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THE MOTTO FOR 1987 THAT FATHER GAVE US IS "The Unification of the Fatherland." By the word "fatherland," he is by no means talking about an external nation like Korea, America, or any other existing nation. What Father is referring to is the ideal eternal nation that should have come about through the perfected Adam and Eve, through the multiplication of Adam's family and tribe centered on God's love. Because of the fall, we lack this ideal nation.

On January 2, at the international leaders' meeting, Father gave us instructions for 1987 [see p. 47], which center on the unification of the individual, the family, the clan, the tribe, the nation, and the cosmos. In Father's mind, a person must unify his or her own mind and body centering on God, then, centering on that individual, a unified family, clan, tribe, and ultimately the unified fatherland can come about.

Unification cannot be achieved by making any external arrangements or creating any external government, because the process of unification is the internal process of growth toward perfection. To believe that we can just simply enter a country is a misconception. When Father speaks about the unification of the fatherland, he is thinking of the basic element that makes up the fatherland—true love. Father's concept is that once that fatherland comes into being, it exists for eternity. Purely external efforts or results never remain for eternity.

We need to deeply reflect about Father's God's Day speech and the meaning of his instructions. First, we must focus on the internal concept of the original ideal of the fatherland. Secondly, we must focus on our own self as the subject of unification. We need to check whether we are practicing or living up to the ideals of unification as an individual and as part of our family, clan, tribe, nation, world, and cosmos. In other words, we have to evaluate our own level of love.

Although we have not accomplished personal victory on every stage, Father has laid the *foundation* for our victory on all levels. Therefore, as we are perfecting ourselves and our family, we are operating on the cosmic level at the same time. We should not think, "When I myself am perfect I will start perfecting my family, and when I have a perfect family I will start perfecting my clan." Restoration occurs on all levels at once. To look at it another way, a unified individual cannot ultimately survive without a unified family surround-

ing him, and a unified family cannot prosper without the protective environment of a unified tribe. Thus, in order for the the unified fatherland to prosper, the unification of the cosmos is necessary. Ultimately it doesn't matter what level we are focusing on. The main point is—we just have to share true love 365 days a year.

We should have the attitude to approach all people with love. We can elevate our own personality to a God-centered personality by creating unity and harmony with our brothers and sisters and with our neighbors, especially the ones in our 360-home territory, our home church. Whatever we do, we have to keep focused on the element of true love. This is our goal for 1987.

Recently I have reflected about the past 40 years of True Parents' sacrifice and hard work. Father's accomplishments have remained almost completely hidden from the world; very, very few people have recognized their importance all this time. But I feel as if a dispensational springtime has arrived. Father's activities, which cover every scope of human endeavor, are now becoming visible. A small green seedling is coming out for everyone to see, and soon the flower will blossom. This is definitely a sign of hope.

The long 40-year winter term, the serious period in which Father was carrying the responsibility all by himself with no recognition, is over. He carried on with patience, with true parental heart, and with tremendous effort, but now the time has come when we, the representatives of all mankind, can comfort him by taking responsibility.

As Father's projects become more and more visible, each individual Unification Church member will come more and more under the spotlight. Theologians, scholars, and other influential people, as well as the general public, are beginning to watch us very closely—some with curiosity, some with fear, some with hope. But in any case, they are scrutinizing our beliefs and our lifestyle. So there should be no hiding, no more reluctance. We *must* share with others; we have no choice any more.

Because of all the diverse fields our movement is becoming involved in, we are communicating with a wider and wider range of people. Thus, in a sense, we as Unification Church leaders and members are appearing in front of the world and

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FATHER'S MIDNIGHT PRAYER

GOD'S DAY 1987



Beloved Father,

The year 1986 has just passed. It is now the first day of January, 1987. Please allow us new happiness in this new year and allow all 365 days to bring You glory. Please remove all ordeals and tribulations over the months of January, February, March, April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November,

and December. Please guide us and allow all that You have planned to be fulfilled.

Father, You have been patient throughout the long and tedious course of history. We know that if the first human ancestors had not fallen and had fulfilled their responsibility, they would have realized a unified earthly heaven and a spiritual heaven centered on love. Heaven would have been realized in the realm of dominion over the result in the Principle and in the realm of direct dominion. At this moment we are reminded of the sorrowful heart of our Father, who has come through such a long, long, rugged course of bloody history, all because of one day's failure that caused our ancestors to lose the reciprocal standard. Even through the work of all our ancestors of every age, we have not been able to indemnify all the wrongs of the past that were brought about by the disbelief of the first human ancestors.

You erected Judaism for the purpose of indemnifying this failure. Then you erected Christianity and entrusted it with the way of indemnity in order to prepare for this age. But, not fully knowing Your will, the people neglected their responsibility and could not fully do their mission. Please, once again, we ask Your forgiveness.

We know well your circumstances, Father—how you looked for many individuals, families, clans, peoples, and nations around the world in order to entrust them with all the tasks that Judaism and Christianity could not fulfill. But today, children of filial piety are pledging their loyalty in truly attending You, Father. As we think about the seriousness of Your mission in resolving the history of resentment, we piously thank You, Father, who have let us raise the banner of unification.

As we stand before Your wonderful providential will, we thank You again, Father, for choosing the Korean people among the many peoples and nations, for erecting the Unification Church, and for installing the True Parents. Your will should have been realized on this planet under a victorious unified realm centering on the Christian culture, but since Christianity and the Christian nations did not fully accomplish their responsibility, Your foothold was lost. You sent Your children to the earth to walk the path again, to indemnify 4,000 years of history in 40 years. You watched them overcome the hill of death and always guided them in every way. Thinking again of Your effort, Father, and of Your great love in protecting the Unification people who have been faithfully doing their mission of pioneering, we truly cannot help but

give thanks before You.

How hard You have worked to open the path that was blocked by the unfinished indemnification of our individual, family, tribal, national, and global responsibilities! The power of Satan blocked this, mobilized the world, persecuted us, and struggled to drive us into the valley of death. Knowing this, we now again praise Your wonderful guidance and effort in patiently helping us overcome all our difficulties.

We cannot forget the year 1984, when a great liquidation of this debt, centering on Danbury, could be accomplished, allowing us to go beyond the age of national tribulation and the age of global tribulation. We who know this thank You for letting us raise the banner of victory in the fulfillment of the course of indemnity centering on the years 1985 and 1986. And we thank You for letting us create a foundation upon which American Christianity could welcome us and unite with the Unification Church in this historical moment of unity between Cain and Abel.

Now, in this place, please raise a new banner, Father. We eagerly hope that You will constantly remind us that the year 1987 is the time when we must spread Unificationism around the world and fully exert all the influence we have in every field. We know You are looking after all the world's Unification people who are longing to be here, especially the family members in Europe whose hearts are always focused on Korea, Japan, and America. Through Your heavenly grace You have allowed them to welcome in the year 1987 together with us here. We eagerly hope You will allow them to pledge to do their best and to go forward with a strong, brave, and fighting spirit.

We eagerly ask You to evenly distribute Your compassionate love and blessings to the whole world, and we are hoping to receive it in this new year.

Please allow us to pledge to do our absolute best for the unification of the fatherland, which is our slogan for this year. We know that in order to achieve such unification, we have to begin a love campaign, through offering sacrifices on an individual, family, tribal, national, and global level. Thus we eagerly want You to allow us to become Unification workers who can take responsibility for this and do more than just pledge it.

Now, at the start of this year, we will make a new beginning. We hope that the light of blessing and Your love and protection will forever be with us.

I pray all this, at the start of this new year, in the name of True Parents.

Amen, Amen, Amen.



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THE UNIFICATION OF THE FATHERLAND

*Before we talk about unification of the fatherland,
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Translator: Dr. Bo Hi Pak

THE SLOGAN FOR THE NEW YEAR OF 1987 IS WRITTEN IN four Chinese characters: *Cho Guk Tong Il*. *Cho Guk* means fatherland, and *Tong Il* means unification. So the slogan for 1987 is "The Unification of the Fatherland."

If there had been no fall, mankind would have been granted the Kingdom of Heaven—the unified fatherland on earth. This globe, the entire planet, was supposed to be that fatherland. The Kingdom of Heaven was to have been initiated by God and related forever to God. Men and women were to have created God-centered families and would have lived in the fullness of life on earth with God. Then when their time on earth was over, they would be elevated into the spirit world and dwell there for eternity. That world is called the Kingdom of Heaven in heaven.

However, because of the fall, that originally intended Kingdom of Heaven on earth did not become a reality. Therefore, no one has grown to the fullest degree in order to deserve the Kingdom of Heaven in heaven. The Kingdom of Heaven in heaven has been empty—without residents.

DIVISION AND STRUGGLE

The fall of man brought about separation on every level, separation between mind and body, between husband and wife, between parents and children. In the society, the nation, and the world we also see the consequences of the fall—division everywhere. The Heavenly Kingdom is composed only of united individuals. Only those individuals who have achieved true unity can dwell there. But men and women have been dwelling in isolation from each other, creating different cultures in the North, South, East, and West—their own man-centered cultures. Also, many different races have come into being—in the North, the white race; in the South, the black race; in the East, the yellow race.

The consequences of the fall were not only division on every level but also struggle—struggle in the family, the clan, the community, the nation, and the world. There has been a great deal of tragedy and war throughout history. In this manner, humanity has progressed to the 20th century. Races and cultures have sought to compete with each other and dominate each other. History, therefore, can be said to be a history of war.

But behind those many wars, there is an even greater struggle on a more subtle level. That is the struggle between the forces of good and the forces of evil. Many people are ignorant about this struggle, but whether they realize it or not, all people must eventually side with one camp—either the good camp or the evil camp. The people with good character will be drawn toward the camp of goodness, and those with bad character will be drawn into the camp of evil.

After the fall of man, human beings developed changeable characters. People could not always uphold their principles; sometimes they would join the camp of goodness, but then they might change their position and join the evil camp. However, God needs men and women of unchanging character. In order to build such unchanging character, God initiated religion. The good religions of the world are those that help create men and women of unchanging character, people capable of standing steadfastly upon their principles. Thus religion has been creating, in a way, soldiers for the side of goodness—heavenly forces—so that the good side can become bigger and bigger.

ONE COMMON GOAL

The world can be divided into four major religious spheres. In the Orient there are the Buddhist and the Hindu cultural spheres. There is also the Islamic cultural sphere as well as the Judeo-Christian cultural sphere. Although their paths have been different, all the major world religions have been moving toward a common purpose and goal. The ultimate dispensational will of God is to create the unification of one fatherland for all humanity.

In order to achieve that goal, there must be a movement that will unify all the good religions under their common cause. Once this sort of unity has been created and the ultimate unification of the fatherland of God has been completed, there shall be no further need for religion.

When history comes to its final chapter, the most important thing for humanity is to know clearly what is good and what is evil. This is very important knowledge. Goodness possesses unchanging character, just as God does. Therefore, goodness stays with God throughout eternity; it always remains on God's side. Evil has a changing quality; evil people change for their own selfish benefit. Even though we have the fallen character within us, we also have the original good character within us, lying dormant. For that reason, whenever God's truth and goodness come into contact with people, human nature is pulled like a magnet to such spirit and truth. That is the hope for mankind.

When good people are communicating with God, Satan hates to see that; therefore, Satan always tries to attack such people and turn them around. What is the most perfect base for satanic give and take within ourselves? What kind of character provides Satan the best base for his work? Selfish character.

A good man, on the other hand, sacrifices himself for the sake of others. Who are the saints in history? They are those people who sacrificed themselves the most for the greater goodness—for humanity and the world. Those are the people who make up the good forces of spirit world that prevail in the world today.

But ultimately we must ask, how can we make unification possible? There are only two ways to do it. One is to con-

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by those boundaries.*

quer and subjugate the body completely to the will of the mind, forcing the body to follow the mind absolutely. The other way is to charge the mind with tremendous, extraordinary power; when that happens the body automatically has no room for its own will. Therefore, religion does two things: It teaches people how to subjugate, even torment, the physical body, and it gives enormous spiritual strength to the mind so that the body just follows spontaneously.

PART OF THE HEAVENLY LINEAGE

Once a religious person, no matter how weak or feeble he might appear, receives spiritual inspiration or revelation, he becomes completely ignited and filled with power—the embodiment of new energy. This has been the way individuals practice religion, but what about the whole world? How can the world become united? What is the common base, the unifying point for all levels—the individual, family, clan, tribe, nation, and world?

We must realize or diagnose the manner in which Satan infiltrated us, how he came to dwell within mankind. We learn through the Principle that the human body became the recipient of satanic lineage; the bloodstream became the means of transferring Satan's inheritance. The very root was wrong; we received ingredients from the wrong root.

The fallen world is like a forest of wild olive trees. God's dispensational will is to provide one true olive tree—a pure, God-centered olive tree. All the wild trees must be cut and the new branches from the true olive tree must be engrafted onto the wild roots.

This is a dramatic and revolutionary process; for this reason, there are always repercussions. When you look at a bud or branch of the true olive tree, you cannot observe any external differences between it and the wild olive tree. They look the same. When your wild branches are being cut off, the entire world, especially your natural parents and family might say, "What's going on here? Why have they taken my child away from me?"

In the Bible, Jesus said, "Unless you drink my blood and eat my flesh, you will not become new men and women." This is what is happening today. You were born as a wild olive tree, but then you were cut and a branch of the true olive tree was grafted onto you. Then you became a new person. You are no longer a part of the satanic lineage but the heavenly lineage, and Satan has no condition to attack.

An amazing thing is that in most of the major religions of the world there has always been a teaching of the coming of the Ultimate One. There is that expectation in Christianity, in Islam, even in Buddhism and Hinduism. Therefore, the time will finally come when God will grant to the world that Ultimate One—the Messiah—with the pure lineage of God. Through the engrafting process everybody's citizenship will be transferred onto the side of the Kingdom of Heaven. Otherwise, there can be no ultimate unification.

Our slogan, "Unification of the Fatherland," is not a simple or external statement. It is a most profound statement. The fatherland cannot come into being unless there is first an individual unified between mind and body; then a unified family; then a unified clan, society, nation, and world. That is what gives substance to the fatherland. As long as there is God, the Kingdom of Heaven on earth will arrive. That is the ultimate destiny of mankind.

A WEDGE BETWEEN EAST AND WEST

Satan is an expert in dividing all levels of society. What has Satan used to drive a wedge between East and West? He has divided people by cultures. What a world of difference between the two cultures of East and West! Westerners are generally more materialistic, with a craving for scientific development and technology. The Eastern culture, on the other hand, has been primarily spiritually oriented. People of the East have led a way of life that denies the material side. They have been relatively poverty-stricken for many centuries because the Western world has plundered the wealth of the East. Westerners thought they could plunder the whole world and put all that wealth in their own pockets, but I want you to know that God has not allowed that to happen.

The phenomenon that we see today is that the materially-centered people have come to the end of their rope. They are standing on a cliff, with no more steps possible. Therefore, they are looking for a sign of hope; they are longing to find something mystical from the East that will save them.

Because there is a God, the mind is supposed to control the body. Therefore, the Oriental culture, which is centered upon the mind and spirit, should take the subject role on the world stage. The time will come when this spirit-centered culture will influence the Western culture and unite with it. That is the hope for the Western world, and that is when the consummation of human history is possible. You are, in a way, the harbingers of this, the pioneers for the Western culture, uniting with this one Oriental man—Rev. Moon.

The division of East and West is the most basic problem. The second problem is the division between North and South: white versus black. This is basically a problem of wealth versus poverty. Some extraordinary movement must begin in which white people will give away all their wealth and try to help the poor black people of the world. If such a thing could happen, the whole situation of the world would change.

These two problems of East versus West and North versus South are a part of everyone's life. These phenomena have become exaggerated at this latter part of human history. This is the sign of the end of the world because Satan can see that God's dispensational will is working; thus he is doing his absolute best to make an ultimate assault and create divisions in every realm.



SAFETY IN THE CENTER

What is the key to world survival? We must all come to the center; everybody will find safety at the center. Thus there must be a circling motion. North becomes East; East becomes South; South becomes West—this kind of turning and changing of positions. Throughout history there has been no center of the world. What should that center be? God.

Why did God create this world? To fulfill true love. But when the fall of man came, all the bridges connecting mankind with true love and the true character of a father and a mother were burned down. Therefore, the fallen generations have been like orphans—parentless children. When the Messiah comes, he comes in the position and role of the True Parents, to be the bridge for true love between God and men.

Before we talk about unification of the fatherland, the most important thing is to create that bridge of true love. Unless we go over that bridge of true love, no one—not even kings and queens and presidents of great nations—can enter into the Kingdom of Heaven. They have to cross the bridge of true love, through the True Parents.

Western people have many fears. Some Westerners fear "yellow power"—they fear that Oriental people will gain dominion over them and cause great suffering. But actually, Westerners are totally in the minority. Asians number at least 3 billion in the world today! Look at Japan, that small island nation. Forty years ago, it was devastated by war. VJ Day was declared and the Western nations were triumphant. Now, however, who is trailing in the world? It is the United States—economically, socially, and in every way. What is responsible for this? This is the direction of history, which has moved to the area of the Pacific Ocean and Asia. Japan has become the instrument by which the potential of the Asian people—what they can do for the world—can be clearly seen.

Instead of talking about the East/West and North/South problem, we have the solution; we can see it right here in this room! This is a place where those two primary problems have been solved. We are welding ourselves into one. We have the "true love bolt" that brings Easterners and Westerners together into one welded body. Therefore, no matter how formidable the earthly powers may be, including the power of the government, the CIA, or the military, they cannot do anything to break up this true fusion of love, this unity of true love between East and West.

THE TRUE COLOR OF LOVE

What is the true color of love? White? Black? True love has no color. In other words, anybody who is color-conscious cannot have true love at all. You've got to be color-blind. Look at the doves—the white and black doves come together and coo to each other. They mate and lay their eggs. The



supreme creation, men and women, must learn to coo like the doves to one another. Even from them you can learn what true love is.

Unification doesn't come when people are back to back; that can only be an alliance, not true unification. One must be on top of the other and it doesn't even matter who is on top—either white or black. As long as there is true love unification, that becomes a delight to God. Without this kind of true love, we can't even talk about unification. They are only empty words, with no substance. There is no solution or cure for the problems of the world today except the love of God.

The other day I was speaking to you about the Unification Church and what our "ism" is. What do we pursue? Yes, Godism, but is it left-wing, right-wing or what? We say it is "head-wing"—directly in the forefront. We might say that right-wing and left-wing symbolize the planet



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earth. Without your two "wings"—your two arms—you can still live. Even if you lose your two legs, you are still a human being. As long as you have your mind and your body, you are capable of living.

Communism must go—if it doesn't, then we in the Unification Church will push it out. But that does not mean we want to kill the communists. No, we want to digest their ideology and liberate them. Regardless of whether people are right-wing or left-wing, if they were to live according to our way of life for three years, they would all become "head-wing" Unification-wing.

We don't have to fight against anyone; we don't have to attack or hit people. We just need to show them the right way of life and live together with them. As Moonies, you know how to digest them, how to influence them.

When did we lose the fatherland? When we lost the True Parents, that was the moment the true fatherland was lost.

Then where can we find that fatherland? The world could be said to be our fatherland, but more specifically, the fatherland of our Unification faith is Korea.

UNIFYING THE KOREAN NATION

Korea is a small peninsula nation, but it has different characteristics in its eastern, western, northern, and southern parts. In the history of North and South Korea, both countries have traditionally displayed a common phenomenon—the eastern sector has always taken dominion over, or governed, the western sector. This is opposite to the general pattern of the rest of the world, where the West has always had influence or dominance over the East. Also, on a world level, the North has always been dominant over the South. But in Korea, the northern part is poorer and more backward than the southern part. These opposite phenomena occur because this is the restoration era.

But the problem is that on this one peninsula, Korea, there has been no unity; Korea has not been able to achieve unification. Who has the influence and power to bring all four sectors into unity? That is the Unification movement and our International Federation for Victory Over Communism. This movement is spreading out, unifying all four sectors of the Korean nation.

First, unification should begin from South Korea, and this idea is spreading throughout the entire 40 million population. The people of South Korea are now in a position to respect and love and follow the leadership of Father. What Rev. Moon does or doesn't do has become a focal point of the entire Korean population today. In communist North Korea, Kim Il Sung and his regime fear one individual in the south, and that is none other than Rev. Moon.

North Korea, the most isolated and closed society, is being forced to open its doors; otherwise, it cannot survive. Furthermore, between the eastern and western parts of the Korean peninsula there has always been a big discrepancy in wealth, but these differences are now being smoothed out. That is one sign that this is truly the end of the era of division. The hope for unification is appearing on the horizon.

LET'S SHARE OUR TECHNOLOGY

The position of Mainland China is crucial. I would like to freely share, without any hesitation or reservation, all the highest possible technology we have access to. Major nations have become very selfish; America doesn't want to share or give away any technology. Japan and the Soviet Union don't want to give away any technology. But I say, "Let's open up. Let's give it away." As you know, we now have research centers in Europe, Japan, Korea, and the United States. We have created a type of robot machine that does its work entirely independent of human beings. We have also deve-

*As soon as we bring people true love,
they will receive it eagerly—
like a thirsty man reaching for water.*



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loped the highest possible computer technology in Japan, beyond what the Western world can approach.

What is the purpose of all this? It is to give it to the world. Our entire way of life, including our marriage, is

for the sake of the world. Whatever we do, whatever we eat each day—none of that is for our own individual sake. In the same way, the Unification Church doesn't exist for itself. We have some guests tonight, some ministers who

*What is true love?
It is love that can even love its enemy.
It can give the ultimate gift and forget about it.*

have come to listen to my talk. They are members of one particular denomination or another, and I want to say to them that their particular denomination does not exist for its own sake; that denomination exists for the sake of the world. Anybody who tries to confine his denomination within narrow boundaries will be suffocated by those boundaries.

The Unification Church never thinks for one moment that we are here to serve ourselves. We are here for the purpose of serving the world; we are sacrificing ourselves for that purpose. This is the reason Rev. Moon and the Unification Church will never be destroyed; we will just become more popular and more appreciated.

In order to achieve ultimate world unification, or the unification of the fatherland, there must be a model. The Korean nation can be that model. When all the four different sectors within that small peninsula nation are under one true God-centered ideology, that will become the catalyst for unification for the rest of the world. If Korea becomes united into one, the rest of the world can follow that model and become united as well.

A VERY CRUCIAL YEAR

But at the same time we have to look at this another way. In order to unite Korea, the work of unification must continue all over the world. In other words, without making major effort on the worldwide level, there is no way the Korean peninsula can be united. This year is a very crucial year for America, because God wants to accomplish certain things not only in the United States but also in Japan and Western Europe.

In the heavenly dispensational schedule, the years 1945 to 1985 were like the 40 years of Moses' wilderness period. But now, since that 40 years has been victoriously completed, the next three years—1986, 1987, and 1988—are the most crucial years in the entire history of humanity. The work we do during these three years will create the environment and the foundation to move forward, laying the groundwork for the unification of the fatherland.

Before the people of Israel began their exodus from Egypt, they proclaimed to all the people that they were leaving. Today the Unification Church must also proclaim to the entire Christian world what it is doing. Nowadays, many American clergymen are going on pilgrimages to Korea—hundreds of people are going every month or two. Why are they going there? To discover the roots of Rev. Moon.

We shall create a great inspirational power here in America. The Republican and the Democratic parties are becoming the prey of communism. So all the Moonies are now going to launch a most spectacular patriotic movement. In 1987 I want you to join in the launching of this new patriotic movement and crusade in America, to bring this nation back to God.

INJECTIONS OF TRUE LOVE

This year our slogan is "The Unification of the Fatherland." This slogan has implications on many levels, both great and small. Unification by what? By fists and power? No, only by the injection of true love. What is America today? It is a wilderness, a desert of love. Everybody here is starving for love. So as soon as we bring them true love, they will receive it eagerly—like a thirsty man reaching for water. Do you have true love to inject into them?

Actually I have given you many true love injections. I have taught you how to use this injection machine. It is very simple. People are always willing to receive a shot of love anywhere you can give it, whether it is in the hip, the neck, the foot, the bottom, or wherever. When you offer that injection of true love, nobody will reject it. They will love it!

Go ahead and give out 10,000 true-love shots during 1987! All the 240 million Americans will eventually receive those true love shots. How could you ever do anything better or more valuable than to restore the broken families of America? Look at the drug epidemic in America today—that is a sign of the hunger for love. People are so desperate for love, they take drugs in order to get an artificial high. But once you teach them how to get true love, they will get a greater high than anything artificial can give them.

What is true love? It is love that can even love its enemy. It can give the ultimate gift and forget about it. It doesn't even remember what it has given. That is what I have been doing for America—giving and pouring out sweat and material into this country, then forgetting about it. I don't even want to remember what I have given to this country.

Today we have the mandate: the unification of the fatherland. This is the subject of the prayer you should be praying throughout this entire year, so that this most profound unification of the fatherland of God can happen. As soon as I launch this crusade, then I need to quickly get back to Korea, because that country needs to be saved. It is in a dangerous position.

I have taught you so much, I have trained you, I have given you my love and my example. Now the time has come for you to take over the leadership.

Think about me. Since I came to America I have been just one man standing up to train all the members of the Unification Church. Now you must resemble me and stand in my place. You can do anything. I am only one man, but you are many. We all shall become champions, workers, and tireless fighters for the unification of the fatherland.

Amen! Amen! Amen!

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GOD'S DAY

1987

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HOW MANY GOD'S DAYS HAVE BEEN CELEBRATED SO far? From 1968 to 1987 is 19 years, so this is the 19th God's Day. In 1988, God's Day will be 20 years old, and we will be moving into a new era.

As you know, among the laws of the dispensation, the most important is the law of indemnity. In order to consummate this law of indemnity, three major elements are necessary. First, there must be a person or central figure to set the condition. Second, there must be a conditional offering or sacrifice. Third, there is a time element involved.

From the standpoint of the dispensation of the Unification Church, I am in the position of central figure, or subject. You are in the object position, the conditional offering. The time element is our dispensational period. Therefore, in front of me, the members of the Unification Church are in the offering position. The person in the position of the offering should not have any complaints or reservations. For example, you should not say, "Father is an Oriental. We are Westerners and we do things differently, the American way."

That which is chosen as a sacrifice is supposed to shed blood; however, you cannot do that because you would die. Therefore, you must shed something else: your sweat and tears.

At what moment do you shed your sweat and tears? It is when you are the most sorrowful, when you are deeply heartbroken. In order to fulfill the role of the sacrifice, you must be able to say at the most sorrowful moment, "Yes, Father, I want to go this way. I am grateful and I have no complaint."

The Eastern and Western cultures treat suffering and hardship very differently. Here in the West, if you complain and say, "Oh, I'm suffering so much, I think I'm going to die!" other people will most likely sympathize with you. But in the Orient, if you make the same complaint, others will probably say, "Oh, you can still go on." Oriental people are better fit for this kind of sacrificial role. That is why God chose a person like Rev. Moon who came from the Orient. I was the first one to be chosen by God as a sacrifice.

GOD NEEDS CHAMPIONS OF SACRIFICE

Without knowing why it should be done or how, I myself, with the help of God, had to search for the right method and find the way of restoration alone. Your job is entirely different. I have taught you the Principle, the way to fulfill your role, and the reasons why. If you cannot do it with this much information, you are unworthy of anything. Even though you have been taught plenty of truth by me, many of you are still not sure, still not willing to commit yourself. You say, "I will wait to see if someone else does it first." God wants to recruit people who will serve as the champions of sacrifice. Will you say yes, or will you say, "I'll just think about it for the next couple of years"?

The Principle is like a railroad; you've got to go along every inch of it. There is no way you can go according to your whim or at random. You can't say, "I don't like this part, so I'll just skip over it." That is just not possible. Think about it. If there was any way to jump freely into the Kingdom of Heaven, I would have found that way and I would have done it, long before any of you. But you've got to go every step of the way. Even if your hip goes out and you fall to the side or to the rear, still you have to go on. If your head feels fatigued and starts to fall forward, you have to yank your head back up and just move forward.

How many years have I been living this kind of principled life? One year? Two? No, my entire life. Do you know how old I am? I am really an old man—67 years old. But you think I am younger than you are and you always want to push me harder.

Do you think it is necessary to become a sacrifice for God? You say yes easily, but to actually do it is not easy. Anyone who volunteers to offer himself will encounter a lot of resistance. For example, your parents will say, "No, don't go that way. Come to us." Your brothers and sisters or your wife or husband will pull on you, as will your children. They will say, "No, no, you don't deserve such a suffering and difficult course. Come and relax and be comfortable."



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But when you persistently follow the road of the Principle, year after year, things will change. Even now, I am sure you have had the experience of many of your friends telling you, "You are a special and admirable person. I respect you as a person dedicated to God." That is the kind of reputation you have been earning all these years.

Likewise, your brothers and sisters and parents are coming now and apologizing to you for having said negative things about the Unification Church. This is exactly what I have always talked about—natural subjugation, not by force or violence.

I am never proud or boastful about myself. I always bow down in front of God. There is absolutely no room for arrogance within me. Once the victory is won, it is a perfectly clean victory. I never go out and wage war against anyone, but the time will come when people from all fields of endeavor will come to me and say, "Rev. Moon, you are our champion." This is truly the most dramatic way to live. I am not here to make you suffer; this is the most noble and glorious life anyone could live. Because I love you, I invite you to come with me on that path of glory and victory.

DO YOU WANT AN EASY TEACHER?

Now we have a problem, in a way, because the time of persecution is nearly over. No one will be giving you a hard time anymore, so I decided I have to do that myself. Then the American people will say, "Rev. Moon, please be easier on them." But I will say, "No, I'm going to be harsh." You must be able to follow steadfastly, whether I am harsh or not.

In a school classroom, what kind of teacher is best? Is it the one who sternly demands your attention and gives you lots of homework, not allowing you even one minute of relaxation? Or is a good teacher one who doesn't even give any lectures and just lets you take naps in class? You know that the good teacher is the first one. But even though you know that, you don't like to be in the harsh teacher's class. That is a contradiction you have within yourself; we have to straighten out that contradiction. Would you like me to be a very easy teacher or a stern one? Thank you for saying stern.

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Once you get to your destination, you will see that
you came the quickest possible way.*

You want to be a real person rather than a fake one. Can you say, "I want to become a sacrifice on the altar of God"? I would like you to understand one cardinal rule: There should be nothing you are unwilling to do for the sake of indemnity. You should feel like doing any chore joyfully, no matter how difficult.

God sent me on this course and pushed me down to the pits of hell. But then when the time was right, He raised me up and gave me His fullest blessing. I came to America 15 years ago and received nothing but persecution, culminating in my being put into Danbury—the bottom point. But at that moment, God resurrected me all the way up to the top. This is God's formula, and there is no exception, whether it is on the individual, family, society, clan, national, or worldwide level.

Once I give you "homework," or a goal to reach and you achieve it and are absolutely victorious, what then? Let's take the example of a schoolteacher who gives his students an extremely difficult test. If you can pass that worst test with 100 percent, then the teacher doesn't have to teach you anything more. He can say, "You are free to go from my class." Furthermore, that teacher might say, "I'm so busy today, would you please come and take over my class for me?" In that case, the student is really participating in the glory of the teacher. Do you want to participate in Father's glory?

Think about this. We have approximately 1,200 people gathered here in this auditorium today. I want to pick the one best champion, so an easy test will not do the job. I have to give the most difficult task so that most of you will be eliminated. There will only be a few finalists, and then in the end only one will prevail—the champion. Let me see how many of you want to be candidates for that number-one position. Raise your hands. There are so many candidates. I welcome that, but in order to eliminate everyone but the champion, I must make the obstacle course extremely difficult.

To bear the cross for 50 years, throughout one's life, is an extremely difficult course. My suffering is inconceivable to the ordinary mind. For that reason, when God Himself looks at my suffering, He cries out. Can you believe this? There is no person in the religious realm, including all the saints, who can compare his suffering with the conditions I have set in the sight of God. Therefore, they all want to come and receive teaching from me.

THE SMARTEST WAY TO GO

In order to receive the great blessings from God, you have to go down to the bottom of hell—lick the floor of hell—and then the time will come when God will be able to resurrect you. That is the road of indemnity; it is that difficult.

Will you follow all the way to the end? Following unconditionally is the smartest way to go. Once you get to your destination, you will see that you came the quickest possi-

ble way. Therefore, you are not dumb; you are really the princes and princesses of wisdom.

On this first day of 1987, do you feel good or terrible? Why do I speak about indemnity? Because it is God's Day. Even almighty God has to perform His dispensation through indemnity. Why is it necessary for God to walk the road of indemnity? Why did God have to allow His son Jesus to be murdered? Why does God let His loving son of the 20th century go the path of suffering? This is all because of the fall of man and the emergence of Satan. This suffering has to be endured in order to isolate and separate Satan from absolute good.

In the history of religion, one thing cannot be denied: I received in my lifetime more persecution than any other religious leader. I am right in the center of the most severe persecution. I had to undergo the worst kind of test possible. One day even God Himself kicked me out. He said, "I don't know you! You are a heretic, so get out of my sight!" But the incredible thing is that I grabbed onto the coattails of God and told Him, "Heavenly Father, no matter what You say, I know You can't reject me. You need me!" God said, "No, I reject you. You are a heretic and you are not my son." Then Jesus, Buddha, Mohammed, and all the saints in spirit world said, "Yes, he is a heretic!"

For 40 days, this kind of confrontation went on. They said I would have to change my position or they would not accept me. During that period all the satanic forces and surrogates for evil were celebrating and shouting, "Hurray for Satan's Kingdom!" and they thought they had won a complete victory. But throughout those 40 days, I did not move one inch. I was as steadfast as a rock. Then they saw that I would not change, not even in 400 or 4,000 years. Heavenly law was such that the showdown had to be over in 40 days. What happened? On the 40th day, God declared, "I have tested you, my son, and you have proven that you will uphold the truth, no matter what. I can now declare before heaven and earth that you are the greatest victor in all of history!"

At that very moment, Jesus became my number-one supporter and united totally with me in heart. Buddha, Mohammed, and Confucius, as well, became our friends. These religious leaders are now sending their influence down to earth to urge people to join with us.

ONE BIG FAMILY

Therefore, I look at all the major religions of the world as one big family. Because there are squabbles going on in the Muslim world, I work to help the unity of the Muslims. Likewise, I support the unity of the Buddhist world. Have you ever heard of a religious leader who supported the unity of other religions? This is not because we want to manipulate those people. We know that spirit world has already declared the unity of all the world's religions. Therefore, when we initiate some action along those lines,



Above: Father cuts the celebration cake as the True Family watches.

Below: CAUSA-USA volunteers who had the highest results in the signature campaign receive awards after the morning speech.





Above: On God's Day afternoon, Father and Mother watch the high-powered yute tournament in the Grand Ballroom.

Below: At the evening entertainment, Jun Sook Nim, the new fiancee of Hyun Jin Nim, performs Grieg's Piano Concerto in A minor with the New York City Symphony.



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that sacrificial unity can be expanded. If the conditions had not already been set in the spirit world, we couldn't do anything in the physical world to bring that unity about.

If I am working on the earth with such authority, then who has the right to declare God's Day? If I said to God, "My Father, I want to ask You to come to our celebration of God's Day," would God come? Yes, He would. Why is that? It is because God has declared that in the dispensational realm, I am the number-one champion. For that reason, God rejoices and wants to come to our celebration.

God alone cannot fulfill His dispensation; He needs human beings. He needs a partner. This is why God's Day has been declared—it is one day in which God can rejoice with us over His own victory. What causes God to rejoice the most? What God likes the most is the fulfillment of His ideal and His will—the purpose of creation. What is that purpose of creation? It is the consummation of true love.

When God's true love is consummated, we call that the fulfillment of the heavenly four position foundation. This is an absolutely clear sequence. The heavenly four positions are the love of God, love between husband and wife, and love between parents and children. Thus the Unification Church celebrates four major holidays each year: Parents' Day, Children's Day, Day of All Things, and God's Day. We are heading towards the perfection of all people, all things, and the perfection of the joy of God. God created the world and mankind for the purpose of fulfilling His love. He created Adam and Eve to be His Love King and Love Queen.

WALKING FORM OF GOD

When you enter the spirit world, you cannot see God. In spirit world, the visible God is Jesus Christ, and in the future world the True Parents will be in that position. In I Corinthians 3:16, what is God talking about? Adam and Eve are to be the temple, the holy place of God. The human heart is meant to be the dwelling place of God's love. Thus Adam and Eve represent a walking and visible form of God on the earth. God is meant to dwell within them and through them to have dominion over all creation.

If Adam and Eve had not fallen, their love relationship would have been sanctified and it would have glorified God. Through their God-centered love, they would have given birth to sinless children. They would have been the children of God, with God's own blood being passed down from one generation to the next.

What can we offer to God on this day? Should we try to build Him a golden tower as high as the Allegheny Mountains? What will make Him happy? Only one thing will make Him happy: the emergence of true sons and daughters in whom He can freely dwell, people who can become His temples and with whom He can rejoice. Before that time, God can have no settlement anywhere on the face of the earth.

In 1968, for the first time in human history, God found the base upon which He could settle, the base of true love. True Parents could be installed upon the earth, representing God's true love. That was the first God's Day. Before this time, mankind knew only the parents of satanic lineage. January 1, 1968, was the first day that God could begin His settlement upon the earth within the realm of True Parents.

For Moonies, the most important aspect of your life is to live purely and morally, no matter what. Your body, particularly your sexual parts, is your most holy possession, and therefore you must uphold its dedication to God. You cannot violate that law; you know how seriously God deals with a sin of such a nature.

A phenomenon of America for the past two decades has been free sex, with promiscuity, blatant homosexuality, wife-swapping, and so forth. Now the consequences of such practices are coming, in the form of widespread divorce as well as the spread of diseases like AIDS, which is incurable. Why is that disease incurable? God always has mercy upon man, except when he commits this one cardinal sin against love.

THE BLESSING IS NOT CHEAP

You blessed couples, raise your hands, please. You received the Blessing even without knowing what a valuable gift you were getting. You are the custodians of the greatest value of all, and you must not misplace it. I want you to understand that the four major holidays of the Unification Church include the four most important aspects of our way of life. So any violation of love includes the violation of the meaning of those days. Don't ever imagine that God's Blessing to you is cheap. In order for you to receive that Blessing, God has labored for tens of thousands of years and sacrificed multitudes of things. Therefore, you must preserve your Blessing; otherwise, you will receive heavenly punishment.

Now you know what God's Day means. In order for the True Parents to be installed and for True Mother to have been chosen, I had to overcome incredible dispensational ordeals. There were many occasions where even one misstep would have meant falling down into failure. Thus I have been deadly serious about the Blessing and the dispensational will. But then if you, the recipients of that Blessing, take it very lightly as if it were some cheap commodity, I cannot forgive that.

As we said, this is the 19th celebration of this day. By now, unification should have been established on many levels. You should have a love kingdom within your home, within your family—between you and your spouse, between you and your children, and between you and your parents. You should be mature children by now. In 1988 we will celebrate the 20th God's Day; many crucial turning points

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A CHRISTMAS EVE TO REMEMBER

Engagement of Hyun Jin Nim and Jun Sook Kwak

by Laura Reinig

NOBODY SUSPECTED WHAT WOULD happen that day. Over 200 members and leaders, including 40 foreign missionaries and the older blessed children, were invited to come to East Garden on December 24 to celebrate Un Jin Nim's birthday and to have "a Christmas party."

A Christmas tree was gaily flickering, and the living room was jammed. At 7:30 a.m. the True Family entered, and there was a short celebration of Un Jin Nim's birthday in the dining room, with a birthday kiss and a cake. Then a totally unexpected event took

place. Many people didn't see what was happening, but we heard Father begin to speak, with Dr. Pak translating.

The first three years after Father's 40-year period of wilderness—1986, 1987, and 1988—are very crucial. The year 1987 will be the central year. In order to prepare for this most significant year, Father would like to announce to you a great dispensation unfolding centering on True Parents' family—the engagement of Hyun Jin Nim to the daughter of Rev. Kwak, Jun Sook Kwak.

Hyun Jin Nim is the third son of our True Parents, a significant number. In the True Parents' family, when three sons and three daughters are blessed, a core of eight members of the heavenly family is created. The eight members of Noah's family established a dispensational pattern. In Noah's time, upon the foundation of eight members, the flood judgment could come; that kind of powerful intervention from God was possible. Likewise today, the most incredible heavenly intervention is now made possible by this event.

FATHER'S BENEDICTIONS

upon the Engagement of Hyun Jin Nim and Jun Sook Nim December 24, 1986

Beloved Father,

Today is December 24, 1986 (lunar date, November 23). Today the entire world is celebrating Christmas Eve.

On this memorable day, when all mankind is celebrating, I proclaim the engagement of Your beloved son Hyun Jin and Your beloved daughter Jun Sook in the promise of eternal relationship as a couple before Heaven.

At this time, as this happy event is taking place in the family of True Parents, heaven and earth are attentively watching, and so are all the heavenly soldiers and all the saints and sages who attend God at His throne. I truly thank You for being able to conduct this engagement ceremony of the third son Hyun Jin. This has been accomplished upon the foundation of the victorious realm of Cain and Abel that You have always desired, upon the future foundation of oneness among all the descendants of the saints and sages and all the peoples of the earth, and upon the foundation of oneness between the Unification Church centered upon Heung Jin and Christianity centered upon Jesus.

Now these two young children are about to undergo a new course as a couple with a covenant before Heaven. Even though they will face difficulties, please bless them so that they can establish a new, honorable family within the Unification Family. Let their hearts depend on You

and believe in You as they persistently pioneer the way.

I sincerely pray that You will allow them to establish a family that can inherit Your blessings along with joy and happiness in the coming future world.

I request that You raise this third son, as he grows and reaches the age of understanding, to be able to know on his own what is right and to offer everything to Heaven. Throughout his entire life let him depend on You and be able to establish a family of integrity that can deserve Your blessings.

As Your children from all over the world are gathered here to congratulate this couple and celebrate this day, I ask that You make this day memorable in Your heart and that You consider this place where we are gathered as holy.

At this time, I dedicate this engagement ceremony and this hour of promise, in which these two children are now related as an eternal couple before Father and True Parents. Please accept this. I ask that Your eternal love and blessings be with them.

I thank You for accepting this ceremony. I pray again that this family can be deserving of honor in the world upon the victory of the eternal Father.

I dedicate this prayer in the name of True Parents.
Amen. Amen. Amen.

Prayer at the Evening Banquet

Heavenly Father,

We know that today—December 24, 1986—is the time when the whole world is joyously celebrating Christmas Eve. May that joy expand here in full glory.

On this evening, our family is gathered together with Your children from countries all over the world in order to celebrate Hyun Jin's engagement. We want to dedicate this day in congratulations before You, Father. Please take direct dominion over us this night.

Heaven and earth, please be seated here together. Please be with us throughout this entire celebration and please allow this day to be a memorial day on which we can raise the banner of victory for being able to participate in this age of glory.

Please allow Hyun Jin's couple, as future husband and wife, to become the True Family's representatives who can proudly be shown to Father's country and Father's world. Let them become a true couple who can be loved as our third son's family, who can maintain their dignity, and whom You, Father, will always cherish.

I eagerly hope and want You to allow this couple, even though they have experienced difficulties in their lives, to become one in mind, to attend Heaven, and to become a representative family in erecting the proper laws according to the tradition that True Parents have set down. Father, please joyfully receive this happy day, and please reach out Your hands in the same benediction toward all Unification people who would like to know, but do not yet know, of this day.

I eagerly ask and want You to fill their environment with many blessings of all kinds.

I eagerly ask and want You to willingly receive this celebration banquet tonight. Please let this be a day You can be proud of in our church and in our world.

We hope that victory and glory will be with this couple for a long, long time.

I pray in the name of True Parents.
Amen.

A MAN OF COURAGE AND HEART

Testimony about Hyun Jin Nim

by Peter Kim

I HAVE BEEN SERVING THE TRUE Parents' family for the last 16 years, and I have countless memories about Hyun Jin Nim. Tonight I want to share just two important aspects about him.

One is his incredible talent in equestrian sports. Hyun Jin Nim has become quite a star in this field. He is known as the Oriental Rambo because of his outstanding courage. Even professional trainers and coaches who keep a close watch and are involved with everything going on in this sport have been saying that they haven't seen anyone like Hyun Jin Nim. He started riding horses just three years ago, and he is better than anyone else his age or with his experience. In American equestrian history, nobody with only three years of riding experience ever competed at the American Grand Prix horse show, but Hyun Jin Nim did.

Let me explain briefly why I can say he has a tremendous amount of courage. Hyun Jin Nim has been competing in the jumping class, and there is tremendous risk involved. When you and your horse go over an obstacle you are about 10 feet off the ground. You feel like you're jumping down from the top of a building. And in order to clear the fences, a horse has to be moving at about 15 or 20 miles an hour. The rider has to be completely united with every movement and every breath of the horse.

Ability to overcome fear

Think about the feeling of fear that is always with a rider. There is not just one obstacle but 14 or 15 per course. Hyun Jin Nim has always shown incredible ability to overcome fear. Professional people immediately recognize this. Because of his courage they automatically called him Rambo; he himself did not ask to be called that. Wherever he competes, people say, "Here comes Rambo." Even the speaker announces: "Next is Rambo."

There is an Olympic-class horse named Out of This World, known to be very strong, restless, and tough to handle. Even seasoned riders who have tried that horse have given up on it. Hyun Jin Nim's coach recognized his talent and gave him a chance to try the horse. When Hyun Jin Nim got on, the horse sensed his spirit and could feel that the man riding him was not afraid. Hyun Jin Nim was the only person who could bring that horse under control. He is still a young rider, but because of his skill, he is the one who will be riding Out of This World in the Olympics in 1988.

There's one more aspect of Hyun Jin Nim's character that I would like to share with you. In the wintertime, most equestrian competition is held in Florida, so last year in the middle of February, Hyun Jin Nim and I went down there for a horse show.



On the day of the competition we got up at six o'clock, and before we went to the ring we decided to get some breakfast at Burger King. When I was about to sit down, I noticed Hyun Jin Nim speaking to a woman about 50 or 60 years old, an employee of Burger King, who was mopping the floor. She looked tired and bent over. Hyun Jin Nim hadn't been able to ignore her. His heart just went out to her. He was reaching for the mop and saying, "Please, let me take the mop and I'll mop the floor." He just couldn't bear to see her do such heavy work.

At first the lady thought he was joking, but then she realized that he was serious. So she said, "Young man, I know you have your own schedule to follow, so please go eat. This is my job. I'll be all right. I really appreciate and thank you for your concern, but I'll take care of this and you just go on and do what you have to do." And there were tears in her eyes.

When I saw this scene I didn't dare interrupt. I didn't say anything. I just sat in the chair, watching in tears. Here was another aspect of Hyun Jin Nim—his incredible concern for others. His heart is so deep that nobody can measure the depth of it.

Through this engagement, many providential numbers are fulfilled. With the three sons and the three daughters and the True Parents in the center, there are seven families. The True Parents uniting with the three son's families makes the number four. With the three daughters' families it again makes four. Thus in this combination, all the providential numbers are fulfilled—three, four, seven, and eight.

By having this ceremony in the year 1986, an incredible providential foundation is established. Because

these dispensational numbers are being fulfilled at this time, whatever persecution remains in the year 1987 will be entirely warded off. The satanic world will come to a turning point. Communism will be faced with an incredible setback and disorder in the year 1987.

Father prayed to seal the engagement [see p. 21], and True Parents offered gifts to the new couple.

A jubilant atmosphere

The atmosphere in the room was jubilant as everyone broke up for break-

fast. Jun Sook Nim, though looking a little overwhelmed at this sudden event, reflected purity and filial piety as she sat next to her new fiance at the dining table. Hyun Jin Nim also looked dazed but happy. After breakfast, as everyone gathered around Father and Mother in the living room, Jun Sook Nim took her place shyly but quite naturally among her new family, drawn in especially by the embracing love of In Jin Nim and Un Jin Nim.

Father addressed his short speech mainly to the foreign missionaries



NURTURED BY GOD

*Rev. Kwak speaks about the engagement
of his daughter Jun Sook*

her own initiative she visits East Garden on weekends and during vacations and plays together with the children. Because of her serving attitude, she relates harmoniously with everyone.

A prophetic dream

When my wife was pregnant with Jun Sook, she had a dream in which she saw her daughter, at a very young age, living in the same room with True Parents. My wife felt she would be closely linked with the True Family somehow. And a few years ago, several spiritually open people told me that Jun Sook would join the True Family. But I decided not to think too much about this. I just tried to keep an accepting heart and mind for whatever was to happen.

I learned about the engagement only 20 minutes before Father announced it. I was with True Parents all during the engagement banquet, but it was impossible for me to express my gratitude to Father in one word or sentence, so I remained silent. I couldn't just say "thank you" as if this engagement were an honor bestowed on me for doing something special.

I feel that God Himself raised my daughter, and that He used the atmos-

sphere of our family temporarily to nurture her for this great mission. Therefore, this engagement doesn't affect me personally or bring any particular glory to me. My position always remains the same. Don't think that I now have any special relationship with True Parents. All we should do is just give honor to Father.

I was only a country boy when I joined the church, and when I compared myself with the standard of the Principle, I was ashamed. Later on I was so happy to have been blessed by the True Parents that I felt I didn't deserve any more happiness and fortune than I already had. I felt that the blessings I had received were already enough. I never expected more.

Our life, our Blessing, everything we have, is directly related with True Parents' victorious foundation. Until the True Family is settled firmly and safely on the earth, we cannot be preoccupied with settling down ourselves and stabilizing our own families. We should always remember the True Parents and the True Children, especially Heung Jin Nim, in our daily prayers, praying that their foundation can be continually strengthened.

Compiled from tapes of two occasions when Rev. Kwak shared his thoughts about the engagement.

Jun Sook was born on January 23, 1968 (lunar date, December 24). During her whole life I never had any worries about her. She never once gave me any cause to be concerned about her health, her grades, her lifestyle, or her relationships with our family or with others. She was always a charming girl and a bright student, and she worked hard in everything she undertook. When my wife started our family prayer meetings, she adopted a strong life of prayer. I was never worried about her faith.

Jun Sook has an intellectual character, and her emotions are very well balanced. Her special talents lie in the area of music; she studies piano at the University of Michigan. When she began studying there, her teachers were astonished at her talent and praised her natural sensitivity to music.

One of the most important things about her is that she has a close relationship with the True Children. The younger True Children often come over to our house to see her, and on

who were present, emphasizing the vital importance of learning Korean. "If you don't learn Korean while here on earth, when you are lifted up into the spirit world your ancestors will accuse you, saying, 'You had such a golden opportunity. How come you didn't take the time to learn?'"

Father described in a humorous way how difficult it was for him to learn English at such a late age. "So you have no excuse not to learn Korean while you are young!"

Mother reminded Father of the several bags of gifts beside them. They were watches for the missionaries to honor their outstanding work in the field.

"A watch is a very special kind of

gadget," Father said. "It never stops at night; it goes on and on. All the missionaries are like a watch—they never stop. In order to restore the world they have to be moving 24 hours a day. For this reason, I am giving each of you a watch."

The missionaries bowed before Father and received their gifts. Father said to wear them every day and keep them in their family as precious heirlooms.

Hyo Jin Nim offered a deeply heartfelt song, which started off a whole morning of entertainment. The True Children stood up and sang together "Sarang Hae." As their love poured into the room, many members' eyes were wet with tears.

Hyun Jin Nim said he was too nervous, but he managed to sing "Love Me Tender" in a romantic voice, glancing down at his new fiancee. Looking as serene as a porcelain doll, Jun Sook Nim sang a soulful Korean song.

Kwon Jin Nim presented some funny songs he learned in school, and the youngest True Children performed on their violins. Jeung Jin Nim, just four years old, bowed in a dignified way and played her piece with all the demeanor of a professional. The fact that the notes weren't coming out right didn't ruffle her one bit.

Many other leaders and members sang or played their instruments, and last was a song from Father, of course. That was just the morning!



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Left: Hyun Jin Nim and Jun Sook Nim.

Top: The True Family. Back row, left to right: Kook Jin Nim, Father, Hyun Jin Nim, Jun Sook Nim, Mother, Hyo Jin Nim. Front row: Sun Jin Nim, Yeon Jin Nim, Hyung Jin Nim, Jeung Jin Nim, Shin Jeung Nim, Young Jin Nim, Kwon Jin Nim.

Right: The new couple with their parents.





Hyun Jin Nim takes his new fiancee out on the dance floor.

Evening festivities

By that evening, the living room was transformed. Long tables set with sparkling silver and crystal filled all the available space. The new couple was given the place of honor at the center of the head table. Hyun Jin Nim was dressed in black tie, looking tall and handsome with a big smile on his face. Jun Sook Nim looked beautiful, combining a character of restraint with womanly charm.

Father prayed to bless the celebration banquet commemorating the joining together of the new couple [see p. 21]. A flower presentation was made by Larry and Teresa Evola. Larry had served in Danbury during Father's time there, and Dr. Pak announced that Larry and Teresa had just completed their first 21-day workshop. Teresa offered words of congratulations and good wishes to the new couple.

Two Russian artists presented violin pieces, and Anne Pickard from the Performing Arts Department sang a song composed by her husband Kevin Pickard, "Morning of an Age," followed by a beautiful rendition of "O Danny Boy."

Mr. Peter Kim, who takes responsibility for the True Children at East

Garden, shared his thoughts about the new bridegroom-to-be [see p. 22]. As he was describing Hyun Jin Nim's courage and skill in handling horses, Father reached out and brushed Hyun Jin Nim's cheek with pride.

Everybody wanted to also hear about Jun Sook Nim. Her sister Shin Sook was asked to give testimony, but she found it difficult to speak, so Father called on Rev. Kwak to say a few words. Rev. Kwak was filled with emotion as he talked about his daughter—her sacrificial serving lifestyle, her hard work at school, and her desire to always be close to the True Family. [See p.23.]

To celebrate the joy of the occasion, Father asked for volunteers to sing. Songs in all languages were heard, until at one point the tables were whisked away, and costumed Japanese and Korean dancers and drummers came out. The dancing began! The most uninhibited Korean leaders started dancing first, then Mr. Kamiyama and Dr. Durst began to dance together, drawing screams of delight from the audience. Dr. Pak got everybody he could to join in, finally calling for every person in the room to get up and take part.

The True Children, led by Hyo Jin Nim, joined hands in a circle dance.

Then Dr. Pak encouraged the new couple to dance together by themselves. Hyun Jin Nim got inspired and started right in, but Jun Sook Nim was a little embarrassed.

Big sister In Jin Nim sang two songs after that, and then ran over and tightly embraced her brother Hyun Jin Nim, saying softly, "Congratulations." Un Jin Nim was asked to sing, but she was overcome with emotion and needed her husband Jin Hun Nim to help her with the song. It was moving to see the deep bond of love between them.

Just as the evening was drawing to a close, Hoon Sook Nim entered, made two full bows to True Parents, and congratulated the new couple. Dr. Pak explained that she had just arrived from Korea, where she had been performing in eight sold-out performances of "The Nutcracker" with the Universal Ballet Company, which had received an overwhelmingly positive response in the Asian cultural world.

Close to midnight the celebration was over. It was a Christmas Eve to remember. Not only did the engagement mark a new level in the True Family's foundation; but for everyone there it was an experience of another burst of God's love, inspiration, and hope. □

Vertical love has to be manifested into horizontal love, like the spreading of a wing.

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THE IDEAL HOME CHURCH

REV. SUN MYUNG MOON
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PART I

Translator: Dr. Bo Hi Pak

GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. THE TOPIC OF MY message this morning is "The Ideal Home Church." What is the Unification Church? As the word implies, it is those who go about unifying the churches. What is the purpose of unifying the churches? To unify the world.

The word "unification" means to lead. When you are talking about unification, you are putting yourself in the leader's position. "Unification" in the Korean language is *tongil*. *Il* means one and *tong* means leading or controlling. Leading the way into oneness—that is unification. Leading the way into oneness centering upon what? God. Therefore, the Unification Church is an interfaith movement, unifying all churches, all religions, and all believing people into one. That scope enlarges to the unification of all the people of the world into oneness with God—one God, one humanity.

What is the core substance of unification? By what method can we make unification possible? Of course, through true love. When we talk about true love, we have to talk about both horizontal love and vertical love. This is what the Western world does not realize. Does humanity have a horizontal origin coming from below or does it come from above? Naturally, the origin comes from above, from the vertical.

GOD INITIATED LOVE

You are the only creature in God's world able to say "I." This shows that you are automatically vertically connected. You are born with a fundamental relationship to the origin, the beginning, the source of life. You come from your parents, your grandparents, and your great-

grandparents. If you go all the way back to the first ancestors of mankind, where are they from? They are from God. This is how we are all connected ultimately to the one God in heaven. True love is the love that existed from the very beginning between God and man. When Adam and Eve were born, God poured true love down upon them. God initiated the action and gave love to them first.

When a baby is born, it has no perception of the existence and love of the parents. However, the baby is already in an environment of the unconditional love of its father and mother. Babies grow and gradually come into an awareness of the parents' existence and love, and this is how we too are supposed to become aware of the love of God. When we grow up we should come into the full realization of the love of God and become an embodiment of that love ourselves, able to give parental love to others.

The love of God comes down from heaven and the love of human beings goes up from earth. When these two loves collide in the center, where does the power of that impact go? It pushes out horizontally. It expands into horizontal love because vertical love has certain limits of distance.

Men are the plus side and women are the minus side. As men and women grow up individually to become recipients of the love of God, they form a horizontal line. Then they come closer and closer together to the point where they are united. Although men are the universal representatives of plus character and women are the universal representatives of minus character, the most important thing is that they both share a common destiny. When you say "I," that represents men's and women's common destiny.

Take a look at men and women; their features are so different. One is like the North Pole, the other is like the South Pole. They are very far apart. A woman's character



is such that she is concerned with things that are very close to her. Women try to decorate their surroundings and themselves. Men are more visionary, looking at the future, the distant horizon; men plan life. Women like smaller things and men like larger things. Man is vertical, in God's position, and woman is horizontal, in humanity's position before God.

CREATION UNITES IN ONE POINT

When God created human beings, the strong vertical line of love was established first. Men and women are to mature and come together and unite at the central point. That's the original design for the human family. The central point is an absolute one, not relative. All creatures universally want to meet in that central point and occupy that

absolute place of value. All of creation is heading for one thing—they are trying to move toward the central point of God's love.

Parents represent the love of God, and so all children want to get total love from their parents. They compete with each other in trying to receive the love of their mother and father. How much do we need such a relationship? It is an absolute necessity to us. This is our destiny—we are born to receive parental love and to ultimately become the recipient of the love of God.

When a little baby giggles and looks up at its mommy's and daddy's face, is that a sin? Is that abnormal or absurd? No. When a man and woman look at each other, giggling and laughing and touching each other, is that a sin? When this give and take happens between parents and children and between husband and wife, then God freely comes

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down and goes in and out of each one of those minds and hearts.

Human nature is such that people want to have total control over a thing. You want to step on it, bite it, and do everything to it. You want to grab it, hit it, put it in your pocket, and eat it up. Do you want to have that kind of total unity in love? Or do you want the kind of love that says, "Oh, yes, we love. We have some thread, some connection." When you say you love someone, you have the natural desire to occupy him or her: "I want to occupy you totally, without leaving even one hair to go free."

When love is being exchanged, you don't want to close your eyes. You want to open your eyes and drink in the full amount. Nobody wants a discount on love. Everybody wants to receive it at the full price. When the voice of love comes into your ears, your ears are more open to that voice than to any other sound in the universe. Your ear leans in that direction, doesn't it? Even God's big ear is listening, waiting for that sound of love. Only true love awakens all five senses of the body to the fullest degree. Human beings are containers made for love, so night and day and all four seasons of the year we are waiting for more and more love from our parents and from God.

GOD CAN'T ABANDON MAN

Divorce is becoming more and more commonplace in America today, but the most controversial part of divorce is deciding who will get the children. The wife will say, "I don't care about my husband—I want to throw him out. But I don't want to lose my children." Why is that? Because you have an eternal vertical relationship with your child. He is bone of your bone, flesh of your flesh. Even if the husband and wife, the horizontal plus and minus, are separated, the vertical relationship between the parent and child can never be severed.

After bearing children, there is no greater crime than divorcing your spouse in front of your children. Children are there to receive love from their parents and return love to their parents, for an entire lifetime on earth and thereafter throughout all eternity. When the parents are separated, all five senses of the child are beset by grief and sadness. Nothing can remedy or relieve such sadness. It is almost as if God were abandoning Adam and Eve. If God abandoned Adam and Eve, He would be abandoning all the creatures of the universe, since Adam and Eve are the central point of the creation. If God denies the creation, that means that God is denying Himself. That is impossible even to think about. Therefore we see that this eternal vertical connection can never change.

With this vertical love alone, however, you cannot have dominion over the creation. Vertical love has to be manifested or translated into horizontal love, like the spreading

of a wing, encompassing all of creation under the wing of love.

Human beings are born in the indirect dominion of God, then grow by fulfilling their responsibility. Ultimately they come into the direct dominion of God. After a person has traveled this far, God will say, "Now, my son, my daughter, everything that is mine is yours. Everything I created is yours. Please take it and have dominion over it."

The Principle teaches us that during our growth period—the indirect dominion of God—human responsibility is the key. Who can claim that they have completed that responsibility? Who can say, "I'm totally and absolutely united with God, and nothing can separate me from Him any more"?

When the absolute vertical relationship is established, then you can move on to the horizontal. As much as God and men cannot be separated, the horizontal relationship between men and women cannot be separated. The Kingdom of Heaven on earth and in heaven is when men and women fulfill their responsibility, reaching the perfection level of their relationship to God. Men will find a dwelling place in women and women will find a dwelling place in men. God, Adam, Eve, and all the things of creation will intermingle together in harmony and joy.

THE ABSOLUTE LAW OF GOD

In the Unification Church, who first started using the term "human responsibility"? I did not create the concept of human responsibility, I discovered it. Before I discovered it, did the concept exist or not? Yes, it did, from the very beginning of creation. This is one of the permanent laws that were installed on the day of creation and will remain for the rest of eternity. Have you Unificationists been thinking about this? Have you taken it seriously? I'm sure some of you have even forgotten the term "human responsibility." But this is the absolute law of God, and unless you fulfill this law you have no way to get into heaven. You have a craving to fill your requirement of food and sleep every day of your life, but even greater than those requirements is the requirement of human responsibility.

Do you think I just sat down one day and the word came to me? "Oh. Human responsibility. Sounds very good." Or do you think I discovered it through incredible ordeals, struggles, and confrontations with Satan? Satan didn't want anybody to discover it, because he knew once it was discovered, the satanic world would start to crumble. Satan protected and hid this concept, keeping it beneath mountains and dirt and trees. It was hidden so deep it was not easy for any man to discover it.

Without fulfilling this law of human responsibility you cannot come into the direct dominion of God. Therefore, in the Unification Church, our goal is to become men and

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women who fulfill human responsibility. That should become our life goal. When you have children, you do not want your children to say, "You did not fulfill your parental role. Why did you let me turn out like this? Why did you neglect me, and why didn't you fulfill your human responsibility?" If that is what is going to happen, you have no reason to bear children. Without fulfilling human responsibility, you have nowhere to take your wife and child. You have to turn back.

All you blessed couples—if you disregard God and disregard the law and heavenly principle, the only place you deserve is the dungeons of hell. You may protest, "Oh, I am a Moonie. I am a Unification Church member!" However, only upon completion of your responsibility can you claim your rights and privileges. You are all trying to claim and insist upon your own point of view, but you can only do that upon the completion of human responsibility. Otherwise, you will not even have a platform to stand on to make your claim.

WHY GOD IS RESERVING JUDGMENT

Immoral Americans of today, with their free sex and free lifestyle, may wonder why they should be bound to such a rigid rule. "I want to live just as I please. I am a free man and I can do anything I choose. I want to enjoy life."

Coming out of that culture and then trying to practice this principle and follow me and become worthy of being a Unification Church member is very difficult. America has a population of 240 million people. None of them are worthy of being praised by God or are able to say that their human responsibility has been fulfilled. This nation is like Sodom and Gomorrah. Two hundred forty million Americans deserve God's judgment. God is reserving judgment only because the Moonies who follow me say, "Father, give us time. We shall, in due course, fulfill our responsibility." That is the only reason why God is reserving judgment.

When you graduate from a university, you have to fulfill a certain amount of credits, and you have to accumulate them in four years. Otherwise, you won't graduate. Going the heavenward path is almost like working toward a degree; you have to get the right amount of credits. Human responsibility is heavenly law. Would you like to live under it or on top of it? You have to live on top of human responsibility. A person at any stage lower than that is a human trash can and belongs in hell. This is not conceptual—this is a logical conclusion.

You've been living a Moonie's life in the Unification Church for many years. But during those years you have been creating a miserable pattern: Instead of succeeding, you've been failing. Your tradition is all mixed up and confused. Once you have completed human responsibility, is hell still there? No. If human responsibility is completed,



you enter the direct dominion of God. No satanic power can come in. Only in that situation can you use the word "ideal." That alone is the ideal situation.

Have you thought about this? You take it so lightly. You think, "Well, it sounds good, it sounds very logical," but you don't take it into your heart. This is a law you must observe day by day. Without accomplishing human responsibility, love and every other beautiful word has no meaning. True



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love, true family, True Parents—every heavenly accomplishment, every heavenly goal—is bound to human responsibility. True Parents are there, true family is there, true husband and wife are there, true love is there, true heaven is there. Everything is achieved when human responsibility is achieved, not before. So unless you go beyond that level, where are you? What is your position? Have you been below human responsibility or on top of it? You have not yet

crossed over that hill. You have been in the below position. Therefore, the first thing you must do is find out your exact position.

SATAN WILL NOT LET GO EASILY

God and Satan always label everything. "This is mine, this is yours. Satan, you take this one, I'll take this one." They

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label according to only one criterion—whether a person's human responsibility has been accomplished. Human responsibility means fulfilling the vertical relationship between God and man. Then and only then can the horizontal relationship between husband and wife begin. Human responsibility does not mean worrying about whether you have money or honor or are doing this or that mundane thing. That is not what I am talking about.

Everyone is violating the law of human responsibility. Who is the guardian of the door to the Kingdom of Heaven? Human responsibility is the guard at the door. That is the certificate. Without having that particular certificate signed, no one can enter the Kingdom of Heaven.

Not one individual in the fallen world has ever deserved the Kingdom of Heaven. In order to open up this gate, God has been working all this time, doing the work of restoration, starting with Moses and Jesus and going all the way up to the time of the Second Advent. All this arduous work means that God has been opening the gate so that everybody will be able to pass through it into the Kingdom of Heaven.

Both God and Satan take this very seriously. Even if all the bases for Satan's power are taken away from him, he will not easily give up his hold on human responsibility. Religious people who believe they will ultimately enter heaven will be demolished if they do not fulfill their human responsibility. You cannot swap human responsibility for any price. Even if a person sacrifices himself a tremendous amount, Satan cannot just release him and say, "Oh, okay, that's all right. Go ahead. God, you can claim him." No way. Satan has been holding tight onto human responsibility all this time. But I am bringing human responsibility out of Satan's domain so that his hold on it will be completely destroyed. Human responsibility is now in our domain; we can go beyond it, above it. Now we have a weapon to destroy Satan logically, with the truth. We can say to Satan, "This is what you are, Satan. This is your true identity. We know you and your crime, and we have a weapon with which to destroy your satanic realm."

Human responsibility is a narrow gate. Even God cannot widen it. He has to keep the door narrow, but everyone is expected to go through it. Even God cannot make an exception, not in a million years. God did not commit sin. Human beings did. But God is taking up the responsibility. God knows that Adam and Eve entered into false parenthood; therefore, it is God's responsibility to restore His son and daughter into true parenthood. For that reason, God is taking upon Himself the responsibility and doing it a million times over.

You've been living as if in a void, with vacant eyes, blind. No one has taken human responsibility seriously as an individual, as a family, as a tribe. You always think, "Oh, it's cold outside, I just don't want to go out today. I'm

hungry, I'm sick, I have a headache, I have to take my baby to the hospital." I see here a fake assembly, not an honest and decent one.

Everywhere I go I find the same attitude. I go to the Korean leaders and they say, "Father, this is just impossible. Nobody has ever done this. We cannot do it." Then I say: "Do it this way, follow me this way." I have to lead them every step of the way. That is how everything I want done is finally accomplished. The time has come now, after 15 years in America, when the eminent scholars and professors who come to the science conferences are saying to me, "Yes, I will do it," no matter how famous they are. What about you?

HUMAN RESPONSIBILITY IS YOURS

Whose responsibility is human responsibility? Am I responsible for everything? Do I have to bear the cross? Human responsibility is yours. You need to fulfill it. Since you have not been able to bear that burden, I have taken it over. Most of the way, I have carried it for you.

This incredible, insidious battle is going on behind the scenes. God grabs each one of you and offers you as a sacrifice toward the fulfillment of human responsibility. You can't just think, "I'm a member of the Unification Church and I'm in good standing, and oh yes, heaven is mine. I already bought heaven." Japanese members may be thinking, "Well, we're special. We work very hard. Japan is doing very well. We are following the providence of True Parents and we suffer so much, we are in a special category. We will enter into heaven." Not at all.

Think about it. If you truly feel that you have fulfilled human responsibility and you go out and tell the satanic world but still receive persecution, there is a contradiction there. Would anybody oppose you if you had completed your human responsibility? No. That's the truth. But I am still receiving persecution. Why is that?

This barrier of human responsibility cannot be jumped over all at once. It is divided into eight different stages, from the individual level to the level of the family, clan, tribe, society, nation, world, and cosmos. I have to go through each step, one by one. What stage am I at now? The time of persecution is virtually over and the time for a universal welcome for True Parents is at hand.

It is like a dream that the CAUSA USA volunteers could get 10 million signatures. Four years ago such a thing was unthinkable. This happened less than one year after I set the universal condition by suffering at Danbury.* What do you think will happen in the future? Will more and more people persecute us? (No.) Who alone in the Unification Church can go forth with his human responsibility on the verge of being completely fulfilled? (Father.) How did I do that? Did I do it by receiving all kinds of praise and wel-

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come, all kinds of glory? Did I eat and sleep and play as much as I wanted to? By doing it that way, can you accomplish human responsibility?

God gave the world the most incredible opportunity to fulfill this huge responsibility all at once, right after World War II. However, the world did not receive me. I suffered 40 more years, all alone, paying all the indemnity. Christianity at that time was in a position to accept me and my role of unifying the world and was to do the heaven-building here on earth, but Christianity failed to do so. For that reason, I myself rebuilt the Christian foundation, in 40 years.

WHY AM I STILL FIGHTING?

In order to come this far, I entered prison many times. When God installed me in this mission here on earth as True Parents, God did not mean for me to suffer. Actually, if everything had gone right, the whole dispensational scheme would have been completed when I was 40, and thereafter Mother and I would have received glory. Now I am nearing 70 and I am still fighting, still suffering, still receiving persecution. Why? Because of the failure of Christianity and the American nation.

I came to this foreign country, sojourned in a strange land, and gave my entire heart. I was hurt so much by this nation and these people. Don't you think I could be harboring certain feelings toward the American people and the American nation, even though I never speak about them? Under normal circumstances, if anyone had that much evil done to him, he would turn around with a knife or a gun and take revenge. But I am entirely different. I swallowed all those feelings of hurt and I am continuing to try to save this nation, simply because I know about human responsibility. I want to avenge myself with true love, loving America, saving America.

Shall we be serious? Shall we choose to do nothing else but go through human responsibility? You really don't know this, but I have been bearing the cross all this time on your behalf. You have all kinds of time—you play, you eat anything you like, you sleep all you want. I don't have that kind of time. You don't know about my personal life. I never show it in public, but I have shed millions of tears, agonizing over the situation of the world. I have shed gallons of sweat, laboring day in and day out. The time will come when history will eventually reveal what kind of life I have lived. Do you think that once you really know the facts and truth about me you will be able to raise your head? None of you will be able to open your mouth to even try to assert your situation, your excuses, or your complaints.

In order for True Parents to emerge, Cain and Abel must be united into one. On that foundation alone, True Parents

can appear. You, the children, are supposed to take care of the restoration of the Cain and Abel providence. But since you were not doing it well, I had to go down to your level, take up your mission upon my own shoulders, and fulfill it. When the children are bad, the blame always goes to the parents. Afterwards you might say to me, "Well, Father, you fulfilled it for me. Give it back to me free." Would you be that shameless?

You know that I have fulfilled human responsibility on your behalf, but in order for this fulfillment to become your own, you have to set a certain condition. Otherwise, you will not be able to inherit it. Do you think parents want to pass their inheritance down only piece by piece? Isn't the parental heart so deep that they want to give their children the full amount all at once?

I will declare to the world, "I fulfilled all human responsibility. I finished it. Now anybody who wants to receive it, you do it too." That is the battle at hand.

There are certain laws for offering sacrifices. There are conditions that have to be met in order for the sacrifices to be acceptable. There is also a specific condition of time that should elapse. For 40 years I was the person who offered the sacrifice, and at the same time I myself was the sacrifice. All the satanic world was trying to block me from fulfilling this in 40 years' time. The satanic disturbances and obstacles have been almost insurmountable. Satan knows that once I succeed in this fulfillment of human responsibility, it is final. Satan wanted to block every stage of the game, until Satan came all the way up and pushed me into Danbury prison. That was the final stage.

I am bearing the cross of 4 billion people's fate upon my shoulders. In order to pay the indemnity for that incredible burden of sin, I have been in and out of prison six times. Who sent me to prison? In a way, you did. The world population did. There is a certain debt that has to be paid in terms of human responsibility on all levels, from the individual through the world levels. In order to pay the debt, I did it all alone, by myself. I want you to know that unless I release this inheritance to you, no one will even come near to entering the Kingdom of Heaven. Do you follow? I have to liberate you. Without being liberated by me, no one will ever enter the Kingdom of Heaven. Even if you suffer in prison yourself, even die in a prison cell, it doesn't make any difference unless you receive this liberation. □

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The Significance of Home Church

As Father has announced that 1987 is the year of a new beginning and new dedication to home church, Today's World will present this column each month, featuring excerpts from the book Home Church or Father's speeches on this topic.

Only by creating the beginning of the Kingdom of Heaven on earth can we go to the Kingdom of Heaven in spirit world. God will be able to dwell on the earth when you bring unity in your area between Cain and Abel, between the people and yourself and ultimately the True Parents. That is what we mean when we say, "Home church is the base of the Kingdom of Heaven." The Kingdom of Heaven is waiting to begin in your area. Your base for the Kingdom is your area; likewise the people in spirit world must use home church as their base.

*Let Us Protect Ourselves
5/1/82, Belvedere*

Home church was supposed to have existed in the garden of Eden, with the home as the place of worshipping God. God should have been the main beam of the home where His children could have lived in His love. The original concept of God's creation began with one man and woman, who were to form one family, and then form one nation and world. Therefore, as their family grew to this higher capacity, home church was to have become national church and then world church. That would have been the ideal.

Having home churches was God's goal in the garden of Eden but it was broken into pieces by Adam and Eve, causing many different obstacles to be set up throughout history. Now I have cleared them all away and we are returning to the original concept. It is your blessing and privilege to participate.

Now you know what home church is. Ever since the fall of man, God, Jesus, and all mankind have been longing to reach the ultimate destination. That is home church. The Unification Church is Cape Kennedy and we are launching home church to the Kingdom of Heaven. Neil Armstrong lifted off from Cape Kennedy and reached the moon. Now we are lifting ourselves off from the Unification Church and our destination is the Kingdom of Heaven.

The Kingdom of Heaven is a big place, so where would you like to land? Right into the heart of God's love. The heart of God is not good enough; you have to be in the heart of God's love. When you land in the heart of God's love, you will surely give God a shock. At that moment God will really be awakened and He will smile ear to ear in explosive joy. Then the dancing will begin. When God begins to dance, the entire cosmos will be ignited in joy. All creation will feel joy with all five senses and everything will be intoxicated in happiness. That dance will be the ultimate grand finale. After that no more work of restoration will remain to be done. God will say that His restoration work is over and His ideal of creation is complete. His broken heart will be completely healed.

Home church was the ideal of God in the Garden of Eden but it was broken into pieces after many thousands of years

of difficulties and tribulations. Now finally in the 20th century I have opened the doors. All conditions have been fulfilled and the doors of home church are open for all mankind to enter. That is the history we are witnessing today.

*Home Church and the Completion of the Kingdom of Heaven
1/1/79, World Mission Center*

The unity between God, Adam and Eve, and the angelic world would have brought the Kingdom of Heaven on earth, but division came in the form of the fall. Now in restoration, by doing home church, you and God are united, like God and Adam and Eve. You and home church are united, like Adam and Eve and the angel. That restores unity of all three worlds. This is why spiritual help is bound to come when you do home church work.

*Historical View of the Dispensation
9/18/79, Belvedere*

The heavenly hierarchy is God first, then Adam and Eve, then the angelic world, then all the things of creation. As a result of the fall, this heavenly order was disrupted. Satan came to exist and man has fallen so low he doesn't even know that the realm of spirit exists. He doesn't know if God exists or what kind of relationship he should have with God. He certainly doesn't know the heart of original Adam, the true parental heart. The only thing mankind can see now is the "I" viewpoint and all the visible things of the created world. Mankind is degraded and lower than the creation; because of this, no one realizes the true value and dignity of human beings....

By witnessing one by one to each other, it would take centuries to liberate the entire world; so if you were in the position of True Parents, wouldn't you want to find a more effective way to bring all mankind back to God? The thinking of God and the True parents must inevitably be the same. If you asked God where He most wants to dwell, He would answer, "Home church." Within your area, the heavenly hierarchy must be restored. The houses represent all the things of creation; the ancestors of the people there who are already in spirit world represent the archangel position; and the Adam position is filled by the people themselves. Once God is brought into relationship with all these elements, the ideal of creation will be realized. As a result of this, Satan will have to leave your area because he will have no place to call his own. Within the realm of 360 homes, everything is represented—360 days of the year, 360 degrees of the circle. Since you are in America, all races of man are contained within your areas. □

*Total Completion of the Ideal
2/28/82, Belvedere*

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THE IMPORTANCE OF WEEKLY SERMONS

The following is taken from *The Tradition: Book Two, now in preparation, which will cover internal aspects of True Parents' tradition.* Compiled by Nancy Barton.

IN PRESERVING THE TRADITION OF our True Parents, we need to be concerned with the practice of Sunday service; in particular, we should learn from Father the importance of weekly sermons.

A sermon is not simply a part of the Sunday service; it is the opportunity for a leader to educate his members and give guidance for their eternal lives. Leaders who give a sermon regularly each Sunday are wise to make a week-by-week sermon plan for the year. If the congregation is composed primarily of young members, the main purpose of education should be preparation for the Blessing. Young members should quickly become strong in the precepts of the Principle in order to be able to witness to others. They especially need guidance on how to apply the Principle in their daily lives.

For a sermon topic, a leader might reflect upon his own early days and recall what he needed when he first confronted and struggled with certain points of faith. He could even consider the problems that face him today and use his sermon to teach not only the members but *himself*. How can a leader generate internal guidance when he himself needs it? He should dissect the struggle that confronts him, examining it in the light of the Principle and True Parents' lifestyle. A leader should focus primarily on teaching brothers and sisters how to reach the goal of attendance. Although every person has to walk the path himself, teaching the meaning of attendance—toward God and True Parents, the True Family, our spiritual elders, and brothers and sisters—is the real substance of “internal guidance.”

Make the Principle exciting

Many members claim to already know the Principle. Because they have heard it so often, they feel they don't need

to hear it again. This attitude creates many problems in one's life of faith. All members, including leaders, need to constantly refresh themselves in the Principle—to understand the basis of each precept and how to use it effectively in life. Those who feel that study is no longer necessary do not understand its value. A leader can make the Principle exciting, make it come alive, through a well-prepared sermon.

The truth of God and His love can shine forth only if the most important ingredient in preparation has been included: prayer.

If the congregation is comprised mainly of blessed members, the leader should focus his sermons on building the ideal world. Here, too, the emphasis should be on following and inheriting the tradition of True Parents.

Prior to each of the five Holy Days, as well as the other holidays commemorated by our church, a leader can help the members prepare for them by explaining their significance. Speeches that Father has given on those days are excellent reference material for sermons.

Leaders should realize that the sermon, the songs, the Bible reading, and every other aspect of the Sunday service can bring tremendous benefit to brothers and sisters. Not only the leader but each individual should be encouraged to feel that in attending service he is making an offering of himself. Leaders should help members be aware of God's instructions to Abraham to divide his offering. To successfully “divide” ourselves, we need to separate the evil from the good within our mind. In this sense,

Sunday service is a time for repentance. Through repenting, a person can check if he harbors resentment or self-centered motivation. Without repentance, attending a service does not have the richness and meaning it could. Members should be encouraged to take this time to cleanse and renew their hearts, but it is even more necessary for the leader to repent in prayer before conducting the service and delivering his sermon.

A pure channel

Father has prayed intensely with tears for each member he guided and cared for. No doubt he visualized them and received spiritual inspiration about what each person needed to nurture his or her faith. The early Korean members testify that they felt an unexplainable urge to go to church. By the law of spiritual gravity—because of the sincere motivation of Father in wanting to care for them—they fervently desired to go to church service, despite the difficulties they may have faced with their own family. They considered the words of True Father to be of great spiritual magnitude, coming directly from the heart of God. In the same way, a leader who prays for the people in his congregation—those both inside and outside the movement—may discover that they are spiritually drawn to attend church every week and are eager to listen to the message of his sermons.

Like Father, a leader must become a pure channel for the spirit and love of God. Some leaders may prepare their sermon in a methodical way, typing it out or making note cards and practicing before a mirror. Some leaders may want to speak extemporaneously. Either way, the truth of God and His love can shine forth only if the most important ingredient in preparation has been included: prayer. Without fervent, even desperate prayer and sincere repentance, a leader cannot be assured that he will be a free-flowing channel for God to use. Prayer is the key. □

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IN A SECTION OF NORTHERN QUEENS in New York City, where streets are lined with auto-body shops, warehouses, and assembly plants, lies the imposing red-brick bulk of the East Sun building. Next to it is a brand-new two-story facility that is crisp and shining as a phoenix just risen from its rundown surroundings.

It is to this place—the just-completed News World Communications press building, constructed entirely by members of the Il Sung Construction Company—that Father and Mother came on the cold and sunny morning of December 31, 1986, the tenth anniversary of News World Communications, (NWC).

Gathered in the wintry air were 10-year veterans of News World Communications and its spinoff publications, the present NWC employees, and about 150 Unification Church members, including Korean and Japanese elders. They waited in a yard that houses a 30-foot satellite dish for transmitting the Spanish daily *Noticias del Mundo* to

TENTH ANNIVERSARY OF NEWS WORLD COMMUNICATIONS

by Robert Selle

the West Coast. The dish is surrounded by 35-foot-high cinder block walls as a shield against New York City's heavy microwave pollution.

Cutting the ribbon

True Parents and their company arrived at 10:55 a.m. to a rousing welcome and immediately mounted a bunting-draped stage set up on one of the loading docks. With True Par-

ents were Dr. Bo Hi Pak, president of NWC, Rev. C.H. Kwak, and several members of the True Family. Across the open door of the loading dock was a ribbon. At 11:00 a.m. Father prayed to dedicate the building, and then he cut the ribbon amid cheers and applause.

Everyone happily followed True Parents into the \$11.5 million press building. The price tag includes a state-



HITOSHI NACAI

Left: Father and Mother are presented with a huge brass plaque commemorating this special anniversary.

Top: Father presses the button to start the press on its first run.

Right: The gleaming new Goss Urbanite press.



HANS JORDAN

of-the-art Goss Urbanite press, a sprawling machine painted taxicab yellow and manufactured in West Germany. The press is a so-called single-width variety, but the building was made extra large to be able to accommodate a mammoth double-width press in the future. Looking down on the assemblage from a ceiling beam was a huge banner reading "Welcome True Parents." Father, Mother, Dr. Pak, and Rev. Kwak held the edges of a big glass bowl of holy salt, which Father would later use to bless the new building. Father prayed over the holy salt for several minutes.

True Parents were then presented with flowers and a large brass plaque by News World Communications to commemorate this special anniversary day.

True Parents' vision

Dr. Pak addressed the gathering, testifying to the miraculous fact that "in ten years, Father created 10 publications," among them the *New York City Tribune* (formerly *The News World*)

(1976), *Free Press International* (1978), *Noticias del Mundo* (1980), *The Washington Times* (1982), the *Middle East Times* (1983), and the magazines *Insight* and *The World & I* (1985).

"Because of True Parents' prayers, vision, faith, and support, News World grew and flourished," he said.

He announced that Rev. Kwak would be taking on a major responsibility at News World Communications as executive vice-president. He, Dr. Pak, would remain president, while becoming involved in other projects in Korea, Japan, America, and elsewhere, he said.

Rev. Kwak then spoke, pledging he would offer his "deepest effort and sincerity" in his new responsibility. "Let's work in the tradition of sacrifice of Father and Mother," he urged.

Letters of appreciation and gifts were then awarded to some of the first leaders of News World Communications: Dennis Orme, Rev. Sung Soo Lee, and Nicholas Buscovich. Stunning gold-and-jeweled watches were given by Dr. Pak to every 10-

year NWC member. Father and Mother made a careful point of applauding each of the 25 people as Dr. Pak called them up individually.

The press is "baptized"

After further ceremonies, the moment came for breaking in the new press. Father and Mother were given gleaming white hard hats and asked to start the Urbanite on its first run. They stepped over to the yellow control panel, and Father pressed the button. The warning buzzer sounded, gears started meshing, and the press's webbing began to roll. Slowly at first, but then faster and faster, the press ran, the sound of its machinery mounting to a cheerful roar.

Since the dedication day was also the tenth anniversary, the press was set up to print a special *New York City Tribune* supplement. Father picked up the first copy to emerge and signed it, as he did with several more. Then, followed by all the members, he moved to the automatic newspaper stacker. As the supplements came down an overhead conveyor belt toward the stacker, everyone cheered and applauded. Father again signed the first papers that emerged from the stacker.

The press was now officially broken in and "baptized."

After going on a guided tour of the press facility, True Parents arrived at a delivery-truck area that had been set up as a banquet hall, its walls festooned with red, white, and blue bunting. Tables covered in white linen and set with silver and crystal were waiting for True Parents, the Korean and Japanese elders, and the 10-year employees of NWC.

While Pachelbel's *Canon* played in the background, a heavenly atmosphere surrounded the whole assembly, with True Parents enjoying the food and smiling, and Rev. Kwak and Dr. Pak chatting and sharing laughter together at the head table.

After the luncheon, Father asked a number of people to sing, and the impromptu entertainment was capped with a heartfelt rendition of "O Danny Boy" by In Jin Nim.

Finally, to end the day of celebration and dedication, Father executed a piece of calligraphy on a banner, to be the motto for News World Communications for the next decade. Dr. Pak translated it for everyone as "Leaping Forward to Victory." □

Tom Mullen, 54, has been in Danbury since August 1982. He works in the kitchen, where Father also used to work. Tom has gotten to know several members through visits and phone calls. Recently he wrote this letter to a sister in the World Mission Department, Denise Maduro, and she contributed it to Today's World. Here are some of his additional thoughts about Father and Mother, which Denise took down from a phone conversation with him.

I knew Father was coming a month before, because it was already in the papers. They started checking the place out for safety. I knew a little Korean because I had lived in Korea for 4 years. Therefore I thought I should, and wished I could, be Father's cubemate. I didn't know that he would be with Mr. Kamiyama or that he could speak English.

On the very first morning I went to bring him tea. But I saw some beautiful things that the other inmates had brought. Tea, coffee, cookies, candy bars, juice, and soda were covering his bed. I approached and greeted him. I said, 'Anyong hashim-nika.' He stood up and bowed, and we shook hands. Then we talked for a very few minutes. He was happy to know I had been in Korea.



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Tom will be released from Danbury on August 3, 1987, and will stay in a halfway house until December 3, 1987.

A LETTER FROM DANBURY

MY DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS, First I would like to say that never in my life have I allowed myself to become so indebted to anyone or anything as I am to Father and all of you. The help you give, the love you share, the warm words and the concern, are more than I could ever expect even if we were brothers and sisters by blood. These are not idle words when I say that someday, somehow, I will find a way to repay this debt to the church or to Father or to someone sent my way—this debt of love and kindness that has helped carry me during these, the hardest days of my life.

Starting with Father and all the members of the World Mission Department, I have been inspired that kindness and love can manifest more kindness and love than all the man-made laws and rules can produce in a lifetime. Please know that I do not take your goodness for granted. Even if I sometimes forget to express my gratitude, it is always present.

Let's see, what can I tell you about me that you don't already know? My

son, whose name is also Thomas, is stationed in California in the Air Force, and overall I think he is quite content with his lot in life. Had I not become involved in something that landed me in Danbury, I'm quite sure he would have continued in college and eventually come to work with me in my business. But fate dealt us a bad hand, and I was sent away, and he just could not handle his mother and sister any longer. So as a family we decided that perhaps the Air Force was the best bet. It turned out best for him, or at least it seems at this time. He is scheduled to get a week out here, so God willing we will spend some time together. I'm really looking forward to that. Please pray it works out.

As you may or may not know, my daughter is a very troubled 28-year-old lady. She is an alcoholic, and when she starts drinking she starts taking pills and speed, and sooner or later she collapses or has an accident. Normally something drastic happens to her. Only God and her mother and father know how she suffers, and we

suffer with her. I have faith that one day soon God will answer our prayers and she will be cured of this curse. The shame of all this is that when she is not drinking she is the most loving, caring daughter or person you could ever find. So please continue to pray for her victory.

My wife of 32 years, Cathy, is not well, in that she has had several major operations. But she waits and prays for my return, and for our daughter's and her own total recovery. And all these things plus many others will happen, because I am blessed with your prayers and Father's love and friendship. The day he left he held both my hands in his hands. Then we hugged each other, and as I kissed his cheek he said, "It will be okay." So that was like a promise, and I believe him.

Danbury Prison doesn't change much. It's not as exciting as when we were graced by the presence of Rev. Moon, but life goes on. After all this time it seems that time drags much slower than it did before. My world

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Every man has either an odd or an even number. Father and I had odd numbers, so we worked the same day and had the same visiting days. That way I would always see his family, and he would see mine.

My wife Cathy, my daughter, and my son all love Father very much. My wife once said, "Mother is the most beautiful middle-aged woman I have ever seen. She has no wrinkles, her eyes sparkle, and her smile makes you feel warm."

Father

by Stephen Sheehy

He said nothing, just smiled.

*They took him with impure hands
demanding recognition for their mendacity.*

*And we watched with naive hearts
and our heads slumped and wondered how he felt.
We had changed, yet he hadn't.*

Still the radiance of harmony was there on his face and in his eyes.

*There was movement and noise and all was quiet
and it seemed that all had tasted the distance
and none could digest it.*

*This was history all over again and still we struggle
to learn the lesson.*

A pensive cloud lingered as we saw him disappear into the distance.

*We had been so unwilling with our hearts
and so restrained in our life.*

And the law and those men, so pedantic, unyielding to the truth.

*None thought of God, at least not the law,
they didn't know how deep they had dug.*

*And though hope still shone brightly, the marrow was showing,
we had done it again so insensitively and oblivious to the cries.
The marks of human teeth lay deep in heavenly hands.*

*We tried to pray, but God couldn't hear,
we tried to respond to history.*

And we heard this:

*We awoke and he was alone,
The day was grim for the sun hadn't shone.
His face had changed, the smile had gone,
No one thought what had we done.
His head was bowed*

*His tears fell fast
The world so proud
As the moment passed.*

*Who could know this dreaded position
with deaf ears to His admonition.
His hanging body was quiet and still
And all slept while vultures made their kill.
His last words of love we couldn't hear,
Hearts were closed and minds unclear.
We may feel sorry for what happened then,
As we lie and prepare to do it again.
But some will sing a different song,
Those who understand what we did wrong,
And to evil minds we will lift the sword,
To prepare their hearts to meet the Lord.
.....Amen.*

*And the horizon was bloody with ignorance then,
so now what.*

We must kneel so that sores can bleed for heaven.

*And the insidious plots are made, and the ink runs red,
and they squat behind desks
and their spirits flaccid and frail.*

*And the minds of the world bound in bandages
into small packages unable to see or feel.
Change seems almost impossible.*

*And the Father pays with pain, the debt upon our shoulders,
and with loving hands unravels the dry bandages
and kisses our foreheads.*

And still we are called his child.

*He is unmitigated in love and truth
while the world shakes on the foundation of sin.*

Stephen Sheehy is a New Zealand member. He was inspired write this poem after Father was released from Danbury because he "felt to the bone that history was repeating itself once again."

"The True Family, the only true family that God has had, was attacked by all that is false, and in my mind I could envision the path to Calvary.

"Many people may have tried to wipe the dirt from their hands, but there are some stains that won't be removed because they are recorded deep in the heart of God."



TYLER HENDRICKS

Rev. C.H. Kwak addresses the Fifth God Conference.

THE FIFTH GOD CONFERENCE

by Jonathan Wells

THE FIFTH INTERNATIONAL conference on "God: The Contemporary Discussion," better known as the God Conference, met in Coronado, California, from December 29, 1986, through January 3, 1987. Most of the previous God Conferences have taken place over the celebration of God's Day, thereby linking the internal, providential celebration of God with an external event dedicated to God and to generating serious interreligious discussion on God.

The God Conference has always acknowledged, and indeed thrives upon, the variety of relationships that human beings have with the Divine. As stated by Rev. C.H. Kwak in his welcoming remarks to the conference, "What is needed is not a monolithic uniformity of belief and practice, but a unity based on an awareness of divine love, mutual respect, and shared goals." The God Conference seeks to bring scholars together centering up-

on the highest aspirations and deepest insights of religion, and to inspire these scholars to disseminate the ideal of religious harmony and cooperation. "If you find this conference

fruitful," declared Rev. Kwak, "I would urge you to communicate your impression to others, and especially to the leaders of your respective religious traditions. Through your influence, those leaders might...devote more of their energies to meetings that heal interreligious divisions and that deal with urgent social problems."

With this as the vision of the conference, the participants gathered from around the world. One hundred twenty scholars of religion, who were in many cases religious and/or interfaith leaders as well, convened in the beautiful century-old Hotel del Coronado on the coast of Southern California. Under the able guidance of Dr. Robert Scharlemann, chairman of the conference, the New Ecumenical Research Association (New ERA) brought a diverse range of scholars from every continent: 10 from Africa, 8 from the Far East, 19 from Europe and the Middle East, 20 from the Indian subcontinent, 3 from Australia, and the remainder from North and South America.

Themes of mutual concern

Representing a dozen religious traditions and as many or more academic disciplines, the participants worked within a structure of seven different theme groups (see box). Each had written an article-length paper for group discussion, as well as a response to another paper in the group. The groups were designed to promote cross-cultural discussion on topics of mutual concern to the globe's religious, theological, and philosophical communities.



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The conference began each morning at 7:00 a.m. with a prayer or meditation service. On four different mornings, participants attended Jewish, Hindu, Christian, and Buddhist services. From 8:30 a.m. until 7:30 p.m., with only a brief afternoon break, the theme discussions ranged widely over their topics, challenging many participants to see things from viewpoints they had never encountered before. Films on the Religious Youth Service and the Assembly of the World's Religions sparked discussion of practical modes of service to the world and how we might contribute most effectively toward the development of a family of faiths and a lessening of interreligious conflict.

As the "flag-ship" event of New ERA's yearly calendar, the Fifth God Conference brought 1986 to a victorious conclusion and provided 1987 with an auspicious start. Rev. Kwak encouraged the participants to "see this conference on 'God: The Contemporary Discussion' as a starting point for something much greater," and especially as a vehicle to fulfill the purpose of the International Religious Foundation: world peace through religious dialogue and harmony. □

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| Theme Group 1: GOD, NOTHING, AND THE ULTIMATE
<i>Moderators:</i> Ray Hart, Daniel Charles, and Durwood Foster |
| Theme Group 2: THE HUMAN AS A MEDIUM OF THE DIVINE
<i>Moderators:</i> Michael Von Bruck and Betty Rubenstein |
| Theme Group 3: GOD AND RITUAL
<i>Moderators:</i> Margaret Chatterjee and Asa Kasher |
| Theme Group 4: THE RATIONALITY OF GOD AND THE RATIONALITY OF NATURE
<i>Moderators:</i> Frank Harrison and Ramakant Sinari |
| Theme Group 5: THE FUTURE OF ONTO-THEOLOGY
<i>Moderators:</i> Huston Smith and Henry Ruf |
| Theme Group 6: THE SOCIAL CONSEQUENCES OF BELIEF IN GOD
<i>Moderators:</i> Richard Quebedaux and James Wood |
| Theme Group 7: GOD AS HEALER, GOD AS DESTROYER
<i>Moderators:</i> Friday Mbon and K.L. Seshagiri Rao |



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KOREAN TEXT STUDY

Witnessing

25. To lay your foundation, you should pour out all your sincere effort. To do this, you should: (1) give God's words, (2) set the example of your words through your character and deeds, (3) make such bonds of heart with others that they will want to tell you everything about themselves, (4) leave them as many unforgettable memories in their life of faith as possible, (5) have them work as hard as you have worked for them, and (6) make them your representatives.

26. When your witnessing result is not satisfactory, don't get disappointed but continue to prepare. Until your opportunity comes, pour out all your sincerity and yearn for good people with your true heart.

27. If you want to save all men, you have to understand their circumstances. In order to do that, you have to put yourself in the same circumstances.

28. When you feel uneasy, be silent and make plans. If you cannot be successful even after that, it may be necessary for you to make totally different plans.

자기의 기반(基盤)을 닦기 위해 있는 정성(精誠)을 다하라. 그러기 위해 ① 말씀을 주고 ② 행동(行動)과 인격으로 말씀에 대한 본을 보여주고 ③ 그 사람으로 하여금 자기의 모든 일을 직고(直告)할 수 있는 심정적 인연(因緣)을 자신과 맺게 하고 ④ 그에게 신앙질에 있어서 잊으려야 잊을 수 없는 많은 추억(追憶)을 남기게 하고 ⑤ 그를 위하여 자신이 움직인 것과 마찬가지로 그도 그렇게 움직이게 하여 ⑥ 자신의 대신자로 삼아야 한다.

전도(傳道)

"SERIOUS PHENOMENA"

Reflections on the ICC

Interview with Kevin McCarthy

THE MINISTERS ARE DEFINITELY more positive in their response. But I don't think it's so much that the ministers are changing; it's because we're changing and the spirit world is changing. This is entirely due to conditions Father has made. After Father's Danbury course, there was a dramatic difference in the amount of spiritual power available. It has taken us a long time to realize that there is something much more powerful available to move the ministers now.

The first three conferences we held in 1985 were in a sense external endeavors. God's spirit was moving, but not moving us, the staff. I'm speaking personally. Last year I didn't realize how serious God was about this entire dispensation of minister education, and because of that ignorance on my part, God's spirit couldn't really move. But through the tangibility of the spirit world and the intense presence of God in Korea, the deep spirit of Korea has gradually begun to rub off on this "old" American guy.

I found that after the fourth, fifth, and sixth conferences, I was going back to America with a tremendous enrichment. I also felt a deeper, more

intense judgment upon my attitude and lifestyle. There has never been a time in my life like this. I feel God is absolutely determined that I change. Touching that spirituality in Korea has brought a deeper consciousness into my life. It's been heaven and it's been hell.

Incredible experiences of God

Amazing phenomena have been taking place in these conferences. The ministers are not just having a good time but are having internal experiences of God's spirit manifesting from within. After attending Sunday service at the headquarters church in Seoul or praying at the Rock of Tears, many ministers have incredible prayers or receive very specific revelations about Father. You can see the look on their faces; they become curious and contemplative. Their question is simple: If this is a heretical church, and Rev. Moon teaches heresy, how in the world can the spirit of God come down so powerfully in this church? They're not sensing just the common Sunday-service spirit of God. This is the most powerful spirit they've ever experienced. At the time of Jesus the

Kevin McCarthy joined the Unification Church in 1972 and served for several years as state leader of North Carolina. Since 1981 he has been with the Education Department, teaching in the national 21-day and 40-day workshops. He has lectured at all eight ICC's in Korea. Kevin shared with Today's World his insights about the ICC. We asked him: "In your experience through these eight conferences, has the response of participating ministers changed, and if so, how?"



American ministers sing some gospel at the headquarters church in Seoul.

spirit of God manifested very strongly, but outside the doctrines of Jesus' contemporaries. That's exactly what's going on here.

Once I had the chance to report directly to Father about this. I said, "Father, these are the interesting phenomena happening at these conferences." Father looked at me very seriously, with that dead-eye look, and said in English, "No! Not interesting. Serious phenomena!"

Teaching the Principle should not be just explaining what we believe. We need to give the ministers a direct experience of God through His word in the 20th century. I feel that if we, as lecturers, can conditionally fulfill our responsibility to proclaim God's absolute word, then something unimaginable by even the greatest stretches of our faith can take place in these conferences.

When God feels confident that we lecturers are standing squarely in that sanctified position, then He will bring about some "serious phenomena" directly through His word, the Principle. When we hit that point, and become more focused on that spirit, multitudes of ministers will come, and they will have not just an interesting experience, but a serious one. □



NEWS FROM TODAY'S WORLD

FREEDOM IN DIALOGUE *The Council for the World's Religions*

RELIGIOUS DIALOGUE IS TAKING PLACE under the Council for the World's Religions (CWR) in ways that are occurring nowhere else in the world. The Council is structured so that religious believers have the opportunity to encounter one another in unprecedented ways. The participants are committed believers who represent specific faiths and organizations. However, in the CWR conferences they are not bound by their positions when they speak but converse with one another in an atmosphere of complete freedom.

The only stipulation in the dialogues themselves is that all dialogue partners be treated with dignity and respect. No agenda is imposed on the participants. The dialogues are not formulated as a means to produce some publicizable evidence, for example, that church X and church Y now agree to worship together in these countries on these Sundays, or any other such resolution. The participants speak freely, openly, and honestly, and for this reason, insights into the real nature of those things that divide religions, and those that might lead to resolution of these differences, are finally becoming clear.

Open to the unexpected

Participants invariably leave the conferences refreshed, enriched, and with the understanding that the ecumenical ideal is no longer a petrified exercise in posturing and beating each other over the head with one's own religious beliefs and doctrines. There is only one purpose for the activities of the CWR: world peace through religious dialogue and harmony. The conferences are designed to pursue that ideal, and to remain open to the unexpected. In dialogue we discover how God is able to bring us together. We do not go into dia-



Participants at the intra-Christian dialogue in San Diego meet with Rev. Kwak.

logue to tell others how God is obliged to act or how the others are obliged to follow.

Over 20 leaders, scholars, and representatives of the world's major religions are currently advising CWR on how to pursue this one central aim and goal. The Council sponsors several types of conferences toward this end and supports a publishing program to disseminate information and developments in the world of interfaith relations.

Articles have already appeared in *Today's World* describing the interreligious dialogue for the Indian subcontinent held in Bangalore, India, in June 1986, and the gathering of interfaith leaders in Bad Nauheim, West Germany, in August 1986. But these were only two of the CWR conferences held around the globe in 1986. This article will not be able to give a complete description of last year's dialogues, but perhaps a point or two on each would be interesting.

Seeking unity

The intra-Buddhist dialogue that took place in Chaing Mai, Thailand, brought together Buddhists from eight countries and many denominations. The major and most commonly known division within Buddhism is between the Theravadin and Mahayanan traditions (although there are many more Buddhist denominations). In this conference, even people who have long regarded themselves as Buddhist experts were startled to find that they still operated with certain prejudices and misunderstandings regarding other Buddhist traditions. It was decided there to pursue the idea of an intra-Buddhist translation society, so that Buddhists who speak different mother tongues can begin to understand the roots of one another's faith.

The intra-Jewish conference, held in Vitznau, Switzerland, drew participants from the most distant ends of the spectrum of Jewish belief—from a

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Hassidic rabbi who brought his own food (to guarantee it would be kosher), to the most liberal Jewish scholars in American universities. The differences are vast and intense, and at times they seem insuperable. But the oneness grounded in the historical consciousness and experience of all Jews is as unbreakable as the divisions are strong.

The Hindu conference this year, held in the sacred city of Varanasi on the banks of the Ganges River, was on the topic of "Bhakti" (roughly translated as devotion). In this conference, believers in Hinduism (in some ways, the world's most happily divided religion) sought their oneness in the experience of loving and being devoted to God. By whatever name and with whatever nature or quality He was worshiped was secondary to them. Unity was sought in the experience of devotion itself and the loving response of God.

New life and new hope

Finally, in December in San Diego, an intra-Christian dialogue was held. Historically speaking, ecumenism in Christianity is perhaps the most sophisticated. Jesus told his followers to be one, and although the followers of Christ have been sorely divided, they have never been comfortable with that fact. For this reason Christianity has the longest and most highly developed ecumenical tradition. It would

COINCIDING WITH THE START OF THE CAUSA USA signature campaign last September, the CAUSA Veterans Association (CVA) was formed as a project of CAUSA USA. It seeks to educate active and retired members of the armed forces about the dangers to the survival of democracy and the free world posed by atheistic communism. CVA is not intended to take the place of existing veterans organizations, but it was formed to offer the CAUSA critique and counterproposal to communism as a tool and a source of inspiration in the continuing fight against totalitarianism.

CVA seminars have been held around the country on a variety of topics including: "The Current Soviet Threat to Freedom," "Terrorism—The Source and its Solution," and "Subversion in the Media." Beyond the educational value of these seminars, their purpose is to facilitate the creation of a network of patriotic, informed, and committed veterans

who can emerge as local volunteers, able to speak out and organize others in the cause of freedom.

Response to CVA seminars has been positive. One participant stated:

When I first received my invitation I didn't know what to expect, and I must admit I came here with some skepticism. Now, in all sincerity, I want to tell you that I have never attended a conference or seminar which to me was more meaningful, more productive, more interesting, more pleasant, or more useful than this one.

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seem that this is the one area of dialogue in which CWR would be most presumptuous to think it has anything new to offer. Yet the very opposite seems to be the case. Christian ecumenism, in the eyes of many of its most renowned advocates, has reached an impasse, a dead end. Some who have committed their lives to this

ideal have actually shed tears of thankfulness to Father for breathing new life and new hope into the field of Christian ecumenism. In San Diego even more lines of division within Christianity were discovered. The participants could recognize that a new approach and a new understanding of the nature of Christian division must first be grasped if progress is to be made.

At all CWR conferences, Rev. C.H. Kwak gives an address to the conferees. It is during this time that participants are able to glimpse the broad and embracing vision of Father and the Unification movement. □

Contributed by Frank Kaufmann, CWR Executive Director

(For complete reports of the 1986 CWR conferences, please refer to the IRF Newsletter, in which CWR as well as other IRF activities are reported.)



Dr. Richard Quebedeaux (far left) makes a comment at the San Diego conference.

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Third Anniversary of PWPA



Aaron Miller of the Secretary of State's planning staff gives the keynote address at the December 18 symposium. To his left is Dr. Nicholas Kittrie, president of PWPA-USA.

ABOUT 120 INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARS and 20 secretaries-general of Professors World Peace Academy chapters gathered for a luncheon and symposium at the new Willard Intercontinental Hotel in Washington DC on December 18, 1986. The meeting, "Superpowers Competition and Middle East Peace," was held on the third anniversary of the founding of the international network of PWPA.

In his welcoming remarks at the symposium, Rev. C.H. Kwak, chairman of the Board of Directors of PWPA, explained the significance of the day. December 18, 1983, was the day on which the First International Congress of PWPA was held in Seoul, Korea. From that day on, based on commitments made by the worldwide PWPA presidents to help promote "a new God-centered civilization founded upon love and heart," Father has been encouraging and supporting the international PWPA network. December 18, 1983, was proclaimed "The Day

of the New Cultural Revolution."

The celebration of the anniversary has become an annual event with a two-fold purpose. First, it is a day to gather PWPA leaders and advisors to assess the year's activities, to plan for future events, and to evaluate PWPA's contribution to world peace. Secondly, it is an occasion to hold a high-level academic conference for a wider audience.

On the first anniversary (1984), under the leadership of Professor Panos D. Bardis, PWPA members established the *International Journal on World Peace*. On the second anniversary (1985), *The World & I* magazine was initiated under the leadership of Professor Morton Kaplan as a major vehicle for international scholarly exchange in all disciplines. The third anniversary (1986) witnessed a great expansion of projects of PWPA chapters worldwide.

Looking to the future of PWPA, Rev. Kwak spoke at the Washington

DC symposium of Father's desire to help create "a world university network in 70 countries so that eminent scholars and students can exchange knowledge and wisdom throughout the world." To the 20 secretaries-general from other countries, Rev. Kwak said, "Each of you should make an effort to capture the spirit of the new cultural revolution. I want to encourage each of you to organize anniversary meetings...to pass the tradition and spirit of PWPA on to members of the chapters around the world." □

By Gordon L. Anderson
Secretary-General, PWPA

A detailed report of the Washington DC symposium, in which the participants discussed prospects for accommodation or confrontation in the Middle East, is available by mail upon request from the Today's World editorial office.

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After pledge service this morning, I spoke to representative leaders and told them that 1987 is the year of mobilization of the entire family. Together you must go out to the world, like the Israelites. You must declare God's will and dispensation to the entire nation and the world. When the United States follows Rev. Moon's way of life, then the rest of the world will undoubtedly follow. So this country is where I would like to create the model.

Are we going to create the right environment in this year? Two more glorious opportunities are before you—the years 1987 and 1988. No other opportunities like this will ever appear in the future. We are becoming the perfected Adam and Eve by the power of the True Parents. Adam and Eve were the God-given husband and wife, meant to center perfectly on the true love of God and then to create the human family of God. God wants all the things of creation to be able to rejoice when He rejoices, when Adam and Eve are rejoicing. Thus you should be admired not just by your neighbors, but also by the animals and even the insect world. They and the flowers will sing your praises.

Do you think Father and Mother are living in such a relationship of perfected love? Mother's role is absolute obedience and support toward me. She has total trust and fidelity, as well as absolute purity. Of course, these things are mutual; that absolute standard has been kept by both of us. All the children coming from such parents will be of extraordinary dimension on the worldwide scale. My children—they are handsome men and beautiful young ladies, aren't they?

God wants each of you to go to heaven. In order to do that, you must become the bearers of sinless children. What do we mean by sinless children? They are children of the family that Satan has no room to accuse, because their lineage, their bloodstream, has an entirely different

root. Under the True Parents, the world can have a new root. Anybody who joins with the foundation of the True Parents becomes part of their new root.

FIRST LEARN PARENTAL LOVE

In order to understand true love, you have to know the parental love, the vertical love, first. After that you can learn true horizontal love. As a couple, you must experience the true love of God on the earth; then you are entitled to go to the Kingdom of Heaven in heaven. Anyone who experiences true parental love, as well as true conjugal love centered upon God, is entitled to be with God. Then you can say, "I know the love of God."

Therefore, how can a person who cannot love his own wife or his own children understand the love of God? American culture has a long way to go—true parental love is virtually foreign to this country. In a country like Korea the family system is strong, and it is easy for people to experience parental and conjugal love. Because they are living that way already, Oriental people only have to be taught once. But here in the Western world, this kind of love is so foreign that no matter how many times people are told, they still don't understand. However, you have to go that route, no matter how difficult it might be. I will push you that way so you can have your own personal experience. Then you will say, "Oh, this is it. Now I have experienced the true love of God."

Today we are gathered together for the celebration of God's Day. We have come here for a most serious purpose, not something frivolous. Let us pledge and recommit ourselves to go to our communities and our missions and become exemplary people, bringing the fruits of victory in 1987. Your Father and Mother expect this, so can you make that pledge now? Let us pledge three times. Thank you and God bless you. □

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consists of one building and the freedom to walk 80 yards to the north, 250 yards to the west, 400 yards to the east, and nowhere to the south. So since Father has been gone, after over 420 days or 10,080 hours or 604,800 minutes in this small area, it gets to be a real drag.

My days normally feel like they're 40 hours long. I spend some of these long hours reading, I pray a lot, I

walk several miles every day, and I sleep as much as possible. The real punishment of being in Danbury is that you become non-productive. You get to share in none of the decisions that dictate your own life or the lives of those you love. No man or woman should ever be made to feel useless or not needed. I've never been a loser in my life, but prisons and the people who run them try to make you feel like a loser. And if you feel like a loser, then you are a loser. I think part of my love for all of you is because

you treat me like I really count for something. Thanks again.

So, my dear brothers and sisters, I shall close this letter, reminding you that God loves you because He's God, Father loves you because you are his special children, and I love you because you have made me special, too.

Please take care of yourselves and each other and know you are loved.

Gratefully yours in faith,

Tom Mullen

Your Danbury brother

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in front of history. With this kind of exposure, we need to be concerned that our individual lifestyle reflects Father's tradition—not merely for

our own sake, but for Father's sake, for the sake of the whole dispensation.

How shall we do this? We must align our attitude with Father's motto and instructions, which are, in essence, to focus on loving for the sake of the higher purpose. This is the True

Parents' tradition and main teaching. Then no matter who we are with, we will know how to relate, if we keep true love in our hearts. □

FATHER'S INSTRUCTIONS FOR 1987

"The Unification of the Fatherland"

I. UNIFICATION OF THE INDIVIDUAL:

- (1) Unification of mind and God
- (2) Unification of body and God
- (3) Union of mind-body with God
- (4) Individual unity with God's love
- (5) Unity in virtue and love with the Parents of heaven and earth

II. UNIFICATION OF THE FAMILY:

- (1) Uniting with parental love
- (2) Uniting with love of husband-wife
- (3) Uniting with brotherly love
- (4) Experiencing the heavenly love
- (5) Responsibility of husband-wife in love

III. UNIFICATION OF THE CLAN:

- (1) Centering on love for the central figure of the clan
- (2) Love for equality among families
- (3) Life of love centered on other families
- (4) Serving and loving up-down, forward-backward, and right-left
- (5) Life of love for duty of going out to the world
- (6) Love for moral life in going out to the world

IV. UNIFICATION OF THE TRIBE:

- (1) Love for the tradition of heavenly will and for its bequeathal
- (2) Love in trusting and attending the leader of the tribe
- (3) Love for becoming one with the original order of society
- (4) Brotherly love centering on family
- (5) Love for moral responsibility toward the world
- (6) Love for the dignity of an ideal people

V. UNIFICATION OF THE NATION:

- (1) Loving the re-manifestation of ideal people's spirit
- (2) Love for the sovereign more than that for parents

- (3) Securing the heavenly system and the life of love for service
- (4) Experiencing the one clan of the Parents of heaven and earth
- (5) Realm of attend-and-trusting and attend-and-loving the passing on of the heavenly kingdom
- (6) Centering on love for becoming one body as a nation

VI. UNIFICATION OF THE WORLD:

- (1) Transmission of the ideal of love beyond the nation
- (2) Respecting the love of the Parents of heaven and earth the most
- (3) Love for all people's equality and for harmony with others and the love for service
- (4) Sacrificial love for world peace
- (5) Love in serving and respecting the inheritance of the spiritual heavenly kingdom
- (6) Making absolute the love of the Parents of heaven and earth and the brotherly love

VII. UNIFICATION OF BOTH HEAVENLY KINGDOMS:

- (1) Love for training on earth in preparation for the spiritual heavenly kingdom
- (2) Man of love in making absolute other-centeredness
- (3) Man of actual results in love for service throughout entire lifetime
- (4) Becoming a public-minded person in passing on the legacy of love
- (5) Man who respects the love for the past, the present, and the future
- (6) Man who lives a life of love for deep attachment to the Parents of heaven and earth
- (7) Man seeking peace through joy, service, and love
- (8) Man of good character who easily makes harmony with all realms

**On the path toward unification,
heavenly will and support
shall be with you always!**

These instructions were first presented at the International Leaders' Meeting at the World Mission Center on January 2, 1987. Dr. Bo Hi Pak read them aloud in Korean from Father's notebook, then gave a preliminary English translation. The instructions were later officially translated and sent to all regions.

The deep spiritual content of these instructions is not easy to express in English. They should be read not with an analytical mind but with an open, prayerful heart. In his editorial (p. 2) Rev. Kwak explains the overall meaning of these points as they relate to the motto for 1987.

"I HAVE TAUGHT YOU SO MUCH,
I HAVE TRAINED YOU,
I HAVE GIVEN YOU MY LOVE
AND MY EXAMPLE.
NOW THE TIME HAS COME
FOR YOU TO TAKE OVER
THE LEADERSHIP."

*Rev. Sun Myung Moon
January 1, 1987
Midnight*