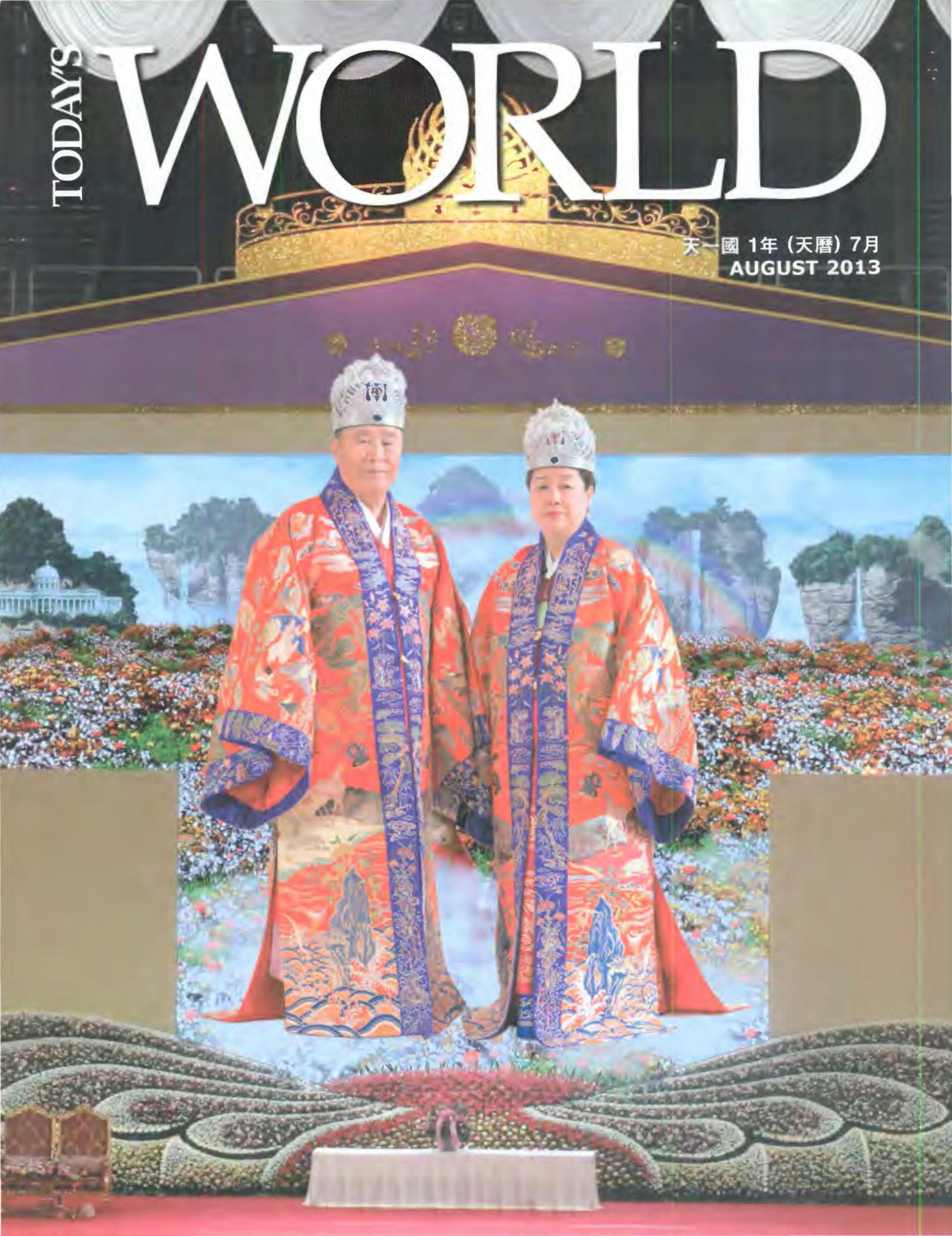


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Our Course and True Parents' True Love

True Mother made these remarks on 7.9 (August 15) in Cheon Jeong Gung following hoondokhae.

Responsibilities are on your shoulders. Right? You have all listened again to Father's earnest prayer. Is there anything that has touched your hearts? You must not be indebted to future generations for the rest of your lives. No matter what kind of responsibility you may carry, you must settle it; put everything in order within your lifetime and be in a position where you can say you have achieved God's will. I did so. Even though I was quite young in 1960, I did it. I have concluded the providence of restoration through indemnity.

We have only a few days until the first anniversary of Father's ascension. Six months have passed since Foundation Day was proclaimed and Cheon Il Guk was launched. With what kind of determination did you pledge yourselves in front of Heaven? All of you have received many teachings from Father. You have also heard of the path that blessed families should follow. What is left now is how you fulfill your responsibilities, which will guarantee a free and joyful world for your tribes and descendants. An extensive environment will be prepared in the future, over the remainder of your lives. How you create the environment around you can advance the restoration of the country and the world. Do not just reflect on Father's teachings when reading them. We are in a new era when we must put our faith into practice.

We came here at 6:00 AM today. I thought it would be necessary to scientifically and efficiently fit time with our bio-rhythm so that we can return 100 percent, 120 percent to Heaven. In addition, I wanted to invigorate you to be able to advance in this direction and gave you an extra hour of sleep. That is why I told you to come at 6:00 AM. Did I do a good thing? [Yes] Are you grateful for that? [Yes] People may say that I have changed the hoondok time to six o'clock,¹ which when Father conducted it began at 5:00; however, I trust that you understand why I am doing this. I did it for you. It is to make everyone advance together. This is an expression of True Parents' true love. Do you understand?" **TW**

¹ Mother has begun subsequent sessions of hoondokhae at 5:00.



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Park Sang-kwon meeting Kim Jong-un in North Korea. Kim Jong-un conveyed a message to True Mother through Mr. Park.

Memorial message from North Korea's Kim Jong-un to President Han Hak-ja, which was read over the 8:00 pm main news on North Korea's Pyongyang Chosun Central TV on August 20, 2013

Words of condolence to Mrs. Han Hak-ja, chairman of the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification, from our dear leader Kim Jong-un, who is the first secretary of the Worker's Party, the first chairman of the National Defence Commission of North Korea, and the greatest leader of our party and our people. Our dear leader Kim Jong-un, the first chairman of the National Defence Commission of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, sends his prayers for harmony and prosperity for our people, reunification for our nation, and world peace on the occasion of the first anniversary of the passing of Rev. Sun Myung Moon. He also sends his regards to Mrs. Han Hak-ja and the bereaved family, along with his sincere words of condolence and wishes that they continue their great work for peace, the legacy left by Rev. Moon.

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Our Way Forward



Mother gave the following remarks at 5:00 AM at Cheon Jeong Gung on 6.13 (July 20) on the occasion of the seventh anniversary of the True Parents' Entrance into Cheon Jeong Gung and the Coronation of the True Parents of Heaven, Earth and Humankind:

Our future is bright. The video you have just watched was specially made in commemoration of the seventh anniversary of the Entrance into Cheon Jeong Gung and the coronation. I am overwhelmed by the memories. Only seven years have passed since then; however, it feels as if it were seventy years. Living in the Cheon Il Guk era, we have concluded a historical providential period and have made new starts. Yet, can you confidently say that you are adequately determined or resolved to repay Heaven?

Neither time nor the entire providence wait for us, and we cannot retreat. Advancing is all we can do. Everything now depends on how greatly we expand the environment from the position we now are in. You must bear in mind that the opportunity for this nation to stand as God's homeland and the central country in the world does not always come.

Accomplishing Vision 2020 is our first step. I understand that all of you that have come here are doing your best on the front line. I want to believe you. Can I do that?

It is true that my heart becomes increasingly serious with each passing day as we still have many responsibilities to achieve. Please think about it. You are now living on earth. However, can you guarantee that you will remain in good health for over a hundred years? Your lives at this very moment are poised to become the life nutrients and the treasure of the spiritual world, the eternal future, and to establish special qualifications and authority in front of heaven and earth for having lived in the same age as True Parents. You are in a position where each one of you can become beautiful gems.

Just as head teacher Cho Seong-tae¹ said, I hope that the He is the principal of the Universal Seonghwa Sunday school and led

education of third-generation members will foster those in future generations to become devoted children, patriots and individuals that take the primary lead in opening a new age. However, being a central figure may be easier said than done. Let us say you are in charge of a small church or a regional church headquarters. Could you swerve from your responsibilities? We cannot avoid doing our best if we think of True Parents and of God's will for a minute or even a second.

You must lead a life in which putting maximum effort with a live-or-die firmness of purpose is your reality every single day. Do you promise to make Korea into God's homeland, which stands firm in the world centered on True Parents by 2020? Are you determined? Thank you.

In order to intensively spur the youth or collegiate movement in the United States, I appointed new youth leaders while in Hawaii. Las Vegas alone has around forty thousand university students. The United States, in particular, attracts top students from around the world. Some pursue an undergraduate four-year course while others might be studying for a doctorate. However, we must first consider that these foreign students might return to their countries once they complete their studies. From a providential perspective, this is actually an amazing blessing from heaven. Yet, if we do not succeed on university campuses, how would we be able to restore the United States and the world within seven years? If a student is witnessed to in the United States, that student would automatically go out into the world. Internally, I am trying to bring blessed children from around the world to Korea. For us to aim at the future in this manner brings great excitement indeed.

I am determined to expand greatly our environment cen-
the Hawaii workshop for Mother's grandchildren.

tered on second- and third-generation members. Next year, I am planning to show the world to exemplary middle school and high school students from around the globe that want to become leaders.

Taking into consideration that Korean summer vacations are usually short, workshops for those in our second and third generations cannot be longer than two weeks. Through this roughly two-week scheduled workshop, I would like to show the world to the children and to help them learn about Korea and its importance. I would like to help young Korean members realize how grateful they should be to Heaven for being born as a Korean second- or third-generation member and that they should dedicate their lives to Heaven in return. Would you all support this endeavor? Only one hope remains as the days pass, as time passes by.

Hawaii is a beautiful kingdom of heaven on earth, untainted in any way and with no air pollution. Even though it is still a bit dark at 5 AM, I take a walk then. The birds sing and flowers are in full bloom. I see trees loaded with mangoes as you saw a moment ago. I would have never imagined a mango tree to be that big. I used to think it was as big as a papaya tree, but it is even bigger than a Korean chestnut tree.

In Kona, there are avocados, a prized fruit that we eat. I saw avocados hanging from a big tree for the first time. Upon hearing that avocados grow well in Kona, I planted an avocado tree at Queen Garden.

Another interesting point is that Father loved bananas when we were in Korea. In the early days, it was difficult to find

even one banana. I used to think that bananas bunches were shaped like a fan.² However, I had the chance to see an actual banana tree this time and noticed that multiple bunches grow off a single branch. They form concentric layers. Investigating, I counted 140 bananas.³ The banana bud was so big; tiers formed and that would each be one round. Seven rounds produced 140 bananas. It was remarkable.

After it was somewhat ripe, I asked that the tree be plucked. The banana cluster was hung. After it became completely ripe and yellow, I peeled one and tried it. The bananas I had had in Korea cannot compare in taste. It was delicious. The peel was also thinner and the flesh chewy; you cannot imagine how sweet it was. You need to open your mouth wide or cut it into small pieces to eat the fruit. It is just too big for small mouths. That is how interesting the natural environment in Hawaii is. I want to show this environment to our second- and third-generation children.

I want to teach them. What do you think? You all have children, right? Do you have children to dedicate to the world and to heaven and earth? Our future is bright because of that. I will end here. Let us all stand and sing the Battle Hymn of the Republic. *JW*

2 What we see in a market, a "bunch" of bananas, is only a small component of one grouping of bananas on the tree.

3 After about a half-year of growth, the plant has a body of leaves. Atop these leaves, a flowering stem develops and a bud forms. Each of the flowers develops into a banana. These form a complete circle. A "bunch" is a portion of this circle of bananas. Concentric encircling layers develop.

On the Reunification of the Koreas

True Mother made these remarks on 6.20 (July 27) at the celebration of the ninth anniversary of the founding of the Federation for Peace and Unity, our church-affiliated organization in Japan that aids cooperation between two non-church organizations of Koreans in Japan, Mindan the (pro-South Korean) Korean Residents' Union and Jochongryeon the (pro-North Korea) General Association of Residents.

I know you have been working hard until now; however, we do not have much time allotted to us. Our dreams must become the dream of our Heavenly Parent and True Parents.

I must become an individual, family, neighbor, tribe, people and country that can accomplish this dream. Though our hearts are serious, we need to do too many things. The task ahead is too broad, too big.

True Father spent sixty years of his life on the front line of the providence, working day and night in order to realize this dream, the ideal country and world we envision, in which our Heavenly Parent and humanity live together as one family centered on true love.

The history of God's providence is over six thousand years old. This providence took over six thousand years because of a single mistake committed by Adam and Eve.

Our Heavenly Parent's providential history is a sad, lonesome, bleak story because for six thousand years he had to create the environment needed to receive the returning Lord. It is true that our Heavenly Parent has been comforted. However, thinking of the sixty years after the Korean War, we can understand how much Heaven had anxiously waited for this

one moment, not resting at all for a minute or even a second in case the central figure gave up. We cannot imagine the indescribable pain and agonizing times our Heavenly Parent and True Parents had to go through.

All of you here today are members of blessed families that have lived for twenty to forty years in the same era as True Parents. Considering this, we were small and inadequate in front of the love and blessings we received from Heaven and True Parents. Do you agree?

What did you feel while you watched the two videos today? It is my hope that all of you, members of Mindan and Jochongryeon, can invest 100 percent, 120 percent even 200 percent of your sincerity, loyalty and love on the front line as members of the Peace Kingdom Corps and the Peace Kingdom Police in firmly setting up God's homeland as a unified homeland. Will you do your best to realize the hope of our Heavenly Parent and humanity in making this country remain firm in front of the world as God's homeland? Do you promise? I believe you.

I hope that you all do your best to join these proud ranks, create an even bigger environment and enable Korea to become the homeland where humanity can gloriously attend our Heavenly Parent and True Parents. *JW*

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Global Peace Sometimes Begins at Home

By Mrs. Alexa Ward

The Women's Federation conference in conjunction with the first anniversary of True Father's ascension took place as part of the International Leadership Conference and covered two sessions. There, they considered the Abel Women UN: The Global Women's Peace Network and the Future Direction of WFWP International. In this issue of Today's World, which is dedicated to honoring True Father's legacy, we offer a personal testimony from Mrs. Alexa Ward that she related during the conference.



I would like to share an experience I had with the founders. In 1999, I was appointed to a position with WFWP on the national level and had the opportunity to meet with the founders in their home in New York. I came into the meeting with the idea that this would be a good opportunity to understand their vision for WFWP, their thoughts as to how it might be developed further in the United States. Actually, the conversation went quite a different way, and focused mainly on internal qualities of leadership. At one point, Father Moon encouraged me to serve with a mother's heart and not say anything. Though I realized that that was valuable, I did not feel it was especially relevant to my responsibilities at that time, and I put that suggestion on hold.

About ten years later, after I had moved on from that position, I found myself between positions. I was reminded of that suggestion and felt that it was a good time to put it into practice. For the next couple of years I quietly served my husband and our four adult children, who were in various undergraduate and graduate programs, coming and going throughout the year. When I look back on that time now, I realize how precious it was. I came to understand the strength and the value of being able to serve others with ease. My relationship with my husband deepened and our children came to see me in a different light and came to respect me more. It became a part of who I am. When I eventually took on a new position, I brought that part of me to the new situation.

Through that simple suggestion, Father Moon empowered me to be a better person. He treated everyone as family and naturally encouraged everyone he met to be more loving and more giving, not for his sake, but for the sake of the greater good. *TW*





Pioneers of the Women's Era: (Above) Choi Yeon-ah nim; Moon Lan-young, Angelika Selle, Georgina de Venecia, Carolyn Handschin, Zoe Bennett, (Below) Mitty Tohmä, Nadina Theodorou, Yoshie Tsuboi, Lily Lin, Olga Vakulinskaya, and Choi Young-sun.



International Leadership Conference



My Husband's Life, His Presence and His Vision

The following is True Mother's speech, which Kwon-jin nim read to the opening plenary session of the International Leadership Conference on 7.15 (August 21) at the Sheraton Walker Hill Hotel in Seoul. The conference for societal leaders from various nations focused on True Father's life and teachings and coincided with the first anniversary of True Father's ascension.

Excellencies, Religious Leaders, Woman Leaders, Ambassadors for Peace, Distinguished Delegates from throughout the World, Ladies and Gentlemen:

Thank you for participating in this very important International Leadership Conference. As you know, a year ago, my beloved husband of fifty-two years, Dr. Sun Myung Moon, ascended to the spiritual world. At this time, we gather in honor of the first anniversary of his passing away to pay tribute to his life, his teachings and his legacy.

Although my husband, True Father, has passed away to the heavenly realm, not a day goes by when I do not feel his warm presence and his guidance. I feel as if the fifty-two years we spent together are being extended, day by day, even though he now dwells in the heavenly realm, and I am here on earth.

Of course, I cannot deny that the passing of my dear husband has brought me moments of great sadness. So many times, I have wished we could walk together hand in hand, or sit together for a meal. Most of all, I often wish I could listen to him speaking God's word to our children and to the worldwide members of our movement.

The moments of sadness are intense, but they pass quickly. For I understand what he taught me all throughout our life together: Life on earth is temporary. This physical world is a place and a time for us to prepare for our eternal lives. Each of us will ascend one day to the world of the spirit. Every moment is so precious and so infinitely significant.

He lived his life that way, twenty-four hours a day, from his earliest days. He seldom slept. He always lived every moment of every day with such an intense awareness of not only human suffering but of God's suffering, our Heavenly Parent's own suffering course, which came about due to the Fall and the sad

history of human selfishness and conflict that has continued until today.

Each person he met, no matter the time or place, stimulated him to give everything he had to bring that person closer to God, our Heavenly Parent. When my husband passed away last year, I hesitated as to whether I could carry on his legacy in leading this worldwide movement. Could I stand in his shoes? Anytime such a thought visited me, however, it would quickly vanish as I felt my husband's presence and his encouragement, as if he were saying:

I spent fifty-two years with you. You were not only my beloved wife, given to me by God for the sake of his providence, but my most faithful and closest disciple. My words are your words. My accomplishments are your deeds. I tested you and others tested you constantly, and you always endured and emerged faithful, obedient and victorious. I am with you now, just as much as before. And you are always with me. Let us simply continue our work as the True Parents of Heaven, Earth and Humankind.

As I look at our world, I, too, can feel the pain that God must feel as he witnesses the degradation and sinfulness of human beings. God, our Heavenly Parent, created the world with a clear ideal in mind. At the very center of this ideal was the parent-child relationship, rooted in filial piety. If we consider the biblical story of the Fall, we can understand that the root cause of the Fall was Adam and Eve's failure to be a devoted son and daughter exhibiting obedience, faith and love in the presence of their Heavenly Parent, God. Their faithlessness undermined God's ideal of true love in the first marriage and the first family. This reality affected their own relationship

to their children, giving rise to the long-standing historical pattern of Cain–Abel division that has plagued humanity to the present time. As you recall, the first murder occurred within the first family, as the older brother, Cain, killed the younger brother, Abel, who was on God’s side.

For this reason, my husband consistently taught of the absolute centrality of filial piety in our life of faith. Only in this way can we reverse the effects of the Fall. This is why my husband and I performed the holy wedding ceremonies, known as Blessing Ceremonies, all over the world. The blessing upholds the original ideal of true love, centered on filial piety, absolute sexual purity and fidelity.

The main theme of this conference is related to building a nation of peace. This is a very important concept. The one, unifying purpose and goal of our worldwide movement is to establish a nation of peace. We call this nation Cheon Il Guk. That Korean term can be translated as a nation where “two become one.” In other words, a nation where divisions of every kind are healed and overcome, resulting in harmony, cooperation and peace.

Earlier this year, we celebrated Foundation Day, as the founding day of Cheon Il Guk, a unified nation that is fully aligned with our Heavenly Parents’ and True Parents’ will. Following Foundation Day, I developed the 2020 Vision for expanding the realm of Cheon Il Guk. Special envoys and national leaders have been assigned to forty-three nations. In each of these nations, our representatives will strive to serve the citizens by expounding True Parents’ vision and message for the sake of establishing a God-centered, prosperous and peaceful nation.

Ladies and gentlemen, over the next few days, please invest yourselves in studying and learning about the life, teachings and the legacy of the Rev. Sun Myung Moon. Although he was badly misunderstood and even vilified throughout much of his life, that era has ended. Increasingly, the world is becoming aware that True Father’s life and teachings provide a road map to peace, leading the world toward becoming one family under God.

The sponsoring organizations for this International Leadership Conference are the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification, the Universal Peace Federation, and the Women’s Federation for World Peace. Each of these organizations has played (and will continue to play) a critical and significant role in God’s providence. FFWPU, inheriting the foundation of the Unification Church, serves as the internal center and spiritual core of our life of faith. Centering on True Parents, FFWPU preserves the sacred value of our Heavenly Parent’s true love, life and lineage, rooted in the blessing, and lifts up and honors God’s truth, guiding us to a life of faithful service in front of heaven, always living for the sake of others. UPF and WFWP are external extensions of FFWPU’s vision. These two providential NGOs are grounded in True Parents’ vision and affirm the spiritual truths that Father Moon taught. They expand and reach out to the wider world of other religions, nations and societies, to women the world over, and to all fields of human endeavor, including the media, academia, business, culture and civil society.

We often refer to UPF as the seed of an “Abel UN” and WFWP as the seed of an “Abel Women’s UN.” An Abel UN or an Abel Women’s UN means there should be a global, God-centered movement that is dedicated to peace and human development.

As many of you know, Abel is a biblical figure, the younger son of Adam and Eve, who was killed by his older brother, Cain. Abel was a person who had the proper heart of piety

toward God, and he made his life an offering centered on God’s will. Thus, my husband always honored and uplifted Abel as the example of a true devoted son.

Even though Cain may have had more strength or cleverness, he lacked the heart of a devoted son. Based on external power alone, and selfishness, Cain could not establish a family, tribe or nation of peace. Only someone with the same heart as Abel can (with God’s blessing) achieve this goal.

Whenever my husband spoke about the Abel UN, he revealed an inspiring vision of the human family rising together in love and overcoming the barriers of nationality, race and religion. He saw a vision of a God-centered United Nations. Not a United Nations based on national self-interests, but a United Nations concerned about God’s interests and the interests of all people as God’s sons and daughters. This would be none other than a global Cheon Il Guk, guided by the principle of living for the sake of others.

True Father Moon always understood peace as a profoundly spiritual concept. FFWPU, UPF and WFWP all have the word peace, *pyeonghwa*, in their name and basic mission. The word peace describes a state of spiritual and physical harmony that characterizes the individual, the family, the society, the nation and the world. My husband did not make a distinction between the meaning of peace and the concept of God’s original ideal or what sometimes is called the kingdom of God. Thus, whenever he used “peace,” he always thought primarily of God’s heart and God’s providence.

I encourage you to study my husband’s teachings, the Divine Principle. If you study carefully, you will come to understand the way in which God worked in human history. At the same time, you will be in a position where you can directly work to build the ideal world that has been the hope of all the ages, a unified world of peace.

True peace begins with an attitude and practice of filial piety in front of God and True Parents. This basic virtue must then be combined with sexual purity before marriage and absolute fidelity in marriage. Men and women are intended to live as equal and eternal love partners. The family was created by God as the school of love and peace. The holy marriage blessings that my husband and I offered to Heaven over the past fifty-three years, involving many millions of couples all over the world, began as a humble path in a dense forest, but this pathway has grown to become an international highway to world peace.

Lasting peace requires harmony and cooperation among religions. Believers of all faith traditions should work together in love and respect, for the sake of fulfilling our Heavenly Parent’s will. As we stand in front of God, we are not evaluated by our title or the name of our religion but by the quality of our hearts and by the quality of our efforts to serve God’s providence.

I know that each of you has great responsibilities and great influence in your countries. I hope that you will take seriously what I have said today and what you will learn over the course of the next three days and that you will take this message back to your countries.

Our worldwide movement, centering on FFWPU, UPF and WFWP, stands ready to support and work with you in whatever way we can to advance the ideals of peace, human security and human development in your nations. Let us work together to build ideal families and nations, and let us come together as people, as nations, as religions, and as families to create Cheon Il Guk, one family under God. Thank you and God bless you, your families and your nations.



Reflecting on the Significance of the Moment

These are the personal comments Kwon-jin nim made after his reading of Mother's speech (see page 10) to the International Leadership Conference participants.

Before I go, please be seated. If you do not mind, I would like to share a few words with you myself. Don't worry; I know we are overdue for a break. I need to go to the bathroom as much as each of you. [Laughter] I just wanted to share a moment of your time now that I have all of you here.

I want to reflect upon how precious and how rare this occasion is. To have a collection of distinguished and honored world leaders and religious leaders together in the same room on the day of observing our father's passing, I am truly humbled by all of your presence. But I would like to reflect not only on the past, but as great leaders, I would like to reflect upon the future. I truly believe, and every one of my family members believes, that along with the work of our beloved mother, this is the beginning of a new era, that the torch has been passed to a new generation, and that all of us here present together hold the key to that life of peace that we all so deserve. I would like to acknowledge that in my mother's speech she talked about the importance of family.

As a young boy, I was so blessed to have a wonderful older brother. His widow is with us today, Mrs. Yeon-ah Moon. He is now in the spirit world, working with our beloved True Father.

But he said something very interesting to me when I was a child. He asked me, "Are you inspired by your father's path?" And I said, "But yes, of course!" And he said, "I'm not." Only a true son could say that. That was a profound message for me that a wonderful older-brother figure was able to impress upon me, because only a true son of a father, a devoted son, understands the burden of leadership, the road of sacrifice and the heart of leading a people. That impressed upon me a very important distinction. We all work very hard to become leaders of our respective territories and our respective areas, whether it be in academics or in government. But my brother gave me a distinction about the path of our father, the path for peace, that is: Now that we are all in these positions, what can we do to surrender the title and not be just a believer, but change our mind-set from a believer to a true son or a true daughter? Because only a true son or a true daughter of our Lord would look at the world and shed a tear for every living soul in the world. It was said in the Sermon of the Mount, "Blessed are those who are filled with grace, for they shall have the world for their possession." It is wonderful that we are all here together, because we are now the people who can do that.

I would like to remind you of the words of the great William



Left: ILC Luminaries: Moon, Lan-young; Choi, Yeon-ah nim; Hwa-yun nim (Kwon-jin nim's wife) Right: Interfaith prayer participants, Kaminaga Yoshihiko (Shinto); Sheikh Abubakar Bakayoko (Islam) and Dr. Sreerupa Mitra Chaudhury (Hinduism)



Shakespeare. In a time of war and of turmoil, Shakespeare reminded us through the St. Crispin's Day Speech¹ that a great king and a great people can only be one when he surrenders his titles and he uplifts his people not as believers, not as followers, not as employees, not as politicians... Only when he uplifts them to a higher level—that of a true son or a true daughter. In that speech, Shakespeare gave us the words that uplifted his people not only to be victorious but to bring about an era of peace. He said:

This story shall the good man teach his son;
And Crispin Crispian² shall ne'er go by,
From this day to the ending of the world,

1 From Act IV Scene III of King Henry V, which Shakespeare wrote circa 1599. The Battle of Agincourt took place on St. Crispin's Day in 1415. Shakespeare's St. Crispin's Day Speech was a fictional attempt to materialize an unrecorded speech actually made by the king that rallied his troops to success over the French when greatly outnumbered.

2 Crispin and Crispian were both considered patron saints of shoemakers.

But we in it shall be remembered;
We few, we happy few, we band of brothers;
For he to-day that sheds his blood with me
Shall be my brother; be he ne'er so vile,
This day shall gentle his condition:
And gentlemen in England now a-bed
Shall think themselves accursed they were not here,
And hold their manhoods cheap whiles any speaks
That fought with us upon Saint Crispin's day.

I believe, distinguished guests, that if we go back and uplift the people that we look after and we become the good shepherd that our Father always wanted us to be, only then can we stand hand in hand as true sons and true daughters, as true brothers and sisters, on the threshold of leadership and say together, "Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven." Aju and Amen. God bless you, God bless all of your people and God bless all of your families. **STW**





Above: Sun-jin nim assists True Mother in lighting the offering candles to begin the holy day Pledge Service on the Anniversary of the Universal Seonghwa of Sun Myung Moon, the True Parent of Heaven, Earth and Humankind, at Cheon Jeong Gung. Below: True Mother during the prayer by Rev. Kim Young-hwi





August 23, during hoondokhae: True Children: (front row) Sun-jin nim, Kwon-jin nim Un-jin nim, and Ye-jin nim; (second row) In-sup nim, Hwa-yun nim, Yeon-jin nim, Shin-bok nim, Shin-hwa nim; (third row) Choi Yeon-ah nim, Shin-mi nim and Lee Hyung-jin nim...
 Left: Dr. Peter Kim read hoondokhae; Below: Mother performing seongchan (literally, holy food). By touching the food with chopsticks, our Heavenly Parent, or loved ones in the spirit world may partake of the offering food.





People paying their respects before entering the auditorium





True Mother presenting flowers to True Father, after which other True Family members came forward with individual flowers to pay their respects, followed by members representing various geographical and mission areas





Invocation

By Archbishop George Augustus Stallings, Jr.

Our most beloved Heavenly Parent, we invoke your majestic name and recognize you for who you are: the absolute, unique, unchanging and eternal one in whom we live, move and have our being.

We thank you that in the fullness of time you sent to the earth the True Parents of Heaven, Earth and Humankind in the persons of the Reverend Sun Myung Moon and his beloved wife Dr. Hak-ja Han Moon to restore all things and to proclaim the kingdom of God on earth. You anointed, appointed and approved True Parents for this providential moment in salvation history and endowed them with power and authority to complete all things.

We have gathered in this holy place to celebrate and commemorate the first anniversary of the victorious and glorious *seonghwa* (ascension) of True Father. We celebrate his life, teachings and legacy, which have impacted the course of human history forever and left an indelible mark upon the lives of those who came to know and love him, and through the fruit of his works and the perfection of the Christ within him, to embrace him as Savior, Messiah and returning Lord. We commemorate his physical death while readily admitting that we still suffer from the pangs of no longer being able to see him face to face or feel the warmth of his magnetic touch. Although each one of us has been diminished by his transition, our faith reassures us that even though his body has returned to the earth from whence it came, his spirit has returned unto you, O Heavenly Parent, who gave it.¹ You, O God, and True Father are now one and wherever you are, so is he. What more could we ask of you, O giver of eternal life?

We thank you, O Heavenly Parent, that in True Father's physical passing, you did not leave us widowed or orphaned but prepared, anointed and divinely appointed True Mother to lead and follow his life's course of living for the sake of others, loving one's enemies and working tirelessly to establish a world of true and lasting peace, as a prelude for bringing about the manifestation of the kingdom of God on earth. True Father proclaimed before his transition while holding True Mother's hands in prayer, "According to his will, I am spending this

time to bring my life to a conclusion using this time to bring it to a close with sincerest heart and devotion... I have accomplished everything... [that Heaven required]" True Father shared with us that when God called him home to heaven, True Mother would lead us to fully realize Cheon Il Guk. That time has come and the hour is at hand!

Your original hopes were that Adam and Eve would establish your family in oneness with you. Sadly, your heart was broken by their disobedience and the false lineage that followed, creating a world of sin. Jesus came and fulfilled his role as Adam and brought salvation to the individual but because the family was not established, he promised to return. More painful than the fall of Adam and Eve was the fact that when Jesus was not received by his family and nation, he could not realize the family and lineage of heaven. When he left the earth, there was no dwelling for your heart and, therefore, your heart was broken. Then, you sent True Father who received your anointing and walked this path in oneness with you. True Mother was chosen by you and she faithfully followed the path in perfect obedience and heart to you, our Heavenly Parent and in oneness with True Father. True Parents were established and with the advent of the True Children, you could stand for the first time with the heart of a grandfather with grandchildren.

Only you know the tearful, most sorrowful and blood-stained course of True Parents. Through it all, they established your blessing and brought about the restoration of true love, true life and true lineage. This is your day of blessing, God, where you are now substantial both in heaven and on earth through the True Parents. Together with and through the True Family and all those blessed by the True Parents, today your safe settlement among all humanity is sealed forever and your liberation is complete.

May God bless this day and this glorious moment in the course of human history. We report and offer this prayer in our names and in the names of George and Sayomi Stallings, a blessed central family. Amen and Aju! **JW**

¹ Ecclesiastes 12:7



He is Here with Us Today

By Jose De Venecia

It is my distinct honor and privilege to have the opportunity to share with you a few words this morning in honor of the life, the teachings and the legacy of Dr. Sun Myung Moon who passed away to the spiritual world one year ago today.

I am always moved and uplifted when I come to Cheongpyeong. My wife, Congresswoman Gina de Venecia, and I have had the very good fortune to have visited Father and Mother Moon on many occasions in this holy place, this holy land. In particular, Gina and I will never forget the kindness and compassion shown to us by Father and Mother Moon following the tragic accident that led to the untimely passing of our beloved daughter, KC (Kristina Casimira). Both of us were deeply moved by the love and care that both Father and Mother Moon provided at that difficult time. Indeed, it was one of the most difficult times in our lives, and we will never forget their generosity and loving kindness.

When I learned of Father Moon's passing a year ago, I was dumbfounded. I had seen him on so many occasions, standing before multitudes such as we have here today, and speaking for hours, full of dynamic passion, vitality, and almost super-human energy. I could never imagine him getting ill, let alone passing away.

But, of course, each of us resides on the earth on borrowed time, for a temporary period. Each of us is destined for a higher place, with God, in the spiritual world. I know that Father Moon is alive and well in the spiritual world. You can be absolutely sure that wherever he is in that eternal world, he continues to teach and speak with an unbounded energy that exceeds all the dynamism he once demonstrated here on the earthly plane. Can you imagine that what I am saying is true? Is he not here today, in our midst?

Yes, I can see that you agree. In fact, I feel his presence is right here, as strong as it ever was when he walked the earth. Can't you feel his presence here in this place?

I never met Father Moon when Mother Moon was not by his side. They were inseparable. In fact, I think they are still inseparable. Isn't that true?

As they say, behind every great man, stands a great woman. I know it is also true of Father Moon. We are blessed that Mother Moon, who knows Father Moon better than anyone else does, is herself standing strong in carrying on the great

work that Father Moon began. What is this work?

Father Moon was the leading force in global interfaith work, in the dialogue between religions and cultures, in the dialogue between civilizations. He knew that we will never be able to achieve world peace without first establishing good relations among the religions and the believers in the world.

In fact, in August 2000, Father Moon initiated the call for the United Nations to create an interreligious council as a central organ of that great global institution. He knew that the UN could never be entirely successful in achieving its noble ends without the inclusion of religions and spiritual leaders. Father Moon was truly prophetic. He voiced an idea whose time had come.

Father Moon has been the leading force in the promotion of strong, healthy, loving marriages and families. He knew that the family was the school of love, the school of citizenship, the school of ethics and the school of character. Gina and I participated in Father and Mother Moon's Blessing Ceremony to strengthen marriage and family....

Over the past few days, in the International Leadership Conference, we have been studying about the thought, the life and the legacy of Father Moon. We have learned so much, and we have each developed a greater appreciation for this man of God, who with single-minded dedication devoted every moment of his life to his mission—not only proclaiming but practicing the principle of living for the sake of others.

As we go forward from this day, let us keep the vision, the memory and heart of Father Moon close to our hearts.

The greatest testimony of our appreciation to Father Moon will be that we continued to carry on with the work he called each of us to do—the work for peace, the work for human development, the work for interfaith cooperation, the work for true love and true families.

Let us never falter in our resolve. We are gathered here not only to remember and mourn. Our task is to carry on. Our task is to strive until the good fight is won. Yes, peace is difficult but it is achievable. Together we can make it happen.

Father Moon, Mother Moon, we love you. Thank you very much. **JW**

Mr. De Venecia is a former Speaker of the House in the Philippines.



Recognizing a Korean Ideal in Practice

By Lee Cheol-seung

Ladies and Gentlemen,
Today is the first anniversary of Rev. Sun Myung Moon's passing to the spirit world, a rite called *seonghwa*. I consider it a great privilege to speak in honor of his memory before all of you here today, who have come from around the world to pay respects to our beloved Rev. Sun Myung Moon. First of all, I'd like to offer my deepest condolences to Mrs. Dr. Hak-ja Han and to the bereaved family.

Standing on this stage, brings back memories of last year, when I came hurriedly with great sadness in my heart to Cheon Jeong Gung where Rev. Sun Myung Moon's body was resting.

Today, I offer these most sincere words of commemoration to honor our Rev. Sun Myung Moon, a great man who contributed to the establishment and democratization of this

proud nation, the greatest nation since the era of Dangun¹ with its founding spirit of freedom, independence, democracy and unification.

Who was Rev. Sun Myung Moon, whom we have come here to remember? Since his birth, throughout the ninety-three years until his departure, Rev. Sun Myung Moon's life was filled with difficulties—from the Japanese occupation, the Second World War, independence and the subsequent division into two Koreas, as well as the tragedy of the Korean War. Even in the midst of conflict between North Korea and South Korea, Rev. Sun Myung Moon transcended the barriers of nation, race and religion. He was a true leader, teacher and a great man of peace, who had striven to create a world of peace. He was truly an eternal symbol of peace.

He was a great man who practiced the ideal of the unity of

¹ The main figure in the traditional Korean creation myth



Commemorating Sun Myung Moon's Ascension

By Seongta

Venerable Seongta, is the head monk of the Bulguk Temple, which was constructed in AD 535, in what is today Gyeongju, South Korea

It is my great honor to stand before you here today to represent Buddhism on this occasion of the first anniversary of the universal seonghwa of Sun Myung Moon, the True Parent of Heaven, Earth and Humankind.

king, teacher and father in his life, an ideal that our people have cherished for a very long time. This man did just not come and go. We have not a shred of doubt that he is still here with us in our hearts. You who have come here today from all around the world are the very evidence of this.

Ten years ago, on July 17, 2003, the time of the first Peace Cup, which was held in Suwon, Korea, I made a promise to Rev. Sun Myung Moon to form a tie with him as sworn brothers.

There, I also promised him that—even though we were old men nearing ninety years of age—we would liberate our brothers in North Korea, achieve Korean reunification and raise cups in Pyongyang to celebrate the reunification. We would stay healthy until that time came.

We were able to conduct a tour as part of a project of the UN Peace Forces of the Korean War Memorial Federation, a federation that was established with Rev. Moon's generous support. When I stood at the forefront of the tour to demonstrate the Korean people's gratitude to the sixteen nations that participated in the Korean War as part of the UN Peacekeeping Forces, I did so as a part of our preparation to fulfill that promise of reunification. This project was the first of its kind; not even the Korean government or its people had considered doing this over the past sixty years.

Rev. Sun Myung Moon put his life on the line when he went up to North Korea to meet Kim Il-sung to discuss Korean reunification. There, he urged Kim Il-sung, holding his hands, to give up the Juche ideal and accept his Unification Thought. He then emphasized that that was the only way to achieve the reunification of our nation. His unwavering spirit of love for our nation and our people served as a great model and infused us with great courage.

Now, the efforts of our descendants will soon realize the promise I made to Rev. Sun Myung Moon. When we look at what is happening in the world and in North Korea, it is only a matter of time before the people of North Korea gain freedom. Rev. Moon, please be assured of this!

Why have we come here today? We have come to protect

As you are well aware, Rev. Sun Myung Moon lived a truly selfless life, offering everything he had in order to create a peaceful world for humankind. We cannot make a simple judgment of who he really was, because Rev. Sun Myung Moon blazed a trail and left a truly vast and enduring legacy.

Rev. Moon is generally known to the people of the world as a religious leader and the founder of a religion. Some people see him as a peace activist, thinker and educator. Some people regard him as the Messiah that gave his life to this world in order to realize peace. However, these simple words are not enough to encompass the greatness that defines the man named Rev. Sun Myung Moon.

As he so eloquently stated, "When someone says to me just a word of sympathy for the life I have lived, tears begin to fall like a waterfall from my eyes." Such has been Rev. Moon's eventful life, as he faced harsh persecution and experienced great sorrow. The reason we are here today to pay our respects and remember him is not simply because he was a man who was able to emerge from indescribable difficulties and challenges like a phoenix.

Just as the sun keeps shining even though a rain storm covers it, Rev. Moon lived his entire life, walking the heavenly

the great teachings of Rev. Moon, who followed the course of the true parent of humankind, true teacher and true leader of peace. We have come here today in order to inherit Rev. Moon's teachings and make them blossom, so that his wishes are realized.

In Korea, there is a saying, "Only when the servants work properly will the master live as a master." Another saying states, "Students make their teachers shine." Also, they say that to maintain is more difficult than to create.

You, the people who uphold Rev. Sun Myung Moon and Dr. Hak-ja Han as the eternal true parents, true teachers and true leaders! Are you not their servants, their students and their children? You are the ones chosen from the 7 billion people on earth. You were blessed to receive the teachings of Rev. Moon while he was still alive. You received his love as no others did.

I would like to ask you to offer your sincere devotion, so that Rev. Moon's life-long dreams and wishes can be sown upon the earth.

We must not forget, even for one moment, about the sincere efforts of Dr. Hak-ja Han, who now stays here with us, to continue Rev. Moon's great work. We should be always grateful to her.

As we face this meaningful first year anniversary of Rev. Moon's passing, we must move beyond our own selfish interests, become more grateful and more united around Dr. Hak-ja Han. We must not forget that the eyes of the world are watching us to see if we can practice the teachings left by Rev. Moon.

I urge you with all my heart to become the lantern of hope and the subject of people's praise.

I want to pray with a loyal heart for the eternal life and happiness of Rev. Sun Myung Moon again. I hereby conclude my speech. Thank you. *JW*

Mr. Lee Cheol-seung was a seven-term national assemblyman and has been a leader among patriotic Koreans since his high school days.

course of true love. He gave, kept giving and continued to give, while not even remembering that he had ever given. That was his philosophy on living for the sake of others.

Rev. Moon showed us through his life that there is always hope, just as the sun will always be there even though there may be black clouds of rain covering it.

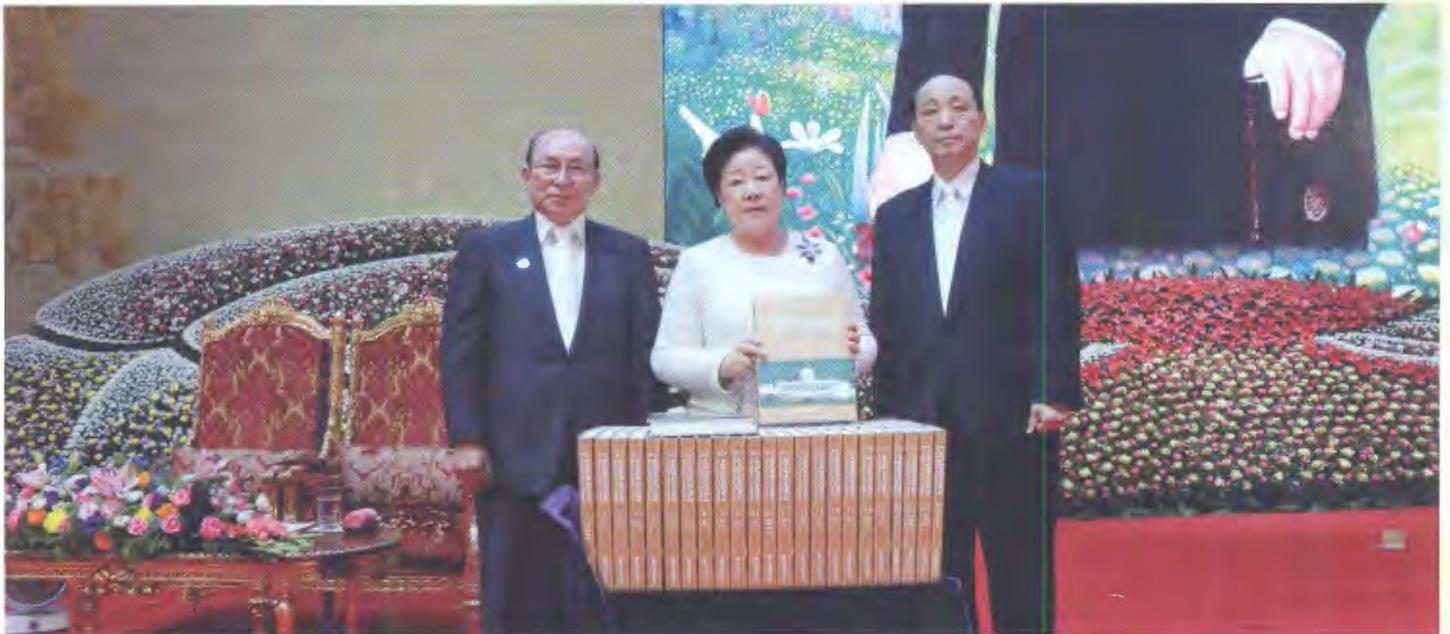
Distinguished guests who love peace, I want to extend my heart of sincere gratitude to the host who made this event possible and for this honor of being able to give a commemorative speech. I pray that peace be upon you all. I would like to conclude my speech by reciting a poem written by Manhae Han Yong Woon, a great Buddhist monk, who was a great poet and a pillar of Buddhism in Korea.

I carried the unfathomable power of sadness and poured it inside the new cup of hope.

We meet and we worry that we will say good-bye. But we say good-bye believing one day we will meet again.

Oh, you have gone, but I have not let you go.

The song of love that surrenders to my voice embraces your silence. *JW*



Top: Four former presidents of the Korean church, Rev. Lee Jae-seok, Rev. Seuk Joon-ho, Rev. Kim Young-hwi and Rev. Hwang Sun-jo, present the Cheon Il Guk Constitution to True Mother. **Middle:** Chairman Pak No-hi of the Tongil Foundation and President Peter Kim of the Mission Foundation present a listing of global church assets, in 81 countries. **Right:** Ms. Jeong Hye-sung, 71, a ubiquitous presence on Korean television who has also appeared in nearly thirty movies, read a letter to Father that she composed. She had joined the church as an adolescent but grew estranged from the church as she grew older. She reconnected after being appointed a peace ambassador. What follows is an excerpt from her letter:
 "Whenever you went beyond the pass of Golgotha;
 You bit down and pushed back your tears;
 We cannot fathom the blood tears that you shed in your heart.
 At the Rally to Save the Nation held at Yeouido
 Your determined roar toward the millions gathered there was strong...."







True Father is Still Interacting with Us

Mother said the following at the Memorial Ceremony for the First Anniversary of the Universal Seonghwa of Sun Myung Moon, the True Parent of Heaven, Earth and Humankind, in the Cheongshim Peace World Center on 7.17 (August 23):

Respected guests from Korea and abroad, speakers who gave memorial remarks that moved and united our hearts, and Unification Church members from around the world, today we have become one. It feels as if Father might stride forward with a bright smile and ask, How have you been?

Beloved peace ambassadors, at this moment, we have united in heart and desire the same goals. While honoring the achievements of True Father, who gave us great teachings, I am determined that you and I realize Heaven's will at all costs. Korea and Japan have become one during this seonghwa commemoration period. Starting on August 3, the Cycling for Peace journey began in Hokkaido, worked its way down the Japanese archipelago with great fervor and continued in Korea from Busan to Imjingak.¹ Korea and Japan became one. The twenty-two day Cycling for Peace journey was an actual expression of your hope for the unification of North Korea and South Korea, which you have so long awaited.

However, we will not end this condition merely at Imjingak but continue past Baekdu Peak,² across Asia and move forward on and on until a free, peaceful, unified and joyful kingdom of heaven on earth, which Heaven has hoped for, is achieved in the world.

Distinguished guests and beloved blessed families, True Father is living within our hearts on this great day. May we all become one with our Heavenly Parent and the True Parents of Heaven, Earth and Humankind and become children that realize their wishes while we are still on earth. I sincerely hope that you can all make the determination to become devoted children and patriots during this time.

1 For more on Imjingak and the Cycling for Peace journey, see page 34.
2 A dormant volcano straddling the China-North Korea border







Father's life and heart were projected through the choirs and the musical performance Crown of Glory on his seonghwa anniversary. The performances evoked vivid memories. True Mother and some of her children and grandchildren joined performers onstage to express their love, heart, and determination through the final songs, the Battle Hymn of the Republic and Omaya Nunaya.





Appreciation Remarks

Selina Sun-jin Moon

Sun-jin nim made these remarks at a luncheon during the International Leadership Conference at which True Mother was present on August 23.



Thank you Dr. Walsh, but I am the least charismatic in my family and the most shy. I have been asked to read a speech of gratitude to all of you and to our True Parents from our family. Our hearts are filled today by all your love. Mind, body and soul, we have been moved. It is a wonderful, amazing moment to be with you all. I want to thank you all.

Your Excellencies, Religious Leaders, Worldwide Leaders and Representatives from the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification, the Universal Peace Federation and the Women's Federation for World Peace:

Welcome. I am honored to have this opportunity on behalf of my mother and my entire family to say how grateful I am to all of you here today for honoring and paying your respects to my father on the first anniversary of his seonghwa (ascension). I am especially grateful for those of you who have travelled great distances from more than 120 countries. It means so much to us all to be here as one united family, remembering and celebrating a man who had dedicated his life to peace and to establishing his legacy of true love for all.

The passing of my father came as a real shock to our worldwide family. He had always seemed so invincible, ever so

passionate about God. He worked tirelessly in educating the world about true love, true life and peace for all humanity. Even in his last days, he focused on praising and honoring our beloved True Mother and giving hope to our worldwide family. Even as he offered his last breath on earth, he taught us about liberating God's heart by becoming one family with him eternally. At ninety-three, he lived every day as if it were a thousand years, with complete focus and intensity on realizing the vision of world peace. When the time came for him to pass on to the spirit world, he was at peace, completing his mission, and trusting his legacy of peace to be accomplished by all of us working as one united family. Celebrating our father's heroic life with all of you here today gives us great pride and hope because each of you is an ambassador for peace. Now, together, we all stand as one to realize this great vision. This is not a day of remembrance of loss, but a glorious day of joyous gratitude and greater resolve in all of our hearts to work together for peace.

Father always taught us that our ascension to the spirit world was the third stage in life; the first being our life in the womb; the second being our life in this world, and the third being our life in the spirit world. He would tell us that just as a newborn child is cherished and loved by its parents when the baby comes out of the womb, God, our Heavenly Parent,





awaits our “birth” into the spirit world with an even greater love. We are so happy and actually consoled knowing he is at peace and embraced by God’s eternal love.

In some ways, it has been a challenging and difficult year for many of us. We have had to adapt, learn and attempt to do what he did. Those who tried were left with a greater heart of gratitude to our father who seamlessly did it all with a heart of pure joy, never shrinking away when he was asked to take the world’s heaviest burdens. He gave to and set up charities and foundations worldwide to aid, educate and alleviate the world’s most difficult issues. We, who have received all these blessings, miss him dearly. A day does not go by that we do not think of him, feel his presence or recall his guidance.

At the same time, my father prepared us all for this day and we know he is here with us eternally. He has granted us the true wisdom and the Divine Principle and has educated us all through the volumes and texts about realizing peace in all facets of our individual lives and our lives as one global family. What we are here to do has been passed down to us by his exemplary life and texts. We know our responsibility and we bow to honor his legacy and realize his dream for one peaceful world under our Heavenly Parent. It is our hope to maintain this groundbreaking momentum for peace that he set forth and honor him by carrying it out with greater effort and with the vision True Mother has given us for 2020 and Cheon Il Guk. She devoted each day of his memorial year to giving her whole heart of sincerity and love to our worldwide families and she has accounted for and pulled all our worldwide resources to honor her husband’s legacy of peace as a true wife, our True Mother and the greatest ambassador for peace. My mother spent more than fifty years standing at my father’s side through thick and thin, ups and downs, and did it all from the purest heart of love and joy. She has fearlessly fought and toiled side by side with our father, building worldwide peace foundations and risking her life countless times for

world peace and religious freedom. Every step with father, our mother has worked and stood as a historic pillar supporting and carrying out our father’s greatest work.

I have watched my mother these past twelve months. While I saw some private moments of sadness or loneliness, I have to say that I am so deeply proud of my mother. She amazes me for she has demonstrated incredible strength, courage and vision. There is no question that she is directly guided by my father’s will and teachings. In some ways, it’s only natural. After all, no one else has done as much work for peace, not any woman in history has done more than our mother has, working with our father as our True Parents for more than fifty years.

So I offer appreciation today to the legacy, life and teachings of my father and to all of you. I want to express special appreciation to my mother, Dr. Hak-ja Han Moon. You have given birth to fourteen children and raised the children of the world as your own with absolute love, faith, hope and obedience.

We just finished the workshop in Hawaii, where True Mother gave us two points, the most important two points to inherit the hearts of our True Parents and our Heavenly Parent and we wish that these two points are realized in your families. One is *gamsahabnida* in Korean, which means thank you. It is an offering of gratitude. The next one is *saranghabnida*, I love you. So, we say we love you dearly *Ommanim* and all of you and we are so proud of all of you. We bow together to honor you both, True Parents, until we have global peace and prosperity. As we honor my father’s life on this day, let us think most of how we can move forward, taking responsibility to transform the world and make it a manifestation of God’s ideal of true love and one global family under God. Once again I thank you all for being here. It has brought honor and dignity to today’s very special seonghwa anniversary ceremony. We are eternally grateful. May God our Heavenly Parent always bless you and your precious families. **JW**





The Word Must Breathe within Us All

On 7.18 (August 24) the Japanese translation and a representation of the English translation of Cheon Seong Gyeong were presented to True Mother. Her message on that occasion, given mainly to Japanese members, follows:

Please be seated. You have worked hard until now. I will also sit and speak more comfortably. As you saw in the video, these teachings are our root. If we were to compare ourselves to the structure of our physical bodies, these teachings are our backbones. If something goes wrong with the backbone, all organs become twisted, and then you become sick. In other words, it is very important. Do you understand? We can live with Father because these teachings appeared. After Father's ascension, I first spoke about returning to the faith we had in our church's early days, which were filled with the Holy Spirit and the truth.

When the Holy Spirit and the truth become one, the word begins to live and breathe. Do you understand? Hence, these teachings are the word of life for you. Should you be thirsty when you have the word of life? No. These teachings must live and breathe within you for your health and future generations.

However, they should not be limited to you alone. I said that we must create the environment. If the dominion of goodness grows, the shadow of darkness will naturally disintegrate and disappear. Whether we accomplish this within our generation will depend on how we expand this dominion. No one knows for sure how many more years he or she has before passing into the spiritual world. I am also in my seventies. How many more years do you think I will live? **Not many** people can confidently say they will live in good health for a hundred years. It may be possible for those who invest special

effort, but as one approaches a hundred years of age, naturally all organs lose firmness. Do you understand? They slacken. Many fail to keep this in mind. Thus, it is necessary for you to become determined now and act upon that. You are the one that has to make the environment in the areas you have been given responsibility over. That is why it is crucial.

You fully understand this. Don't you? When Father conducted the global providence, he loved Japan more than any other country. Can you all personally feel that? [Yes] True Father came as a man; however, just as Rev. Kim Young-hwi explained earlier, the providence cannot work with man alone. Regarding the global providence, man-centered countries alone cannot conduct them. Do you understand what I am trying to say? This also applies to the cultural history of humanity. Where did the cultural history of humanity start? Did it start from the Italian Peninsula? Where did the providence move from the peninsula? From a peninsula, where did it move to? It went to an island. It must now come back to a peninsula. Isn't that right?

When the time comes to bring a culmination within human history... Through whom did Japan receive blessings? Japan, from the perspective of the providence and cultural history, must accomplish its Eve mission. Don't mothers in today's world do that? **A father goes out to earn money while the mother uses the money earned to manage the household.** Right? The mother raises the family, educates the children.



Right? A woman's scale of activities is larger than that of a man. Isn't it? A mother also reestablishes a family; for example, it is a daughter-in-law's mission to make the family rich. According to a Korean saying, a poor family can become wealthy if a good daughter-in-law enters the family. That is because the environment created by the daughter-in-law in that family is big.

Big in size also requires consumption of the same amount. Consumption, effort, dedication, sacrifice, living for others... When it comes to practicing the most important parts of Father's teachings, we always avoid responsibility. Many people think this way. However, that is an erroneous thought. Some people have heard my testimony. When I first met Father, I understood the providential history and the providence of restoration through indemnity. I had not studied the Divine Principle, but I just understood it...

Father absolutely needed my support in order to be victorious and in order to complete and conclude his mission as the returning Lord. However, I never placed responsibility on other people; I always paid all indemnity myself, completed all of my responsibilities. I will work on developing God's ideal, bringing victory, and defeating Satan as long as I live. Everyone! You have just heard this! Isn't Mother great? You could all become blessed families because I devoted and sacrificed my body and mind. [Aju]

All of you here today, especially Japanese members, must look up to Mother. You must love Mother more than you love anyone else. If you do so, you will receive double blessings. If you do so, you will meet Father. Do you understand? [Yes] I hope that you do your best to restore Japan as a nation centering on these teachings, on the Cheon Il Guk Scriptures.¹ You invested a lot of hard work to make this scripture box, espe-

cially, Mr. Kim Seok-byeong who was in charge of the execution of the scripture box.

I had to meet the people directly that were building the box in the factory. I coached them on every single detail. As you all know, summer this year has been sweltering. The humidity made it even more difficult. The lacquer is natural, not made with chemicals. Applying it once would be insufficient. It was applied and then dried, applied and then dried, applied and then dried. This had to be repeated seven or eight times for this color to emerge. Those in charge have worked hard. Making this box in such a short time would have been impossible had those in charge not had sincere respect for the True Parents and had they not had this ideology....

This scripture box is also like a precious stone. Since the scripture box must contain True Father's gem-like teachings, they were made with a great deal of dedication and are every bit as good as a precious stone. You are the first people to receive these scripture boxes. Don't you feel grateful? I understand that this event must come to a close and then after taking post-event photographs, many of you have to go to the airport. Right? That means I should not hold you here for much longer. Let me just sing you a song.

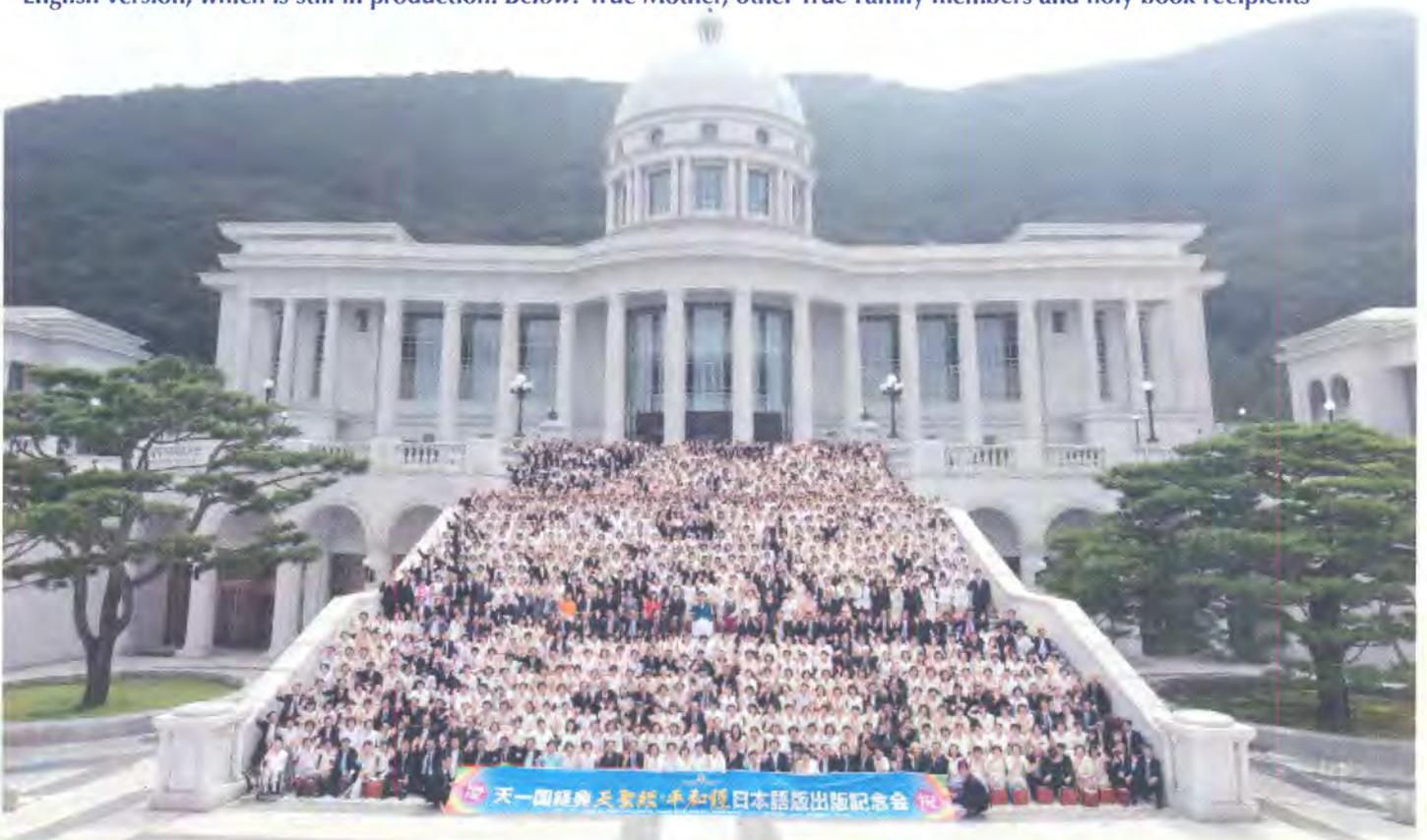
I am carrying the tremendous responsibility to restore God's homeland by 2020. Will you help me? I will then sing the Battle Hymn of the Republic. Please stand up. Let us sing together. [True Mother sang the Battle Hymn of the Republic and Omay Nunaya.]

I said yesterday that we have become one from this moment on, right? From this moment on, the True Family, all of you, and I have become one. Yes. Let us all work together to realize the hope of our Heavenly Parent and the True Parents of Heaven, Earth and Humankind, which is the completion of Cheon Il Guk! **9W**

¹ This term refers to *Cheon Seong Gyeong*, *Pyeonghwa Gyeong* and *Cham Pumo Gyeong* collectively.



Senior Japanese members receive precious boxes containing *Cheon Seong Gyeong* and *Pyeonghwa Gyeong* in Japanese, which Mother then blessed; Right: U.S. FFWPU leaders, Kim Ki-hoon and Michael Balcomb, present a boxed likeness of the English version, which is still in production. Below: True Mother, other True Family members and holy book recipients





Prayers for Unification Conclude a Pilgrimage from Northern Japan

For participants in the International Leadership Conference (ILC) and members attending a Strategy Meeting for Vision 2020—two events that were integral to the commemoration of Father’s ascension—a primary order of business was supporting a Japanese initiative that had begun in faraway Hokkaido. As a way of honoring Father’s heart and life, 210 Japanese members had ridden bicycles from that northernmost Japanese island all the way to Shimonoseki. There, eight riders crossed the sea to Busan, South Korea, where Korean cyclists joined them. The Koreans had ridden from the northwest coast of South Korea, through Seoul and down to Busan. Together, they left Busan on Korea’s southern tip and rode all the way to Imjingak, a point seven kilometer from the Korean Demilitarized Zone (DMZ), a four-kilometer-wide strip that separates the two Koreas. Imjingak is an observation point with art and photographic displays expressing Korea’s grief over the Korean War and desire for reunification. A nearby amusement park keeps younger visitors busy.

A large group that included ambassadors for peace and several of Hyo-jin nim’s children mounted bikes and joined the riders for the final kilometer to Imjingak. The Japanese had ridden 3,800 kilometers. For some of the older ambassadors for peace, the unexpected high temperatures made even the last kilometer challenging. At Imjingak, all joined in singing and praying for unification. The AP and AFP wire services and Korea’s KBS broadcasting covered the event.





Overview of the Vision 2020 Strategy Conference for Strategic and Providential Nations

We present here some of the bare highlights of the August 24–27 conference, which was a component of the commemoration of Father's ascension.

After leaving Imjingak (see page 34) participants traveled for an hour by bus to Cheon Bok Gung, where the conference began.

After a short video, Dr. Yang Chang-shik gave the first presentation, introducing South Korea's strategy for the victory of Vision 2020. In order to achieve Vision 2020, he explained, Korea will base its activities on three strategic transitions—from charismatic leadership to systematic leadership, from a pastor-centered ministry to a lay-member-centered ministry, and from our family-church movement to a people's religion in which our faith is deeply rooted in people's lives.

Korea's goals are to increase membership and win the moral support of those members of society that do not become members by 2020, based on efforts of the Family Federation, providential organizations and businesses. To increase its membership, the Korean headquarters is building a witnessing infrastructure and a one-on-one Divine Principle lecturing system. They are making strenuous efforts to care for the younger generations and to foster leaders from within their numbers.

The Korean movement is building a healthy culture and a four-stage cycle of witnessing, fostering, blessing and ministry. They have developed many educational materials based on this cycle to support the work of tribal messiahs.

Rev. Michael Balcomb, national leader of FFWPU in the United States, stated that the U. S. movement is aiming to become the center of an interfaith movement for national and international revival, helping bring about a culture of peace, purity and love. It strives to fulfil its responsibility as the "eldest son" in helping all nations collectively to relate to our Heavenly Parent as one family under God.

Rev. Balcomb testified that he had received numerical goals as inspiration through prayer. When he related these to national headquarters staff members, many thought he had lost his mind. Rev. Balcomb prayed again. Perhaps he had misheard God. But, no, God plainly confirmed them.

The U.S. movement intends to focus on family ministry, the identity and branding of our movement, church growth, governance, and international expectations. The national leader concluded his presentation with a powerful Bible passage, Zechariah 4.6, "Not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit, says the Lord."

Dr. Katsumi Otsuka, continental director of Africa, gave a presentation that had the rhythmic flow of an African melody. Dr. Otsuka spoke of circumstances in the Democratic Republic of Congo, a noticeable feature of which is a huge foundation of academies, including electronic and mechanical technical schools, high schools and elementary schools. DR Congo aims

at making a mega-church foundation. Greater numbers in DR Congo, said Dr. Otsuka, would make our movement stronger and more influential. Their aim is to increase the general membership while striving improve Sunday service participation.

Rev. Shin Dong-mo, continental director of South America and special envoy to Brazil, spoke about Brazil, where they held a Latin American national leader's convention in early April. In late June, they had a workshop for state leaders, missionaries and home group leaders. This focused on the vision of home groups, *oikos* (an ancient Greek term for "family" or



"household") and one-on-one lecturing.

A large number of members are involved in 231 home groups in Brazil. According to Rev. Shin, this has been successful because a one-on-one system can mobilize the spiritual world and help the two related people form a deep connection.

Rev. Yoo Jong-deug is the special envoy to Vanuatu, a small nation whose goals for 2013 call for a modest increase in full-time members and to establish the New Village Movement¹ and improve public relations. He highlighted the different service projects conducted within local communities.

A presentation was then given by special envoy of Nepal, Dr. Robert Kittel and national leader, Eknath Dhakal. Their presentation quickly spread a positive and hopeful atmosphere throughout the hall.

¹ For more on the New Village Movement, see the article, "Nation-Building Potential," in our December 2012 issue.



Japan is actively working on stabilizing its educational programs including its two-day Divine Principle workshops and other programs. A Cheon Il Guk Revival Corps was also formed to support vision 2020; new churches are being consecrated in different regions in an effort to create a better environment. Their presentation introduced Japan's agenda for the education and fostering of second-generation members and young people.

Following the presentations, local Korean churches were each paired with a strategic or providential nation. Leaders of those nations spent the following day (Sunday) visiting the local church to which their nation had been paired. There, they introduced themselves, their work and mission area. The aim is for the Korean congregations to provide prayer and material assistance. By late Sunday night everyone had escaped the heat and humidity of Seoul and relocated to Yongpyong Resort.

The next day's schedule started with hoondokhae at 6:00 AM which was then followed by Dr. Yang's message, which strongly reverberated throughout the hall. He called for humbleness among all, pointing out how members were sensitive to the smallest act of a leader, whether done consciously or unconsciously, and hence emphasized a leader as a servant of servants.

The morning session was focused on networking between the strategic and providential nations and the different providential organizations—the Korean, Japanese, and the Ameri-

can headquarters, Sun Moon University, Wonmo Pyeongae Foundation, Ilhwa, Universal Peace Academy, WFWP, UPF, *Today's World*, and other groups. Before the actual networking, the groups that had set up booths in the hall had five minutes to introduce their projects and work.

The FFWPU International Headquarters led the afternoon session. The first presentation was about administrative policies. (It is included in full beginning on p.38.) Sam Nagasaka, Vision 2020 project manager, spoke next. He began by defining concepts we may take for granted such as substantiating Cheon Il Guk. "Our end goal," he stated, "must be the peace of the state and the happiness of the people." He explained the importance of becoming the mainstream and proceeded to show ways of analyzing our movement in a nation to determine how near it is to being the mainstream. The audience was given much to think about.

The director of the International Headquarters Education Department then presented their plan to build a life-cycle program of religious and practical education.

The day was concluded with Dr. Yang's overall report on the different events that were conducted in commemoration of the first anniversary of the True Father's ascension.

The next day, August 27, was the highlight of the entire convention. After hoondokhae, everyone readied themselves and departed for Cheon Jeong Gung for a luncheon with True Mother.² *TW*

² Her guidance that day is on p. 40



Vision 2020 Strategy Conference: Administrative Policies and Guidelines



By Cho Sung-il

Because you are leaders, you need to be aware of the changes that have occurred around Foundation Day, so I will review them here. The Unification Church changed to the Family Federation for World Peace and Unity. The World Mission Office became the FFWPU International Headquarters. God is now our Heavenly Parent. We changed the name of the year under the heavenly calendar from Cheon-gi to Cheon Il Guk. For example, from Foundation Day, we were in the first year of Cheon Il Guk. When we bow in ceremonies, we announce that we are doing so to the True Parents of Heaven, Earth and Humankind. In part because of changes of official terms in ceremonies for God and True Parents, changes occurred in the Family Pledge numbers two, four, six and eight. A new Cheon Il Guk National Anthem was created with new lyrics adapted to the tune of "New Song of Inspiration."

Before Foundation Day, at times, special cases would be presented to True Parents and they would directly intercede, usually with financial assistance, through the International Headquarters. They introduced a national messiah system and supported nations with 22,000 Japanese missionaries, many of whom were sources of financial support for the nations they were assigned to.

Since Foundation Day, the restoration of Korea is a primary objective. All the Adam national messiahs have been recalled, at least for the time being, to focus on strengthening our foundation in Korea. Japanese restoration, too, is a primary objective. Japanese missionaries that had been assigned to support mission nations over the years have been recalled to Japan. In line with that thinking process, to place a priority on nations that will most enhance our movement's global prospects, forty-three strategic and providential nations have been selected. All nations need to eliminate their dependence on financial assistance from Japanese missionaries. Once they establish their financial transparency and can demonstrate results from investments, they can now gain financial support through the International Headquarters.

The purpose of Project 2020

The purpose of this project is to advance the creation of a world of the culture of heart that brings Cheon Il Guk into substance by building a nationwide foundation upon which we can welcome the True Parents of Heaven, Earth and Humankind into Korea, Japan, the United States and forty other nations by 2020. That year is a hundred years since Father's birth, True Mother's seventy-seventh year of life and sixty years since True Parents' Holy Wedding.

Much confusion has arisen over the roles of continental directors, national leaders and Cheon Il Guk special envoys,

especially because in some instances continental directors sometimes function as the special envoy to one of the nations in their continent. I would like to clarify these relationships.

Continental directors are to convey True Parents' teachings and instructions and to guide members to inherit the traditions of the True Parents of Heaven, Earth and Humankind. They are to identify and nurture people of talent (potential national leaders) and mentor existing national leaders. They are also to facilitate and coordinate activities between (or jointly carried out by) mission nations.

The mission of a Cheon Il Guk envoy is to be an advisor and consultant to the national leader and mission country for the sake of the substantiation of Cheon Il Guk. They are to secure financing, assist in inter-church international cooperation and in outreach and engage in external relations with figures in the nation's society. Meanwhile, national leaders are to guide and educate their church leaders and members and to lead and oversee witnessing and other outreach efforts. The national leader is the legal representative of FFWPU or HSAUWC, depending on how we are registered in your nation. National leaders should facilitate and coordinate activities with providential organizations and build a good system for managing church assets.

Reports and communications

Regular activity reports are to be made to the International Headquarters at least once a month with photographs and descriptions to be conveyed to True Mother. A monthly financial report should also be sent.

Reports can be submitted as requests for financial support for special activities or other purposes. It is important to later transparently report the result secured through this special project funding. Financial support to strategic nations is expected to last for one year. The degree of transparency in your monthly financial reports may be a factor in any possible extension beyond a year.

National leaders and special envoys are to report not only to their continental headquarters but also to the International Headquarters. These reports will be shown directly to True Mother. Hence, it is the best way to direct Mother's prayer and attention to your nation.

Visits to regions or nations

If there is a request or need for Dr. Yang Chang-shik to visit a mission nation, the International Headquarters will review the request and prepare accordingly. Rev. Yong Jin-hun can provide lectures on True Parents' life courses, recent developments in providential history, and marital or family therapy. Mr. Sam Nagasaka may take part in Vision 2020 strategy con-

ferences and other projects held in mission nations. I may also visit Vision 2020 strategy conferences held in mission nation to discuss any important issues at hand.

Preparations for Cheon Il Guk missionaries

Following three months' preparation, 160 Japanese missionaries are attending a forty-day workshop in Cheongpyeong that will conclude on September 3. After which, they will go to Japan to obtain visas to the nation each has been assigned to and to make other preparations. Most of them are in their twenties. They will participate in your nation's mission work, but the main purpose of this set of missionaries is to help these young members expand their faith and grow to become future leaders through this experience. Japan is planning to pay the airfare for these missionaries and give them a stipend of \$300 a month for activities.

In Korea, a call for voluntary missionaries went out in July. Twenty-five applications have been received and the applicants are being interviewed. Those that are accepted will undergo forty days of training before being dispatched. We expect forty missionaries including some from among Special Task Force (STF) graduates.

Young people from Europe, Asia and other regions may also have the opportunity to be involved in overseas missionary activities through the International Headquarters.

Strategic versus providential

Many members do not comprehend the difference between strategic and providential nations. Strategic nations are twenty-three countries (excluding Korea, Japan, and the United States) that are expected to create a substantial foundation by 2020 based on their progress to date or other signs of potential growth. Providential nations are twenty countries selected from advanced nations and nations that played a significant role in True Parents' providence. They are expected to create an environment that facilitates and serves as a base for the strategic nations in fulfilling their mission. These nations are also expected to develop and expand their substantial foundations, which can be utilized in restoring the world to God's ideal.

Available resources

Rev. Cho Jung-soon is president of Peace World Medical in Korea. He and Rev. Cho Dong-ho are international itinerant workers. Rev. Cho Jung-soon has visited Africa, Oceania and Taiwan already.

Exchange and cooperation with the Korean Headquarters' Family Department, Witnessing Department or Second Generation Department or with the Japanese Headquarters' Family Department and Witnessing Department are other means of gaining support in developing strategies or dealing with situations in your nation.

UPF, WFWP, YFWP, CARP, Sun Moon University, the Universal Peace Academy, the Wonmo Pyeongae Foundation, Peace-TV, Ilhwa, the Segye Times, are other resources in Korea (sometimes with branches elsewhere) that you can call upon in your efforts to restore your nations or expand your existing foundations. The *Segye Times*, for example, has been supportive to the mission in Nepal.

Diplomatic relations between nations

Cultural exchange associations between Korea, Japan and the strategic and providential nations can be built and utilized.

For example, African Continental Director Otsuka made an organization in Japan to encourage cooperation between his home nation and African countries. Some interchange has already been set in motion between Japan and the Democratic Republic of Congo and Mali.

Parliamentary alliances between parliament members of Korea and Nepal played a central role in invigorating exchange and cooperation between the two nations.

Embassy liaison to prepare for World Summit 2015

Korea is seeking to improve relations with embassies of strategic and providential nations situated in Korea and Japan.

Courtesy calls and regular visits are taking place to expand this foundation. With this in mind, the Nepalese national leader has visited the Embassy of Nepal in Korea.

Recent developments led by True Mother

After consulting with Father in prayer, Mother initiated the publication and distribution of *Cheon Seong Gyeong*, *Pyeonghwa Gyeong* and *True Parents' Scriptures* (the last is a tentative title). The draft of the Cheon Il Guk Constitution has taken shape under her guidance as well. She has focused much of her attention on rejuvenating the second and third generations along with young people that have recently joined us. She has also expressed a fondness for and has given her personal suggestions to *Today's World* magazine. **TW**

Mr. Cho is the senior director of the FFWPU International Headquarters.



Be Confident, Be Fruitful



True Mother made these remarks at the closing luncheon of the Vision 2020 Strategy Conference for Strategic and Providential Nations.

I am aware that you are all doing your best. I would like to hear what new determination you made as you commemorated the first anniversary of True Father's seonghwa. What do you think? I heard you had a strategy meeting for 2020. You must bear in mind that the second anniversary is more important than the first. I am saying that you cannot just relax and feel satisfied now that the first anniversary of True Father's seonghwa has been conducted.

As people who studied theology, I am sure there are those who clearly know how the Bible came to be compiled. It took several centuries for the Bible to be completed after Jesus' death. Yet, we have everything today. True Parents, who are the hope of God and humanity, have attained perfection and completion. From the beginning, God had hoped for the True Parents, but it took six thousand years for the True Parents to appear on earth.

Look at our reality today. Why do we have to hold a strategy conference for Vision 2020? Haven't the long-awaited Lord at his Second Coming, the Messiah and the True Parents come? Haven't True Parents conducted the providence? My point here is that our reality is not satisfying enough in front of the providence. Heaven certainly keeps working hard without rest and has prepared people. We have assigned strategic nations and have offered intensive dedication and effort; we must see results. We must see the fruit. Do you understand? Hence, we must be confident. Have confidence!

The same applies to Christian history. A prepared top leader.... When the king or the top leader of a country accepted Christianity, blessings came to that country.

A few points about this first seonghwa anniversary were disappointing. I felt we should have heralded True Parents to the people a bit more. Let us take into consideration the rise of the March 1, 1919 Independence Movement. How was it triggered? Desperate, great men that wanted to restore their nation joined hands and stood up together. Yes? What about you, the blessed families? Will you conclude everything at just acknowledging your responsibility for living in this age? We must be able to aim higher.... I heard you have set up strategic plans. However, it is essential that this strategy meeting be clearly and properly conducted from a good perspective. Therefore, it is important that we possess an environment and content that can attract both the Korean people and the entire world to the second seonghwa anniversary.

The seven-year period is neither long nor short. I hope you understand what I am saying. Please do more than your present best. What is that expression about the head?... Wring your head out.¹ That's it. Of course, you need something inside your head to wring out. You all desire to become dedicated children and patriots, but the result will depend on how you conduct your lives and activities in close connection with the heart of Heaven or the heart that thinks of Heaven. This is what matters. You must not just think of conducting your given responsibilities as a formality; you must be more serious and worry about how to achieve success day and night. I don't really know if you actually do so, but I made one determination when I met True Father at the age of seventeen and decided to marry him. The path of the True Parents is not an easy one, but I decided to carry those responsibilities. I made up my mind to finish the entire providence of restoration within my generation. I have run until now with this determination alone

1 This is a literal translation of the Korean expression.

in mind.

I would like you all to consider this point: How much do you love True Mother? Do you love True Mother? [Yes] How much do you love True Mother? Oh? As much as heaven and earth? Let us say your wife and I are drowning in water at this very moment. Would you save your wife first? [No] No? [Yes] Can I trust you? [Yes] This heart must be unchanging; yet, we experience many changes in our hearts as we carry on our lives. However, it is my hope that you do not change. As part of our first step, we must restore the nation and world by 2020. Are you determined? [Yes] We must do everything we can to advance on this path.

That is why next year's seonghwa anniversary must be improved over this year's and we must work harder in the direction of letting more people in the world know about True Father's accomplishments. We must work harder in that direction. With the founding of the Wonmo Pyeongae Foundation, my hope is that the door is opened to special people through the peace prize.² We must be able to testify in front of the Korean people and the world about Father's aspects; testify to the kind of life he led; that he was a man who was unable to take care of his family because of the providence and the will; a man completely dedicated. We should be able to testify greatly about Father....

We must be able to reach even those who live deep in the mountains in the provinces and ensure that they also know about True Parents. We must ensure that there is no one who



Cheon Il Guk special envoys receive plaques of appointment on August 27.

does not know about True Parents. The Korean people and Korean politicians must be able to partake in the frontline of the providence with a heart of gratitude in front of our Heavenly Parent and True Parents.

We did a lot of public relations this time. The reporter's reactions are quite different from the past. They are now trying to report everything as they see it. They also did a good job at covering the events. I checked what was reported and they did a good job. However, these efforts must not end here. You must all begin to prepare for next year, starting now. Do you understand? [Yes] We must be able to touch the hearts of people around the world, so that they all look forward to every future seonghwa anniversary.

So I will give you all some homework. Your homework is to think of different ways to testify to the world about True Parents and to develop programs that can make people join us on this path and become Cheon Il Guk citizens. Can you do that? [Yes] Those who can surely do that, please clap your hands. [Applause] **TW**

2 For more on the peace prize, see the interview on page 60



A Reflection on Spiritual Life and the Passing of the Messiah

An Interview with Dr. Pak Bo-hi

Dr. Pak, who had done two television interviews the same week, welcomed the Today's World team to his office on August 9 and answered a series of questions we had prepared. Despite the initial warning he gives, Dr. Pak spoke eloquently and from the heart.

Dr. Pak: I'm not going to be talking smoothly or to your satisfaction. I will just go back and forth. I am going to speak especially of my relationship with Father for fifty-five years and my feeling after his seonghwa. That is the primary area.

In one set of questions, you asked about Father's role as a hunter, fisherman, businessman, public speaker, marriage counselor, organizer, world traveler and interreligious harmonizer. All of these aspects...

TW: Please speak of whatever you have knowledge of or that you experienced.

Why don't you throw your first question at me.

First question: As a soldier who placed his life on the line for his nation, how did you view Father's efforts to protect South Korea from the communist menace?

I was a soldier. I met Father as a soldier. I had fought in the Korean War for three years. During the war, every day we faced the danger of losing our country; the situation was dire, especially in 1950. We were pushed all the way down to the Naktong River, near Daegu. I was a soldier on that defensive line. We were deeply grateful that Douglas MacArthur launched the Incheon Landing that reversed the war situation. We were on the winning side and were moving north, all the way to the Yalu¹ River. We had virtually united the country at that time, if only the Chinese forces had not entered the war and in the most incredible number, enabling them to push us back down to the south.

Father was in prison. For us, the Korean War was a holy war because it had two purposes: First, to defend the country and create the Republic of Korea, which has become a significant country in its own right. Second, the war occurred to protect the Messiah's life, which the communists had threatened. The North Korean police had arrested him. Although he was

¹ Speaking for an English audience, Dr. Pak used Yalu, the name customarily used for this river in U. S. Army publications on the Korean War. To Koreans, the pronunciation of the Chinese characters in the name of the river, which divides China and North Korea, is Amnok (압록).

without sin, without any misdoings, the communists tried him and sentenced him to five years' incarceration in Hungnam Prison.

There, the inmates developed a special feeling toward Father. Even the prison guards had some fear of dealing with him. Father never did anything wrong or was unkind in word or deed but the guards knew he was an exceptional person.

This was the situation: Father, like everyone else, was extremely hungry. When dinner came—a bowl of rice or barley—Father initially (for six months) gave half of his food to a severely weakened inmate. Father ate only half and the weakened inmate was able to eat his own and half more.

It was impossible for Father to survive under those conditions. Truly, Father survived spiritually; spiritual power, spiritual energy, kept him alive. Father's mother, in Pyongyang, always prepared food for him. Food was the most important thing in that prison. She would roast barley or rice in the way that coffee is roasted and then grind it into powder. Just a spoonful of that powder with water provided good nourishment.

Father was always in his shabby prison uniform. In his mother's mind, this was so pitiable and sad. She made clothes, wrapped them in a bundle and carried them with the rice and barley powder on her head for the six hundred mile journey. She then met her son, Rev. Moon, whose birth name was Yong-myung. Yong-myung, she said, Don't give it to anybody. Eat it yourself, slowly, spoon by spoon. Keep yourself in good health.

That was his mother's only wish. She gave that and the clothes to her son, who while his mother was still there opened the gifts and gave the good clothes to the poorest, most suffering inmate. The powdered rice and barley he distributed among the inmates.

His mother's heart broke. She saw this as it happened and at that particular moment, she hated her son. She had put all her energy and had spent precious money, investing everything to make up the package for her son, who immediately distributed it to others. His mother never understood.





When we went to Father's birthplace in North Korea in 1991, at the graves of his mother and father, I overheard Father speaking to his mother.

Mother, I'm sorry I made you suffer, but now that you are in heaven, you know who I am. I am not just your son. I am Heavenly Father's son. I am aware of my duty to Heavenly Father, so I could not feed myself and make myself happy. I had to labor twice as hard as other inmates did to reach our quota when others could not fulfill their portion. I could not think of myself alone.

Why am I telling you this story, which you may have already heard? To me, it showed that Father was already the Messiah. To live as the Messiah in every way under those conditions is what made Father the greatest. Afterward, Father did so much in the United States, in Korea and in Japan, but I am telling you this story first because Father's messianic essence was apparent even then and his suffering in those days was the most messianic. He was a messianic personage.

His messianic character showed at that time. For that reason, the Korean War came. Heavenly Father made the Korean War happen—the United Nations Forces, the Incheon landing and the move to Hungnam. The opening of the prison gates on October 14 happened because that very day Father was supposed to be executed.

At that time, Captain Alexander Haig, under Gen. MacArthur's command, opened the gate. Therefore, Father had a close friendship with General Haig. I did too. I knew General Haig very well from when he was White House chief of staff under President Nixon. He went on to become the secretary of state.² When he was an Army captain, he saved Father.

Therefore, when Father deceased on September 3, 2012, I couldn't believe it. I always thought that Father would live more than a hundred years, because he was born so strong,

² Alexander Haig (1924–2010) worked as chief of staff to Richard Nixon 1971–1973 and for six weeks to Gerald Ford after Nixon's resignation; he was secretary of state under Ronald Reagan, January 1981–July 1982.

God had made him so strong. Father was taken up to heaven for a dispensational reason, not because he was weak or had become old. He had said he would live for over a hundred and twenty years. He was fully capable of doing so because... I was so sad. Father's passing was unexpected. I was so grieved. I could neither sleep nor eat for several days.

Another remarkable deed of Father's occurred after his release from prison. He was freed in the midst of war, but he did not come to South Korea. He went to Pyongyang.

In the two years and eight months that Father had been in prison, without his preaching Divine Principle, he gained twelve disciples that pledged loyalty to Father, saying that they would live and die together. This was another aspect of his messianic character. Eleven of them left Hungnam at the same time but went in different directions, many of them only to meet their death. None of them actually remained disciples.

At the time that Father gained his release on October 14, 1950, nearly three years had passed since he had left Pyongyang, where he had had a congregation in quite a booming church, before the Communists pummeled the churches. Father went to Pyongyang to visit the members' homes. He missed every member in a way similar to a shepherd's feelings toward his flock; he went to look for each of his lambs in Pyongyang. As it happened, they had already fled from North Korea—all except one, Pak Jeong-hwa, a large man that was in prison with Father but that had been released earlier.

He had broken a leg in an accident and could not escape North Korea. Father told him they were going together to the south. Mr. Pak protested and told Father not to worry about him. He said, If you try to take me to South Korea, you'll die and I'll die; we'll never make it with my broken leg.

Father insisted. He and Pak Jeong-hwa had pledged to live and die together. They had to do it. So, Father got an old bicycle and he, Mr. Pak and Kim Won-pil—one of Father's earliest disciples—left North Korea. They could not take the main roads because the military was using them. They followed country roads, or at times, no roads at all. Through incredible terrain, Father and Kim Won-pil pushed Mr. Pak, but the poor bicycle could not last even three days. Mr. Pak weighed 90

kilograms. The bicycle could not stand it.

Father carried Pak Jeong-hwa on his back and walked and walked through South Korea's rugged mountains. It took many days. This also shows how strong a man Father was. He weighed eighty kilos and carried a man weighing ninety on his back as he walked. He didn't even have proper shoes. How can you expect Father to have proper shoes to travel in when he had just come out of prison in rags?

From time to time they'd stop at a village where people waited for Father with food and kimchi and rice. They'd had dreams, in which perhaps some grandpa appeared saying, An important guest is coming to your house. Please prepare some food. On many, many occasions, that is how Father survived.

I'm sure you've heard this story, but I am telling it because it so moves my heart! For me, this expresses so fully Father's messianic essence. I became a member of the Unification Church after learning of Father's ordeals in prison and the deeds he had done.

The war ended in 1953 and four years later, I was still serving in the military. I had no freedom. I was unaware that the Messiah was on earth. I served as a military assistant to U. S. Army General Willis S. Matthews,³ chief of KMAG,⁴ which was supporting the entire Korean Army. He had a Korean counterpart, the Korean Army Chief of Staff. The two of them worked together; one supplied the materiel and the other trained the soldiers. I was General Matthews' special assistant.

Near the KMAG office was the Army Chaplain's Office, where Kim Young-oon,⁵ once a professor at Ehwa University, worked. From the chaplain's office, she sent me an invitation to a philosophical lecture that I might be interested in.

During the war, I had many questions: What is death? What is life? What happens when I die? What comes after

³ (1904–1981) Major Gen. Willis Small Matthews

⁴ The United States Military Advisory Group to the Republic of Korea

⁵ In later years, both Dr. Pak and Prof. Kim would serve as pioneer missionaries to the United States.

that? Is something there, or nothing?

I had been looking for something. I went to the place designated by her, where Professor Kim welcomed me with a beautiful smile. We sat across from each other with a small table between us. Until the midnight curfew that we had in those days, I listened to part one of the Divine Principle. She was an experienced lecturer. She abbreviated and gave the most critical parts to me. Amazing!

I was most impressed by the section on Jesus Christ not having come to die. Lack of faith and misunderstandings led to the crucifixion. The crucifixion was not God's will. I was utterly surprised. Another surprise that first night was there being life after death. This is not the real life. I couldn't believe that! This is the only life I have, and you say it is not the real life. Where is the real life? "Don't worry," she said, "It will come."

On the first night, part one; on the second night I listened to part two of the Divine Principle. In two nights' lectures, I was fully convinced that God had given this teaching to some great man who had taught it to her and that she was now transmitting it to me. I told her I wanted to meet her master. She responded that I shouldn't be in such a hurry. Actually, thinking of our modest church at the time, she was afraid that I might be a materialistic person that would judge based on the appearance of the church and conclude that it was not for me.

She told me neither the name of the church nor its location. This made me kind of mad. I was a military officer, though, so discovering later that Kim Young-oon attended the Unification Church in Cheongpa-dong was not difficult for me.

I found the church myself. She had told me not to worry about going to their service, but I went anyway, on a Wednesday night.⁶ I didn't see a steeple in the area. I didn't see a

⁶ He had learned from Ms. Kim that the church held a Wednesday service.



cross. I asked a woman selling vegetables which way I should go. The Unification Church was oppressed, persecuted and misunderstood at that time. Even the vegetable seller knew that, but she simply told me which alley to go up and which small door to use.

It was not a church building but had once been a family home. I removed my shoes before I entered the sanctuary.

The date was February 17, 1957. No heat came from an unlit wood-burning stove. It was very cold.

I was well dressed that day, in my military uniform, it being the first visit to my church. I sat in the front row among roughly fifty humbly dressed young people that were singing hymns, holy songs. The singing struck me. It was not the normal church singing. Someone stood, leading the songs, while without musical accompaniment everyone else sat on the floor and sang from deep within themselves. They sang powerfully.

I don't remember who gave the sermon or what was said. What I do remember is that after the service, the man sitting next to me, who was commonly dressed, wearing a U.S. Army jacket, stood up and went to the front. Though he had sat through the service with a Bible in front of him and joined with others in all the songs, he now proceeded to speak powerfully. This was not a sermon. He was giving instructions. You do this; you do that. Have you done that? What about you? All right, from now on you do this, this and this. Wide-eyed I watched. Who is this man?

I had thought that the man I would later learn was Eu Hyowon, the only person sitting on a chair, was the church leader. Moments after the man stopped speaking, Kim Young-oon appeared. She introduced me to Father, who smiled and shook my hand, saying he had heard a lot about me. He invited me to his room to talk some more. There, I did a deep bow to Father, fully realizing that this was the master, the bringer of

the Divine Principle. That, I understood immediately. Only ||| later would I realize he was the Messiah. That day in his room, I knew he was a great man. I stayed until twelve o'clock, listening, learning his teachings. That was my spiritual birthday.

So far, I have spoken to you about my own experiences, how I met Father and became a member of the Unification Church. These two volumes are full of my experiences since that day.⁷ That is my history.

Then, on July 3, 2012, Father passed into heaven. I collapsed, not physically devastated but thoroughly sad, because my belief had been that Father would live more than a hundred years. I had personally expected him to live to more than a hundred and twenty years of age.

I understood that this was a dispensational call by Heavenly Father, who needs True Father in heaven to control heaven and earth. We are now in this stage. True Parents are still controlling our church, with Father in spirit and Mother on earth. The Father-Mother True Parenthood is still there. They are assisting each other. Through their strong unity, Mother is carrying out great reformation. Mother has been doing so well in her leadership. She has already accomplished so much.

Members are so excited to enact Vision 2020. Until that target date, we are trying to accomplish as much as we can. I am lecturing to university students. Twice already, I have done this, and I will do more after university summer vacations end. I am also going to speak in Japanese to 160 Japanese members that are to become missionaries after training for forty days. It is my great honor to speak to them at the end of August, during the last part of their training.⁸

⁷ He gestured toward the two-volume set, *Messiah: My Testimony to Rev. Sun Myung Moon*, which was sitting atop *Truth is My Sword*, volumes I and II.

⁸ Their forty-day workshop was preceded by three months of practical preparation, such as brushing up foreign language skills.



Dancers in the Little Angels Children's Folk Ballet hug North Korean girls during their performance in Pyongyang in 1998.



Father was a truly living patriot. As a Korean, aside from his messianic position and his great, universal missions, Father loved his country. His motto was love God, love humanity, love the country. He loved Korea particularly because Korea is a heavenly country; it has gained a central position. Father has the ideological view of Korea as Heavenly Father's kingdom, right here, first. Therefore, Father's patriotism was potent. That is why he was a very strong anti-communist. Father feared most that Korea would become a communist country.

We had to do everything possible to stop communism from taking over this country. Yet, saving Korea alone would not work. We had to save the United States first.

The U.S. might have become communist during the Carter period as a result of the Soviet strategy under Brezhnev. Father went to the United States because he had to save the United States. And he did! Together with Ronald Reagan and George Bush, he completely liberated the Soviet Union. This was Father's greatest accomplishment.

The most important period in the cold war era covered the two terms, eight years, under Ronald Reagan, which were followed by four years under George Bush. Many things happened during those years. Without the *Washington Times*, without Father's input, the liberation of the Soviet Union was not possible.

With the collapse of the Soviet Union we at least restored normal peace today. Korea has lived through sixty years now without war. This never would have happened. This is incredible.

I want to speak a little bit about Father's various roles. He was a good

hunter and loved hunting. I went hunting with him once for pheasant on Jeju Island. From Father I learned for the first time how to hunt pheasant. I took two pheasants myself. Incredible: I never thought that my shooting could bring down a pheasant. It seemed to me impossible. Father was perfect. Every time he saw a target, he got it. He was a great hunter. He would have loved to hunt big game, to go on safari, but he never pursued that. He simply liked hunting with members for pheasants or boar or rabbits.

But Father was not primarily interested in hunting; he was most interested in fishing. He was the world's fishing champion. He fished in Alaska for giant halibut and mainly in the Boston area for bluefin tuna and giant tuna.

We learned something important from Father through fishing. He put his heart and soul into everything he did. He considered sports he did, even hunting and fishing, providential missions. He did everything in that fashion, investing his entire heart, soul and concentration into it.

He had a fishing boat in Alaska and one in Boston. He would start out very early in the morning and stay at sea until very late. Assisting Father all day long was not easy. Huh! It was impossible for anyone. Men like me felt stressed out by the middle of the day. Tuna fishing is like war; yet Father kept at it.

He had devised his own way, not the normal way, of fishing for big tuna. He had studied bait and used his own type. He used not just one fishing rod; he had a dozen. He sat like a



July 14, 1994: Dr. Pak was one of the few South Koreans to meet Kim Jong-il when he represented True Parents in offering condolences after the death of Kim Il-sung.

commander-in-chief in the commanding position at the back of the boat. He would sit in that chair all day long. When tuna were biting, he immediately knew and war began.

Tuna are so large, powerful and warlike; they pull the boat around for many miles. Father let the tuna do all that swimming; he did not resist. Okay. Let's go! Let's go! By the end of the day, when the tuna was tired out, Father would begin pulling slowly, but as the tuna came near (Oh, yeah!) he would begin to resist again. Fighting a giant tuna can tire two or three men pulling together. Gradually, Father proceeded, always cautious not to lose the tuna. Going tuna fishing with Father was an extraordinary experience, a unique kind of war. I fought in the Korean War and I witnessed another war fought on the sea.

As a fisherman, Father was a legend, a truly expert fisherman, but not in a way that made sense to the regular sports fisherman's world. His way of attacking tuna was providential. He felt that landing a tuna was a victory that indicated that another victory in a Divine Principle sense, a providential sense, was coming. He felt he was setting a condition for members around the world.

Businessman: I must tell you, Father was not a businessman. He worked with many businesses but he did not do business in a businessman's way. He did business only for the sake of Heaven. Under those circumstances, Father always operated on a large scale. What he did—whether it was in manufacturing, like Tongil Industries, or the fishing industry in Alaska—had a providential purpose. In Alaska, they did commercial fishing. The boats went out and came back once their nets were full of fish, tons of fish. We developed the means to dry the fish into a powder form and tried to give it to people in desperately impoverished countries to provide nour-

ishment. That was how Father thought. Doing business always had some providential connection. Father was not a businessman, but he did the part of God's work that included business. I look at it that way.

Public speaker: I know this part very well. I enjoyed and I suffered through this part. I enjoyed it because interpreting for Father was a great honor and it was such a great joy. However, a good interpretation of Father over hours and hours and hours was torture. Normally, the shortest speech was three hours. That was a peanut. Then, six hours became normal; then, ten hours. Father came to Washington once and spoke to members for thirteen hours. I wanted to go to the bathroom so bad, but Father would not give me a visa. I was battling on two fronts, interpreting and trying to be patient, trying to resist the physical urge to go.

I will tell you an amusing story. In each city on the Day of Hope Tour,⁹ we always spoke on two nights; the first night at a banquet and on the second night at a full public speech. On the second night in Iowa, many people came. It was a good start, but that day, I had bad diarrhea. I always prayed to Heavenly Father to ask him not to give me diarrhea. I would tell him I would rather go through a fast than have diarrhea, though of course, diarrhea and fasting are unrelated. All of a sudden during the speech, I became pale, very pale. Father looked at me and he knew that something bad was happening in Bo-hi Pak. He said in an undertone, Bo-hi, you go. Go to the bathroom.

I was trying to withstand the diarrhea and keep to the mission. Father said, Go to the bathroom, so I went to the bathroom without saying anything to the audience.

In English Father told the audience, I would like to sing
9 Several times a year in the early 1970s, Father would go on a segment of a tour under the name Day of Hope.



The Little Angels, with whom Dr. Pak has a long association, offered the world a view of Korean culture and traditions at a time when controversial military strongman Park Chung-hee was trying to guide the nation out of poverty and protect it from North Korean invasion.



Dr. Pak Bo-hi and his wife Yun Ki-sook with True Parents as they hold discussion with Kim Il-sung in North Korea; none of the North Korean's wives were visible during their seven-day visit.

you some beautiful songs; I hope you enjoy them. Father was a great improviser. He understood the public. Everyone said, yes! and he began singing. After one song, everyone applauded. He sang a second song to more applause. Father began to enjoy singing. He had to sing a third song because I had not returned. I ran to the bathroom. I had bad diarrhea. My underpants were all wet.

Luckily, I had such great brothers around me. One brother was aware of my problem. He followed me to the bathroom. He went into the next stall and took off his own underpants. Incredible! Through a space at the bottom of wall dividing the two stalls, he handed them to me, and they fit perfectly.

That morning I had put on thick underpants because of the weather. My trousers and suit jacket were fine. Only my underpants were soiled. Those I threw in the garbage, and then I deeply thanked that brother.

After that episode, I returned to my podium. By that time, it had become a much greater rally. You don't often see that kind of excitement. Father had delighted the whole audience. Joining in the excitement, I said, ladies and gentlemen, I want to tell you the full story.... (Of course, I did not tell them what the brother had done.)

Everybody clapped and clapped. Father began to talk and I resumed interpreting. That was the greatest success on the tour and was one of the most memorable Day of Hope nights. Many times I suffered because I needed to go to the bathroom but was not able to. My one big accident happened in Iowa.

Father was such an excellent and a powerful speaker. When he was mad, he showed the wrath of God, heavenly wrath, such as when he attacked immorality. Father was powerful. His gestures were powerful. But he was also humorous.

Do you know what he said to the United States Congress? He said that America must become a moral and God-centered country. America is now debauched; she has departed from the original dream of George Washington and the Founding Fathers.¹⁰ Today's America must become as God wants her to be. 10 Men that were significant figures in the forming of the United States, specifically those at the Constitution Convention in 1787

be, doing God's will. That was his speech to Congress, which was very well accepted. The congressmen gave Father a standing ovation.

Marriage counselor: No one could do marriage counseling as well as Father. He was the best in the world. All Father had to do was look at faces and he could see all the ancestors and the family members.

Organizer: Oh, boy. He was not just an organizer. At big rallies, like at Washington Monument and Yankee Stadium, he was a commanding general. When the commanding general checks the organization, everything will be rehearsed fully beforehand. He was a perfectionist; he wanted to see things done to perfection. For example, sound: In the middle of a speech, did we ever lose the sound? That never happened under Father.

World traveler: He was a world traveler but not in a secular sense. Can you imagine going to a different country and giving a public speech every day for a hundred days? Could you endure that schedule? Father did that once by himself and a second time Mother and some of their children took some of the countries. You will not find another world traveler like Father in all of history.

Interreligious harmonizer: He had no conception of prejudice. We were persecuted by other religions, but Father never responded. "You said bad things about us so I'll say bad things about you" was never Father's way. He did not engage in that.

My hope was to honor Father on this first anniversary. Tears still drip down when I think of Father's untimely departure. He could have lived for ten more years at least. Physically he was able, so I must conclude it was a heavenly dispensation. **We must accept Father's will and obey Mother. We must work hard in pursuing Vision 2020. By 2020, we must enable Divine Principle to reach all corners of the world. JW**



The True Mother I know

By Jeong Won-ju

A View from Beside the Mother of Heaven

The following testimony was given in 2003 in honor of True Mother's sixtieth birthday.

I was born in Seoul. I joined the church in 1968 and I was blessed in Madison Square Garden to Michael McDevitt¹ in the 2,075-couple Blessing Ceremony. As a member of the Little Angels, which was formerly called the Han-Seon Dance Troupe, I enhanced the recognition of Korean culture and art at home and abroad. From 1982 until now, I have been supporting President Han Hak-ja² as her aide and as an assistant on her global speaking tours and at various events.

You cannot attain love by yourself. Where does love come from? It does not come from me but from my object partner. Therefore, I must lower my head for my object partner and live for the sake of my partner. This is where the law of nature “live for others” comes from. The base of love is not within me but within my object partner, so in order to obtain that love I must sacrifice for that person.

When I had to read this during a morning hoondokhae session, I felt strong emotion welling up from deep within me. What is in some respects common knowledge shook me to the core on that day, with the realization that all their lives True Parents have been living for the “object partner.”

Father followed the sacrificial path of true love for the sake of victoriously completing the course of restoration through indemnity according to strict guidance from Heaven. Mother has been living a sacrificial life alongside her husband for her children and for Unification Church members. I would like to emphasize at the beginning of my testimony that what they say does not end once it is spoken but is the embodiment of both individuals. In particular, as it says in the quotation above

1 Mr. McDevitt's photograph appears on page 65.

2 As is the Korean custom, Koreans know Mother by her maiden name.

from *Blessing and Ideal Family*, the base of love is with the object partner, Mother, who has now turned sixty years old, and who has sacrificed amidst the flood of Father's love and become one in mind and heart with Father. I would like to record the order of events that happened from the perspective of a member who has attended True Mother for the past twenty-one years.

After being matched in October 1978, I worked with the Collegiate Association for the Research of the Principle (CARP) for three years before being reunited with Michael McDevitt in July 1982 and receiving the blessing among the 2,075-couple blessing group. I was called to East Garden in October of that year. My husband Michael had been working as part of the East Garden security staff since 1973, and he still gives his all with unchanging faith.

After arriving at picturesque East Garden and entering the kitchen, I met Mother, who came out to give various directions. I was so surprised that I did a full bow right there on the kitchen floor. She seemed glad to see me and said in a lovely voice, “You're here. Now let's get to work.” She left me wiping tears away with one hand while nodding my head. I was extremely inadequate but when Mother greeted me with a broad smile, I knew from that moment on that as a daughter of Korea I would give my body and soul to serve True Parents with an unchanging heart. Twenty-one years have passed since that time, and I was afraid as to how I could express True Parents' (specifically Mother's) difficult course.

Morning Garden, Gloucester

A village called Gloucester is situated about twenty miles north of Boston. A house where True Parents could stay was prepared there in 1980, while I was on CARP in Los Angeles. A stately, attractive, beautiful house sits near the coast. Natu-



rally, renovating and decorating it was Mother's responsibility. That year Mother carried one-year-old Hyung-jin nim on her back and did the decorating herself. She decorated and renovated every single part of the house from the first floor all the way to the third floor. She went all over downtown Boston to select furniture to buy. True Mother still smiles today when she reminisces about those days.

Tuna fishing began in 1974. The house was not ready then, so we lived in different motels. At that time, Mother was known for a particular dish, called Sausage *Bibimbap*.³ When there were few side dishes to eat with rice, she would julienne kimchi, add sausage, gravy, hot pepper paste and sesame oil and stir-fry it. Father said he loved it and would sometimes ask Mother to make this bibimbap when he had lost his appetite. During those days, after she had gone back to East Garden, True Mother would receive sudden calls summoning her at 2:00 AM; whenever that happened, True Mother would set off for Morning Garden and travel through the dark for a few hours. She would have to stay in Gloucester for ten or twenty days until tuna was caught.

Danbury legal issues

Father's legal troubles began in 1982. Despite his best efforts, Father having to go to Danbury prison⁴ became definite on May 14, 1984. The entire family was holding hands and praying when True Mother burst into tears. Father said not to cry and explained the providential significance behind what was occurring. Before Father left for Danbury, Mother called the East Garden staff to her second-floor bedroom. Mother had beautifully wrapped some jewelry that she had and spread it out in front of her. She said, "Please pick one each. Carry one of these with you and let us pray hard for Father." We offered prayers of determination together in Mother's bedroom and then left the room.

On July 20, 1984, after traveling with Father to Danbury prison, Mother returned alone. Even though she came back alone, she gathered the members and spoke. Father said he would return as if from a trip and went into Danbury smiling. It was incredible. That was when Jeong-jin nim was a mere two years old. Mother took Jeong-jin nim to Danbury prison every day.

³ Various ingredients served in a large bowl on top of rice, to be mixed by the diner

⁴ Officially, the Federal Correctional Institution—Danbury

In September 1984, religious figures in Washington D.C. held a rally. There, mother gave the keynote speech. After calmly delivering the opening speech, she went to see Father in Danbury, returned in time for the closing and conveyed Father's greetings and a message from him. Wearing a dark blue jacket, her eyes full of tears, she confidently gave a speech in English to the academics and religious figures in Father's place.

During this time, Mother and the children diligently held prayer vigils at the holy ground. Even Hyo-jin nim prayed hard with holy candles. Mother was the epitome of dedication. The tradition of praying with holy candles at the holy ground in East Garden started then. Members of the staff have conducted prayer sessions there every day since, without fail.

The Kodiak, Alaska, providence

The first time I went to Kodiak, they had not yet established a place where True Parents could stay. At first, they used a small house next to the International Seafoods of Alaska factory building and office. I remember it was tiny. In 1986, construction of the Kodiak church building and a house that True Parents could use was finally completed. Father gave the house the name North Garden. Salmon fishing began in earnest from June. Fishing for king salmon in June preceded fishing for red salmon in July and for silver salmon in August and September. Though every year varied a little in dates, whenever the breeding season started, salmon that had gone far into the ocean returned to their home river, where they spawned and then died. In order to fish for king salmon, we had to leave Kodiak for another place.

Around May 1988, Father suddenly went to the Kenai River to fish for king salmon. The Kenai is quite distant from even Anchorage, the largest city in Alaska. Anyone that wanted to stay in the area had to make reservations for lodgings and charter boats a year in advance. Father, Mother, two of Father's special assistants—Peter Kim and Yuk Ki-byung—plus one fishing assistant and I just went there but there was no place to stay.

As soon as we arrived, Father headed straight for the river. Mother, Assistant Yun and I went to find a place to stay. We luckily found a place, but we would have to check out of it the next day. We put down whatever light belongings we had brought with us, looked around the house, and then cleaned up and organized the whole place. We had to prepare dinner.



Right: Jeong Won-ju, the son of then-President Choi of International Seafoods of Alaska, True Mother and the wife of boat captain Alan Hokanson fishing for salmon; **Left:** Mother, accompanied by Jeong Won-ju and Yukiko Cox, catches a pink salmon.

There was neither rice nor hot pepper paste to speak of.

The wild environment of Alaska and Brazil are pitifully dirty. I got goose bumps at the sight of the filth; yet, Mother's expression did not change. She just set about scrubbing away stains. After cleaning the house, Mother and I went to find a supermarket. We had not brought anything with us; so we looked around at this and that, selecting items to buy. Using the ingredients we had purchased, we made a vegetable soup, similar to kimchi soup. We could not have imagined how popular the onions, potatoes, beef, Mexican pepper and ketchup boiled together in a stew would be for Father and his company returning back from a rainy day of fishing. That night Father called several more Japanese and Korean leaders to join us.

Early the next morning, Father and his company set out in the pre-dawn dark to where the salmon would be waiting in the Kenai River. Mother did all of Father's laundry and I did the rest. Now we had to pack everything to get ready to move to a new place. I told Mother that I would do it and she need not worry herself. Nevertheless, after she had finished packing True Parents things, she proceeded to help pack the kitchen items. We had to move each day for about four days. Fortunately, Assistant Yun found a place, after that, where we could stay for a week. As we had done the day before, we completely cleaned the house and then went to the supermarket.

I learned many things in my twenty-one years with Mother. Frugality was one of them. As a person who thinks scientifically when organizing, she always achieved methodical order, with never any waste. The extent of Mother's organizational skills and frugal mind-set perplexed most people. I always thought that anything for True Parents should be in pristine condition and that one should not negotiate the price when purchasing for True Parents. I thought it was better to spend more money when buying something for them. When I came to East Garden, though, I could see that I had been wrong. For example, after eating at a McDonald's, Mother would save the leftover ketchup packets. When going out to eat, I usually ordered enough food for more than the actual number of people, to avoid not having enough. Whenever extra food was ordered, however, Mother would tell me, What if there are some leftovers? We have to be economical.

After completing all of our cleaning, we packed lunch and took it out to Father, who was on the Kenai River. He had promised to meet us when he left in the morning. Father's boat approached the meeting place at the promised time. Father and Mother were so glad to see each other, as if they had not seen each other for several days; it was a very beautiful thing to watch. After disembarking, we all went to a small restaurant and ordered some food to eat alongside what we had packed. As we ate, Father spoke about the beauty surrounding the Kenai River and asked Mother to go fishing with him.

Entering Moscow

After finishing the Yankee Stadium and Washington Monument rallies in 1976, Father began emphasizing, "Must go—Moscow!" for the next rally in Moscow. In April 1990, the time had come for our first entry into Moscow, a place we could not even imagine going to. Mother was always thorough and detailed in everything she did, whether it was preparations or planning. She had worked painstakingly even over small things. Because it was a significant rally in God's providence, True Parents dealt meticulously with all the preparations and even paid careful attention to each of the gifts. At the time, it was inconceivable that anyone would go to Moscow. To get on the plane, we had to arrive at the airport early enough to go through the entry procedure. However, just before take-



Mother feeding young Sun-jin nim

off, we realized that the gifts that had been prepared had not yet arrived. In the airport, Mother asked me if I had brought them. I became extremely disconcerted all of a sudden. I boarded the plane feeling apologetic and conscience-stricken. Fortunately, however, Park Jung-hyeon, Park Sang-kwon, and Kim Hyeong-tae, who came on the next plane, had found the gifts stored in an out of the way place in East Garden and were able to pass through customs with them. Upon arrival, the custom officers let the gifts go through after we persuaded them that Rev. Moon intended to give them to Russian people. The uncertainty and anxiety that we felt until the gifts arrived was indescribable.

The anxiety remained throughout our stay in Moscow. The meals prepared for True Parents had meat but few vegetables. The situation was such that they could not eat the meat. Eventually, I headed to the kitchen, and using the rice and hot pepper paste I had brought with me, I created a few dishes and laid them out on the table. I was experiencing morning sickness at the time, but I felt I had to push myself more than usual after seeing True Parents' complete dedication. They were giving their all, and I saw that members from the communist bloc were working very hard.

Mother was majestic as the mother of heaven in Moscow. She looked very dignified taking the lead in greeting the Russian first lady,⁵ who had come to see the Little Angels performance, shaking hands and talking cheerfully with her. She maintained her confident and graceful comportment as she met the top leaders, first ladies and the executive leaders of that region. As she met members living in the communist bloc nations for the first time, she was saddened by how they had lived without freedom in dire circumstances. She treated them with sincere warmth.

Something happened when we went to Ukraine as part

5 Raisa Gorbachev, wife of Mikhail Gorbachev



A high point in True Parents' efforts to bring about unification of the Korea's was their visit to North Korea. Father did not focus on his family while there, but True Parents visited Father's boyhood family home and met relatives.

of a world tour in 1995. When we got there, we learned that the authorities would not allow Father to deliver his speech, nor would they allow him to speak to those who were waiting outside the hall. Though many members from surrounding nations⁶ had traveled long distances at great expense to attend Father's speech, only the national leader and a limited number of members were able to fit into True Parents hotel room. Others waited outside the hotel. True Parents could only look down at those members from their hotel balcony with tears in their eyes over being so close yet so far from them.

To North Korea through Hawaii

In November 1991, before entering North Korea via Beijing to meet Kim Il-sung, the president of North Korea, True Parents prepared for the meeting in Hawaii. I was unaware of any of these preparations when going there. Mother's only instruction to me was that we were going to Hawaii and would need winter clothes. I did wonder why, but I never imagined where we would be going next.

Dr. Pak Bo-hi and his wife, Peter Kim, Yun Ki-byeong and my husband and I were with True Parents. While True Parents were in Hawaii, they traversed the main island offering conditions. On the last day in Hawaii, Mother said we would be leaving for North Korea and that this information was top secret. I got goose bumps all over when I heard from Mother that we would be going to North Korea. I was so surprised that I became speechless. My not being aware of the immense work True Parents were doing, even though I had been right by their sides, was the cause of my surprise.

When we first arrived in Beijing, we were told that Ameri-

⁶ At the time, Ukraine's church administrative "continent" was known as C.I.S. and the Baltics. Father's speech in Ukraine (part of a sixteen-nation tour, though that year he spoke in thirty-six nations) was to have been held on November 14.

can citizens were not permitted to enter the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. Those of us with South Korean citizenship could enter and Hwang Yeop-ju of China joined us. My husband was among those that had to remain behind. Kim Il-sung's special private jet came from North Korea to Beijing to transport True Parents and their entourage. I was not sure if this was a dream or reality. Beautiful North Korean flight attendants came and greeted us warmly. I was overwhelmed with emotion and began to cry. I also cried tears of fear. I was most concerned about True Parents' personal safety. When the airplane landed on the runway, I had goose bumps all over and mixed emotions—half anticipation and half concern.

Even in such a tense situation, Mother smiled without reservation and was glad. As soon as the airplane crossed the Chungchun River, Mother reflected on the past. "Oh, that is the Chungchun River, where General Euljimundeok fought the Battle of Salsu."⁷ She even spoke about the wise tactics used to win the battle.

Finally, our party reached Pyongyang, which we had heard so much about. Father's older sister and relatives were waiting for us. Upon seeing his sisters at the airport, Father introduced Mother to them as "my wife." Father's older brother's wife also came on that occasion.

A condition to undo communism

Something happened on December 3, 1991. After the days' activities, I was sleeping in my room. I could not lock the door from the inside and was scared to be sleeping all alone. The hallway was as bright as day. I was sleeping when I suddenly heard the door open. I woke up frightened. Mother came in

⁷ In 612, 2 million Chinese troops crossed the Chungchun River to take over the Goguryeo Kingdom (37 BC–AD 668) which Koreans consider a predecessor to modern-day Korea. After suffering an enormous number of casualties, the Chinese retreated.

and said softly in my ear, "Quietly tell everyone to put on their suits and gather in our room by 3:00 AM." I conveyed the message without understanding the message itself. At 2:00 AM, I treaded carefully down the hall, entered Peter Kim's room and conveyed Mother's message. He conveyed the message to the others. Everyone had come by 3:00 AM. This was how we held a special prayer service.

Meeting Kim Il-sung

On December 5, we went to the Hamhung Visitors's Center to meet the North Korean president. Father had lived in Hamhung before he had to go to Hungnam. We arrived at the visitors' center just as it started to grow dark and then unpacked. The next day, we left for President Kim's residence to meet him. The residence was square and built with white stones. President Kim stood waiting for True Parents. At that moment, I thought of a speech contest during my school days where the speaker yelled, "Let's overthrow that Red Monster, Kim Il-sung!"

As soon as they met, the two embraced. They greeted each other and after having a photograph taken, they headed toward the dining room.

The table was absolutely splendid. Food came one course at a time. We ate twenty-one meals over seven days, but never was the same dish served more than once. Different food was served at each meal. Even the rice came in various types. No repetition occurred in the type of rice in the twenty-one meals we ate. I asked Father how there could be so many different types of rice. He said that in North Korea they have more than two hundred types. I remembered him saying that according to the royal palace records, there are about 332 different types. Different rice cakes came with each meal; I will never forget the taste of a pumpkin-flavored rice cake that was like pound cake.

The atmosphere when dining with Kim Il-sung was very harmonious. President Kim expressed his sincere respect for Father and treated him well. President Kim invited Father to go hunting with him in May on Myohyang Peak, and Father invited the North Korean president to go fishing with him in Alaska. President Kim said, "I ordered sesame noodles made from frozen potatoes especially for President Moon and his wife." They had a toast with blueberry wine that tasted like juice. The small glasses that were used for the toast could be used to avoid death penalties if shown.⁸ Father and Kim Il-sung naturally both ended up signing the menu. Father signed one for Kim Il-sung, and President Kim signed one for Father. Both then signed together for the entourage. President Kim signed the face of a menu, and Father signed the blank side on the back.

Even then, Mother was dignified. It felt as if women in North Korea are entities that remain at home and do not present themselves for such events. A wife cannot walk alongside her husband. She must always walk a few steps behind him. The guide pushed Mother, and would always maintain his spot next to Father, but Father always held Mother's hand wherever they went. Father's consideration of Mother was quite something.

⁸ Perhaps, the cups were identifiable as belonging to Kim Il-sung



True Parents enjoying some time with their children

Before Mother left for North Korea, she did some shopping in Seoul and bought thick coats for North Korean officials and Father's relatives. She was very glad when she met his relatives. She was saddened at seeing their difficult lives and treated them warmly. Upon meeting a niece who was of marriageable age, she asked her, "Are you planning to get married?" Mother was very considerate. Father did not express himself; yet, when facing the pained hearts of his relatives, he comforted them considerably and cared for them.

The South American providence

In December 1994, summertime in South America, fishing was prohibited in the Jardim area. We were visiting for the first time, and we could not fish. We saw rustic countryside. Plains, dotted with many anthills, stretched as far as the eye could see. At times, the heat made breathing difficult. That first year, members had not yet prepared a fixed place for True Parents to stay; therefore, we rented a house to live in. Despite the prohibition on fishing, we were permitted to fish in the river under a police escort. The policemen always got into the water and floated on their backs. They watched us fishing, flat on the water with their bellies showing. It was too hot to even breathe, but once we got into the water, we were comfortable enough to fish. Even to eat, True Parents would get into water up to their necks and hold on to the boat.

In Jardim there is a Golden River and a Silver River. Father fished where those two rivers meet. When we first went out to fish, we rode in a boat and looked around. We were doing a lap around the water, when a nice dorado⁹ jumped into the boat. Father seemed to have judged this as having providential significance. I witnessed him thinking very deeply and praying. The region was nearly impenetrable. As we moved ahead with the boat, trees would cross our path and we had to duck down. We barely passed through the dense foliage.

The coarseness of the environment is difficult to express in words. True Parents always ate outside. Some trees had fallen into the water because of erosion, making it difficult

⁹ A large freshwater fish



True Mother, accompanied by her oldest son, Hyo-jin nim (1961–2008) on a speaking tour in 2006

to fish. So, the people present were counted, and each man paired with a woman to make twenty teams of two. Father and Mother were one team. Each team had a shovel and a scythe and was assigned to clear a fishing area along the riverbank (designated one through twenty). If you go to where the Golden River meets the Silver River, you will find a pavilion; True Father built the steps leading up to the pavilion himself.

The place was crawling with bugs, people were sweating and it was so bad you could hardly breathe. Before the bridge was built, workshop participants had to stand equidistant from one another and remain in place holding an oil-fueled torch; the transportation of goods involved moving from torch-point to torch-point. True Parents also had to follow the line of torches.

At the time, it was an overgrown forest. Whenever it rained, the place would become muddy making it more difficult. Red mud would smear even True Parents' luggage. Several wooden benches were fashioned and placed on the front lawn; True Father would go there at night and speak. There was no concentration of lights, so the stars appeared much closer. The Southern Cross constellation was always above us. Each night Father's clothes became wet with dew while he spoke. There were many mosquitoes and horsefly-type bugs, and True Parents suffered from being bitten here and there. We were pioneering the foundation stage. There were cases of ants hatching eggs on people's heads. Here was where the New Hope Farm Declaration and the Declaration of Absolute Faith, Absolute Love and Absolute Obedience took place.

Exploring the Pantanal

We arrived at a hotel in Caiearas, Brazil, on September 20, 1997, to explore the Pantanal. Though called a hotel, it was

more like a cheap motel by Korean standards. This was the last day to prepare for the historic expedition down the Pantanal River, which was supposed to start the next day. Mother was the actual person in charge of preparations. Things Father would be using—food, household medicines—were all prepared by Mother. I am not usually very good at organizing things, even if I write down the necessary arrangements. Yet Mother automatically prepares almost everything. She always worked systematically to make things neat and structured. After preparing everything, we boarded a boat to start the historic expedition.

The space on the boat was extremely tight. True Parents had to bathe in a confined space with river water. We heard the water was purified, yet when we saw the state of the boat, we realized that perfect purification was impossible. We could not even think of hot water. It would get so cold that showers had to be taken during the day. Mother would herself organize the room Father would sleep in to make it just a bit more comfortable. Mother thought about everything, including where Father would sit to study and how he would use the bathroom, and prepared everything so that he could have a comfortable living environment. We set off in the boat early the next morning while doing hoondokhae on deck. Each day, we did hoondokhae for about twelve hours amidst attacks from mosquitoes and horseflies; the atmosphere was such that we could not even shoo away the mosquitoes that were biting the back of our hands.

From September 21, we took off on our Paraguay River expedition starting from far upstream on the river, in Cáceres. We drove in stakes every fifty kilometers, but that area was all very dense. Father and Mother would themselves descend

from the boat to drive in stakes despite bites from hoards of insects. He would shout, "This is my land," while driving in stakes. After taking a picture and cheering mansei three times, they would reboard.

True Parents severely suffered from insects that looked like ants with wings. The entire boat was covered with wings that fell off these bugs; even opening doors was difficult as a result. Despite living like that for a week, Mother was unchanging in being the epitome of dedication, always trying to make Father happy and comfortable.

One day, after Mother took a bath with cold water, she came out saying, "Members think I gave birth to thirteen children when in fact I gave birth to fourteen. I risked my life to give birth to so many children for the sake of the Unification Church members. Between Kook-jin and Kwon-jin is a five-year gap. I had three or four miscarriages during that time. That was between 1971 and 1975. When Father had just arrived in the United States and was having severe difficulty, Hyo-jin was twelve years old. Hyo-jin noticed people were taking aim at Father. He would ask, 'Mom, do you want me to teach them a lesson?' Father's safety was in such a critical state. I was so anxious attending Father here and there that I ended up miscarrying several times."

The result of this is that after showering in cold water, she is unable to move for about five minutes. But there was no hot water on the boat and she had no choice but to take cold showers. Mother took cold medicine every day without saying a word the whole time.

Four-city tour of Japan, 1991

Out of all the providential work that True Parents have been involved in, the world speaking tours and lecture tours were by far their greatest accomplishments. That history reflects True Parents investment, which contributed to the development of the providence. Before 1990, Father mostly gave the speeches and Mother accompanied him. Father would usually give lec-

tures to leaders in the nation in the evening and speak with the general membership at a nighttime assembly.

Mother did speak in the 1980s, but started in earnest in May 1992 with a speech titled "Women's Role in the Ideal World." This began ten years of speaking that would take her to more than a hundred countries, where she would deliver more than six hundred speeches. Mother gave talks in college auditoriums, parliaments and the UN. She spoke in small venues and in large places that could seat more than 50,000 people, like Tokyo Dome and Seoul's Jamsil Stadium. 1993 was the year she gave the greatest number of speeches, 153.

Not only did Mother have a wondrous aura that world leaders could not imitate but her natural voice and beauty charmed many leaders and left a deep impression on them. Also, though Mother felt nervous before giving a speech, she had made thorough preparations by offering conditions.

After a long journey in which she gave more than 150 speeches in a year, her voice grew hoarse and her vision worsened from the bright lights. Despite all these things, Mother did not mind any physical sacrifices. My head bows when thinking of Mother's self-denial.

Father suddenly decided that Mother should give a four-city speaking tour in Japan. He gave her no more than a week to prepare. Father was in Alaska at the time. This was the starting point for Mother's world speaking tour course. The speeches were scheduled to take place in city stadiums in Tokyo, Gifu, Fukuoka and Sapporo. This being her first tour, Mother made extensive preparations. On September 14, 1991, after receiving much love from Father, Mother left with Hyo-jin from Alaska for Japan. After arriving at the church headquarters in Tokyo and being welcomed by the members, she appeared to have mixed feelings, perhaps because she had been thinking about how Father was not permitted a visa by Japan. Mother nevertheless conveyed Father's love to the members with a warm smile. She then entered the bedroom, sat on the bed and quietly prayed and cried without anyone knowing. When I





saw her in that state, I felt as if my world were crashing down because I realized how much pain we have inflicted on Father's heart through our disloyalty in not fulfilling our responsibilities. A bit later, Mother talked to Father over the phone and said in a voice overflowing with love, "Father, I've arrived in Japan and have talked to the members. It would be nice if you were here, too.... You have to dress warmly when going out to sea. Father, I love you." She then hung up the phone.

At the time of Mother's first speaking tour, few of us had even heard about telephone relays or satellite relays. Father anxiously waited for the speech to start. On her first speaking tour, Mother gave the speech in Korean and Dr. Pak Bo-hi interpreted what she said. Finally, when it was time for Mother to make her entrance, Father called Mr. Kamiyama's cellular phone from Alaska. I think he put the phone next to a speaker. After Mr. Kamiyama asked if Father could hear Mother's voice clearly, Father expressed great joy and listened to the entire speech (about an hour in length at the time). Since then telephone feeds began. These have been followed by satellite relay today.¹⁰ After leaving the stage on that day, Mother was so happy when she heard that Father had listened to her speech from beginning to end.

After a speech ended, Mother would return to the headquarters and listen to the leaders give their impressions. She would then make perceptive remarks about the inadequacies she had observed while generously complimenting and encouraging the leaders for what they had done well on the lecture tour. Members were able to feel Mother's thoughtfulness and deep love at close quarters and became more strongly determined to work hard from then on. Here again I felt how Mother was one in mind and body with Father. Mother, who always used to support Father quietly from the back, was now

¹⁰ Of course, nowadays this is all done less expensively over the internet.

declaring great truths in front of an audience of 50,000, and she had them under her control.

Tours of colleges and countries

The second speaking tour of eight cities in Japan was suddenly decided in Alaska in 1992, but this time Mother would have to deliver the speeches in Japanese. Mother did not often use Japanese and was not fluent in it, yet she had to give a speech in Japanese in big stadiums such as Tokyo Dome. You can imagine how difficult Mother's preparation for the speech had to be.

After that tour ended, she started a speaking tour that would take her to forty colleges in Korea. The Korean colleges were buzzing and the atmosphere was extremely tense. While attending Mother on her speaking tour, I witnessed particularly severe incidents on the Korea University and Youngnam University campuses. The atmosphere was so tense that anything could happen at any time or place.

At Youngnam University, college students began pushing and shoving our CARP students outside the hall where Mother was giving her speech. She spoke for about twenty minutes before students almost pushed their way in, causing disorder in the auditorium. Nothing more could be done, so Kim Bong-tae¹¹ escorted Mother off the stage. I will never forget Mother telling us to read at home the part of the speech that she could not complete because of the debacle. Mother was adamant about finishing her speech on that day; however, though reluctant, she had no other choice in the end because the situation escalated.

When telling Father about the incident over the phone, she took the position of reassuring him. She worried that leaders might have reported the situation to Father in a way that

¹¹ He is a Korean church elder that has often had missions of an academic nature.

would have worried him; with that in mind, Mother exercised care in explaining the situation to Father. In addition, she always considered it a blessing that it was she and not Father that had to face the situation.

In 1992, she did an eight-city speaking tour in the United States and another in Europe. In the spring of 1993, Mother carried out a thirty-two-city speaking tour on the foundation of a twelve-city speaking tour Father had done in the United States; these were followed by a speech in the United States Capitol on September 7.

The speech was normally prepared as follows. Father would write a draft of the speech manuscript and Mother would touch it up. If the manuscript were in English, the children would help translate it. Mother studied the speech, read and reread it until she felt confident.

Mother once gave a speech in La Paz, the capital of Bolivia, located at an altitude of four thousand meters above sea level. We kept an oxygen tank next to the stage just in case. After the speech was over, Mother thought about the members that had travelled from far away to attend her speech and continued speaking at the victory celebration afterward despite her difficult physical state.

Something interesting occurred during a speaking tour of Europe. Mother, who was suffering from a sore throat, started coughing while giving her speech, and an erstwhile head of state came up and passed her a throat lozenge. She thanked him with a smile, put the candy in her mouth and continued speaking. Everyone feels the urge to cooperate with Mother in those circumstances. Anyone would want to help Mother, an Asian woman giving a speech in English. They were not hostile in the least toward Mother. Everyone's heart softens when meeting mother. People melt in love when they encounter her.

Speaking in communist nations

When she first went to communist countries, she suffered internally. Think of her great responsibility over having to save so many tormented spirits. If she had been traveling with Father, it would have been somewhat diminished, but she had to take full responsibility all alone when entering the communist countries. I believe that for Mother the spiritual and physical trials she faced during this tour were indescribable.

We had an interesting experience in Croatia while the region was in the grip of war. Upon entering the hotel room,

Mother could sense the presence of spirits that had died miserable deaths and were there seeking salvation. I will never forget the prayer vigil Mother, a female Japanese member that was traveling with us and I had that night.

Meanwhile, our young members that were suffering and yearning for love under communist rule had come to know of God's will. Joy filled them for their being able to attend Mother in reality. They forgot to sleep in their elation as they attended Mother with all their hearts. I often recollect, even now, the young members' pure, beautiful faces. Mother wanted to give even more to those young members, bring them to a good environment and raise them to become great leaders.

Each time she went to Africa, she had to take malaria preventive pills. Once however, Mother got a prescription with incorrect instructions; the pill should be taken once a week, but the prescription instructed her to take one pill a day. Mother did so for three days and had severe aftereffects. She suffered as if she had contracted malaria. She endured indescribable pain but did not receive treatment; instead, she would travel to a different country every day spreading the word.

A Cheon Il Guk teacher

Just as other women do, Mother suffered from involuntal melancholia, but had to persevere and overcome it all alone. Mother always had to think of Father before her own pain and had to work on resolving her children's issues. No matter how difficult it was or how much pain she was going through, she always had a big, beautiful smile for Father as though nothing were wrong. Even when she cried irrepressibly, she would always treat the children and grandchildren with tender love.

Mother did the best she could to maintain Father's health, staying at his side twenty-four hours a day. Even when she saw the difficulties her children were going through, in the face of God's will and Father's expectations, she could not be by their side. Observing the difficult path Mother has followed, putting everything behind her and staying by Father's side, I felt immense gratitude to her. We are here today and can become the owners of this era as we usher in Cheon Il Guk because of Mother. I would like to offer my deepest congratulations to the most beautiful Mother, who just had her sixtieth birthday.

I am confident that I was able to grow spiritually and physically by attending True Parents for twenty-one years at East Garden and through hoondokhae. True Parents passed down the hoondokhae tradition long ago. After I began working at East Garden, I have read hoondokhae in front of Father starting from 4:00 or 5:00 AM every morning for a few hours since 1983, but of course there must have been others doing that from before then. Speeches started to be recorded from 1986. True Parents kept up this daily practice of hoondokhae without fail, though it was not until 1997 that Father officially established the hoondokhae tradition. Intoxication in the word has been central to True Parents' lives.

I am truly grateful that my son and daughter were able to grow up well under True Parents' love. Having been raised Catholic, I was always saddened over not being able to carry the cross instead of Jesus, and I was determined to attend Jesus absolutely if he were to return. Hence, I am deeply appreciative and feel it an honor to have been able to attend True Parents, who have come to us in this era. I am infinitely grateful that my loving husband Michael and I have had the opportunity to attend True Parents' family so closely. I repent for not being able to attend True Parents better and I am determined to do my best to serve True Parents' family for as long as I can. **TW**



Jeong Won-ju reading hoondokhae in front of True Parents, something she did for a few hours every morning.

A Means to Elevate Young Unificationists

*An interview with Kim Man-ho, Ph.D.
He is the secretary-general of the Wonmo Pyeongae Foundation.*



TW: According to our calculations, around 220 non-Korean, non-Japanese members received a scholarship from the Wonmo Pyeongae Foundation. How widely dispersed was this? What countries did these people come from?

Secretary General Kim: This is actually our first scholarship project. The scholarships were presented to students on Foundation Day. Being the very first project, it had more of a focus on Japan and Korea. For the other regions, since they did not have sufficient time to prepare and for us to assess them thoroughly, we gave the scholarships through the continental headquarters and asked them to distribute the different scholarships, conditionally. From what we have assessed so far from the continental headquarters' reports, we have awarded scholarships to 72 students in seven regions. For Africa, because the amount available for the scholarships rose, we were able to help more students there. We gave scholarships worth about ₩120,000,000.¹ Nineteen went to South America, four to the Middle East, six to Oceania...We gave a total for seventy-two plus Africa.

So about 150 went to African students?

Yes, the total was 430.²

I've seen material translated from your web site that said scholarship recipients needed to study in Korea. Is that still correct?

I think that was misinformation. Most of the scholarships went to students in Japan and Korea and the others were administered through the continental headquarters, so we have not yet formulated standard qualifications.

As I mentioned earlier, in 2013, we did not have much time to prepare but now we have some time to prepare for 2014. We are still discussing the scale of the scholarship and other details. True Mother did instruct us to focus more on the forty-three strategic and providential nations. We are planning to meet the continental directors when they come for the anniversary of Father's ascension and discuss with them the scale to which we should support different countries.

At the moment, the Wonmo Pyeongae Foundation lacks the human resources necessary to assess the qualifications or to determine the qualifications for the upcoming year's scholarships. For now, we are planning to provide only the basic qualifications to the continental headquarters and pass the authority to formulate qualifications in detail to them. The con-

¹ \$108,150.00

² This includes those to Korean and Japanese students.

tinental headquarters will then be in charge of assessing the students to see who should receive a scholarship.

We know that forty-one students receive scholarships to attend Universal Peace Academy. Are foreign scholarship recipients studying at any other institutions in Korea?

No, not at the moment. From next year, Mother would like students to come to Sun Moon University to learn Korean. We are planning a separate project for that. I would like to speak more about that afterward.

Could you say a few words about those foreign members that would like to donate to the Wonmo Pyeongae Foundation?

Canadians and Americans have already asked about this. We do have a bank account through which we receive donations but we have not yet begun receiving donations from foreign countries. We are considering two approaches at this time. One is to have the continental headquarters collect donations from each continent and then remit the funds to our account here, or to do it directly to the Wonmo Pyeongae bank account.

Those who donate would likely want to know if it is tax deductible.

It is fully possible because it is a legally recognized foundation. In Korea we are promoting the foundation and soliciting donations from people. True Mother told me to tour our churches in Korea and promote the projects the foundation is carrying out. The members are responding to my presentations.

More than receiving donations, what is most important is that members can get an understanding of what True Mother is doing. She is trying to foster talented young people within our church. They are grateful for her efforts whenever they hear me talk about it and they recognize that Mother is trying



A Report on Research into the Establishment and Operation of the Moon Sun Myung Global Prize is the result of a study Father ordered done on peace prizes.

to do this. Being deeply grateful for her efforts, they can see the vision again. I think that is even more important than just receiving donations.

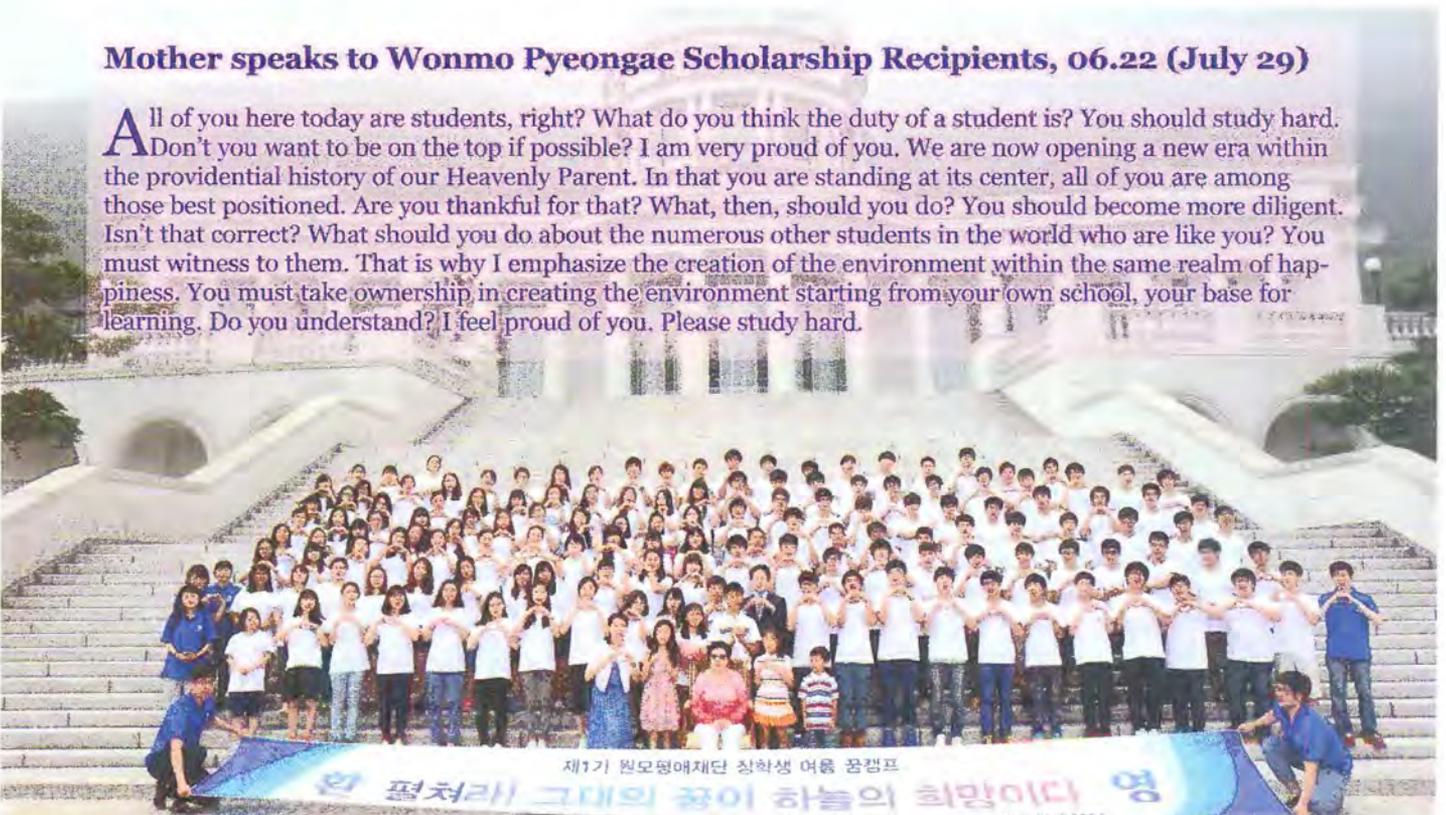
I believe that True Mother's leadership has always been motherly. If asked what Mother's mission is, I believe that True Mother's mission is to love and be dedicated to children and foster and educate them. That could summarize Mother's mission. I heard that before Father ascended to heaven he spoke a lot about the Wonmo Pyeongae Foundation. He often said this is a foundation for Mother; Mother can work through this foundation. He didn't give any details but he mentioned that several times before he passed away.

Please tell us about the Sunhak Peace Award.

This dissertation (see photograph above) came out of a research center that Father set up on peace awards, because

Mother speaks to Wonmo Pyeongae Scholarship Recipients, 06.22 (July 29)

All of you here today are students, right? What do you think the duty of a student is? You should study hard. Don't you want to be on the top if possible? I am very proud of you. We are now opening a new era within the providential history of our Heavenly Parent. In that you are standing at its center, all of you are among those best positioned. Are you thankful for that? What, then, should you do? You should become more diligent. Isn't that correct? What should you do about the numerous other students in the world who are like you? You must witness to them. That is why I emphasize the creation of the environment within the same realm of happiness. You must take ownership in creating the environment starting from your own school, your base for learning. Do you understand? I feel proud of you. Please study hard.



he wanted to create one. It was not a new thing after Father's ascension. When he ascended, it became the natural course to make a prize of this kind. Mother named it Sunhak, with "sun" coming from Father's name and "hak" coming from her name. That is the tentative name Mother has created for it. We all know of Father and Mother as the True Parents; maybe that's why they set up Sunhak. We have done research on peace prizes around the world. We have also participated in different prize award ceremonies and have investigated the Samsung prize.³ We partake in the award presentation ceremonies and try to benchmark their methods, standards and qualifications for the awards.

When we researched the different awards given in other counties and in Korea, we looked at how the candidates were chosen, how transparent the process was and particularly at the selection and judging committees. We are pursuing this project. We have a big network with the peace ambassadors that are trying to attract good candidates for the prizes, which will be available to nominees globally. We are trying to attract people of at least the prime minister level. It's a big concern for us because those are the level of candidate we need to target.

Some people say that giving this award might be easier for us to organize and do compared to, say, the Seoul Peace Prize was for their organizing committee, because we have a broader network of VIPs through our peace ambassadors. I think it might turn out to be easier than we now expect.

We are now planning to prepare for three years, to be able to give the award, for the first time, on True Parents' third birthday after Father's ascension. We have done many press conferences and the main questions asked were about the scholarship project and the Sunhak Peace Prize. The public is already aware of it.

Lee Cheol-seung is involved with the Seoul Peace Prize isn't he?⁴

Yes. I've been there three times.

³ This might refer to Samsung's Ho-am Prize, named after Samsung's founder, the father of the current chairman.

⁴ See page 20 for Lee Cheol-seung's eulogy to Father at the seonghwa commemoration ceremony.

I guess you are still working on the criteria.

Yes. We are still working on it and receiving different suggestions from different experts. This dissertation has most of the basic content needed on how to promote the Sunhak Peace Prize, and the qualifications it should be based on. The dissertation resulted from a year's worth of research done by seven professors. They were given a separate research center for this project.

Finally, we would like to ask about the mentoring project. I believe you've finished the vacation-period mentoring this year.

Yes. When we first initiated the mentoring project, twenty-four second-generation members volunteered to help with the project. We first did a breakfast fast for 120 days. Once that was done, we started receiving applications from those that wanted to receive mentoring. The Wonmo Pyeongae Foundation directly assessed them and selected forty-nine students to be mentored. Ninety percent of the mentors that volunteered were from multicultural⁵ families. Among the students, if we subtract the third-generation member students, most of the students were from multicultural families. We need to take into consideration that many of these second-generation students from multicultural families face financial and cultural difficulties. Since many of these children have difficulty going to after-school academies, the focus of the mentoring project was to help them learn how to study by themselves, to become self-sufficient.

They had a mentoring session for eight days, in which they gave intense mentoring in English, math and all other major subjects to the students for twelve hours a day. The goal was to help the students learn how to study by themselves. They tried to motivate the students so that they could better adjust to school when they return to school and study on their own. Having put them through eight days of mentoring, they will continuously monitor the children for the coming year. The same mentors will monitor the students they were in charge of. The mentors are expected to teach the students for two hours a week by video.

⁵ This is a term the Korean church uses for people whose parents are of different nationalities, with (usually) one of them being Korean.



"Your Dream is the Hope of Heaven," a dream camp workshop for scholarship recipients. Seated next to Secretary-General Kim is Dr. Kim Min-ha, the (white-haired) chairman of the Wonmo Pyeongae board of directors.



Sun Moon University hosted eight days of mentoring for members of our younger generations; each day, study sessions lasted twelve hours. Both the study habits and spiritual health of the students reportedly improved.

Did the camp bring everyone together?

Yes. The mentoring project itself was great and successful. What I was most grateful for was that many of the students testified to this being the best experience that they had ever had and the first time they had received so much love. I think that the mentors loved their students as if they were their actual brothers or sisters.

One mentor took care of three students. The mentors took care of the children, taught them, ate with them and slept in the same room with them for eight full days, at Sun Moon University.

One common occurrence they had was that they all became more aware that they shared the same lineage under True Parents and that we are all in one family. In addition, because most of the mentors and students came from multi-cultural families, they shared many of the same experiences and struggles in their lives of faith, such as feeling isolated in school. They naturally felt sympathy for one another and could harmonize.

Is that the reason you chose mentors whose parents were of different nationalities?

That's not the reason. The main reason that could happen is that most of the university students now are 6,500 couples, most of whom are in multicultural families.

We are planning on expanding the mentoring project. At the moment, we are planning to open three study centers, so that we can mentor more students in Seoul.

And this mentoring would also take place during the vacation period?

No, the facilities could be used even during the school year. They would be like the *hagwons*,⁶ study institutes where students go every day and instructors help the students with your studies.

Of course, our focus was to help students learn how to study, but we have also seen great success in the students' lives

⁶ A *hagwon* is the Korean term for an "after-school academy" like those mentioned earlier.

of faith. They could unite and the mentors could guide them well. Presently in Korea many of the scholarship foundations do not just give money through scholarships; they continue the relationship with the recipients through mentoring programs. The Samsung scholarship foundation has around 25,000 students that they are mentoring and monitoring.

Your means of operation often seems to include checking what the professionals in society have done.

Right now, we are trying to benchmark existing programs and trying to implement this in our church also. I went to the Samsung scholarship foundation and I listened for four hours to explanations of their projects and the work they do.

Was the Samsung scholarship foundation aware that you were setting up a foundation as well?

Yes. They knew.

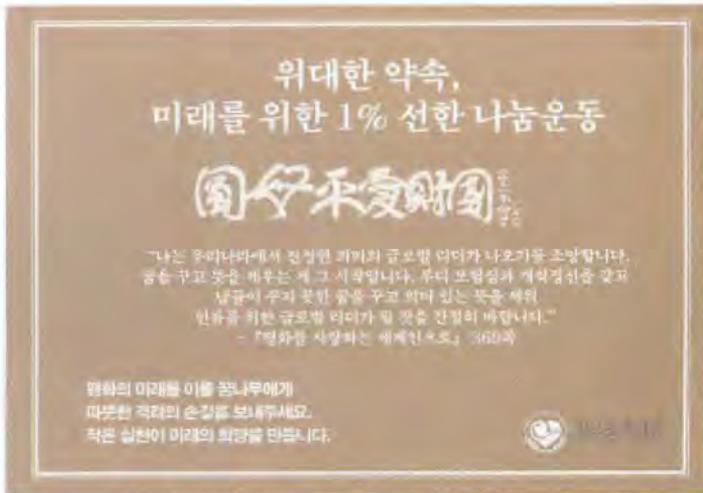
Would you like to add anything?

As you know, True Mother is emphasizing fostering Cheon Il Guk leaders who can take the lead. She recently conducted the True Grandchildren's workshop in Hawaii. During that workshop, she mentioned that second-generation members from around the world should come to Korea, come to Sun Moon University to learn Korean. Her hope through that was to allow many members of the second generation to experience the tradition of filial piety and the culture of heart, and based on that, to raise their character and professionalism.

Presently around thirty students in the United States are preparing their visas to come to Sun Moon University to learn Korean. They are planning, by next year, to have around four hundred to six hundred come to Sun Moon University from many countries. That does not mean only second-generation Unificationists but also young members in our church.

The student recipients coming to study in Sun Moon University would have to take care of their own allowance or dorm fee but Wonmo Pyeongae Foundation would provide their full school fees, starting from the Korean language institute all the way to graduate school if they desire to go.

We are going to start this project next year and we are



An appeal for 1 percent tithing that ends, "Please lend your warm supporting hand to our young dreamers who will realize a peaceful future. A little sharing creates hope for the future."

anticipating about ₩4 billion⁷ in expenditures toward this college project. This is only the beginning. Next year is the starting year, but we expect expenditures to increase to ₩14 billion⁸ because after the first year, you have the second- and third-year students coming in, increasing the number of students involved in the program while the first-year students continue to move ahead with their studies, perhaps all the way to graduate school. So, the first year will only require ₩4 billion, but as we go on it will increase probably to ₩14 billion.

Of course, this project to learn Korean at Sun Moon University would be useful and beneficial to Sun Moon University, but I also think it would be a good opportunity for many young members around the world to learn Korean and have new experiences while deepening their lives of faith. We are also planning a project to support Korean and Japanese students' desire to study abroad.

For the time being, at least, is their continental headquarters the best means by which TW readers can

7 \$360,000
8 \$12,520,000

find information related to donating to your foundation or applying for scholarships?

Yes. We are planning to send through official memos any information they need through the FFWPU International Headquarters to the continental headquarters for those who wish to receive information. They should have all the information you need. We are planning to employ a team that can take care of all these matters.

This year, we had the True Grandchildren's workshop in Hawaii. We are planning a second one for next year. We will select one person from each region to participate. It will be held for two weeks. This is still under discussion but we will send an official memo within this year. I think this information will be of great interest and importance to members of the second generation.

Just as Mother wants to include them in the Hawaii workshop, your programs show that Mother's heart toward young Unificationists and those in our second generation is the same as toward her own grandchildren.

True Mother is like the team leader, because she said she would directly conduct the workshop and be present throughout the workshop. We are not just sending the children there, but True Mother will be there personally, teaching and guiding them.

I hope that everything works out well with the projects. We need finances, of course, to carry these out. When Father first wrote the calligraphic message for the Wonmo Pyeongae Foundation, he said we had to raise around \$300 million for the projects. Yet, that is so large an amount that Mother reduced the goal to \$100 million. We are trying to sell the helicopter. It is on sale in the United States. We are using all different types of efforts. We also have ₩50 billion⁹ in donations from Father's Seonghwa Ceremony. It is our hope that all members can participate in this project. Even donating 1 percent would help, but it is not about money. What matters most is the spirit to help each other. A good atmosphere is being created wherein second-generation members who have already graduated from university and have jobs are willing to donate to Wonmo Pyeongae Foundation to help the projects. **TW**

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True Parents in Canada

By Franco Famularo

Canada has been particularly blessed as True Parents have visited Canada eighteen times. True Father visited on his own and blessed a Holy Ground in Ottawa in 1965 at the time of his first world tour. He stayed for two days. True Parents came together to Canada nine times—three times in the 1970s, twice in the 1980s, three times in the 1990s and once in 2005. True Mother visited on her own when she spoke in Canada as part of her worldwide speaking tours. She spoke in Ottawa in 1993; in Toronto in 1996, 1998, 1999, 2000 and 2006; Montreal in 1996 and Vancouver in 2006.

During their two visits in 1991, True Father gave guidance concerning our farming operations. He spoke to members each morning and evening. He oversaw and led the Canadian church through significant structural changes including an election of leadership for the Canadian church.

Father spent considerable time fishing on Lake Ontario, while True Mother visited several cities in Canada including Toronto, Montreal, Ottawa and the Thousand Islands District on Lake Ontario, bordering New York State.

I was privileged to go fishing with True Father for several days. On June 7, 1991, True Father, Peter Kim, Mike McDevitt, Robert Duffy, Mike Templeman and I were on the boat. The following is based on what I wrote at that time:

We were on the boat from 6:00 AM until sunset, and although Father was generally focused on fishing (his hand was constantly on the rod in case a fish struck), he spent much of the time meditating and praying. Since the peak of salmon season was a few weeks away, we caught only three salmon and a couple of trout. When a salmon struck Father got very excited, and it appeared as though it were his first time fishing. Throughout the day, he also shared with those of us on the boat many of his thoughts about God, the sacrificial way of life, the need to create a

personal foundation in our life of faith, and his plans for the future.

At one point, he spoke for up to five hours in English with Robert Duffy, Mike Templeman and me, covering a wide range of topics. He explained how he foresaw that more would change in the world during this decade [the 1990s], than had changed since World War II. He also spoke extensively about establishing fish farms and using fishing expeditions as a means to share the message of Unificationism with others. He said that once the guests were on the boat, we could create a very godly atmosphere that our guests would never forget.

Not only did Father share his thoughts with us, but even his food. My wife Chizuru was responsible for preparing the meals for True Parents during their time in Canada. Prior to departing in the early morning for the lake, she gave me True Father's lunch and emphasized that it had been especially prepared for him. When it came time for lunch, I brought True Father his lunch, unwrapped it and served him.

True Father insisted that I sit there with him. To my surprise, he encouraged me to eat from the same plate with him. In his heavily accented English he said, "Try this; it is good." We even drank from the same glass. The memory is indelibly etched in my mind.

It was a hot day, the sun was shining strongly and we were listening to Father speak to us in a very personal manner. At one point I wondered, "Here I am sitting with the Messiah, whom all religious people throughout history have been longing for. Is this a dream? Is this really happening?"

Yes it did happen, and I shall never forget how privileged I felt at that time. *TW*



Left: Robert Duffy and Franco Famularo with True Father on June 6, 1991; Right: John Bellavance, Franco Famularo, Robert Duffy, and Mike McDevitt with True Parents at Thousand Islands in Ontario, Canada, on June 19, 1991



A Testimony to Father at East Garden

By Mrs. Miho Panzer



Miho Panzer helps Father, in prison garb, with his shoes as he returns to incarceration after a twenty-four-hour visit with his family.

In 1976, I came to the United States as part of the Korean Folk Ballet to perform at the Washington Monument rally. Afterward, Father and Mother Moon came often to the Manhattan Center where we practiced. I had opportunities to serve True Parents a few times during those visits. Soon after, they asked me to come to East Garden.

The first day I was there, Father said to me, “Miho, use all of your five senses to see only goodness. If you see bad things, close your eyes. If you hear bad things, close your ears. Use your mouth to say only good things; then you can keep strong faith that will last a long time.”

The one who woke up earliest at East Garden was Father. He never went to his own room before midnight. Usually he was meeting with leaders until early in the morning, going to his room after one o’clock. He would take a bath after reading letters from all over the world or reading speeches in his room.

Mother often told me that if Aboji (Father) stops making sounds, I should inform her right away. She was worried that Father would fall asleep in the bathtub because of fatigue.

Because Father pushed himself so much, his body often became very tired. He let Mrs. Lee and I massage him. Because his body had gone beyond its limit, when we pressed into his muscles, they did not return to their natural shape soon. I could not touch him without shedding tears.

Sometimes I would hear words of prayer coming out of his mouth but realized he was sleeping. I heard these “sleeping prayers” frequently. No matter if he slept three hours a day, he used twenty-four hours a day for prayer. True Parents sacrificed time with their children to take care of others. They would always eat breakfast with church leaders, while the children finished their breakfast in the kitchen and left for school.

Mother also dedicated herself completely to love our church leaders. One day, when she was in late pregnancy, at a time when she might give birth at any minute, she prepared to go shopping with leaders from Europe. Since I could not stand it, I asked Mother, “Why don’t you stop going out?” But she replied, “You don’t have to worry about me,” and left to buy gifts for those visiting leaders before they returned to their countries.

Once, one of the True Children, Kook-jin nim, had a very bad day in school. When he got back home, to avoid worrying True Parents, he went straight to his room. True Mother worried about him and sent me to his room. Kook-jin nim had tears in his eyes, but he put a smile on his face and went downstairs and said, “Omma, I’m home.” All the True Children made these kinds of sacrifices because they knew that True Parents were working for God’s will.

In the early 1980s, True Father had to face accusations from the New York District Attorney. After a long court case, Father had to go to Danbury prison¹

¹ The Federal Correctional Institution—Danbury

on July 20, 1984. I remember that day as if it were today. So many church members came to East Garden. Father gathered all the older True Children and spoke to them about what was going to happen. The small children asked Father, "Where are you going?" He answered, "Don't worry. I'll be back soon. Study hard. Don't fight with each other."

Many members were in tears. Father and Mr. Kamiyama left in a car to go to prison. Father worked as a "servant of servants," mopping the floor, washing dishes, cleaning the toilet. Every day Father washed the dirty mops by hand. He willingly did all the work that was required of him but also did many extra things as a way of serving the other prisoners around him.

At East Garden, True Mother also did the hardest, most menial work she could find, so that she could share, as much as possible, the kind of experience that her husband was going through. She pulled weeds in the garden in the hot sun and cleaned the house with the Japanese sisters there.

Sometimes there were threats against Father. Many nights she could not sleep, worrying about True Father. Sometimes she asked me to stay at night in her room. She waited for a phone call from True Father each morning. She was in tears, hearing Father's voice.

Occasionally, Father was able to visit East Garden for twenty-four hours. He would go to his room immediately without speaking to anyone. He wanted to change out of his prison uniform, take a shower and shave, and put on regular clothes.

Then he came down to the living room, singing, with a big smile. He never wanted to show that he had been in prison that day. Then he met with leaders and with the True Children.

During these times, I went up to Father's bathroom. I would see the undershirt Father had been wearing. Many times the undershirt had a hole in it. The socks also had holes in them. When I saw these miserable clothes, I could not help crying. Mother said we should keep these for posterity.

One night, Mrs. Lee and I gave True Father a massage.



True Father with Miho Panzer and the Panzer's oldest son, Rimida

When I looked at Father's hands, I saw many scars on them and roughness from hard work at the prison; they were like the hands of a farmer. I was crying and my hands began to shake. True Father said, "Miho, don't worry." I realized that Father had been working hard, trying to serve the other prisoners.

During this time, even during the cold winter when the temperature dropped into the teens,¹ Father's oldest son Hyojin nim, the other True Children and all of us staff members did a prayer vigil every night outside at the Holy Rock, sometimes until 4 AM.

On August 20, 1985, Father could come back safely home. I realized that between East Garden and Danbury was a bridge of love that would never be broken.

Every day at East Garden was a treasure I can never forget. Even now, living in New Jersey, I do not feel far from True Parents, because I experienced so much love from them so many times. **TW**

¹ From 13° to 19°F; from -10.5° to -7.2°C

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