식

# Brought Together at the Intersection

2005. 12. 20 (목) 14시 천주청평수련원

By Michael Jenkins

**T**he *gyocha* [cross-cultural] blessing was a very inspiring and uplifting experience for me, especially to watch Father match the different couples. One couple in particular was outstanding—Sungyul Taylor and Jolin Triggol, a black–white couple. What was interesting is that both of their mothers have had life-threatening illnesses in the last year. Linda Triggol had a very serious tumor and almost died. Debbie Taylor had a stroke. Both women, who are tops in outreach and outstanding leaders, are recovering.

They've suffered so much in this last year. Then, suddenly I was there to see their children became the example *gyocha* blessing. Sungyul Taylor came to the front of the line and Father just had him stand there. Father had him stand for about thirty minutes while he matched fifty or eighty couples right in front of him. It almost looked as if Father wasn't going to match him. Suddenly Father called for sisters who really wanted to be blessed to a black brother. Many raised their hands, but right away he picked Jolin. It was so beautiful. They were the couple who gave flowers to True Parents at the *gyocha* blessing. We had so many experiences of people going beyond their cultures.

Father matched all night; for the re-blessing, he gave the continental directors and me the responsibility of blessing and matching all the different couples. It was really overwhelming to see how God was working to bring those couples together.

There was one brother in particular from Ivory Coast, named Noel. He had graduated from Sun Moon University. He's an African, and he speaks Korean, French and English. He just absolutely would not give up. I took him to many different candidates, but somehow none of them accepted. Suddenly at the last hour, just before the blessing, a French sister arrived from France who was very excited to be blessed to an African. They sat down and spoke French together and

true love was found. They were blessed. It was so beautiful.

I also gave a testimony to the candidates about my own blessing. My wife is from Japan, and I'm from the United States. I hadn't known how much of an enemy feeling there was toward the Japanese in my own family until I called home right after I was matched. I said, "I'm going to get married." My father said, "That's wonderful." Then he asked, "What's her name?" I said, "Reiko Sakata." He said, "Sakata! Sakata! She's Japanese!" I was so shocked. My Father fought in WWII against the Japanese in the Philippines. He always loved Koreans, because they were our ally, but he had always felt Japan was an enemy. Not only because of WWII, but because they built up the car industry and my father was in the automobile industry. He felt a lot was lost to Japan. So, he felt a strong enemy feeling. When I brought my wife home for the first time, the enemy feeling was clear. He was angry. He was angry at her. It was definitely something that had to be restored from the spiritual world.

As we had children, my parents' grandchildren, they couldn't stop feeling completely overwhelmed by their grandchildren's love. It changed my parents. There was one incident when our children found out that when my father was young, during the Depression, he was an orphan. One day, some friends visited him at the orphanage and gave him a horn; the moment they left, the horn was taken away from him. He never forgot that. It had hurt him deeply. So, one Christmas, my children, our blessed children, got together and bought him a beautiful horn. It really touched his heart. Now my whole family loves my wife and loves Japan. My father even says that the best thing I ever did was to get a Japanese wife.

I could see that enemies can be completely reconciled through the *gyocha* blessing. ♦

## Mrs. Choi Won-pok's World Seung-hwa Ceremony (1916-2006)



Soon after Mrs. Choi's January 15<sup>th</sup> ascension, True Father wrote a calligraphic message naming her "Shin Ae Choongmo" (Mother of Faith, Love and Devotion). Late on the 19<sup>th</sup>, True Parents came to Korea and at 2 AM, went to the hospital where the body was being kept, and prayed. Mrs. Choi, who joined the church in 1954, was blessed to Buddha in 1998.



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# NEPAL: WE'VE ONLY JUST BEGUN



By John and Ginger Nicholls

**F**or eight years of the national messiah mission, my husband and I had been spending about half of each year in Nepal, helping to build a foundation of membership and prominent contacts.

Despite our many limitations, we found that whenever we acted with absolute faith and experienced conditions of heartistic indemnity in cooperation with the investment of the growing Nepalese members and the support of our continental directors, Dr. and Mrs. Kim Byung-woon, God would bring progress and blessing to the Nepal movement. The deepest 탕감 [indemnity] we experienced was in giving the blessing to Nepalese members and seeing the birth of their blessed children while we remained childless. But miraculously, in the seventh month of our seventh year, twenty-one years since our blessing and fourteen since our married life began, we received an e-mail message from Keiko and Robin Shaw, the national messiah couple to Cambodia, offering us a blessed child. Keiko was in her seventh month of pregnancy. We quickly left Nepal in July 2003, returning to England to make preparations for the birth.

By God's grace, we found accommodations through a job filling in for hotel managers who were taking their holidays. The same company had employed us previously and kindly agreed to allow us to keep the job while caring for a baby. From the time Sophia was born until we returned to Nepal four months later, we moved home eight times while working in different hotels. Even at such a tender age, Sophia became a heavenly soldier! When we arrived back in Nepal for God's Day 2004, we were fortunate to stay in the new Peace Embassy that John had helped to secure and design the renovations for. However, due to the cold, damp Nepalese winter, Sophia developed bronchitis and at five months had to be kept overnight in a clinic in order to use a respiratory machine every two hours. We had endured many stressful situations over the previous eight years of our mission and by August 2004, having reached a point of emotional and physical exhaustion, we decided to return to England. Nepalese members are generally very warm-hearted, but it takes time to break through the Hindu spiritual world and caste system mentality with concepts such as original sin, repentance and the principles of historical restoration. In helping to raise one Nepalese brother from his first seven-day workshop to a central position of preparation for national leadership, our relationship was being tested over and over as we struggled to maintain a parental heart. It seemed time for us to find spiritual renewal, as well as to allow Eknath Dhakal to come into his own as the forthcoming national leader.



A throng of members, associate members and secondary school students who had received Pure Love education welcomed True Parents to Nepal

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At least that was partly how we justified staying in England for thirteen months, working again in a bed and breakfast hotel. We missed Nepal and the Nepalese members, but we lacked the motivation and will to return, along with overriding financial concerns as fifty-year-old parents of a two-year-old child. Nevertheless, through various discussions and testimonies from other national messiahs on the internet, we found inspiration and support to carry on with our mission and made a condition of writing Nepalese members to encourage them and reassure them that we would be back. Finally, in mid-September 2005, we heard about the possibility of True Father doing a global speaking tour. Because of Nepal's foundation, we knew there was a chance Father would speak there. John quickly decided this was the incentive we needed to make a return visit. With spiritual world supporting us, within two weeks we had secured tickets and a two-month leave from our job, and we found ourselves flying once again to our beloved Himalayan country. Two days before our flight, we received confirmation that True Parents would be stopping in Nepal on November 23, but several weeks later, when it was reported that Nepal had a more developed foundation than India, that date was exchanged with India's. True Parents would stay two nights in Nepal from November 21.

Leading up to their visit to Nepal, one of our greatest breakthroughs came through our brother Saroj Khanal, who was responsible for media coverage. To win the trust of the secular media, Saroj grew a beard and interacted with them almost daily. Soon after we arrived in Nepal, there was a press conference arranged at our Peace Embassy for the purpose of awarding a major journalist the Ambassador for Peace Award for his contributions to the media at a time when the rights of journalists were being suppressed due to the authoritarian power of the king and the dissolved government. John was



**Dr. Suresh Raj Sharma, Vice-Chancellor of Katmandu University (foreground with flowers) and (background in similar hat) Rt. Hon. Ganesh Bahadur Gurung, member of the Standing Committee of the State Council, which advises Nepalese King Gyanendra Bir Bikram Shah Deva, greeted True Parents at the airport**

pictured in the newspaper giving the award and Eknath, our young national leader, gave a presentation to inform the media about Father Moon and Unification activities.

One of our long-time ambassadors for peace, Mr. Biyogi, had been a respected editor and journalist and his presence at the meeting also assisted our efforts.

As a result of these conditions, positive news articles about Father Moon and IIFWP started appearing regularly in several of the leading newspapers, both in English and in the Nepali language. Not only did television and radio run ongoing advertisements about the coming event, but there were several documentary programs and a televised interview, which included comments by Eknath, prominent members of Nepalese society, including Speaker of the House Taranath Ranabhat, Dr. Robert Kittel, education director for IIFWP, Krishna V. Rajan, a former Indian ambassador to Nepal and one of our Japanese missionary sisters. On the evening that Father arrived, he was treated to a video show of one such twenty-five minute documentary that featured True Parents and IIFWP. Finally, on the evening of Father's speech, the entire program was on live government television, broadcast throughout the nation to millions of people. It was later reported that forty-four countries picked up the broadcast by internet or satellite.

In Nepal a ten-year civil conflict has existed between Maoist forces, political parties and the royal palace. Due to the Hindu Dassain and Tihar festive season<sup>1</sup> in October and November, Maoist forces had called a three month truce in early September. Unknowingly, they were contributing to the preparations for Father's visit.



Since the king dissolved the government last February, there was no parliament in session for True Father to address, nor was there an acting prime minister. The king had tried to put himself in the position of head of government and had appointed a cabinet from a political party known as the king's party, but none of the other political parties accepted this. Though Eknath tried to set up an appointment for the king to meet True Parents, he escaped judgment and went outside of the country for a two-week period that included the dates Father and Mother would be in Nepal. However, Mr. Ranabhat, who held the highest position under the prime minister (or in this case the king), had become an ambassador for peace. He officially sent an invitation letter for True Parents to visit Nepal and preside as chief guest at the Inaugural Convocation of UPF. Because of this invitation, True Parents were treated as national guests by the Nepalese government during their stay. The Foreign Ministry provided a beautiful car for True Parents and the Home Ministry arranged army security and police escorts while they traveled in Nepal.

Mr. Ranabhat also agreed to be the chairman of the Organizing and Preparation Committee to receive True Parents. In this position, he put himself in the front to help lead our organizational meetings with ambassadors for peace and participated in the nationally televised interview. Besides welcoming True Parents and speaking at the UPF inauguration, he attended the hoondokhwae on November 23 and with a hundred influential members of Nepalese society did a full bow to True Parents when they entered the room.

Ten days before the main event, IIFWP Nepal held a special one-day seminar, South Asian Conflict: The Non-Violent Option, which

**Above: Queuing for the event; Below: Throughout Kathmandu were banners joyfully welcoming True Parents to Nepal**



was attended by about fifty ambassadors for peace. Guest speakers included Mr. Ranabhat, Ambassador Rajan and the great grandson of Mahatma Gandhi, Mr. Tusar A. Gandhi, as well as Dr. Keshar Jung Rayamajhi, a blessed ambassador for peace who is a former chairman of the Standing Committee of the State Council (advisers to the king). Dr. Kittel gave an IIFWP presentation which summarized the root causes of conflict and solutions for peace. During the concluding group discussions, participants were asked to summarize the key points, which were then presented to the media as a twelve-point referendum for solutions to the conflicts in Nepal and South Asia.

Banners welcoming the True Parents of Mankind, sponsored by various agencies, could be seen not only outside of the airport but all over the city. To be sure that True Parents would have a clear path on the roads during their stay, all of the major and minor political parties had been asked to refrain from organizing any political rallies that would disrupt traffic. They all cooperated with our request and supported a proposal by our preparatory committee to celebrate November 22 as Violence Free Day. Our members wanted Father to remember Nepal and for the Nepalese people to realize that our preparations for True Parents were at least on the same level as would be those for the king. Therefore, Dr. Kishor Rajbhandari, responsible for preparations at the International Birendra Convention Centre, where Father would speak, designed the stage background as a beautiful natural garden by adding waterfalls, colored lights and statues of Buddha and Hindu gods portraying a Hindu vision of paradise. The backdrop to the stage was a colorful display of Mt. Everest, and our victory cake, which John designed, was unique with its seven levels adorned with bells, stupas and pagodas and topped with a Mt. Everest made of chocolate cake with white icing for snow and the Unification Church flag at its summit.

True Parents arrived on the morning of November 21. Upon leaving the plane they were presented flowers by Mr. Ganesh Bahadur Gurung, a member of the Standing Committee of the State Council, and Dr. Suresh Raj Sharma, the vice-chancellor of Katmandu University. A further large group of important citizens welcomed them at the airport, including four-time prime minister Mr. Lokendra Bahadur Chand,<sup>2</sup> Mr. Marich Man Singh Shrestha, another ex-premier,<sup>3</sup> and Lt. Gen. Phatteh Bahadur Limbu, the king's aide-de-camp. With police escort, True Parents were then taken to the hotel where about 4,000 core and associate members lined the way from the gate of the hotel property to the lobby, waving Unification Church, Korean and Nepalese

flags to give a warm welcome.

The following morning, after hoondokhwae with a group of about forty leaders and missionaries, there was a plan for True Parents and about thirty members to go on a special airplane trip around Mt. Everest. Eknath testified that they waited after hoondokhwae until 9:00 AM but the weather was very cloudy that morning. Everyone really wanted True Parents to go on the mountain flight. Finally, Eknath asked the Japanese sisters to pray. Right after they prayed, Eknath received the all clear from the airport allowing True Parents and the lucky thirty to take the flight.



Later that day as the time of the main event approached, long lines of people could be seen winding from the front doors, through the parking lot and to the entry gate of the Convention Centre. Besides the main hall, there were four other side rooms with screens that were very quickly filling up. Unfortunately, some important guests who arrived late could not get into the main hall, and some people could not get a seat in any of the rooms. Originally, 3,000 people were expected, but by the time Father started speaking, there were 4,500 people on hand. This number included two ex-deputy prime ministers and four ex-prime ministers. The eldest among them, Mr. Krishna Prasad Bhattarai,<sup>4</sup> eighty-two, made effort to attend in his wheel chair. One of the ex-deputy prime ministers, Mr. Madhav Kumar Nepal, is secretary-general of the Communist Party of Nepal (Unified Marxist Leninist), the largest political party in the nation. Unfortunately, Mr. Sher Bahadur Deuba, another ex-prime minister,<sup>5</sup> who had received the Cheon Il Guk Blessing in Korea, was still being held in prison by order of the king. In his capacity as chairman of the Congress Party (Democratic), though, he was the first to send a letter of congratulations.

There was a group of about a hundred Buddhist monks in the front hall, as well as leaders from all the political parties, cabinet ministers, religious leaders, hundreds of former ministers and members of Parliament, university administrators, professors, senior officers from the Royal Nepalese Army and the police force, justices and lawyers, NGO representatives, woman leaders, youth leaders, doctors and human rights activists.

Of course, everyone had seen the news articles and television programs and was desperate for a solution to the problems within the country. Nepalese people often don't require much understanding before they respond with their hearts, which accounts for the 1,400 members and one hundred or so people from Nepalese society who began arriving at 1:00 AM for hoondokhwae the following morning. True Father was visibly moved by the large turnout and humility of the people, but he nonetheless challenged the civic leaders, telling them that he would be watching to see what they would do after he left. Father explained, "Nepal is situated on the top of the world, but Nepalese people are still at the bottom. In the future, Nepalese people should reach the top and fly all over the world. Nepal has many high mountains that are very pure and holy, including Mt. Everest. Therefore, Nepal is very close to the spiritual world."

Since Father went without breakfast and continued speaking until thirty minutes after he was scheduled to leave for India, he told us Nepal would be indebted to India, because we were using India's time. Since we first arrived in Nepal in January 1997, we have been motivating Nepalese members to think not only of the restoration of their nation but also of their larger and elder-brother nation of India. Our spiritual granddaughter has been the first and only Nepalese member to be successfully blessed with an Indian member. Nepalese members have traveled to India from time to time as fund raising teams, trying to support the Indian foundation. Indian members have been invited to Nepal to join MFT and RYS programs.

Earlier this year, Dr. and Mrs. Kim gave new instructions (and new hope) to help in the restoration of India, a seemingly impossible task despite the efforts of many missionaries. National leaders and others from other Asian nations were assigned to take responsibility for each of the states of India, in



**Speaker of the House, Hon. Taranath Ranabhat and his wife Mrs. Narmada Ranabhat at a personal meeting with True Parents**

addition to their own missions. Also, members from each major nation in Asia are to go to various states of India to work with the leader of that state. Nepal's national leader was assigned to Sikkim. Eknath has already opened a center there and held a seminar for local civic leaders. Twelve Nepalese members (from a goal of forty) have gone to various places in India with a commitment to stay a minimum of a year. We were moved to tears when we heard speeches expressing the determination of several of the young Nepalese members preparing to leave for India several weeks after we arrived in October. These were members we knew as spiritual babies in their seven-day workshops; now they were leaving for pioneer missions in a difficult and very hot country, where Nepalese are not respected. We thought of how True Father must have felt in the early days when he sent Korean members out to pioneer.

As we began our tenth year in Nepal by welcoming True Parents, we thought about the foundation laying that had brought all of us to this very historic event. We also knew how hard the members in Nepal had worked, with leaders attending many all night meetings to prepare and one blessed wife doing a seven-day fast while participating in the mobilization. This time, some of the ambassadors for peace also worked very hard to invite their colleagues and support the mobilization. Everyone felt happy at the victorious way that True Parents could be received in Nepal. However, we also realized that in reality, the work of restoration and evangelization in Nepal has only just begun, indeed as Father said in one of his comments, "It was a good beginning." ♦

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#### Notes

1 The most celebrated festivals in Nepal; on Dessain, children get a tikka blessing, which leaves a mark on their foreheads, from their parents and elders; Tihar is a day for women and girls to give a tikka blessing to their brothers.

2 July 1983–March 1986, April 6–19, 1990, March–October 1997, October 2002–June 2003

3 June 1986–April 1990

4 April 1990–May 1991, May 1999–March 2000

5 September 1995–March 1997, July 2001–October 2002 and June 2004–February 1, 2005, when the king took power. In July, he was arrested on charges of corruption involving a development project sponsored mainly by the Asian Development Bank. The ADB publicly refuted the charges based on its own investigation.

# The Causes of Conflict in Korean Politics



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As preparation for a nationwide campaign to educate the South Korean people, church leaders underwent education themselves, from November 1–5, at Cheongshim Youth Center on the serious current situation on the Korean peninsula. They attended presentations on subjects such as North Korean ideology, military strategy, human rights problems and potential solutions, economic problems and proposed solutions, nuclear energy needs and ill-advised quest for nuclear weaponry. They also heard assessments of American military capabilities and ability to prevent war between the Koreans. What follows is the translation of a paper submitted for publication that accompanied Prof. Jeong's presentation at the Youth Center on the serious political rift currently afflicting South Korea.

**K**orean politics is in a state of chaos unparalleled in our history due to conflict between the left and right. Most Korean people feel that the political situation nowadays is similar to what it was right after Korea's liberation from Japan on August 15, 1945, but the present left–right conflict is actually entirely different from the left–right conflict immediately following liberation. Fifty years ago, an American military administration, the government in southern Korea, protected the democratic system and parties and repressed leftists. The leftists had to hide. It was necessary for them to go underground to avoid arrest. In contrast to that, the present government shares the leftist inclinations and protects the leftist powers. Those on the right have been forced into a corner. The political situation is inverse to what it had been; it is now the democratic system that is in crisis.

The leftists have been protected and their views packaged as progressivism by Kim Dae-jung and Roh Moo-hyun. Conservatives says the present government shares the inclinations of the left wing—populism, anti-Americanism and approval of North Korea—and resembles a chapter of the North Korea Labor Party. If antagonism between those on the right and left continues, sooner or later a civil war could ignite in South Korea. Furthermore, unification of the Koreans could take place along lines advocated by the North Korean dictatorship.



While liberals increasingly gain power, conservatives feel that their situation is reaching a critical juncture. Conservatives announced that they would protect democracy. In a September 25, 2002 newspaper advertisement, the National Council for Freedom and Democracy<sup>1</sup> said that by acquiescing to the confederation plan of unification as advocated by the North in the 6.15 Declaration<sup>2</sup> Kim Dae-jung was destroying South Korea. In the same advertisement, NCFD asked, "How can Kim Dae-jung be the president of this nation?" They also warned of a rebellion without arms in a July 21, 2004 newspaper advertisement. In a September 7, 2004 advertisement, People's Voice, a group led by a Dr. Ji Man-won, a retired army colonel and Vietnam War veteran, announced to the nation that North Koreans could characterize the current time as "the Golden Age of the People's Liberation Army." In an advertisement two days later, under a list the names of 1,400 prominent citizens from a wide spectrum of fields, in what was entitled a Declaration of the Current Situation, a state of emergency was declared in relation to the protection of freedom and democracy. It went on to say that "the Republic of Korea has lost its legitimacy and is in crisis." It warned that though South Korea has not yet been communized, it was commonly thought to be in the process of being communized. Following that public announcement, the signatories marched through the streets toward the Blue House. Before long,



though, the police blocked their path.

A civic group calling itself "an emergency people's council," in yet another newspaper advertisement, criticized the Roh Moo-hyun camp for allowing the use of the expression "Great Leader Kim Il-sung." They went on to ask that those aligned with the president cease giving tacit approval to North Korea's nuclear weapons program, employing tactics designed to destroy the alliance between South Korea and the United States and expressing approval for strategies of Kim Jong-il's, the intent of which is to communize South Korea. In addition to this, on a nearly monthly basis, large rallies and demonstrations have been held at various key points in Seoul including in front of City Hall.

The reason so many ordinary citizens spontaneously donated money for advertisements denouncing the current administration is that most conservative icons, media outlets and organizations appear indifferent and have lost courage in face of the growing power of radicals who enjoy protection from the government. Other than the *Donga Times* and the *Chosun Times*, most other media outlets have just fallen into step with the radical proclivities of the current government. Organizations patronized by the ruling camp are anti-American and pro-North Korean. Broadcasting stations distort facts in favor of radical elements of society. Not a few people have complained about broadcasters that degraded themselves by fawning over members of the administration. When none of this brought about any change, people rose in large numbers to save the nation.

#### Extreme levels of confrontation

Extraordinarily, a rally protesting anti-American, pro-North Korean policies was blocked by the police. At an August 15<sup>th</sup> festival to pray for the peaceful unification of the Koreas, people demonstrating against North Korean policies were restrained by the police. On August 14, conservatives planned a press conference to condemn a visit by a delegation of North Koreans to the National Cemetery, but the police forcefully blocked it. One young member was arrested because he tried to shout, "Down with Kim Jong-il's dictatorship!" when the delegation was about to enter the grounds of the National Cemetery.

Around 7 PM on August 15, around Seoul's City Hall, conservative civic groups, such as the North Korea Democratization Forum, were preparing a photo exhibition on human rights in North Korea, but the police came and told them that their exhibition was illegal. They were confined by a unit of riot police, who were basically oppressing citizens who were expressing the hope that democratization could come to a dictatorship. On the other hand, the ruling party assumed the attitude of an on-looker at a rally where there were shouts directed against America and in favor of North Korea. At 11 PM on August 15, A Night to Express Determination for Inde-

**Below: Other societal and church leaders who gave presentations to lecturer trainees (left to right from facing page) Lee Cheol-seung, President, National Council for Freedom and Democracy; Song Yong-seok, Director of the National Hoondok Church Outreach Department; (flanking photo of the church leader trainees at Cheongshim Youth Center) Kim Young-jun and Kwak Shin-sook, husband and wife, Presidents of the Blessed Family Department; Hong Il-shik, formerly, President of Korea University; Huh Moon-do, formerly, (South Korean government) Minister of Unification**

pendence and Peaceful Unification, sponsored by the Democratic Labor Party, the Unification Union and the People's Union, was held at Kyunghee University. These organizations denounced the United States and conservatives in Korea.

This assembly started with a video presentation where what was said was couched in North Korean bureaucratized and used North Korean slogans. This film instigated the people by saying, "The United States massacred Korean people. For thousands of years, we cannot forget America's savagery. Let's unite in fighting against the United States." The main representative of the People's Union shouted, "We should overthrow the United States, which has been against the independent unification of North and South Korea. Prepare for war."

A few years ago, Norbert Vollertsen,<sup>3</sup> a German doctor and advocate for North Korean human rights, deplored Seoul for being just like Pyongyang. In contrast to the political situation at the time of Korea's liberation from Japan fifty years ago, today the conservatives are oppressed and the radicals are protected by the government.

The South Korean ruling party did not ignore these warnings from the people; they struck back. Members of the administration characterized conservatives as anachronistic, cold war remnants, exhibiting the brutal behavior of those with vested interest and anti-democratic, anti-reform servants of United States imperialism. It reminded us that communists advocate class struggle and the revolution. The government reprisals showed that the Republic of Korea is in a confrontation between the right and the left. One side is anti-American and pro-North Korean and the other camp is anti-communist and pro-American.

#### Origins of the divide

Confrontation between the right and left wings in Korean politics has spread rapidly, because the ruling party has taken anti-American and pro-North Korean stances. This trend started with Kim Dae-jung when he was president. From our first president, Rhee Syngman, through Kim Young-sam, our presidents have been staunch anti-communists, supportive of the United States. Presidents that preceded Kim Young-sam genuinely appreciated the U.S., whom they believed had liberated Korea twice in the twentieth century, first from Japan and then from the North Korean People's Army in the Korean War.

Kim Young-sam was a politician who challenged authoritarianism. He criticized earlier presidents, calling them "dictators," and was proud that he had fought for democracy. He harshly criticized the misuse of anti-communism as a means of gaining local political leverage. In his inaugural address, he proclaimed that he would pursue a policy line that benefited Korean people rather than a



policy of anti-communism. He asserted that his priority was not alliance but the Korean people. He proposed policies that favored North Korea. He unconditionally repatriated Lee In-mo, who had never recanted his communist views even after forty-two years in South Korean prisons. This was an expression that he would look on North Korea in a favorable light.

However, the North Korea authorities did not appreciate it. On the contrary, North Korea abused his kindness and heaped blame on South Korea. Kim Young-sam was so angry and disappointed. Furthermore, North Korea withdrew from the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty, raising suspicions about their having nuclear weapons, which threatened the security of South Korea. This convinced Kim Young-sam to revert to a policy of anti-communism. In November 1993, he announced that the North's attempts to develop missiles and nuclear weapons indicated they were still intent on communizing the South. By June 1994, he was repeatedly stating that sanctions were the only means of dealing with the problem, because North Korea's having even one nuclear bomb was intolerable. Thanks to his thorough anti-communist policy, the leftists in South Korea were unable to foment anti-Americanism or encourage pro-North Korean sentiments during his tenure.

Beginning with the Kim Dae-jung administration, the policy that advocated thwarting communism, which had seemed like an iron wall, started to collapse and anti-Americanism and views favorable to Pyongyang began to spread. One of the first acts of the Kim Dae-jung government was to pay an incalculable amount of money to the North through Hyundai to begin the tours to Mt. Kumgang. Hyundai signed a contract calling for them to pay 940 million dollars to North Korea in order to open the way for the tours. President Kim also secretly remitted 500 million dollars in order to hold the North Korean-South Korean summit talks.

He improved Kim Jong-il's image in the eyes of South Korean citizens through the summit. After that, some people began to think of Kim Jong-il as a nice guy, an intelligent man. A wave of pro-North Korean sentiments began spreading after that.

In February 2002, Kim Dae-jung said, "As a leader, Kim Jong-il has good judgment and insight." In the wake of the summit, he introduced the ideas that his northern counterpart was a wonderful communicator, a sensible person and the most reform-minded of the North Korean leaders. He affirmed that there would not be another war on the Korean Peninsula. Without any qualms, he called the Korean War the third war for unification, like two deep in Korean history that had been fought to unite separate kingdoms. He told the people that rather than being a cruel dictator bent on communizing the South, Kim Jong-il was a common-sense reformer. Kim Dae-jung heralded the way for North Korea.

In October 2000, he defined human rights in North Korea as being free from starvation and concerns about war. This was an indirect way of placing blame for North Korea's starving citizenry on the United States for threatening war and economic sanctions. In the following year, he said, "It's not right for us to openly or officially bring up the topic of human rights for North Koreans. This perspective caused him to oppose European countries that proposed bringing the issue of

human rights in the North to the UN Human Rights Commission.

Another cause of right-left confrontation here is regional sentiments, the tendency for people to follow their own regional leaders without question. As we know from the results of presidential and general elections, 91 percent of those that live in the Honam district<sup>4</sup> voted for Kim Dae-jung; it was a case of blind acceptance. After he became the president, we expected his supporters to uphold his appeasement policy toward North Korea. As things transpired this was relatively true. In Korea, regional sentiments are intermixed with pro-communist or anti-communist stances.

A third cause of the extreme divide between liberals and conservatives in Korea is the exploitation of the gap between the haves and the have-nots, an intensification of class consciousness. Organizations that adhere to the left-wing code of conduct, such as the Korean Teachers and Education Workers' Union, the Korean Confederation of Trade Unions and the Federation of Korean Trade Unions, exacerbate the hostility and jealousy of the poor. Thus the clash between those on the left and right intensifies.

In Korean society, most of those who have suffered economic distress resent the free-market economic system. They consider it a cruel and inhumane economic system. They would say that a free market system is one where people with wealth are the only ones to call for equal access to markets. They also tend to feel their poverty does not stem from lack of personal ability but from the shortcomings in the way the national economy is managed. That is the view of the left, what has been called progressivism. Impoverished people are likely to indulge in this line of thinking.

Another factor in the aggravation of the enmity that exists between the left wing and right wing in South Korea is rooted in the character and thinking of our current president, Roh Moo-hyun

**On January 2, Father asked Dr. Kim Bong-tae, president of the Youth Federation, to give a lecture about neo-communism in Korea. Korean members, who mostly spent a three-day holiday period with True Parents in Cheongpyeong, listened as Dr. Kim outlined how communism is resurging in the Republic of Korea and explained that a grave danger exists that Korean reunification will be accomplished to North Korean communistic hopes and expectations.**

**The education of the Korean citizens to this danger is one that is continuing now in every local Korean church. Accordingly, in every town, village and district, seminars are being held to educate 1,200,000 people by the end of February 2006. City, urban borough and county areas are also holding these peaceful unification seminars, with each member expected to bring 200 to 300 participants to education about the reality of communism in today's society. Fifty highly-prominent civic leaders who had previously attended Divine Principle lectures in Japan will be delivering the lectures after having gone through lecture training in Cheongpyeong for a week in early November.**



and the 386 generation<sup>5</sup> with their politics of incompatibility. The president's outward, exposed hostility toward existing institutions and bastions of conservatism is what one would expect from a college radical. By declaring "Civil reformation is not over," he instilled terrible fear that he would reverse existing norms and turn society upside down. It was just what a campus leftist would say.

In January 2004, President Roh asserted that we should initiate an era of democracy for the general public rather than democracy only for the elite. This was so reminiscent of the "people's democracy" that North Korea has always called for that it was frightening. He rejected mutually beneficial politics, wherein each party might prosper through dialog and compromise and drove toward a political situation where parties acted with greater aggression toward one another. He showed blatant antagonism toward two conservative newspapers that criticized him and disagreed with his political philosophy. In April 2003, he said, "I will not mention the despotism of certain media outlets or their nepotistic practices again, but they oppressed Kim Dae-jung and the government of the people. I was unfairly attacked by them, too." He bore a grudge against those newspapers that he gave free expression to.

Another element in the political polarization of South Korea is that it is just a natural by-product of democratization. There has been an increase in activity and freedom of expression on both sides. Liberals, who had been repressed, have been gradually uplifted by their supporters. The politics expressed by the Korean Confederation of Trade Unions is hardly distinguishable from those expressed by Pyongyang, but it has still been accepted as a legal organization. The Korean Teachers and Education Workers' Union was legalized, too.

Those who had violated the National Security Law have become key leaders of the current administration; the leftist influence has naturally strengthened. Whereas it was dangerous to publicly express anti-American or pro-North Korean sentiments in the past, what those that hold those beliefs do and say is allowable in our more democratic atmosphere. In the 1990s, rancor directed at the United States or sympathy toward North Korea was confined to a few biased professors or students. A decade later, Kim Il-sung and Kim Jong-il are openly praised while the United States and free market economy is just as openly rejected.

After attending a festival on Pyongyang to celebrate the liberation of Korea from Japan, Kang Jeong-koo, a professor of sociology at Dongguk University, visited Mankyongdae, North Korea, the birthplace of Kim Il-sung and in the guestbook wrote, "Let's inherit the spirit of Mankyongdae and accomplish the unification of North and South Korea." Writing such an idea was a violation of the [extant] National Security Law, so he was arrested. Nevertheless, he did not stop there. In July last year he wrote an article for an online newspaper saying that the Korean War was a war for national unification like the war of the three kingdoms in Korean history. He added that it would have been over within a month and that the level of tragedy—the killing, injury and property destruction—would have been very low, were it not for the intervention of the United States. America was not our savior, he added, they were our enemy. In the process of democratization, leftist views have risen to the surface.

The final point I would like to make about the political division in today's Korea is that it is part of a united-front strategy to communize the South. North Korea has devoted all its might to inspiring anti-American and pro-North Korean ideas among the leftist tide in South Korea. Deceit is part of their strategy and is used by them whenever they speak of independence of the people or of unification. They have been able to appeal to young people who did not experience the Korean War. The citizens of South Korea have been influenced by these efforts. This can be seen in research done

on public opinion. In August last year, around the time we remember the end of World War II and our liberation from Japan, a Gallup Korea poll was conducted among Koreans aged sixteen to twenty-five. When asked which side they would take if war broke out today between North Korea and America, 65.9 percent sided with North Korea and 28.1 percent with America. North Korea today is seen as an extension of our people and America is seen as an enemy.

The increased hatred toward America and friendship toward North Korea has given North Koreans confidence. They've infiltrated these views into South Korean society. That certainly has deepened the rift between the left and right wings in Korean politics. The united front strategy of North Korea affects and threatens the democratic system of South Korea.

### Means of eliminating the confrontation

If left-right confrontation goes unresolved, the free, democratic system here may be in a danger. It could lead to the Korean Labor Party taking office. Countermeasures need to be prepared as soon as possible. Simply put, I would say there are four things that need to be done.

The propensity for anti-American, pro-North Korean views among those that lead our nation has got to be corrected. Extreme liberal dominance has been driven by the political power of Kim Dae-jung and Roh Moo-hyun. Their administrations taught and encouraged society to view leftists in a positive light. To reverse the Pro-Pyongyang anti-Washington trend, either our leaders need to come to realize it's the right thing to do through self-examination, or we need to elect new leaders.

We need to eliminate the sense of confrontation between people of different economic levels. If the economic distance between them remains excessive and the antagonism remains severe, we will not be able to overcome the clash between the right and left. Economic care and spiritual enlightenment need to be dispensed side by side.

The outlook of our president needs to be correct. If he spurns embracing the opposition party, rejects existing norms and engages in politics in which opposing views are seen as simply incompatible, left-right confrontation is inevitable. The president should accept the existing power structures and develop policies in which parties can prosper together.

Finally, in order to eliminate the raging conflict afflicting Korean politics today, we need to block North Korean maneuvers to disseminate its views in our society. If we approve their tactic of having South Korean social organizations connect to their social organizations, the infusion of anti-American, pro-North Korean instigations will not cease and the power of the left will grow unchecked. Otherwise, the Korean labor party will have control of South Korea within a decade, as North Korea assures us it will. You should bear this in mind and take care that this does not happen. That would be the tragic end of this period of confrontation between liberals and conservatives that characterizes the political landscape in Korea today. ♦

### Notes

1 This is a conservative group that in 1999 drew up a draft indictment of Kim Jong-il.

2 This refers to the joint statement following the summit between Kim Dae-jung of SK and Kim Jong-il of NK on June 15, 2000. To read the statement in English, go to [http://sky1k.nasoo.net/615\\_english.php](http://sky1k.nasoo.net/615_english.php)

3 For autobiographic background on Mr. Vollertsen, see:

[http://www.taemag.com/issues/articleID.18582/article\\_detail.asp](http://www.taemag.com/issues/articleID.18582/article_detail.asp)

4 Mainly North and South Jeolla Provinces, in the southwest part of South Korea.

5 This refers to those who worked on computers with a 386 CPU in college during the 1980s.



# Rugged Nation of Quiet Faith



Many of us have stories to tell of travel difficulties—missed connecting flights, snowed-in airports or luggage that went west while we went east. It's not surprising, given the many traveling miles he has accumulated, that Father has experienced glitches along his way as well. During the recent tour, there were times when True Parents and their entourage flew through some heavy weather and once before taking off for a short hop from Uruguay to Argentina, there was an hours-long delay while worries about the plane's electrical system were resolved. There were also unfortunate instances where countries Dr. Walsh described as "dressed in their winter clothing while the season has changed to spring" rescinded Father's visa shortly before he was to visit them. Dr. Walsh reported that he did not "sense any hand-wringing or harsh judgment coming from Father on these matters. Rather there seems to be a sense of calm, that God's providence is moving forward relentlessly and inevitably."

More than three decades ago, Father was once temporarily denied entrance into the United States after having flown from Korea to California. He has spoken of this on a number of occasions over the years as a way of introducing something he has to say about the nation he and his companions diverted to—Canada:

This year, 1971, is the middle year of the seven year course. I'm now doing my third global speaking tour. This is very significant. I left Korea and came through Japan and Canada to the United States. To come here, I had to struggle through many obstacles. From now on those difficulties will dwindle. Canada is in Eve's position to the United States, because Canada is an extension of the United Kingdom, which is in Eve's position. I want to connect the victorious foundation of Korea to Japan, Canada and the United States.

Casual observers may not perceive differences between Canada and the United States—there are many areas of overlap—but Canada has distinct roots, a discrete culture and a special, unobtrusive role to play in the providence of God. Father has called Canada the daughter of Japan, the sister of England and Eve to the United States. Canada has become a harmonizer through a history of holding in unity various groups whose natural inclinations might be closer to those of oil and water. Canada does this so well that internal conflicts are rarely noticed.

Canadians generally recognize explorer Jacques Cartier, who claimed territory for France, rather than Christopher Columbus as their national forebear, and their early explorer heroes were Frenchmen. Before it was officially known as the nation of Canada, it was New France and beginning in 1663 it was a province of France.

From 1689 to 1763 there were a string of wars in Europe between Britain and France that spilled over into North America and involved their respective colonists and allies among the Native American tribes. While from Europe, the wars each had an individual character, in North America the battles between colonists appeared to be one protracted seventy-year conflict, fought with local motives and goals. The last of these, the Seven Years' War,<sup>1</sup> climaxed at the Plains of Abraham outside of Quebec, the capital of New France, on September 13, 1759, with the defeat of the French commander, Marquis de Montcalm, by British Major General John Wolfe in a battle that cost both men their lives. This effectively brought an end to France's direct presence in North America.



### French–English Division

“When the British won the battle at the Plains of Abraham,” explains Franco Famularo, director of FFWPU Canada’s eastern region, “this led to an interesting settlement with the French. The Quebec Act of 1774 allowed for the preservation of the French language, Catholicism and the French Civil Code to coexist with English, Protestantism and British Common Law. It is understood by many historians to be one of the reasons the French Canadians did not side with the American revolutionaries.” The British apparently already saw signs that their American colonies would try to break off from Britain, and they did not want the sixty thousand French Canadians to join them. After seventy years of warfare, an enclave was allowed to remain where lived mostly Canadians closely tied to French roots, while all around them the territory began to fill with the British they had been at war with.

The end of the American Revolution (1775–1783) meant an influx to Canada of more than fifty thousand loyal British subjects who described themselves as United Empire Loyalists. Thirty thousand of the wealthiest came with an equal number of African slaves that were later freed and deported to Sierra Leone.

It had been estimated that at least a third of those living in the American colonies were loyal to Britain at the beginning of the American Revolution; in some respects it was the first American civil war. Some people migrated to Canada during the war, but perhaps many had hopes that Britain would defeat the colonial upstarts. When the war ended, the treaty between Britain and the United States did not guarantee protection of those who had sided with Britain, so many moved to Canada. What resulted from this loyalist migration has been characterized as “sharp antagonism between the deeply rooted, Catholic French Canadians and the newly arrived, Protestant British.”

Over the years there have been occasional flashpoints, when tensions between French Canadians and Anglo-Canadians have escalated, such as when a French Canadian insurrectionist was hanged in 1885 or when French President Charles de Gaulle stood on the steps of Montreal City Hall in the summer of 1967 and incited the gathered crowd with the words, “*Vive le Québec libre*” (Long live a free Quebec). Of this event, Rev. Famularo wrote, “The language issue was a contentious one before de Gaulle’s speech (he simply added oil to the fire). As Quebecers gained confidence during what is known as “*La Revolution Tranquille*” (The Quiet Revolution), they began to assert themselves. This became more pronounced in the 1960s as they organized politically with the forming of the *Parti Quebecois*, which advocates independence of Quebec as a separate nation.”

### Current state of the divide

Those who have experienced the unthinkable in their own countries are more likely to consider the possibility of extremes than most of us are: “Look at Canada,” Father told us in January 1977, “Canada’s internal problem is severe; the French and British people of Canada are divided almost to the point of civil war. Canada is not just some far away land; if civil war breaks out in Canada, America’s adversaries will dedicate themselves to bringing about the same situation in America, too.” Perhaps Father sensed something in the wind; by the end of that year there were reports that the

American government had also been seriously considering the consequences of Quebec separatism.

What makes Canada a harmonizer is the extremes it is willing to go to in order to maintain its unity. The official language in Quebec remains French and all the other provinces have French and English as official languages. Rev. Famularo described what this means for Canadian members: “Our members in Canada come from a multitude of backgrounds. To further enrich the situation, many are blessed with spouses who originate from all corners of the globe. If one lives outside of Quebec, one can function in English as our members do in Toronto and Vancouver, for example. In Quebec, if one lives outside of Montreal, 99 percent of the population is French speaking, so one must speak French.

“The language issue is most pronounced in Montreal where 50 percent of the population is not French speaking. Although there can be tensions, usually most issues are settled in a civil way.

“Montreal conducts its activities in both languages. We have Sunday service, Sunday school, seminars etc in both languages. Most people, especially among the educated sector of society in Montreal, speak both languages.

“At Sunday service songs will be sung in French and in English. All of our children speak French, and in most cases they are bilingual. One challenge is that when we publish we must do so in both languages.

“Canada as a country has managed to stay together through many challenges on the linguistic issue and continues to thrive... In spite of all efforts to promote independence, the separatist movement (a linguistic movement) has never been able to garner more than 49 percent support in Quebec. It’s difficult to have an independent country when half the population doesn’t want to be part of it.” It seems the threat of separatism has faded and Canada can now focus its energies on more productive activities.

### Other challenges

Another extreme that Canada has to deal with is her immense size. Her 32 million people live in a vast sprawling country that includes large islands in the Arctic Ocean, though the majority of the population lives within a two-hour-drive of the Canada–U.S. border.

Canadian journalist Greg Anderson explains in his article “The Challenge of Regionalism,”<sup>2</sup> that Canada’s economy is export-driven; 60 percent of her exports are manufactured industrial products and 40 percent a wide range of raw materials. Many countries might fit the same profile, but in smaller countries the economic activity would be more evenly distributed. Industrial manufacturing is concentrated in just two of Canada’s ten provinces, while the others concentrate on different types of resource harvesting. In another example of the effort that is made to maintain national cohesion, yearly payments are made from the federal government directly to citizens in provinces that are not the economic center of the nation. In 2003, 4.6 percent of the GDP was redistributed.

Not surprisingly, the vast distances between cities are a challenge for the Canadian members as well. Before Father’s coming to speak in Toronto last month, members from across the country participated in conference calls in which all the details of holding the event successfully were

**The inauguration of the Universal Peace Federation at the Westin Prince Hotel in Toronto, Canada, was the final stop on True Parents' 2005 global tour**



discussed. Those near Toronto were actively engaged in the conversations; those in areas hours away by plane were able to catch the spirit of excitement by listening in.

Rev. Famularo said, "By regularly holding conference calls between leaders and members (the majority of whom are engaged in various activities such as interfaith, workshops for second generation etc, we can bridge the enormous physical distances. You should understand that there are virtually no full-time or paid members in Canada. All of us are volunteers when it comes to being engaged in the 'mission' and own businesses, are engaged in gainful employment, are mothers raising children... we do not have any 'staff' as such. There are members throughout Canada, though the majority live in Toronto, Montreal, Ottawa and Vancouver.

"On a continental level, Father has said that Canada is in Eve's role to the United States as the continental Adam. Being so close to the United States provides Canada with many opportunities and our members attend events in the United States quite regularly. Recently, several members from Canada attended the annual Educators Conference at the Unification Theological Seminary. This provides our Sunday School Teachers with valuable resources for the education of our second generation.

"Members also attend True Parent's speeches when they are held in major cities such as New York, Chicago, Boston or Washington DC; these cities are about an hour flight from Toronto or Montreal or a five to eight hour drive. Our members in Vancouver do many joint activities with our Seattle church. They are a mere two-hour drive away from Seattle. Of course there could be a lot more interaction. Our elder brother to the south is usually extremely busy with its massive responsibility."

#### **Canadian diversity and outreach**

"Our members come from a multitude of backgrounds. To further enrich the situation, many are blessed with spouses who originate from all corners of the globe. I should also mention that [other than our members] there is a very large immigrant population in Canada. Most immigration has taken place since the Second World War and Canada currently welcomes approximately 250,000 immigrants per year. The population not descended from British or French ancestors is nearing almost one third of Canada's population." Last October, a Haitian immigrant, who had come to Quebec when she was sixteen years old was appointed governor-general of Canada. The governor-general is the representative to the nation of the Canadian head of state, the Queen of England. It's the oldest institution in Canada and traces back to the first Canada's first governor-general, French explorer Samuel de Champlain.

In a Canada that is becoming increasingly diversified, our movement has been focusing on interreligious outreach. "Interfaith work," Rev. Famularo said, "is a primary focus in Vancouver, Montreal and Toronto. Traditional witnessing has not been the primary focus for some time. There are sporadic efforts from time to time and we do have Divine Principle workshops.

"We held a gathering for about a hundred religious and civic leaders in Toronto in December 2000 which was a significant turning point for our interfaith efforts. In mid-2001 we re-activated the one member one church effort. In some cities we dedicate one Sunday per month to visit churches of different denominations.

"In Montreal a monthly interfaith breakfast has been held regularly for over four years. Similar efforts are ongoing in Vancouver, Ottawa and Toronto. Some couples have consistently visited the same church each month for years. The key



to success is to be consistent. Over time the efforts bear fruit. Religious leaders, civic leaders are interested to see that we are serious and follow through. They are not impressed with fly-by-night efforts or inconsistency. I am sure this is true for most people."

Rev. Serge and Melissa Brosseau are active in the Montreal area. A minister there, Rev. Daryl Gray, who is also a prominent figure in the black community recently responded only after four years of their visiting his church on a monthly basis. Melissa had even brought her Jewish parents to his service. As she put it, "It happened that two different times they came out to visit us, we just grabbed them and brought them. So there you are. But they were willing to go, which is impressive." Her father explained to the congregation that being Jewish they share a common bond with people in the black community, the Israelites having been enslaved under Pharaoh for four hundred years.

Melissa went on to speak of their overall experience working with people of other faiths: "I find myself getting very inspired about certain people, certain things about them, so I try to connect, but I don't really push anything. I feel that things have really changed a lot. This year it feels as if it has just opened up spiritually; we can have a lot more confidence. If you talk to a minister, they're going to understand the message. They're actually not going to overreact about Rev. Moon; they're going to take it seriously. The spirit world is helping so much more than ever. We just had a conference in the last month. We brought three or four good clergy types to a little twenty-four hour conference.

"Just by inspiration about a month ago, this sister and I went to visit a young rabbi, in his forties or so. He had been met before, but it really hadn't gone anywhere; he could never make it to our interfaith breakfasts. I was a little intimidated, because he's a rabbi, but this sister and I decided to go, on a whim. We just happened to get in and there he was and he welcomed us into his office. We had a great time for about half an hour. The guy is great! He'd hosted an interfaith breakfast for us, it was a small one, about a year ago, but it didn't really click. This time, he was very inspired. He said, 'This is great. How do you choose people to go on these pilgrimages? I'd like to go on one of the pilgrimages.' He said, 'Sure! Let's have a breakfast.' We had almost forty people on Thursday. And he gave the best talk of anybody. He's so righteous and he's so sacrificial and ready... Wow! Things are really opening up here."

### The Eve of Christmas Eve

Life in the Canadian church is punctuated by visits from True Parents or other members of the True Family. The final city of last year's epic global tour was Toronto.

The ambassadors for peace in Canada are led by the chairman of IIFWP Canada, Imam Hoossen Auckbaraullee. The Abel national messiah to Canada, Mitch Dixon, explained that Imam Auckbaraullee had been working with IIFWP while he was the principal of a Muslim school until persecution caused him to choose to stay with one or the other. Rev. Dixon went on to say that among the 1,500 in attendance at Father's speech "there were four members of Parliament; there were also several candidates running for election [to Parliament]. Another highlight was that we made some inroads into the Hindu community. The start of this was having monthly or bi-monthly IIFWP meetings. One Hindu, who's a radio person, came. We allowed him to speak at the event, which got him involved. He felt honored to do that, and he later started to contact some people. Then we had a Hindu minister visit from the Washington DC area who went around and introduced this event to many in the Hindu community."

Toronto was different from other cities on the tour, because True Parents did not stay overnight. Following Father's speech, they left for the airport. Since they would not be there to share hoondokhwae with the local members, there was a very warm meeting soon after True Parents arrived.

There were members at Father's speech in Toronto on

December 23 who had first heard him speak at the small Toronto center twenty-four years earlier. Some things have not changed. Once again Father had traveled far to deliver his message. Once again True Mother was by his side. And once again, after pouring out his heart to people around the globe, True Parents entered the United States through Canada. ♦

*This article was prepared by the TW Staff*



### Notes

1 Known in the United States as the French and Indian War

2 *World and I*, May 2003

**Top: Rev. Franco Famularo; Center: Rev. Mitch Dixon; Below: The audience at Father's 2005 speaking tour finale (the turbaned man is Gurbax Singh Malhi, MP and proud Ambassador for Peace)**



# Inside the Cheon Seong Gyeong Translation Team

In the late summer of 2003, Father gave instructions that Cheon Seong Gyeong be translated into the languages of the world. Within a few weeks, members from a dozen nations had arrived in Korea and had begun the task of translating the volume into their native languages. Others who could not come are valiantly working where they live, and new languages are being added all the time—the most recent being Hindi and Nepali.

Father has stated that the dissemination of Cheon Seong Gyeong throughout the world is part of the process of substantiating Cheon Il Guk. According to Rev. Hwang Sun-jo, who is leading the Cheon Seong Gyeong translation project, Divine Principle was the word that encapsulated the Old and New Testament eras; in 1997, Father later designated certain books and speeches as the word for the Completed Testament era. Now, it is Cheon Seong Gyeong that is designated to be the word for the current time, the era of Cheon Il Guk. Despite the fact that Father has never relaxed his strong exhortation for us to learn Korean, he has nevertheless clarified the importance of this content being made available to the world's people, and thus specifically instructed its translation. He recently gave a deadline for the translation into a certain number of languages to be completed in connection with important providential advances in 2006.

In this issue of Today's World, two people playing significant roles in the translation work briefly share their thoughts and feelings on being involved in the translation of Cheon Seong Gyeong.



Cheon Seong Gyeong in English being edited

## By Lee Yeon-seung

It is my task to translate Father's speeches and prayers into English as best I can. I'd like to share with you a few of my experiences as a translator, so you can get an insight into what the work involves.

First of all, I can tell you with a clean conscience that it is not an easy job. Translating a text, any text, is no easy task. Translating Father's speeches and prayers is on a completely different level of difficulty, where it is not just the sentences and phrases themselves (though they are difficult enough as they are and sometimes hard to understand), it is the fact that when I translate, the words I choose are food for the faith of other people. If I were to translate a sentence or phrase wrongly, I would be responsible for not only doing a poor job, but of making millions of people misunderstand what Father has said. That is an aspect of translating Father's speeches; it is a huge, and sometimes staggering, responsibility.

Many difficulties lie in going into the texts themselves. In Father's speeches, he sometimes uses words

that cannot be found in any dictionary, which I suspect to be either North Korean dialect or words he has coined. In such instances, it is up to the translator to find the most suitable English word by working out the meaning

of the word from the sentence or the paragraph. This is rather risky and time consuming. It could take a few minutes, an hour or two, or even a couple of days to find the right word. There are other cases where he goes

## By Alexander Ershov

I think one reason True Parents have suffered so much in their lives is that they think and act in a dimension that is very difficult to comprehend for church members, let alone people outside of our movement. Having a relationship with True Parents, building a bond of heart with them, lies at the core of our faith and is ultimately how we are to be restored to the original position of God's children. How painful it is then, if our understanding of them—their personalities, vision and life stories—is shallow! Doesn't the way of a devoted child start with understanding who his or her parents really are? I feel that the translation of Cheon Seong Gyeong is not just a technical matter. For me it's a personal quest to discover my True Parents. Many people are used to seeing True Parents in crowns and royal mantles, but they know little of their inner world. By completing this job, I want to give all brothers and sisters (whether they are Unification Church members or not) a chance to meet True Parents and connect to their hearts and characters as expressed in words. ♦



*Known to his friends as Sasha, Mr. Ershov translates from Korean into Russian*

# NEW YEAR TRANSITIONS

With the beginning of the new year, several changes were announced effecting major leaders. As of January 1, Rev. Kwak Chung-hwan relinquished two of his many positions, that of president of the Cheongpyeong Heaven and Earth Training Center and of president of FFWPU Korea.

Hwang Sun-jo, who holds a Ph.D. in Educational Sociology and who held the post of president of FFWPU Korea from April 1977–March 2005, was reappointed to the position. Born in 1955, Dr. Hwang was blessed to Moon Sung-sook among the 6,000 couples. Rev. Hwang is a 1996 graduate of the Unification Theological Seminary (UTS) in the U.S. He concurrently holds numerous other positions in the education, business and religious fields.

The presidency of the Cheongpyeong Heaven and Earth Training Center was passed to Yim Dow-soon, who with his wife Shim Woo-ok, cared for Dae-mo nim at True Parents' Hannamdong residence during the later years of her earthly life. As national messiah to Kenya, Rev. Yim was known to spend his personal funds to send Kenyan members to Cheongpyeong. Born in Chunjoo, North Korea, he was introduced to the church in 1959 by Dr. Pak Bo-hi. He was blessed among the 72-couples. In taking up his new post at Cheongpyeong, Rev. Yim passed the position of itinerant worker to Japan to Rev. Ha Yeong-ho, who had been working as the vice-president of the Cheongpyeong Heaven and Earth Training Center. At time of printing, no one has been appointed as his replacement.

Kim Kyung-hyo, who is scheduled to enter UTS in the

U.S. is stepping down as president of W-CARP Korea. Rev. Kim will pass that responsibility on to Yoo Kyung-deuk, who had been vice-president of the organization since April 2001.

Lee Sang-jin, who had been working as the continental director of Africa, was appointed to the same position in the Middle East. Born in 1945, Rev. Lee was blessed among the 777 couples to Lee Moon-ja. The post he vacated was taken up by Tokuno Eiji. The former president of CARP in Japan, Rev. Tokuno was most recently the regional director for West Africa.

Ji Hee-sun, who was born in 1949 and blessed to Son Sang-kun among the 1,800 couples, had been the continental director of the Middle East. Rev. Ji was appointed national leader of Kenya.

Shin Myung-ki, the national messiah to Bolivia, will take up the post of president of the Jardim Education Institute for Ideal Family for World Peace and Unification and head of the CENE football club, positions held before January 1 by Rev. Cho Jeung-soon. Rev. Shin was born in 1950 and joined the church when he was fifteen years old. He holds a master's degree in Administration. He was blessed to Jang Jung-hwa in the 1,800 couple blessing.

Kim Yoon-sang, whose was born in 1939 and holds advanced degrees in Agriculture, was been appointed an international itinerant worker for the construction industry sector. Mr. Kim was blessed to Han Soon-ja in the 72-couple blessing. They are the national messiah couple to Seychelles. ♦

into an explanation of the meaning of a word's Chinese character. [For Koreans who know Chinese characters well, it is evident that they are the source of his explanation, so Father does not explicitly say so.] I know only a few Chinese characters, and I think it's safe to assume that many of our Western members do not know any at all; so I indicate in the text that Father is referring to the Chinese characters for the words. I do this so that the readers can understand the message Father wants to convey.

In his prayers, Father includes a lot of ideas and concepts that are not easy to explain in a couple of sentences. Moreover, he tends to continue without finishing a sentence, so a sentence in his prayers is usually a paragraph long. I've seen one that went on for a page and a half! In such cases, I read the prayer over a few times, break down the sentence into shorter sen-

tences and translate them as such. Of course, some may say I should keep to the original format and translate it the way he had said it, but if I were to do that, I wouldn't be able to understand the translation myself. If a translator cannot understand it, how could the readers? I believe the most important thing in translating is to help the readers understand the text with as little trouble as possible.

There are good points in translating Father's speeches and prayers, of course, that more than make up for all the hardships. Since I am the translator, I need to understand the ideas he wants to convey to us before I can write them in English. Therefore, I read the texts over as many times as it takes to understand them (though that does not mean I always comprehend them 100 percent), and then translate them.

After doing this for a few years, I have come to understand Father's

message better. I know my faith has become stronger on account of this. What more could I wish for?

All I hope is that the work I have done, and will continue to do, will be of some help in conveying Father's ideas and vision to our English-speaking members. ♦

*Lee Yeon-seung has lived about half her life in Korea, and the other half in English speaking countries—Kenya, Bahrain and the United States.*

## Correction:

In the December 2005 issue, we misidentified the child in the photo caption on page 32. The child is Shin-joon nim, son of Hyung-jin nim and Yeon-ah nim. We regret the error.

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