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THIS morning we are going to think about the title, "The Mission of Those Who Have Received Heaven's Call." True Parents left for America on the morning of February 4, 1994, after gaining a historic victory. During their time away from America, Father educated 50,000 Japanese women in Cheju Island. This is an astonishing, hitherto unprecedented, happening. It brought a victorious result, reviving and redeeming Japan's unusual history.

Mother spoke at forty universities around Korea after completing a tour in Japan. She then brought victory in a worldwide forty nation tour, despite an arduous and tense schedule. On returning to Korea, Mother, together with Father, passed on the entire fruit of True Parents' historic and worldwide victory to the members.

The course and direction of our life of faith

This year, True Parents gave us the slogan "The Safe Settlement of True Parents and the Completed Testament Age," from a position of wanting to bequeath the result of their success to all members. They led us for one month, during which time they instructed us in the course and direction of our life of faith, as well as changing some members' missions.

The content of Father's words to us in January was indeed precious, convincing us of the definite direction and course of the providence of this age. Father now sees that the current attitude and state of mind of the Unification Church members in Korea is not good. What does this mean? True Parents want all of us to become members who inherit their victorious foundation, especially the result of the amazing successes which—while they were leading us during 1993, the first year

of the Completed Testament Age—drew a dividing line within the overall providence. He pointed out that, internally and externally, our attitudes are inadequate to inherit that foundation. We are now in the position of having to clean out many aspects of ourselves, reorganize and make a new start. In that sense, there should be a new realization within us.

Now, whenever that chance arises, Father asks leaders and members specifically, "How many new members have you witnessed to?" This year Father emphasized again, "Witness to one person per month." When we think of these words, even though we can witness and the result can come more easily than at any other time in this precious era of amazing blessing, so much is still left undone. From this viewpoint, this morning we are going to focus on what our mission is, as a people who have been called by heaven, and how much heaven helps us and wants us to fulfill our responsibility.

Examples of spiritual works

Father summoned all the missionaries to Hannam-dong a few days ago and chose some members to posts in Japan and other countries of the world. Over dinner, beginning with the words, "How much indeed has heaven guided us spiritually and loved us constantly?" Mrs. Won Pok Choi told the story of the time during Father's suffering course when on July 4, 1955, he was imprisoned in Seoul. Father, listening to that story silently and attentively, praised Mrs. Choi for having a very good memory and then recounted some other stories. Mrs. Choi gave three examples by way of explanation.

Looking back, many hardships were cast onto the few existing members, who in those days had their eyes

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Love As a Parent

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ON May 1, 1994, I announced the formation of the Family Federation for Unification and World Peace (FFUWP). However, America failed to catch that spirit, so finally yesterday Farley Jones was inaugurated as the president of FFUWP. Have you heard me speak about the significance of FFUWP? (No, we have not, Father.)

Do you understand why the Unification Church leaders are unable to bring new members? (We are not teaching the Principle.) From now on our Divine Principle education will be done by the use of the black *Divine Principle* book. The biggest advantage to carrying the *Divine Principle* with you wherever you go is that if you feel low and need spiritual help, you can read the *Divine Principle* and immediately regain spiritual momentum.

If you read twenty or thirty pages of the *Divine Principle* black book each day, your level of spirituality will rise daily. Tell me how many times you have read the *Divine Principle*, cover to cover, in your life. Those who have confidence that they have read it over fifty times raise your hands. How about over ten times? It is clearly not enough. Of course people can counsel you, but their source is also the *Divine Principle* book. If you have the *Divine Principle* book always with you, you can receive your own advice directly from the source. Therefore, please refer to the *Divine Principle* book before trying anything else.

When the late [HSA-UWC] President Hyo Won Eu was writing the *Divine Principle*, he was not just writing it out of his own head. With my input and supervision, it was God's revelation. Not a single word in that book is from former President Eu's head. Paragraph by paragraph he would bring it to me for correction and approval. Therefore, former President Eu was totally united spiritually with God and me. In order for this light bulb to light it needs plus and minus wiring connected to a generating plant. For the same reason, you need the *Divine Principle* book.

As history progresses you will see more and more just how significant is my message. You must understand how precious my words are. Dr. Young Oon Kim

wrote her own version of *Divine Principle*, to a certain extent. She did not do it with my approval at each chapter. Her book was colored, to a certain degree, by her own understanding of theology and philosophy. It may contain some good explanations philosophically and theologically, but because I did not approve her writing it has no spiritual connection with me. Even translations of the *Divine Principle* book into other languages need to convey not only the meaning, but the spiritual essence of the Principle. Without this essence, the words have no life.

Lecture the Principle continuously

In the Korean *Divine Principle* book, the "Principle of Creation" takes up seventy pages. To lecture even the outline of the "Principle of Creation" takes three hours. However, we should be able to summarize the essence of the "Principle of Creation" in fifteen minutes. That is the idea behind coloring the different sections [*highlighting the key points*].

Originally this book was written and edited so that anyone who read it would understand it. For three years and eight months before the late President Eu began writing this book, he gave lectures for sixteen hours every day. Based upon that



PHOTO: KEN OWENS/NFP

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foundation he began to write the *Divine Principle* under my supervision. I sat in on every one of his lectures and gave my critique. That has been the Unification Church tradition.

Therefore, it is most important for church leaders to maintain the standard of lecturing for 24 hours a day in your church. With that kind of dedication, the spiritual world can connect directly with what you are doing. However, to lecture for 24 hours every day is virtually impossible. Therefore, the members of your congregation should take turns reading the contents of the *Divine Principle* book 24 or sixteen hours a day.

When you give Divine Principle lectures, remember that, first and foremost, you are lecturing to the spiritual world, not to the physical audience. You may have only two or three guests, but thousands of spirit men are in attendance. Therefore, you have to invest your sweat and blood into your lectures. You have to lecture continually to mobilize the spiritual world and create a real spiritual atmosphere. The conscience of fallen people is vertically connected and through it we can mobilize the spiritual world.

The history of salvation is the history of re-creation. Re-creation requires new material and new concepts. Nothing from the past should be connected to it. It has to have a pure, genuine new source. The goal of re-creation is the original point from which God created this world. What then is the original point? Creation began with God pouring out Himself for the sake of others. To pour out means to sacrifice yourself and give for the sake of others.

Those who pour everything out for the sake of others are in the position of subject. However, when you pour everything out for the sake of others, your investment does not stagnate; rather, it turns around and comes back to you. When you see what you have poured out come back to you, you shed tears of gratitude. God created the world not because He needed power and material but because He needed an object of love. Even God is lonely and sad and needed an object of love.

Even though I have gained a certain amount of fame internationally, without Mother I would be a very sad and lonely man. Divine Principle teaches us that God created man and woman and all things to feel joy and happiness. The source of happiness and joy is the object of our love. Before you married, did you expect your future spouse to be inferior to you? No, we want our spouse to be infinitely better than ourselves. We have this desire because God wanted His object of love to have infinite possibilities for greatness.

Tears bind us to God

God poured every ounce of Himself into the creation of His children. Since God gave everything to us when He created us, we should be able to return everything to God with tears of utmost gratitude. God can then return even more to us. If you give something to a person who fails to return any appreciation whatsoever, you do not feel inspired to continue to give. By the same token, we should return gratitude and appreciation to God. This kind of heart-to-heart interaction between God and man must occur before total giving and receiving can take place.

We are meant to be the objects of God's love for eternity. We

connect with eternal love by returning our tears of gratitude to God. We usually shed tears when we are excited and happy or moved to sadness. When you shed tears of excitement and joy, your spiritual energy rises. However, when you shed tears of sadness, your energy goes down. The first tears human beings shed were tears of sadness because of the fall. They took the path to hell, rather than heaven, when they were cast out after the fall.

When you receive love from True Parents, you should be able to penetrate True Parents' heart through offering your joy and love. When you receive love and joy from True Parents and God, you should return it with tears of joy and excitement. This is the only way our love relationship can continue for all eternity.

When parents have to go away for a time children cry. Did you experience that with your own parents when you were children? Your parents then returned and you cried with joyful excitement. As they stayed with you and you felt good, you sometimes shed tears of joy. On the basis of on your repeated shedding tears of joy and happiness with God, you will live with Him for eternity. The key is our heartistic level. We were created to be true objects of love to God, but because of the fall people have been going to hell. However, through God's grace and love you have found the new lifeline leading to restoration and re-creation. Now you need to establish the heartistic standard of shedding tears of joy and happiness.

The scriptures say that unless we become like children we cannot enter the Kingdom of Heaven. We have to understand that verse in terms of the relationship between children and parents. Children who are close in heart with their parents will shed tears of joy and happiness connected with the parents. When a small child is separated from his mother, he will not feel joy until she returns. The longer the waiting period, the greater the joy of the reunion. Just imagine how many tens and thousands of years God has been separated from His children. Do you think that after this amount of separation we can feel normal when we are adopted by Him? God is our vertical True Parents. If we truly understand this, can we face God without genuine tears? If you were a two-year-old child separated from your parents for a long time, when you had the chance to grab hold of your mother's arm, you would not let it go. The most fearful thing for such a child is to be separated again. We should be able to have that kind of experience in our lives of faith.

God poured everything into the creation of His children. We should feel as close to God as a small child does to his parents. Mothers joyfully give their own milk to their children. The mother's milk-line is a pipeline for life. When the baby nurses, it feels happy. We should remember how precious it was to be nurtured by our own mother's milk. God's heart and mind are exactly like that of a nursing mother. That was God's state of mind when He created us. That is the starting point of the Kingdom of Heaven.

We should respect mothers for giving life and love to their children, for giving and forgiving. That was the original relationship between humankind and God, but due to the fall everything became cut off. Because of the fall, we view things horizontally, instead of both horizontally and vertically. We should be able to implement the true love practiced between

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a mother and child on all levels from the individual to the worldwide level.

Heartistic connections

As church leaders, are you fulfilling the position of God and parents to your congregation? Do you truly love the members of your congregation more than your own children? Of course you need to look upon your physical children as your children, but you should look at the members of your congregation as God's direct children. Even your own children will have to follow the path of the members of your congregation as they grow. The members of your congregation are children of God and True Parents, but your own children have not reached that level yet. You have to raise God's children out of your own congregation.

Review your life according to this formula. There should be a relationship between you as the leader, in the position of God and True Parents, and your congregation through which your blood and tears can be communicated to one another, because your blood and tears represent your love, your life and your sacrifice. Of course the blood flowing within your body is invisible, but to be connected by blood means to be connected internally. Through shedding tears together you can be heartistically connected.

Whenever there is a collision of goodness and love among people, there are always tears: either tears of joy or tears of sadness. Tears of either sadness or joy involve some intimate relationship of love and life. You should long for your members to return to partake of the meal that you have prepared for them or the special food that you have set aside for them. With a motherly heart, you should long to see those members and give them both spiritual and physical foods. That is the kind of heartistic relationship that should exist between you and your members. The Bible tells us to love our enemy. However, since your members are not your enemy, you should be able to love them even more than you would your enemy.

Offer everything to others

The Principle clearly states that if you genuinely offer everything for the sake of others there will be genuine return. Adam and Eve were created as God's objects of love. As objects of love, they were supposed to return love to God while revering and worshipping Him as their subject. We call this *bongsa*, meaning service for others, and *heisang* meaning sacrifice. It means serving with an attitude of respect and reverence. When you serve your subject of love, you need to offer your reverence and respect, as well as your service. It means a willingness to cut one's own flesh to offer it to one's subject.

You need to practice these concepts. If you want to raise your members as objects of love, you should expect them to become infinitely superior to you. God created us to practice a high level of sacrifice and become exalted love partners. God is our subject and we are His objects. This means God is the subject of our love, life, lineage and even our conscience. Of the four, love is in the highest position because without love,

life and blood lineage cannot be produced. Love is the connecting point of everything.

In conclusion, to raise your members means to re-create them from God's position. God lost all of humanity due to the fall, and He is now re-creating His children. As leaders we re-create our members, just like God, through a continuous process of giving and receiving, investment and return. The recipient of our outpouring should be able to return tears of gratitude and joy. Because of such tears of gratitude God will turn around and give back once again. This principle applies to friendship, because when a friend gives something and you thank him warmly, he will naturally feel like giving again.

Love your country as a parent

The very first time I placed my foot on American soil I thought that God had sent me here to offer this nation and its people unsurpassed parental heart and love. God is the center of the entire universe. As long as you are connected to Him and practice the same principles, the entire universe will be united with you. Wherever I went and whatever I saw, I practiced parental love for this country. I wonder how many Americans, past or present, have lived with the same dedication to this country and its people.

In general, Americans claim that they love this nation, but they focus upon their own assets. They have their own houses and try to multiply their wealth. However, God is investing everything for this nation and world.

Through Jesus, God wanted to build the Kingdom of Heaven on earth starting in Israel. Jesus was God's son and the people of Israel were God's chosen people; from this point God wanted to save the entire world.

If you practice serving with respect and lead a sacrificial lifestyle, you are in the position of central figure. That is the universal law. That is why I am launching this campaign for the entire Unification community worldwide to serve with respect and sacrifice. Automatically Unification Church members will then become the central figures for the world. God has this kind of attitude and if we adopt the same attitude, then we automatically connect with God and we will receive His protection.

Invest yourself in your members

It is the universal law that whatever you invest with a genuine heart automatically returns to you, creating circular motion. Motion generally diminishes energy, but because of give and take, circular motion increases energy, centered upon true love. The energy level of linear movement diminishes and eventually disappears, but the give and take relationship continuously creates motion and increases the energy level when it is centered upon true love.

The history of restoration is the history of re-creation. We should be in the position of God as a re-creator, continually investing and forgetting. The perpetual movement of investing and forgetting builds a love partnership between parent and child and between husband and wife. As central figures and initiators of re-creation, you have to be able to love and invest

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more in re-creating your members than in your wife and children. This is the only way God can work through you. Just as you sometimes shed unexpected tears of longing for your parents and brothers and sisters, you should shed tears for the members you are raising. Such a genuine heartistic relationship is the treasure with which you can raise up your members, otherwise your spiritual level will decline. If you simply sit in the position of central figure waiting for people to offer something to you, you are doomed to lose because you are taking Satan's position. God always gives out while Satan takes in.

This is a very important teaching I am giving today. Because you have not been practicing this kind of love, our family has not grown. If you have a prayer room such as this, its floor must not be dry. Your tears should be there every morning, praying as your members are out working day and night. Genuine tears and love always travel together. According to this standard, no one is qualified to be in the position of leader. However, unless you turn around and reach this level, your children will not have a good future.

Love your enemy

Because of the fall, the Old Testament era, New Testament era and Completed Testament era have appeared. Sin has been accumulating like a huge mountain. Out of their desire to reduce the level of sin, people have made burnt offerings and held various ceremonies and rituals. Jesus even offered his own life for the sake of fallen humankind.

I have lived by the same principle. I have been giving you so much, but if you do not realize what you are doing and if you fail to return the proper loving gratitude to me, then you are doomed.

Because God created humankind, He has been responsible for people, sometimes directly and sometimes indirectly, trying to restore them. Likewise, I have been offering everything for you. Therefore, if you do not realize this and do not return love to God through me, the consequences of your failure will affect even my family. Because of God's sadness, indemnity must be paid. Since I have given you everything, you now stand in the position of central figures, parents and God. If you fail to practice the principle of giving, your children will have to pay indemnity for you.

If you feel that you have received ten percent, then make sure that you give back more than ten percent. If some of that does not return to you, you can feel secure knowing that you did the best you could. You did not need to give an extra five percent, but if you did so you have a five percent margin. What you give for another person enables him to give in return and create a circular motion. That is why the concept of loving one's enemy is the essence of truth. Instead of punching your enemy, give and keep giving to him. When you seek to take responsibility for an enemy, you fill in the gap between you.

The *Washington Times* is practicing the spirit of loving one's enemy for the sake of this nation. This country tried every possible way to crucify me, but instead of taking revenge on America, I offered America more, through the *Washington Times*. That is how we can pay the proper amount of indemnity so that both

can survive.

Because of this very principle, my family has been sacrificed greatly. I offered Heung Jin Nim to the spiritual world and yet my immediate family is still suffering and paying indemnity. If I was not here, there would be a big problem. God has been paying indemnity for others throughout history. Without God, what else is there?

Without complying with this principle you cannot stand in the position of central figure, parent and God. If, as a church leader, you sit comfortably at home while your members are shedding their tears and blood on the front-line, trying to make even one more penny or trying to do even one more minute of spiritual work, you will be damned by God, and your children will be taken by Satan. Television evangelists usually spend the money they receive for their own sake; as a consequence, their children are not good examples. Instead of spending that money for themselves, they should spend it for the nation.

This is a critical message today. Until you practice these principles, you will never understand the tears and blood I have been shedding throughout my life, behind the scenes, for the sake of God and humanity. Because you did not live up to this standard, there is no improvement within this community.

When I first announced the educational program for 160,000 Japanese women, not a single church leader believed me. Every one of them thought that it was an impossible task, because after one month of trying to mobilize people we ended up with 380 women. Mother herself quietly suggested that I cease the program because it looked impossible. How much did you invest and dedicate yourselves to bring people? I was so serious that I invested myself one hundred percent 24 hours a day. Therefore, the people underneath me naturally had to be pulled up to my level of seriousness. In the end 7,148 people attended. I made this foundation out of reality, not out of concepts. I used God's original essence of investing everything in the work of creation.

How to become the central figure

Once again, according to universal law, the person who serves with respect and sacrifice becomes the central figure. In the communist world people say, "What is mine is yours and what is yours is mine." What is the difference between that concept and our concept? We offer up what is ours for the sake of our family, our family for the sake of our tribe, and our tribe for the world and for God. What is God's then becomes ours. God's love is our love. Step by step make sure that you are the central figure. By investing for the sake of your family, you become the central figure for your family. When your family offers itself for the tribe, it becomes the central family for your tribe. When the tribe offers itself for the sake of the nation, it becomes the central figure for the nation. This is the only way we can occupy God's heart. In this way God's love can be yours from the bottom rung of this ladder, all the way up to the top.

You have received so much from me, but you have not practiced it. This makes you like thieves. Do you clearly understand why the American Unification Church did not grow? (Yes.) The reason thousands of members left is because you failed to prac-

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tice this principle. The reason why American people are becoming more individualistic every day is because they do not understand this principle. Satan is pulling them away. If this trend continues, America is doomed to perish. Who can reverse this trend? Only the Unification Church members can. It is your responsibility. If you are truly serious, you will be unable to stop shedding tears even when walking on Fifth Avenue.

When we discover that a member of our family has cancer we shed tears of sadness, but in America the entire population has cancer. How can you lead normal lives? If we take this seriously, how can we just eat and sleep?

In order for a tree to grow, the nutrients must pass through the root system and be distributed. If individual branches try to grow without going through the roots, they will eventually wither and die. Individualism causes us to think only of ourselves or our immediate families. Such people are like small branches trying to survive without being connected to the root. This is the problem of this society. Without practicing this principle, America is doomed to perish. Once you practice this principle it does not matter whether you belong to the Unification Church or not: wherever you go you will survive and flourish. As long as you connect with the root you will always be ahead of everyone else. You will always try to do something which no one else wants to do.

Once again I want to emphasize that our community in America failed to grow because this principle was not practiced. I do not feel like continuing to speak, because I see that you have not borne fruit. I feel like a mother with breasts full of milk needing to be suckled by a baby. I do not feel that you are sucking the milk I am trying to give to you. Since it has not been flowing, the milk has stagnated.

We are making a global family

These are the Last Days, and at the end of history we will witness more destruction of families, because of Satan's final challenge. The only hope is through the Unification community, centering upon sacrificial love and family values. Humanity has no other place to go except to the Unification Church. The whole world is lacking this central God-centered concept. This has been labeled the era of the global village, but Unificationists call it the "era of the global family." The global village concept lacks a central figure, which can exist only within the concept of a global family. This is the reason I have established the Family Federation for Unification and World Peace.

The dispensation of restoration has eight levels. As you progress through these stages, you can return to the original point and start over if you need. However, if you continue without stopping you can proceed, one step at a time, higher and higher. These eight stages represent the entire human history.

Without the fall, it could have taken just twenty years to reach the pinnacle. The biblical history records approximately 6,000 years, but in reality it has been more than tens of thousands of years to find one central man. Even that person has to wait until he establishes the family level. This is how progress occurs in the dispensation of restoration. If God could have intervened at any stage and turned everything around, He

would have done so by now. However, the Principle prevents God from doing this. The fall was committed by human beings, so men and women have to resolve this problem, not God.

Strive for the heavenly family level

The formation stage, corresponding to the Old Testament era, represents the Satanic family. The second stage, which represents the New Testament Age, is equivalent to the satanic national level. Only beyond this satanic national level can the heavenly family level begin. The level at which Unification Church members receive the blessing is at the satanic national level. From there you strive to reach the line from which the heavenly family level can begin. You receive the blessing at the growth stage because the fall occurred at this level; then you have to cover a certain distance to be able to leave Satan's realm. With the blessing, you begin as a heavenly archangel family and grow through this line [*pointing to the blackboard*].

Even my own family began at this level in 1960 and reached this line by 1980, after establishing the three seven-year courses. Because of that victorious foundation in 1992, I proclaimed the Women's Federation for World Peace. Until this point, the dispensation focused on restoring Adam, so Mother could not surface. The archangel represents the male aspect, and I had to go through a certain period without Mother surfacing. Because of that victorious foundation, the perfected man (True Father) and perfected woman (True Mother) declared True Parents and the Completed Testament Age worldwide. With this proclamation, anyone who stands on the same line as True Parents is at the same level.

That is why I could declare the era for the liberation of women. Because of Eve's sin, women have historically been under male domination and mistreatment. In this Completed Testament Age, women can enjoy being with Father and Mother in the same time. The satanic world can no longer create strong opposition, and 1992 became the dividing line. This year, based upon this foundation, I declared "The Safe Settlement of True Parents and the Completed Testament Era." This fallen world exists at eight different stages, from the individual on up. True Parents are establishing a superhighway through all of these eight stages. The eight stages can be viewed vertically or horizontally. Horizontally, all humanity can stand on the same level with True Parents. This means that the failures of Adam and of Jesus Christ have been restored by the appearance of True Parents.

All people can be part of True Parents' family

The Old Testament era, New Testament era and Completed Testament era are stages of returning to the original point of Adam and Eve. Due to my victory, the levels are now connected to each other. These stages represent the first Adam, second Adam and third Adam. Looking horizontally, you see three different levels of Adam, but if you look down vertically, the first and second Adams are encompassed within the third Adam's boundary. Due to this victory all are connected. Eventually there will be no boundaries—just one genuine Adam.

*To be qualified to recite the Family Pledge you should
be in the realm of the perfected Adam's family.
Centering upon True Parents, you have to be connected
to true life, true love and true lineage.*



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You can also look at the Old, New and Completed Testament eras either vertically or horizontally. The Old Testament era took 2,000 years [to prepare the foundation], the New Testament era 2,000 years, and after 2,000 years the Completed Testament era has begun. The three eras together make 6,000 biblical years. However, from God's point of view the elder brother, middle brother and youngest brother are all children of God and all belong to one generation. That is why I had to indemnify 4,000 years of biblical history within forty years.

The fall that occurred in one family stained 6,000 years of human history. Now I am turning around and indemnifying the entire human history within one generation, so they can be one generation, one family with me. Adam was supposed to pay the proper indemnity to restore his own family. Jesus came at the national level, and I came at the worldwide level. Once I complete my mission, both of them can receive the blessing of belonging to the same generation as me. Centering upon God, we represent three brothers, living and working together as one family. Adam and Jesus can share in whatever comes from God to me. Of course, I am working at the worldwide level, but spiritually it is like one family level.

Through this I set the condition that the entire human family can stand on the same line with me. All generations can stand on the same line with me, because their ancestors, Adam and Eve, have received the condition of victory through me. That participation allows their descendants to belong to the same level,

because anything that belongs to the parents will naturally be owned by the children. This is how I can combine the entire humanity at the worldwide level and marry them all together.

Throughout history, no one had been able to live with True Parents' family, not even at the time of Jesus. Because of my victorious foundation of establishing True Family, all humanity can have the opportunity to live together in the same generation with True Parents' family, serve True Parents' family, and enter into the Kingdom of God.

The fall resulted in a satanic marriage, which produced false parents, false lineage and false consciousness. Centering upon True Parents, people can be married and engrafted into the true lineage. There are three steps to take: first, the restoration of lineage; second, the restoration of possessions; and third, the restoration of heart, or *shimjung*. This represents your tribal level. The concept of nation may seem too far away, but as long as you have your tribe then you have a strong enough foundation upon which you can stand. Based upon the family level, if you have twelve tribes you can claim people and then a nation.

Before the blessing, everyone belongs to the satanic family. By receiving True Parents' blessing you can begin as a heavenly archangel. Centering upon True Parents' family, which is the heavenly family, three different stages were established in 1992: the satanic family, the heavenly archangelic family, and the heavenly Adamic family. Blessed couples struggle along

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at the level of heavenly archangel, heading toward the level of heavenly Adam. Once you decide to follow me with absolute faith, you can easily receive the blessing and go up higher.

Because of the absolute foundation established after 1992, the heavenly family has been established and so the Family Federation for Unification and World Peace has been inaugurated. The Unification Church was established in 1954. Beginning then, I spent forty years indemnifying 4,000 years of history. There were seven years from 1945 to 1952, and between 1992 and the year 2000 there are seven years. Right after World War II America failed to accept me and establish the Kingdom of Heaven on earth. After forty years, the providential time is now equivalent to 1945.

At this significant time I established the Women's Federation for World Peace and now the Family Federation for Unification and World Peace. The unification of the world can take place through unifying all families on the horizontal level.

The realm of perfected Adam's family

The Family Pledge resulted from these forty years of victorious indemnification. To be qualified to recite the Family Pledge you should be in the realm of the perfected Adam's family.

Centering upon True Parents, you have to be connected to true life, true love and true lineage. Because of the fall, mind and body have been separated, husband and wife have been separated, and parents and children have been separated. However, through true love we can all be united. If you want to be qualified to recite the Family Pledge, your mind and body must be united, your couple must be united, and children and parents must be united.

Without this kind of unity among your family members, even though you may recite the Family Pledge, Satan will still always be with you. The Family Pledge should be recited upon the victorious foundation of these relationships. Based upon this Family Pledge, I am championing the Family Federation for Unification and World Peace on a worldwide level.

I am establishing a new tradition here. From now on, each blessed family should have a worship service within your family on the first and fifteenth days of each month. If you do not have children, you can begin as husband and wife. After you have children, you must teach them this tradition, demonstrating your unity to your children, in the position of God in front of Adam and Eve. God could not interfere with His children's fallen act because they were at different levels. However, because of my victorious foundation, blessed couples are in the realm of the heavenly Adam's family. If anything goes wrong you can intercept it and correct it. This is direct dominion.

To live in the era of the heavenly Adam's family means to practice the Family Pledge. At the beginning of each point is the phrase "centered upon true love." The family of Adam and Eve becomes the central family, as well as the representative family of all humanity. One man and one woman who become totally united are a microcosm of the universe and a seed that establishes the family level. Many such families will be established, but the value of each is the same.

A married couple in America may consider themselves to

be one couple out of probably 120 million couples in America. They never think of their marriage as a representative marriage of the entire humanity, encompassing the past, present and the future, and even those in the spiritual world. In God's ideal, a blessed couple represents God and all humanity. The value of all humanity is given to one blessed couple.

Adam and Eve had three children. That means there was potential for three marriages. If each marriage produced three children, multiplication would have continued. The love flowing from unfallen Adam and Eve to their children and grandchildren has a steady, unchanging value because it comes from God. In a marriage the husband has to think that he is the only man, representing the entire humanity, and the wife has to think that she is the only woman in the eyes of God. The first love is between one man and one woman. This is applicable between God and us. If people had been educated from elementary school on through college with this kind of educational system, the world would be entirely different today.

The first love, which began from God and Adam and Eve, is absolute, because it represented the relationship between one man and one woman in front of God. The concept of the blessing is derived from this kind of relationship between God and Adam and Eve. The family model involves one husband and one wife, from the beginning to the end, and the children that come from the two of them. If human history had developed without the fall, every child would have become a filial son or daughter and a patriot. The extension of such a family would have been the three great kingships and four great realms of heart. Such a family would have become a textbook for generation after generation, enabling everyone to become perfected men and women. This is the concept of the royal family.

After you restore yourself and your family, you should restore the people who belong to Satan and take them with you into the Kingdom of God. In this way you restore the position of elder son in relation to the Cain-type people in the satanic world, who are in the position of younger brother. As the direct children, you should be able to bring the Cain-type children from the satanic world together with you into the Kingdom of Heaven. Bring your generation, your children's generation and your grandchildren's generation until the entire satanic world is restored.

The family of Adam and Eve is the representative family, connecting with all levels from the individual to the worldwide level. The family is the model that can be expanded to the tribal, national and worldwide levels. At the family level God's plan was reversed; therefore, at that level we have to correct it. This is why we need the Family Federation for Unification and World Peace.

Do you understand that Adam's family is the central, representative family of humankind? You must have the conviction that your family is the central, representative family of all humankind. If you are truly the children of God you should have that kind of quality, don't you agree? (Yes.) As blessed couples, if you want to join the true Adam's family, you must be able to practice the Family Pledge. ■■

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Find Your True Self

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DO you think that the world out there is good or bad? (Bad.) How about America? How about yourselves? All of human history has been filled with struggle and war. Fighting and war are bad because, when you struggle, you always decline below the normal level. On the other hand, when people work together in unity their level always rises.

In reality, you are still in a bad state because your mind and body are still struggling. Is that not true? (Yes.) This fight between mind and body started with the first human ancestors. If we reach beyond our original ancestors to God, do we still find struggles between mind and body? (No.) God is an Absolute Being. Within an Absolute Being, there is no fight or struggle. If God is not struggling and fighting, why has humankind been struggling all this time?

Our lives started from the very place at which our father and mother made love. Therefore, we can conclude that when our father and mother made love to give us life, their love was not totally centered upon God. Rather, there was an element of struggle and confrontation in their union. Their love was not pure enough and, therefore, a false life and a false lineage emerged. False love, false life and false lineage contradict God's original love, life and lineage. That is what we call the human fall. Without the fall, humankind would have begun with true love, life and lineage.

Our conscience is directly related to God vertically, but within fallen people is another false plus, creating internal contradiction and conflict. False love indicates the existence of a false plus. We can trace the false love, false life and false lineage back to Adam and Eve, our original ancestors.

As we know, God created people because of love. Divine love and human love come together through our love-making organs. Have you ever touched love or seen love? Is love something we can touch or see? We cannot touch or see love, but we can feel it. We cannot see or touch life. We cannot see the seed of human lineage with our eyes. We cannot touch our conscience. We cannot touch or see God.

The role of the conscience

Where is God? Where is heaven? Where does God dwell? (In the conscience.) Heaven means the state of holiness, the highest and most glorious place. God is the root of love, life, lineage and conscience. God dwells in the innermost depths of your conscience. If you pray seriously and reach a state of true spirituality, you will be able to communicate with God directly. In this state when you say, "God, where are You?" Heavenly Father will respond from the center of your being, "I am here.

What do you want?" (Laughter.)

When you are sitting alone and absolutely still, do you feel your love, life and lineage actively at work within yourself? Everyone has five senses; however, these senses exist not for our sake alone, but rather for the sake of others. In the same way, everything within this universe exists for something or someone else.

When God created the world, He first created the environment, with sun, air, water and soil. Our eyes represent the sun, our nose the air, and our mouth the water and soil. Looking in another way, our forehead represents God, our nose represents Adam and Eve, and our mouth represents the creation. The number of teeth is significant: there are four directions or four corners; four times eight, which is the number representing a new beginning, makes 32, the number of teeth.

We all have love, life and conscience within ourselves. Suppose that you feel so much joy and excitement by yourself because you possess all of these that you try to kiss yourself. Do you think that others will consider your behavior normal? (Laughter.) You have to appreciate how precious your partner is. God possesses everything, but even He needs a partner, an object of love.

When you place your fingers very close to your eyes you cannot focus on them, because once two things become too close, then you can no longer distinguish between them. When you were a child did you ever try to pick the wax out of your ears or the mucus from your nose and taste it? What did it taste like? (Salty.) Everyone agrees that it tasted salty, so it means you tried to do it. Suppose someone else offered you their ear wax to taste, would you taste it? (NO.) Why don't you feel that your own is dirty? Because it is part of yourself.

Have you ever tried counting how many times you blink in one day? (No.) If you try to count for one hour, you would become exhausted. Why is it that we are unaware of this constant blinking? Because we are totally united with the action; it is part of us.

When you go to the bathroom and make a smell you do not seem to mind. However, if someone else comes and makes the same smell, you want to run out of the bathroom. (Laughter.) Why don't you feel that your own smell is bad? Because it is one with you. Once you become totally united, you feel no difference.

Raise your right hand and place it on the left side of your chest. What do you feel? (Heartbeat.) How many times are you aware of your heart beating during the day? Once you are involved with the activities of the day, you become oblivious to your heartbeat. However, if you listen to your heart through a stethoscope, it makes a loud thumping noise. If someone touches even one strand of your hair, you feel it, but when it comes to your heartbeat, which is a hundred times stronger than that

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touch, you do not feel it because you are totally one with it. Historically, I am the first one to describe this kind of internal oneness in relation to the function of our different organs.

God is within us

It is crystal clear that we possess love, life and conscience and yet we do not feel them because they are totally one with us. By the same token, God is within the depth of our conscience; yet we do not feel Him because of the oneness. This is a revolutionary vision. People have been seeking God throughout history, but failed to realize that God was within them.

Why is it that we cannot feel something when it becomes totally one with us? Once you feel 100 percent love, you and your partner will feel the stimulation of life and consciousness and be motivated into action. When you watch a young girl and boy find oneness through love, they even start to look different.

Only true love can generate life, conscience and lineage. Since God is the root of true love, you can activate even God Himself through true love. If you hit one tine of a tuning fork, the other will vibrate even without your touching it. By the same principle, if an unfallen person is touched with God's true love, the whole mind and body will resonate with the impact. When your love partner touches your body, the unseen love and unseen God within you is activated.

If Adam and Eve had married as subject and object of true love, God who dwelled within them would have been activated. However, due to the fall, they were unable to experience God's true love when they married. There was no resonance. The intended relationship was cut off. Their marriage should have logically been God's marriage. Unless the starting points of divine and human love are the same, there will always be two different directions of love and two different destinations of love. There would be no concept of unification, peace, happiness, freedom or faith.

Freedom and happiness are based on love

Freedom should occur in conjunction with total unity. For example, after you fight with your spouse, do you feel free all day long? Without a foundation of true love, you cannot contemplate freedom and happiness. While our mind and body are fighting, how can we even talk about freedom and happiness? When mind and body are fighting within husband and wife, it is like four different people are dwelling in their marriage. Do you follow? (Yes.) Only upon the foundation of true love can we even think about peace and happiness.

Throughout history there have been many kinds of wars, but eventually all of them have come to an end. However, the war between mind and body has never ceased. This is the most dangerous and fearful battle. How can we talk about peace on this battlefield? Because of this ceaseless fight, God has been chased out. He has been unable to dwell with His children.

When we chase God out who comes in? Satan. After the fall, Satan took the position of false husband and enemy of love. It was as though the archangel came like a thief, stole God's intended bride and made her his own wife. Imagine Satan taking

away the bride of God, marrying her and producing children. Could they simply come back to God with their children and ask to be accepted? Our common sense tells us that if we were God in such a situation, we would feel like striking them; but God tells us to love even that kind of enemy.

For God to truly love such an adversary, His heart would have to die. Why does God love even that kind of enemy? God has to restore them and have them live as a restored family in order to bring them to the Kingdom of God as part of His direct lineage. Unfallen people were supposed to live in accordance with God's love and principle and establish a sinless family, entering the Kingdom of God as a family. Fallen people, however, became enemies of God. To restore them back to the original position as His children, God has to offer more love to them than to His own children. God began the restoration 4,000 years ago, starting from Jacob's family.

God has to regain the top position

God's children were supposed to follow Heavenly Father and enter into His kingdom. However, due to the fall, Satan rose to the top position and God had to take the bottom position. That is why there was confrontation on the individual level, family level, tribal level and worldwide level. Only after this relationship is totally restored can people begin their true lives as God's children. When God reaches the original top position, Satan has to go to the bottom and disappear.

In these Last Days we see confusion and turmoil of all kinds in the world. Faithful Christians who started out on the right track of restoration may, because of a wrong turn, go with Satan and fall back again. On the other hand, atheists who began at the wrong place may, if they are fortunate and follow God, receive God's blessing in the Last Days. In the Last Days a religion should emerge with a logical explanation with which everyone can understand and agree. Otherwise, people are left without an opportunity to truly understand.

The Middle Ages was a God-centered period, but humanistic thought gradually became dominant. On an individual level, because we have an invisible mind and God-given root we are still able to connect to God. In medieval times people centered upon God by faith, but as history progressed the church abused its power and evil things began to take place. This caused some people to conclude that God did not exist.

After the French Revolution, humanistic thought became rampant, leading to a materialistic ideology. Strictly speaking, humanists cannot solve questions about life's beginning and end. Humanism is a temporary kind of ideology, so it cannot last indefinitely. Communism viewed the entire world from a materialistic perspective. It claimed that the origin of this universe had to be material. However, matter cannot be the subject and origin and, as a consequence, communism has met its demise.

After the demise of communism in Soviet Russia, I proclaimed Godism and headwing ideology which is the true love ideology and teaches the total unity between God and humanity. People are in the position to be totally united with God and totally united with the entire universe. Therefore, people are in the position of mediators between God and the universe. True

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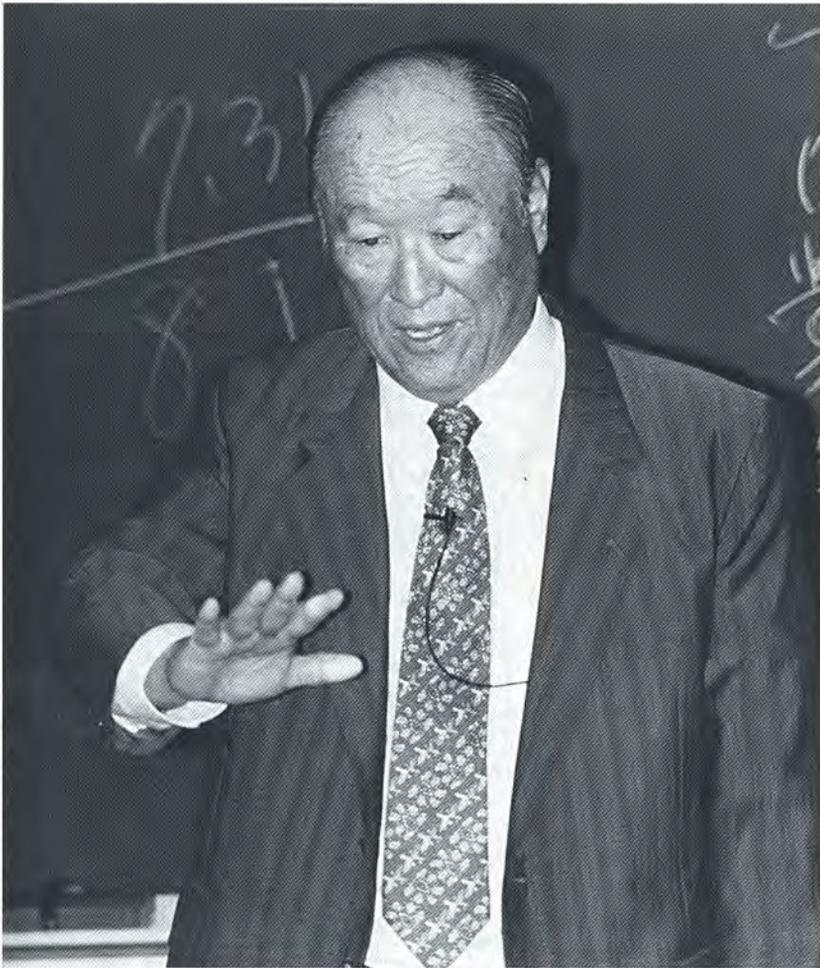


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love is the mediator which causes everything to come into oneness. Everything can be embraced and melted with true love.

As soon as God reaches the top position, human history will continue in a normal pattern through the different levels of love—including individual, family, tribe, nation and world. We have to set things right side up.

Religions proclaim that we should deny ourselves absolutely. Did you possess your name even before God's creation? Was America born before the fall? America still belongs to Satan. God has never established a true love relationship with humankind. Now that a God-centered ideology, united around True Parents, has appeared, God can be united with people through true love. People can stand as mediators, with our minds connected to God and the spiritual world, and our bodies connected to the physical world.

The ideal family

The most difficult question I had to answer was "where do divine and human loves meet?" After many years of prayer God told me that true love meets at the most direct connection between vertical and horizontal. When a horizontal line and vertical line meet, the most direct connection is a ninety-

degree angle, not 89 or 91 degrees. True love enables people to make the most direct connection, which is a ninety-degree angle. That concept can be expanded from the individual level to the family, tribe, nation and so forth. If we divide a sphere into upper and lower sections, front and back, and left and right, we can make twelve identical sections. There is no loss, no contradiction, no confrontation in such an arrangement; everything fits perfectly, because they are all identical when they are totally united. That is what we refer to as "the ideal family."

The family is the basic unit for bringing the universal unity and harmony. It is the starting point of universal love and harmony. Within a family, we can find children's love, brotherly and sisterly love, conjugal love and parental love. The world is made up of these four relationships. Whether you visit a village or a city, you can observe these relationships. The family is the ideal unit for bringing all the levels of a community into oneness. Therefore, if you can train your family members to be citizens of the Kingdom of God, this world can become the Kingdom of God. Family relationships can be multiplied and extended universally. If your family lives this way and if your country lives this way, you can travel anywhere and find expansions of this pattern. The family unit is the key to all social relationships.

Cain/Abel relationships have to be restored within a family. Abel should embrace the Cain-type, satanic world and create unity. To embrace the satanic Cain-type world, you have to invest yourself, as I explained earlier. The family is the key unit of restoration, but restoration needs to expand through all eight stages.

I indemnified 4,000 years of history of restoration in forty years by going through these eight stages and establishing a foundation in 160 nations. If you can restore at least 160 families, you can symbolically indemnify 160 nations. The scale of your work is small; but because of my victorious foundation of 160 nations, you can be lifted up to that level. Whatever parents own can be bequeathed to their children. Therefore, you should feel closer to me than to your own physical parents, because they still belong to Satan.

The love palace

Now you know who God is and where God dwells. God is one with you, just as love, life and lineage are one with you. The marriage of Adam and Eve was meant to be God's marriage. If the marriage of Adam and Eve had been the marriage of God, their sexual organs would have become the original palace of love. While other families would have palaces of love, Adam and Eve would have had the only original, vertical palace of love. How precious this palace is! Furthermore, their sexual organs would have been the original palace of life, the original palace of blood lineage, and the original palace of the conscience. Due to the fall our conscience is not crystal clear; it has

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not reached completion.

The sexual organ is so precious that you would not dare to trade it for the entire universe. It belongs to God. Happiness, freedom, hope and all good ideals have their beginnings with the sexual organ. This is the original starting place of the Kingdom of God on earth and in heaven. It is a wonderful place and, at the same time, a dangerous place.

Originally in the Garden of Eden there were five male figures (God, the three archangels and Adam) and only one female figure. God knew the preciousness of the human sexual organ, so He was particularly worried about Eve. That is why God gave them the warning to be careful. God referred to Eve as the tree of knowledge of good and evil. She could have produced the prince of goodness. However, she took a wrong turn and produced a Mafia-like human race.

No one can deny that people fell through the misuse of love. Once people recognize that this world is evil and that True Parents have appeared, they have to follow True Parents to restore this evil world. The power of true love is stronger than satanic love, so there will be no problem once everything is restored. God is stronger than Satan. However, we need to reflect upon the preciousness and danger of this love palace. If we misuse it, everything will become broken and your life will be destroyed. Homosexuality, free sex and alcoholism are tools to destroy God's original love palace. God sent me to restore everything.

Morning and night, do not misuse your love organ, because God is its owner. God dwells there. Your wife's organ belongs to God. It is part of your body, but it is not just your body. God found the safest place in your body and put it there. (Laughter.) He was hiding and protecting it, in a way. That is true. This is a miracle-making organ. Since you know that, you cannot even dare to think about free sex. Have you thought about following a beautiful woman or girl at times? You have one spouse for eternity, just like Adam and Eve. Without practicing this, you cannot remain in the Kingdom of God. Do you understand? (Yes.)

Your home is an embassy of heaven

You need to have True Parents' picture in your family home, together with the Unification Church flag, because your family's home represents the embassy of the heavenly nation. When you visit foreign countries and see the American flag displayed on a building, you know it is an American embassy. If you have any difficulty, you would go there. By the same token, when the good spirit people come down to this world and see the Unification Church flag, they will naturally come to your house. By mobilizing good spirits to your home in that way, all the bad spirits who might be hanging around will be chased out. Your home will then be occupied by good, beneficial spirits.

When you bow to True Parents' picture and display the Unification Church flag, Satan will have to go far away from your home. Satan and evil spirits do not like the sound of the flag fluttering in the wind. It drives them away. Do you have your flags hoisted on the outside of your homes?

Wherever I travel around the world, many good spirits

accompany me. Many good spirits are coming down in these Last Days. When Jacob wrestled with the angel, the angel was forced to leave at daybreak. Now, when the good spirits come down where Unification Church flags are displayed, they can remain with us. In this way we can mobilize more good spirits and chase evil forces from this world step by step.

Don't you want to obtain the highest position in the world? Historically, it has been said that people cannot satisfy their desires and hopes; but ideally all people are supposed to fulfill their longings and reach their desires. Without the fall, we could have enjoyed that reality. Where is that goal? Once your conscience occupies God totally, you will reach your goal, no matter what your goal may be. If you want to truly practice the Principle I have taught you, serve people with respect and sacrifice yourself. Will you seek a comfortable place or a place where you will shed your tears, sweat and blood?

Digest all circumstances

I have always taught you to have the heart of parents, in the shoes of a servant, shedding sweat for earth, tears for humanity and blood for heaven. You will not reach the goal without practicing that formula. This is the conclusion of my teaching.

If you go into the mountains, you will see dead trees and various kinds of waste that accumulate in the valleys, inviting many insects. Such places attract many animals and become famous sightseeing areas. If you want to become a truly famous person, you have to be able to stand up like a high mountain and embrace these low valleys also.

When you plant seeds, you have to provide fertilizer and topsoil to create the environment for the seeds to grow. Fertilizer does not have a good smell, but the seed needs to digest it to grow. What part of our body is the most precious? Our love organ is also the place through which waste is excreted. Bad smells come from that place. God created both functions together to educate people to go through different circumstances and digest them. We should think about this every time that we use them. If everyone determines daily to embrace, digest and clean up whatever is dirty and smelly in this country, then the Kingdom of God will soon be a reality. If you continuously practice this principle, then you will become the president of your country.

In this sense, have I been living a good or bad life? I have been persecuted and imprisoned many times; how can you call that a good quality of life? All the persecution and mistreatment I have received are like insects and birds creating the environment that can attract tourists to the most famous mountain.

During my struggles and suffering while I was searching for the truth for humankind, I suddenly had an awakening. I had been sitting on top of the right answer all these years and, in a way, I was very disappointed.

Control bodily desires

You are false selves searching for your true selves through practicing what I have been teaching. Remember that your conscience still belongs to God. In the relationship between

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your body and mind, which one is in control? Does your mind drag your body around or vice versa? When your body follows your mind completely, then this world will become a good world, but it is obviously the other way around.

If you are hungry and there is some nice food available, your conscience tells you to give it to someone who is hungrier than you. However, your body wants to take it and eat it. Which of these directions do you follow? In reality, our body has been dragging and controlling our mind all of these years. Many times our body has made our mind cry and suffer. People do not even realize this, but we know this to be true.

The power of love is stronger than the power of conscience; even satanic love is stronger than the power of conscience. If the power of conscience had been stronger than the power of love at the fall, the conscience would have triumphed.

The power of love is so strong that teenagers who are in love have sometimes committed suicide together when their parents would not let them marry. We have to be aware of this extreme power of love. If we truly understand the historical consequences of the fall, we can control our bodily desires. No matter how strong the desire of our body, our conscience can suppress it. Even God cannot eliminate this kind of bodily desire. However, if we truly understand this, we can utilize our conscience fully and crush this desire.

At the bottom of the millions of scandalous problems all over the world is usually a man/woman problem. If we eliminate this man/woman problem, most of the other problems in this world can be solved, then world peace is before us.

If we truly understand this, the individual door to the Kingdom of God can be opened. Our fleshly desires are the problem. God allowed so many religions throughout human history not because they could bring people to the Kingdom of Heaven, but so people could control their bodily desires through the influence of religion.

We have to proclaim to the world the liberation of the conscience. The conscience has been misunderstood. Religions usually provide methods of controlling bodily desires such as fasting, serving others, self-sacrifice and denying the original desire of the body. Some religions even teach that we should leave our families behind to follow the spiritual path. The celibate life is emphasized in many religions because of problems in the man/woman relationship. The purpose behind all of this is to destroy your bodily desire. As long as you control your bodily desire, your mind will naturally go in the right direction. If your mind rises to where God's love can be tapped directly, your life will become enriched.

You can occupy God through love

We marry because an individual man or woman is only half of a whole human being. If you truly want to perfect love, you need both the convex and concave aspects. When your mind and body become totally one in love, God's love can be grafted onto that place. You can be united with God in that very place, at that very moment. In order for a man to be perfected, he has to go through the love of woman. In order for a woman to be perfected, she needs to go through the love of a man. It is the

only route.

Once you become horizontally united in love between husband and wife, which represents east and west, you can be vertically connected with God's true love, representing north and south. Upper and lower axis, combined with the front and rear axis, create a sphere. Centering upon this love, man can occupy woman and woman can occupy man. Only when that takes place can God can come down and occupy people and people occupy God.

Woman occupies the western sphere and man occupies the eastern sphere. Once they become one, their goal is to occupy God, centering upon true love. Until this time, there had been no axis of true love in this world. Because of the fallen world's situation, the axis of love has always been shaky, never permanently established. Through married love, man occupies woman and woman occupies man. When they become totally one, happiness begins. When you offer yourself totally, you can expect a return. Once husband and wife become totally one in loving marriage, they can offer their love to God with happiness and joy.

If you set that condition, you can declare that your conscience is totally united with God's love. Compare the scope of your conscience with the scope of true love. True love is bigger, because it is connected to God. Even our conscience has true love as its root. Our conscience still wants to rest in the bosom of God's love.

How can we use our conscience to occupy God's love? Until now no one succeeded in doing this, so the Kingdom of God in heaven has been vacant. True Parents have opened the door of the Kingdom of Heaven.

This is not a casual talk I am giving you. This is the conclusion of my life experience, after winning all the victories. Do you understand? Do you realize now just how much you need True Parents? Do you consider True Parents more precious than the entire nation of America? How about the entire world? If you truly, deeply feel that, we will be able to liberate God. Even though the Kingdom of God in heaven is still vacant, if we truly live up to His standard we can fill it up in one thrust with the entirety of humankind.

We need to continuously destroy our bodily desires every moment of our lives. Since I have taught you in clear detail, you will not be able to blame me if you fall into hell in the future. I have taught you the truth; if you fail to follow the truth and live by it, the truth itself will judge you. There are no longer any restrictions. This is why I am revealing all of these truths to you. As long as you are able to crush bodily desires, you are on the right track.

Your conscience leads you to heaven

You also understand that no matter what a religion may teach, none of them can take you to the Kingdom of God. Only by reaching God's true love through our conscience will we arrive at heaven.

The world is filled with mixed-up, distorted love relationships. By climbing the ladder of our conscience, we can restore love. The world is so mixed up that once you begin climbing

Your conscience is your pipeline to God. Once you truly understand this meaning and live up to this standard, you do not need religion and you do not need God.



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Father, Mother and Un Jin Nim pose with the silver salmon they caught in Buskin River. September 28, 1994.

the ladder you must not let go. Use your conscience to take you higher, one step at a time. If you constantly strive forward, you will be able to liberate your conscience.

God is our True Parents, True Teacher and True King, and He has given all these roles to us. Your conscience enables you to connect to your vertical Parents, who is God. Therefore, your conscience can never leave you. Your physical parents may be able to leave you because they are related to you horizontally, not vertically. Your conscience is more precious than your own physical parents, because it protects you forever. Your conscience can lead you to the Kingdom of God.

Teachers in the horizontal world do not stay with you after a certain time, but your conscience never leaves you 24 hours a day for eternity. Therefore, it is more precious than your teacher. Your conscience is the representative of God.

Through your conscience you can desire an even higher position than God. As God's partner, you can desire to become more than God.

If you take some action, your conscience perceives it even before God does. Our conscience dwells within us and leads us to the correct direction, in the place of God. Man and woman are supposed to be the ideal objects of God's love. Once man and woman become totally one, then mind and body become totally one, and God immediately perceives that.

Whatever your conscience perceives is automatically recorded in the spiritual world's computer. Your conscience remembers

whatever you have done throughout your entire life. Once we truly understand that such a world exists, we cannot commit any sin.

Our parents give us birth, then we go to school and learn under our teacher's supervision, and finally we have to serve our king. These are external roles. God is our original Parents, original Teacher and original King, all combined into one. These internal roles—Parents, Teacher and King—become united in God. As long as you continue to follow your conscience, you will become an absolute object of God. You will then be able to occupy and connect with God's true love.

The Korean word for conscience is *yang shim*. Your conscience came into being even before your parents, because your conscience was given by God. It is your pipeline to God. Your body is always pulling you off the ladder; however, your conscience always offers you a ladder to God. Once you truly understand this meaning and live up to this standard, you do not need religion and you do not need God. That is the spirit of our Family Pledge.

Once you clearly understand what I have taught you here tonight, you will be able to control your bodily desires, right? Since I have taught you everything so clearly, no more teaching is necessary. ■■

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TRUE GOD'S DAY 1995



Father and Mother pray after arriving at the 10 a.m. service on True God's Day in Seoul, Korea.

*Let Us Inherit
True Parents' Realm
of Victory*

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The Mission of Those Who Have ...

fixed only on Father, and relied only on him. Heaven, knowing such difficulties, hardship and suffering as Father's being slandered, imprisoned—albeit only for a short time—and investigated at the police station, prepared itself for all those eventualities. Wouldn't it have been a sad thing if young members' hearts had been damaged and they had broken away or gone off in a strange direction? We can interpret that as heaven's preparing and consoling work—from the position that it might be of eternal regret, even to their descendants, if the early ones who had forged some connection with True Parents cut that relationship



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Mother (left) holds Ye Jin Nim in her lap, as Mrs. Won Pok Choi looks on.

due to the ordeals and persecution.

Mrs. Choi said that one day a spiritual guide from Kye-ryong Mountain came in ceremonial dress, bowed respectfully to Father, and before taking his leave testified, "The thing you are doing is the great work of creating the world." Although there were only a few who were following Father and people did not know him because he was hiding at that time, that man received a revelation from heaven and said, "Father is one who is in a position of recreating the world. He is literally a substitute for God."

This next story may already be well known to you because you heard it many times before: Son Wie Hyun, an elementary school student whose mother was a very devout Christian, died without apparent cause. When the boy awoke a few days later, he testified that while in the spiritual world he saw Father appearing in great splendor.

In this way, heaven demonstrated the work of testifying to the Lord's appearance through the mouth of that pure-hearted elementary school student. Since he had come back after several days of being dead, the news spread to all the neighbors and to the churches. Fortunately, this student happened to have a connection with a Sunday school

student in our church at just that time, so he came and testified about this experience to our members.

We do not know how difficult it was for people in the world to believe the content of that testimony. However, it is clear that the work heaven showed through this student was neither for the sake of the people nor for the sake of the Christians. Heaven's fundamental aim was to put the faith of members in order in the early days, so there was this great testimony coming through an elementary school student, Son Wie Hyun, to sow the seeds of unshakable belief in the members, under any circumstances.

Mrs. Choi also shared about a spiritual guide in Chiri Mountain. That spiritualist received a revelation from heaven which said, "You can find the Lord if you seek out the church and religion that suffers the most persecution among all the religions of this world." He went to Seoul without anything specific in mind and went around this and that street shouting, "Where is the religion that receives the most suffering?" No one whom he asked knew for sure. However, when he happened to ask some children who were playing in an alley, one said, "Wouldn't that be the Unification Church?" In this manner, the spiritual guide came to our church and testified, "God loves the church that is receiving the most persecution. This place is where the man of the highest value to heaven is." This man, who returned such glory to Father, went further than this event and went to a police station. Looking back, we may think that it was heaven's providence to prevent people from treating Father carelessly, by compelling them to comprehend such a revelation deeply when it was delivered to the people in such a loud voice. He went because he had received a revelation that had ordered him to do so. At the police station, he shouted the revelation, "The man that will come is with the Unification Church. If we persecute him, generation after generation will perish." Of course, this person was detained in a police cell, charged with what we consider a minor offense, and then later freed.

After Mrs. Choi related these stories, Father took the time to say some words recalling those early days. When we ponder it, we should not consider our being Unification Church members as such a simple matter. We are connected with a religion behind which the spiritual world is working, supporting, protecting and preparing us for what is to come. Although there may be differences in the degree to which we relate to them, we all have a relationship with God and the spiritual world.

Three categories of Unification Church members

Recently, Father said: "There are three categories of Unification Church members. First, there are those who received the call because God needed them from the outset. Second, there are those who became church members because their original mind felt pleased and happy when they could

make some kind of connection. Third, there are those who were neither especially called by God—that is, they were not called by God because they were absolutely needed—nor did they feel happy from the bottom of their hearts. They came to the church merely as observers, because they were invited and then maintained their connection through visiting frequently. These days, especially, it is easy for anyone to enter the Unification Church. There are people who come to the church merely on the crest of a wave.”

We leaders, and all Unification Church members, should respect those whom God called out of necessity. We may be able to identify such people easily, but I think there are many such people, whom God specially called, who are going the road of the will without any being well known or in the spotlight. Seeing it in this way, we can draw the conclusion that we cannot treat individual members carelessly.

These days, there are people who get blessed according to the benefits of the age and heaven’s special grace without making any special conditions or effort. We can also see that there are people who are in a position of having been blessed and having received such amazing grace as tribal messiahs. Those people who have received the call to be tribal messiahs should realize this is the most valuable calling among all callings.

Let us be conscious of our calling

There are many ways to be called by God. However, what could be more amazing and tremendous than to receive the title of tribal messiah and be recognized as a tribal messiah? In that sense, we must see that we who are tribal messiahs are, indeed, people who have received heaven’s precious call, and who are in the position of being treated and regarded so precious by God and True Parents. I think that we will have to have increasing confidence in how much the spirit world, directly and indirectly is helping, encouraging and leading us.

However, the receiving of this call and the mission that accompanies it cannot be separated. To receive God’s call is to be set in a certain position after being approved by God, as we learn when studying “Predestination.” Those who are called at that point and position can bear fruit only when they fulfill their responsibilities and missions. Only then can God accomplish the will for which He sent us and only then can we ourselves enjoy glory as masters of that position.

Of course, our own glory is not the important thing. There are so many things left for us to do in the position of having to accomplish the will which God decreed.

Accomplish Father’s directions, at least during this year of 1994

Since returning from the airport, after seeing Father off on February 4, I was overwhelmed on reviewing my memos of Father’s words, directions and instructions that he had given over the dinner table during our usual meetings. In what way

should I explain them to the members? Furthermore, how can I myself go on to accomplish all these things? Frankly, my heart felt really desperate and anxious. No matter what happens we have to accomplish the things Father asks of us.

Recently Father said, “True Parents’ word is one.” What does this mean? This means that, once True Parents say something, it creates an absolute standard and becomes law. That means we have to live according to it, we have to observe it and we have to fulfill it. When you are listening to a sermon, aren’t there many times you come to say, “Oh, this is something I must do!”?

When we now put those instructions in order, they are all precious, urgent and strict. Some should be done after a little more thought, preparation and planning. Others should be put into practice immediately. The most important thing, as a principle of our life of faith on the road to the will, is to work hard after determining our minds—without needing any special preparation each time.

Father said, “The way of heaven moves the spirit world and the spirit world follows, keeping time to the beat of the way of heaven, but you remain where you are and wait for the way of heaven to fit into your way. Do you think that the way of heaven will fit in with the way of such a person?” Father once also said, “When you first started on the path of faith, you were all moved to find the high degree to which the Principle was a world-level ideology and that the will was so cosmic. However, your thinking that you would live from a world-level ideology, and that Father’s will is so high and profound, was only within your mind. Your way of life has become secularized and worldly. You have become surrounded by the habits of the fallen world.” Is there anyone here, who, on hearing these words, does not feel bound by his original mind? If we observe our daily lives now, we are greatly distant from the standard with which we determined ourselves at the outset of our following the will.

Why is there a distance between our way of life and that absolute standard, centering on the will of heaven and True Father, which we carry in our heart and mind? Ultimately, through unconsciously coming to miss worldly things, through being seduced and led by the world, our lives have become engulfed by the world. We have become immersed in the world, so an inevitable distance between ideal and reality arose.

I think there is no need for us to consider whether we are really people whom God called out of need. The important thing is that we have all been blessed and have received the title of tribal messiah. If we are labeled as “called” through the fact that we have received the title of tribal messiah through the blessing, what can surpass that call? We will then have to fulfill that mission now. Rather than thinking distantly or vaguely, we must live specifically—concretely.

Beginning today, what is the mission we must fulfill in February? Father directed that this year, “you must witness to one new person every month.

The most important thing, as a principle of our life of faith on the road to the will, is to work hard after determining our minds—without needing any special preparation each time.

Keep a record on a church and regional basis and keep a check on everything in detail." That is something we can do right away. We shall have to catch someone we meet on the street after this service or make telephone calls to our relatives and tribe. No matter what happens, we will have to make an effort to fulfill what we have failed to do in January, plus our responsibility for February.

50,000 Japanese women trainees and ourselves

Father went to America, but he will return soon. Beginning in March, Father will give four-day workshops for Japanese women whom he has called to come to Korea—5,000 at a time.

These training sessions will be held at Chung-ang Training Center in Sutaek-ri. Wholesale mod-

ple. You cannot imagine how difficult their work will be.

Let us suppose there were going to be church training sessions at Sutaek-ri and we were asked, "Please send just two people a week for the workshop," how difficult would it be for us to fulfill that? In Japan, they have to create 50,000 new members within five weeks and send them to receive training.

If members have such difficulties, what kind of difficulties does Father have? Father said, "Send any kind of member, even complete novices. I will digest them all." Think about that.

Where are the comfortable places for the 50,000 new Japanese members to sleep in? Can they have even one meal comfortably? Can they sleep well? Squatting themselves down from dawn to mid-

night, not being able to stretch out even one leg in an area packed with people—going through this kind of difficulty, how hard it would be for them to listen to Father's words!

However, such inexperienced members would return to Japan having received blessings from Father. Receiving these blessings and returning with them to Japan will enable the Japanese church to survive and the will of the providence to be accomplished.

Let us not be like dogs in a blacksmith's shop

What then is Father's situation? If Father merely speaks, do they receive blessings? Do we receive blessings just by listening to Father's words? Now we have all become dogs in a blacksmith's shop—that is what the late President Hyo Won Eu called it. A blacksmith's shop is a place where sickles and knives are heated over

a charcoal burner. When the blacksmith heats the iron, picks it up with his tongs and then pounds it with a hammer, dogs usually run away, dumbfounded at the sparks flying here and there. The dogs react like that at first, but later come to think, "The sparks only fly out to a certain point, however brightly they glow," and keeping a safe distance, they sleep comfortably.

What does this mean? We have listened to Father's precious words so often. Our original mind and heart became very excited and serious at first. Now members have become dogs in the blacksmith's shop, sleeping comfortably and saying, "Father always speaks in this way. Father's words are like that, but I will do just this much." I may have used a very appropriate allegory. Isn't this situation similar to ours?

Now we ourselves have become creatures of habit, interpreting and judging Father's words in our own way, so we cannot receive grace purely. What then do you think the new Japanese mem-



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Father lectures the Japanese women in Sutaek-ri, Korea.

ifications are now being made there to accommodate the 50,000 people who will come and to enable them to receive education in that place.

Now, after listening to Father's words, the Japanese members are working very hard to send people to the training sessions. However, this does not mean there are 50,000 members somewhere ready to come. As you know, Father has already finished holding training sessions for 50,000 members in Cheju Island.

This time new people will come. Beginning in March, the Japanese members will then have to buy airline tickets in consecutive groups of 5,000 to send the participants at four day intervals. It will be a continuous process.

On March 10, 5,000 people will come, then after three days they will leave and 5,000 people more will come—continuously. Approximately 50,000 people will come within one month, beginning in March. That is 10,000 people a week. The Japanese members will have to witness to send new peo-

bers will be like? Do you think it will be easy for Father to give grace to those women who came to have a negative fixation and various doubts through the Japanese mass media, especially in an environment that is not so cozy?

During the 77 days in Cheju Island, Father—going without food and sleep, praying, offering his whole heart and gathering spiritual power—spiritually guided the trainees. He educated them spiritually before speaking. He embraced them with spiritual power. Father set all the spiritual indemnity conditions that could call all their good ancestors. Can people in the spirit world descend as they please? Can they come to the earth any time they want because they are good? No, they cannot.

The situation in the spiritual world

I heard one very interesting story recently. You may have heard the story that Sang Hun Lee and his wife, who is in the spiritual world, communicate with each other by letter. The content of the recent letter she sent through a spiritual medium was, "I may not be able to come down so often from now on."

I felt many different things when I read this. Why was it so? Although she was staying in the spirit world, she had not reached the point of recognizing that her primary mission is there; so she frequented her husband's side, centering on that earthly connection. Now, feeling sorry, she said she would come no longer. She came to find that Heung Jin Nim, the commander in the spiritual world, is directing everything and that, according to heaven's law, she is not allowed to come down to speak or give instructions as she pleases. She meant that she can no longer take the same interest in the earth now that she knows what she has to do in the spirit world; she has to conform more to the way of heaven and the spirit world. Do you understand? It is not so simple for people to come down.

After getting permission, people in the spirit world can come down to the earth, say, on a special holiday when we honor our ancestors—like a furlough during army duty. People in the spiritual world cannot come here without any reason, merely because they are someone's ancestors. Father makes indemnity conditions with his whole heart to call down people's ancestors. Using many levels of spiritual strategy, he then revives their spirits.

The significance of 50,000 Korean-Japanese sister relationships

As you may also know from seeing the video about the training sessions in Cheju Island, these new members were, overall, so happy and attracted to True Parents. They received much spiritual blessing. The background which made that possible was not so simple.

What then do Father's words, "Just send them. Bring even novices. I'll digest them all," mean? They mean that Father, unknown to anyone, while devoting his life so sincerely, long before March, was making every effort to create the spiritual atmosphere for them.

What then should we, the Korean churches, do? In addition to witnessing to one new person each month, we should work in step with this direction and set up sister relationships between 50,000 Korean women and those women who came from Japan. According to the providence, Korea and Japan should become one country; the Adam and Eve countries should be united. Furthermore, members of both the Korean and Japanese Women's Federation for World Peace should now establish concrete sister relationships during this time. When Father gave the direction for this, I was overwhelmed: "I know the number of Korean Women's Federation members and the number of church members who are seriously active. From where then can we mobilize 50,000 women to make these pairings? If only 500 women from Korea appeared, when there were 5,000 Japanese waiting to be joined as sisters, how would that be?" I had a mountain of big worries; I was overwhelmed.

However, Father's instructions and orders were firm, "Accomplish this by mobilizing all headquarters, the entire Unification community, as well as the Korean Women's Federation." This was Father's supreme command. Pondering various methods afterward, I came to think, It may be a somewhat difficult direction but if the Korean church accomplishes its responsibility it will surely also be able to survive.

This means that there is some kind of hope for the Koreans, doesn't it? It means that, after they have made the sister relationships, when they are actually visiting each other or writing letters, the Korean women will receive more advantages than the Japanese. We will have to mobilize those people who are connected with us through having made a trip to America, or through our home church style activities, or through those who have been mobilized to our meetings in the past. We will have to mobilize even those who attended the World Culture and Sports Festival in 1992, through making use of our 360 degrees of connections. If we continue to keep those connections by setting up sister relationships in that way, it will

EVENTS IN THE HISTORY OF THE UNIFICATION COMMUNITY 1981- PRESENT

	JAN 3	Yeon Jin Nim born
	APR 5	End of 21-year course
	MAY 16	Ye Jin Nim and Jin Whi Nim's Blessing
	JUN 13	302 couples matched (Camberg, Germany)
1981	"	39 Couples' Blessing (Camberg, Germany)
	JUN 28	Ocean Church established (New York)
	JUN 30	Youth Seminar on World Religions begins (Seoul)
	NOV 9	10th ICUS begins (Seoul)
	"	International Highway Project proposed (Seoul)
	JAN 7	Hyo Jin Nim and Nan Sook Nim's Blessing (Belvedere)
	FEB 1	Washington Times founded
	APR 3	Shin Bok Nim born
	MAY 1	Father & Takeru Kamiyama's trial begins (NY)
1982	JUN 14	Jeung Jin Nim born
	JUL 1	2075 Couples' Blessing (New York)
	AUG 9	World Media Conference (New York)
	OCT 14	6000 Couples' Blessing
	NOV 25	11th ICUS begins (Philadelphia, Pennsylvania)
	JAN 16	Shin Jung Nim born
	APR 3	Ceremony of Total Indemnity (New York)
1983	JUL 12	Shin Goon Nim born
	NOV	12th ICUS begins (Chicago)
	DEC 18	Inauguration of PWPA International
	DEC 31	Ceremony of Unification (New York)
	JAN 2	Day of Victory of Love
	JAN 3	Heung Jin Nim's ascension (New York)
	FEB 20	In Jin Nim and Jin Sung Nim's Blessing (New York)
1984	"	Heung Jin Nim and Hoon Sook Nim's Blessing (New York)
	MAY 16	Day of the Love of God
	JUL 20	Father & Takeru Kamiyama entered Danbury Prison
	SEP 2	13th ICUS begins (Washington, DC)
	NOV 3	Hyo Jin Nim becomes President of CARP
	FEB 1	Day of the Opening of Heaven (Danbury)
1985	APR 9	ICC Conferences begin
	AUG 16	Total Victory Day
	AUG 20	Father released from prison (Danbury)

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lead to the creation of many more Women's Federation members and the accomplishment of church activities. Frankly, this is difficult work, but once we carry it out with all our dedication and effort, the Women's Federation will automatically come to have a solid foundation of 50,000 members. I think that is a most desirable result. Therefore, each region in Seoul should mobilize 10,000 people!

We need about 10,000 people from each region to accomplish our goal, as Father said. From now on, all responsible members must mobilize five people each. Write down the names of five people whom you are going to mobilize and pray for them. We shall have to devote ourselves and pray. Think about this. The main training center in Sutaek-ri has plenty of space. It will be a splendid sight to see 5,000 women both from Korea and Japan meet and establish relationships as sisters. How will people find each other? Thinking that it may be even more difficult this time than it was at the previous [6,500 Couples'] Blessing in Yongin—when engaged members had a difficult time finding their mates—we contrived different methods. When

all have to attend—should go there taking two lunch boxes with them. Don't you think it is proper to treat them to lunch at the first meeting? "I know that I should treat you to lunch in a restaurant on the second day, but how about having the lunch I have brought with me? We have a very tight schedule." Wherever you sit down in Sutaek-ri, exchange your "sister certificates" and talk together.

Write each other's name on the certificates. You are worried about how to communicate, aren't you? Isn't there a universal language? Gesture with your hands, or feet, or by smiling. You can also ask for an interpreter and build a relationship. Without using such means, there is no way. Even if we were to make a loudspeaker announcement for each person, we could not finish in one day.

These are Father's instructions. All women have to mobilize five persons each, as well as enter into a sister relationship themselves, of course. So I ask you to write down the names of the women you are going to mobilize and pray with deep sincerity. This is our mission.

1994 is the fortieth anniversary of the founding of HSA-UWC

As you know, this year is the fortieth anniversary of the founding of HSA-UWC in Korea. When I reported to Father about the plans for the commemorative events, Father said, "How quickly time has passed! The fortieth anniversary already!" How many memories will Father have? With what anticipation must Father have put up the signboard of the "Holy Spirit Association for the Unification of World Christianity" in front of a few people in 1954?

"We should celebrate properly with congratulatory ceremonies, as this year is the fortieth anniversary. We must hold a worldwide commemoration," said Father. As I will officially announce later, we have already reserved the Olympic Fencing Stadium for that day. We will hold a historic celebration there, in attendance of True Parents. There will be events with the awarding of prizes, and historic international conferences centering on Father's worldwide foundation. There will be a Summit Council for World Peace meeting beginning March 26, and Professors World Peace Academy (PWPA) International and Inter-Religious Federation for World Peace (IRFWP) conferences beginning April 28.

All the expenses and procedures should be covered through special donations. We came to the conclusion that we members should devote all our sincerity to help the mainstream of Father's providence and history on the occasion of the fortieth anniversary of the foundation of the HSA-UWC. Father mentioned this idea several times.

Considering the situations of members, I know there are many who may feel financially burdened. However, we are in a very difficult position because Father wants to treat us according to the Japanese standard. Father has already called all leaders together and said many times that Korea should not be indebted to Japan. In this sense, members all over the country should shoulder

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A Korean woman and a Japanese woman, having established their sister relationship, go over the program for the rest of the day's activities.

people come from Japan, those 5,000 people will not just come the way they did before.

From the outset they will each come with a number, from one to 5,000. It will be the same with Korean participants when they attend according to their region. Thus, number one from Korea will meet number one from Japan, number 3,000 from Korea with 3,000 from Japan—in this way. How else could we organize it? We then will inform them that people from a certain number should enter A, B or C halls respectively. We are also going to set up sign posts in the courtyard, announcing that this is the place for people within a certain range of numbers to find their partner.

We will make big name cards with a number on each of them. Red cards are for Koreans and blue for Japanese. In this manner, people with the same number will be able to find each other.

The Korean women—of course, members will

the responsibility of having to do something to support heaven and all the events materially.

I went to Chollanam-do yesterday to give a blessing workshop. When I received the reports, from the regional or church leaders, on the members and the situation in the rural areas, I could see that they were enduring more difficult circumstances than the members in Seoul. However, I heard that members, upon hearing these plans, determined themselves even to raise bean sprouts, pick wild greens or gather fruit in the mountains.

We will really have to make our best effort to get back to the point where we started, when our standard was that, There is nothing except the will. Because it is difficult, while reflecting on its value, please set up this minimum condition.

In fact, I have thought about this. Father once said, "Now I should have a private airplane." I have also thought that if the Korean church were a little bit better off, how nice it would be to present Father with a private airplane. However, that is too high a goal to contemplate at present.

Knowing that holding the IRFWP and PWPA International conferences this year would be difficult, even before Father said, "Prepare for such events by gathering offerings," I suggested to Father that we invite thirty people to attend each conference. I suggested this because I thought that it would be good to invite these thirty scholars and thirty religious leaders to the conferences, only if they were very distinguished. However, Father's response was, "No, more than 120 people!" Therefore, we have increased the number.

That demands more money in various ways. The money problem is important, but before you think that we have to hold the conferences at any cost, you have to make effort with the resolution that "I will do my utmost so Father and Mother can be happy and have one day of pleasure, as they recall the time when it all began, on this fortieth anniversary day of our association." I hope you will endeavor to offer this effort at any rate by the end of April. I ask you to make this your goal, even though, if there is no other way, you may have to make your offering little by little.

These are missions that we have to do concretely. Heaven, indeed, gave us enormous help spiritually when we had such difficult tasks in the past. Now on this occasion as before, we cannot imagine how much God will work to help us.

Heaven's ability

This story I heard from one regional leader whose name is Mr. Eu. His mother is over ninety years old; his father is in the spiritual world. The interesting thing is that his father often communicates instructions to his mother. This blessed couple has two sons. The elder son did not perform so well at school. When he was hesitating about entering a university and taking the entrance exam, his grandfather told his grandmother in a dream, "He is the eldest in a blessed family. He has to enter the university. What in the world are you doing?" The grandmother said, "He is not so good at studies and..."

"Leave his acceptance by the university to me and just make him take the test. Be sure he applies to Sung Hwa [now Sun Moon] University—no other university." She said, "How can I send him to the university with these poor grades?" "I will make him pass the test," was the grandfather's response. He also told his wife not to say anything of this to the grandson and to make him apply for Sung Hwa University at any rate. The grandson listened to his grandmother's advice and agreed to apply to that university. After taking the test, the grandson said that—as was usual, considering his poor studying—in front of the test papers he had been completely in the dark and did not know even one third of it. While he was answering the first ones from what he knew, he had felt his mind suddenly brightening.

He read through the questions, deciding to write the answer as his mind dictated: "The right answer for this will be number three. This one, number two." In this way, he completed the answering sheets. Even his father could have not imagined that his son would succeed in passing the test, but he did. Father, when he heard this report, said, laughing, "Well then, he passed illegally! Where else in the world can you receive such a blessing?"

When we receive a blessing, there is no end to our wants. After having thus received his father's help, Mr. Eu asked his mother, "Well, now that I have returned to live in my hometown as a tribal messiah, I need some money to do my mission. Why don't you ask father to help me earn money and make our family a little better off?" When his mother met his father the next time again, she was somewhat embarrassed to bring up the money problem at the beginning. She talked about other unrelated things, then finally said to him, "Our family is in such a bad situation. Why don't you help us become better off?" The father was very surprised to hear this and said, "You should not think like that. When I look from the spiritual world, I see that we, as a blessed family, have received tremendous blessing without any effort, condition or virtue. We are much too

EVENTS (CONT.)

	AUG 20	Holy water celebration (Belvedere)
1985	"	God & Freedom Banquet (Washington, DC)
	NOV 15	World Religious Conference (New York)
	NOV 28	14th ICUS begins (Houston, Texas)
	APR 11	Un Jin Nim and Jin Hun Nim's Blessing
1986	APR 12	36 Couples' Blessing of the 2nd Generation
	SEP 8	Shin Myung Nim born
	OCT 18	Shin Young Nim born
	NOV 27	15th ICUS begins (Washington, DC)
	MAR 31	Hyun Jin Nim and Jun Sook Nim's Blessing (New York)
1987	MAY 31	Summit Conference for World Peace begins (Seoul)
	NOV 26	16th ICUS begins (Atlanta, Georgia)
	DEC 26	Shin Gil Nim born
	FEB 10	Shin Won Nim born
	MAR 11	Shin Hwa Nim born
	SEP 17	Olympics (Seoul)
	SEP 27	Day of Dispensational Reversal Toward Unification
1988	OCT 3	FOUNDATION DAY FOR THE NATION OF THE UNIFIED WORLD
	OCT 30	6500 Couples' Blessing
	NOV 24	17th ICUS begins (Los Angeles, California)
	JAN 2	Declaration of Tribal Messiahs (Seoul)
	JAN 10	Kook Jin Nim and Soon Ju Nim's Blessing
	JAN 11	72 Couples' Blessing of the 2nd Generation
	JAN 12	1275 Couples' Blessing
	FEB 1	Segye Times established
	APR 7	42 and 138 Couples' and 57 Singles Blessing (WMC)
	APR 9	World Media Council (Moscow)
1989	"	Summit Council for World Peace (Moscow)
	APR 11	True Parents meet Mikhail Gorbachev
	JUN 23	Day of One Heart
	JUL 12	Shin Kwon Nim born
	AUG 20	Declaration of the Provisional Age of Salvation by Love
	AUG 31	Day of the Settlement of 8 Stages (Pal-chong-shik)
	SEP 1	Day of Heavenly Parentism
	SEP 16	Shin Eh Nim born
	SEP 18	Shin Ok Nim born
	NOV 3	Sung Wha University established (Seoul)
	"	Daemo-Nim's Ascension
1990	APR 21	Shin Yeon Nim born
	OCT 4	Shin Sun Nim born

indebted to heaven to pay off the blessings we have already received, even if we were to make every sincere effort throughout our whole lives. We will have to pay off that debt through our future generations, so we will come to bring calamity upon ourselves if we pray to heaven or the spirit world for money. Do not think like that, even in a dream." The mother related those words to her son.

Think about this. When his father watches from his position in the spiritual world, the fact that we, each blessed couple, received the blessing itself is such a huge amount of grace that we cannot fully repay the debt, owed to heaven and True Parents, during our whole life or even throughout future generations. We are under such debt and obligation.

In this sense, we are supposed to become more

in now? We will come." His mother could not reply that her son did not want to go to Cheonbuk University, and that she had him apply for Sun Hwa University as a second university, after the first round of applications were over.

I saw Father recently scolding a gathering of church leaders: "These blessed families are not taking Sung Hwa University seriously. The ratio of applicants to places in the theology department was only 2:1. I will see what is going on." We have to recognize again that Father's word represents heavenly law and the way of heaven. We must think that the spiritual world is also regarding us as very precious people.

People who received God's call

When we compromise Father's words, thinking, Words are one thing, what we do is another, what is the reason for doing that? That is our judgment. We think that way because, as previously mentioned, we are under the influence of the world and our thoughts have been tainted by it. We are not supposed to be like this. From this viewpoint, we should try to accomplish our mission at any cost, gathering our efforts as the ones who have been called, by sorting out our hearts and revising our thinking.

Complimenting the Japanese women this time, Father said, "Korea lags behind Japan. Korea is in a serious situation. Seeing the Japanese women who came to Korea this time, one hundred percent were having spiritual experiences. They were all receiving spiritual guidance." He said such words after finishing the training sessions for the Japanese women in Cheju Island last year. It means that Korean members should devote

themselves, live in faith according to the Principle and receive spiritual direction and God's guidance; but Father, looking at the Korean members, feels they are unable to do this. If we received instructions from the spiritual world and those kinds of blessings, we would pull our socks up and live according to the Principle in our life of faith. If we just continue to live like dogs in the blacksmith's shop, we cannot properly receive education and guidance from the spiritual world.

Whenever Father holds an early morning service on Sunday, he is angry if only a few members attend. I feel somewhat sorry for them because it is the members who attend who receive the scolding. I sometimes think, "They are not the ones who deserve the blame." Does it make sense if we do not even observe the tradition of attending the early Sunday service? No matter who preaches, shouldn't we think that we must go though Father is not speaking? It may not be right for me to say this, but there may be those who do not attend the Sunday service, thinking, "Maybe I will not be able to receive anything from Reverend Kwak's

serious and renew our determination, giving our attention to what heaven demands of those who have received heaven's call. We should not endeavor to compromise ourselves by thinking about our own situations.

There is one more piece of pleasing news. One leader in Cheonbuk region has a son who is good at studies and who this year succeeded in passing the entrance examination for Cheonbuk University—the most prestigious in the region. One year, the mother of this family had a revelation from one of her ancestors. He shouted, "You! Why did your son, from a blessed family, take a test for Cheonbuk University? Shouldn't he enter Sung Hwa University which Father established? Why Cheonbuk University? I will cut your arm off if your son enters Cheonbuk University." Imagine how surprised these parents must have been to hear that. The son did not go to the interview. His high school teachers were very anxious and telephoned him many times. At first, he did not know what to say, so he said, "I was very sick and could not go." His teacher asked, "What hospital are you



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Father cuts the celebration cake, as Reverend Chung Hwan Kwak assists, in Sutaek-ri, Korea.

words." However, whether it is another person or myself who gives the sermon, we should—as Father has asked us—consider the mere fact of offering our prayers and devotions here at the altar of the headquarters church on Sunday as something glorious. This is our tradition. We have to regard it as our life of faith. You do not come here because the church president is here, do you? "Ah, the president may miss me if I am not here. I can go and show my face." No. Each of us comes here for our own sake. Let us keep the tradition by, at least, praying.

In this sense, our mission as people who received God's call is to follow Father's unique words that cannot be compromised any longer, and observe tradition. To that end, we should be more diligent, make greater effort and fulfill the mission we were given for this year.

Do you know what I mean when I said how great it would be if we could accomplish as much as joining these 50,000 Korean and 50,000 Japanese Women's Federation members as sisters? Isn't this a good opportunity, since we have to send many people to the blessing workshops and enable them to receive the blessing? Through joining Korean and Japanese women as sisters, we can cast a net in many directions to find candidates for the blessing and lead them to the blessing ceremony. I am going to conclude my sermon by repeating that our mission for this year is to work on all levels. Let us pray.

Prayer

Beloved Heavenly Father! True Parents, who have loved the land of Korea, sympathized with our nation, and devoted themselves to awakening us, have now returned to America. Meanwhile they realized an amazing and proud accomplishment in this land—such as we could not even imagine—to consolidate Korea as the central nation of the mainstream of the providence and enable Koreans to be united in front of Father's will.

Will there be even one day when True Parents can feel at home wherever they go? We heard that they held a meeting and spoke all day as soon as they arrived in the USA.

Heavenly Father, please protect the holy bodies of Father and Mother. Please bring together all the good spirits in heaven and devoted members on the earth, and allow Father and Mother to live a very long time.

Please help the will of Father, who governs the world that centers on America, that it can bear much fruit through the devotion and assistance of beloved brothers and sisters. We sincerely hope that we, the Korean members, can fulfill the responsibility Father has given us.

Father, now that You have said that this beloved Korea exists for the world, please help us so that the Korean members' hearts resemble Father's and go out to the world. We sincerely pray that we can make Korea into the central nation, existing for the blessing of the world, attending the world and bestowing grace on the world, by awakening and stimulating this nation through living

exemplary lives.

Heavenly Father, we are so overwhelmed when we think about the will and directions Father has given us. We are so sorry that we cannot work well for Father because of our insufficient abilities. Father, even though You know these things and our individual circumstances, please help us do this work, for we know that Father has entrusted us with this mission and given us directions. Father, please help us do the things True Father has asked of us. Please do not let us make excuses without actually trying. Please help us get started right away, now, today. We wish with all our hearts.

Heavenly Father, there are some church leaders here who will receive the weighty call to go out to the world as missionaries. We know that some may be preparing themselves for this. Please let them be loyal to their missions and help them fulfill their responsibilities wherever they are, by doing their best in front of members, the brothers and sisters whom they have to lead. Please be at each place across the country where meetings are being held in the name of True Parents, and pour down Your historic blessings, especially on the hearts of the ministers who speak the word as Father's representatives.

Father, bless all beloved sons and daughters of the Unification Church around the world and make today, and this week, a time when they exert all their effort to restore the world, in doing Father's will. Bless this pitiful nation again, and help us fulfill our responsibility to lead this nation onto the road of blessing. Father has said that the Korean people alone can find 360,000 couples if we could only fulfill our responsibility.

Father, please be with the great work of the Women's Federation for World Peace in establishing a sisterhood relationship between Korea and Japan. We pray that we can gather and lead those candidates to the blessing and eventually to eternal life. Returning all things to You, we pray gratefully in the holy names of our True Parents. Amen. ■■

[Translated by Soon Young Kim.]

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1990	DEC 2	Shin Choon Nim born	
	JUL 1	DECLARATION DAY OF GOD'S ETERNAL BLESSING	
1991	AUG 23	18th ICUS begins (Seoul)	
	SEP 22	"Dialogue for Muslim-Christian Friendship & Understanding" begins (Istanbul, Turkey)	
	NOV 20	National Congress of Women's Federation for Peace in Asia (Chamshil Stadium, Seoul)	
	DEC 19	True Parents visit N. Korea & meet with Kim Il Sung	
	FEB 27	Shin Chul Nim born	
	MAR 26	Father, Mother & Hyo Jin Nim enter Japan	
	APR	<i>Divine Principle</i> published by <i>Izvestia</i>	
	APR 10	1265 Couples' Blessing	
	"	Women's Federation for World Peace Rally (Seoul)	
	APR 18	Day of Revival of the True Family	
	APR 25	University of Bridgeport becomes 1st in PWPA's World University Network	
1992	MAY 1-JUN 2	Mother's 21-city WFWP Speaking Tour in Korea	
	JUN 4	Kook Jin Nim graduates <i>cum laude</i> from Harvard University receiving B.S. in Economics	
	JUN 10-30	Mother's 40-city WFWP Speaking Tour in Korea	
	"	True Children's 21-city WFWP Speaking Tour in Korea	
	JUL 6	True Parents' WFWP speech (Chungju)	
	JUL 7	True Parents' WFWP speech (Pusan)	
	JUL 8	True Parents' WFWP speech (Kwanju)	
	JUL 9	True Parents' WFWP speech (Seoul)	
	<i>True Parents hosted the 1st World Culture and Sports Festival in Seoul. Following are the events and dates.</i>		
	AUG 19-26	19th ICUS begins	
"	5th PWPA World Congress		
AUG 22-23	Hanmadang Sports Festival		
AUG 22-26	12th World Media Conference		
"	5th Summit Council for World Peace		
AUG 24	8th CARP Convention of World Students		
AUG 24-27	1st WFWP convention		
AUG 24-31	3rd Assembly of the World's Religions		
AUG 25	30,000 Couples' Blessing		

Forty Years of Principle Study Becoming Liberated From Satan

Reverend Chang Seong Ahn
March 5, 1994
East Garden
Irvington, New York

Father introduced Reverend Ahn with the following statement. "Reverend Ahn has been teaching Divine Principle for the last forty years. He graduated from the University of Seoul, which is the top university in Korea. Ever since he joined the church, he has steadfastly taught the Divine Principle to the highest-ranking people in Korea as well as from all over the world. His teaching has moved many people. Even though he does not conform with others, for instance in his manner of clothing, he has a definite goal, which is the same as ours."

I GRADUATED from Seoul University Law School. After I read Swedenborg's book about the spirit world, I asked many ministers about the spirit world, but they denied that it existed.

I studied Toynbee's book on history. For Toynbee, the center of culture is religion. If we do not know religion, we cannot explain culture or history.

After the Second World War, communism dominated North Korea, so I studied communism. I found it very logical, so I accepted it. I studied at a Christian seminary in North Korea. They taught that Jesus was born of a virgin, performed miracles and resurrected physically. Buddha did not resurrect from the dead. Confucius did not resurrect. Therefore, Jesus is better than Buddha or Confucius. I believed this literally.



Abraham Lincoln

Over the years I had studied Christian doctrines, communist theory, Toynbee's view of history and the existence of the spirit world. I wondered how to unite

I came to understand that natural law rules the natural world, but only Divine Principle can explain human history.

these viewpoints. I prayed to meet Jesus and ask him which was correct. For six months I continued to pray. I did not want to throw away any of the theories I had studied. I visited many spiritually open people and asked them about Swedenborg, but they did not know about him.

I met the late President Hyo Won Eu and heard "The Fall of Man" lecture. I thought that this explanation could not have come from a Korean source, because "The Fall of Man" story is found in the Bible, and Korea is Buddhist and Confucianist, rather than Christian. The Western Christian countries are highly developed, with 2,000 years of Christian background. I supposed that this wonderful truth must have come from a Western country, perhaps America.

As I listened more, I realized this teaching must have come from the spirit world or God, not from humankind. When I asked President Eu whether the truth came from humankind or the spirit world, he was surprised. No one had ever asked this kind of question in the beginning of their study. He answered that it came

from the spirit world—from God and Jesus Christ.

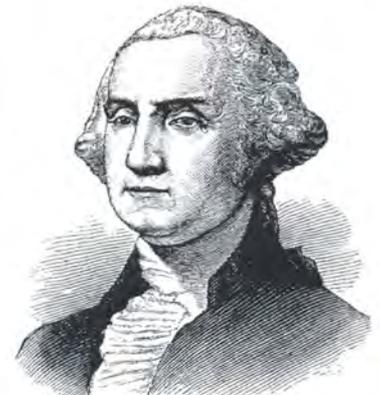
Forty years of Divine Principle study

I joined the church in 1954, and I have studied Divine Principle for forty years. Finally, I came to understand that natural law rules the natural world, but only Divine Principle can explain human history.

There are two kinds of wonderful truth: natural law and Divine Principle. Other theorists did not know the spirit world, the fall of man or the history of restoration. That is why this Divine Principle is such wonderful truth. My mind is always surprised by this wonderful truth. That is why I teach the members that the Divine Principle is wonderful truth; eternal truth. This truth makes me feel eternally young.

America's three fathers

America has three fathers. The first father is George Washington, who liberat-



George Washington



Reverend Chang Seong Ahn

ed America from British rule. The American Revolution led to the French Revolution and the liberation of the colonies in Latin America. After the First World War, the European monarchies became democratic. After the Second World War, colonies gained their independence. As a result of the Third World War, communist countries are changing. Thus, George Washington as the first father, began the movement of liberation from monarchy.

The second father is Abraham Lincoln. Lincoln liberated people from the slave system based on race.

Now the third father, True Father, brings liberation from Satan. Other people are afraid of Satan, but not Father. Jacob, Joseph and Moses set the model course. Jesus was supposed to accomplish this course, but he did not succeed. For 2,000 years, Jesus has been waiting. That is why he appeared to Father and asked him to carry on his mission. Father endured terrible torture in prison camps. In spite of this, Father succeeded and became True Parents. That day Jesus danced and shed tears of appreciation. Who appreciates Father the most? It is Jesus.

Father gave the blessing to Jesus Christ. Is Jesus a Unificationist or not? [Yes.] Christians are all blind. When they learn Divine Principle, their eyes will be opened and they will understand. That is why Divine Principle is wonderful truth; eternal truth.

Americans consider George Washington and Abraham Lincoln to be great people; but they did not liberate humankind from Satan. In the spirit world Washington and Lincoln seek True Parents' blessing. All American presidents will seek the blessing. Without the blessing, they cannot eliminate their original sin and

enter the Kingdom of Heaven.

You should know the value of the blessing. You should know the value of Divine Principle. Our members do not know how valuable this wonderful truth is. If you study the Divine Principle, you will shed tears of appreciation. Every day we should bow down in appreciation of True Parents.

Liberation from Satan

America needs to be liberated from Satan. No one else can liberate America from Satan. To be liberated from original sin, we have to know what the original sin was; how the archangel made humankind fall.

I learned from the Divine Principle how Satan dominates humankind. People who drink alcohol poison their stomachs. Smoking poisons the lungs. Drugs poison the whole body. Following wrong theories poisons the brain. All people know is the poisonous Satan-dominated life. Satan has been dominating people for a long time.

The sexual Satan has been dominating humankind until now. This sexual Satan is most fundamental Satan. Doing drugs, smoking, drinking and engaging in free sex reduce people to a level lower than the animals. Even congressmen and leaders of society, if they drink and smoke, are lower than the level of animals. Divine Principle can liberate all humankind.

Every day I bow down to True Parents, morning and night, and pray. Through doing this, I can separate from Satan. Without separating from Satan, we cannot meet God, and we cannot know the truth.

To subjugate Satan we have to restore the elder brother's birthright, restore the parents' right and restore the king's right.

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Mother spoke around the world for WFWP. Following are the dates and locations, interspersed with other significant events.

OCT 20	Washington, DC
OCT 20-29	Missionary Workshop (Kodiak)
OCT 21	New York, New York
OCT 22	Boston, Massachusetts
OCT 23	Chicago, Illinois
OCT 24	Atlanta, Georgia
OCT 25	Houston, Texas
1992 OCT 26	Los Angeles, California
OCT 27	San Francisco, California
NOV 11	Frankfurt, Germany
NOV 12	Berlin, Germany
NOV 13	London, England
NOV 14	Edinburgh, Scotland
NOV 15	Paris, France
NOV 16	Arras, France
NOV 17	Rome, Italy
NOV 18	Milan, Italy
NOV 22	Moscow, Russia, CIS
NOV 29	Sydney, Australia
DEC 2	Auckland, New Zealand
DEC 9	Manila, Philippines
DEC 19	Shin Yul Nim born
DEC 22	Beijing, China

JAN 1 Beginning of the Completed Testament Age proclaimed

APR Sudan government invites Father as guest of honor at "Religions in Sudan" conference (April 26-30)

True Parents spoke in 50 cities in the US. Following are the dates and locations. Father spoke to Mother from Kodiak following each of her speeches.

FATHER'S SPEECHES

MAY 13	New York
MAY 14	Secaucus, New Jersey
MAY 15	Washington, DC
MAY 16	Boston, Massachusetts
1993 MAY 17	Chicago, Illinois
MAY 18	Minneapolis, Minnesota
MAY 19	Atlanta, Georgia
MAY 20	Houston, Texas
MAY 21	Denver, Colorado
MAY 22	Los Angeles, California
MAY 23	Seattle, Washington
MAY 24	San Francisco, California

MOTHER'S SPEECHES

MAY 26	Albany, New York
MAY 27	New Haven, Connecticut
MAY 28	Baltimore, Maryland
MAY 29	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
MAY 30	St. Louis, Missouri
MAY 31	Milwaukee, Wisconsin
JUN 1	Salt Lake City, Utah
JUN 2	San Diego, California
JUN 3	Albuquerque, New Mexico
JUN 4	New Orleans, Louisiana
JUN 5	Mobile, Alabama
JUN 6	Portland, Oregon
JUN 20	Anchorage, Alaska
JUN 21	Phoenix, Arizona

Reflections on Reverend Chang Seong Ahn's Forty-Day Workshop

James A. Baughman

These reflections were written in 1991. At the March 5, 1994, leaders' conference, Father asked Dr. Baughman to give his testimony regarding Reverend Ahn's forty-day workshop. Dr. Baughman spoke spontaneously, and then prepared this written testimony for publication. Following Dr. Baughman's testimony, Father instructed that all leaders who have not attended the workshop be sure to do so quickly, names were taken of the American state leaders who needed to complete this training.

AT the time that I wrote this reflection I had completed sixteen years of life in the Unification Church and would soon become forty years of age. I have passed through a maze of missions and academic degrees and have found myself in the position of representing our True Parents as president of the church in the United States since January 1989. Knowing what I know now from Reverend Chang Seong Ahn's forty-day workshop, I deeply regret not having gone this course of study before acquiring these external positions and accomplishments. In fact, if I had it to do all over, I would not want to receive the blessing without having taken this course first, as well as having spent some time putting into practice these ideas to make a more stable and pure foundation.

It was revolutionary to learn how Satan also guides history and creates model courses and patterns which undermine God's work of restoration.

I had heard many "horror tales" about Reverend Ahn's workshop, ranging from the tedious handwriting and verbatim examinations to regimented schedules, Spartan meals and daily haranguing about sin and Satan *ad nauseam*. Such horror stories made me even more curious. It took me almost two years to fit a workshop into my schedule. I did not realize until a week into the workshop that I was foolish even to think that there was *any* good reason to delay my participation.

No truer words were ever spoken than when Jesus said, "The truth will make you free." (John 8:32) Yet, how often we resist studying the truth! Reverend Ahn's workshop did not restrict my freedom, but rather delivered me into true freedom. In fact, had I not set aside family and daily mission routines, I would never have

come close to benefiting from the liberating effects of the Principle.

Finding the *real* Principle

I never realized how much I was dying or how blind I was to the real essence of the Principle. It is easy to think that as one gets older in the church, one automatically gets closer to perfection. However, we deceive ourselves if we think that there is some magical salvation found in just staying in the church and attending True Parents.

I have taught two-day, seven-day and 21-day workshops ever since joining in March 1975. I have attended countless workshops. Over the years I was able to master the external content of the Principle. Never did I realize that while I may have mastered the content, I never really

knew the Principle in its essence.

I joined this church for two basic reasons: (1) to find and follow the Messiah, and (2) to find liberation from my sin in order to become a true man. Sixteen years ago I found and started to follow the Messiah, though not always with the energy and commitment that I should have had. However, my struggle, frustration and confusion concerning sin have haunted me until this day, wreaking havoc on my life, my family and my mission.

The essence of the Principle

It may seem somewhat odd to those who have not attended this forty-day workshop to hear that the essence of the Principle lies in the existence, nature and activities of Satan, and the timeless centrality of the commandment first given



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to Adam and Eve in the Garden. I saw the Principle, in all of its aspects, unfold before my eyes in a way that never before has been revealed to me.

I had always known that God guides history and establishes model patterns for His providence to be fulfilled, but it was revolutionary to learn how Satan also guides history and creates model courses and patterns which undermine God's work of restoration. The model course set by royal dynasties became fertile ground for Satan to dominate humankind through terror, violence and enslavement. He legitimized the sins of falsehood, murder, robbery and sexual abuse at the highest levels of authority and through this made a mockery of God's providential intention to establish a good monarchy.

Satan's strategy became even more insidious when he infiltrated religious cultural history. As Satan played upon and manipulated the evil desires of fallen religious people, corruption and sin became rampant, even among God's most trusted people. God found only a few who truly understood His model course—substantially established initially by Sarah, Rebekah, Jacob, Joseph and Moses—and who were willing to use the weapons of tears, sweat and blood until the victory over Satan was secured. Perhaps Satan's greatest feat was to influence Christians to remove any notion of Satan from their doctrines and corrupt their leaders into

committing sexual and other sins in the name of God, Jesus and the church.

Satan's fog

Satan's fog, as Reverend Ahn characterizes Satan's handiwork, stretches from the global to the individual level. Satan plays with us for sport, especially after we profess allegiance to God and True Parents. His fog permeates our entire lives through music, movies, advertisements and anything which seek to convince us that the world as it exists is the real world, as it should be. Because we have become so accustomed to it, we fall back into thinking that much of this present reality is really not so bad. One feels odd trying to adhere to a strict religious path that goes against the mainstream of evil society. The result is that we make compromises with the world which play into Satan's hands as conditions for him to make us his slaves.

To clear this fog, I must deny my surrounding reality and myself. I must sacrifice all that I once held precious and true in the fallen world. I must be honest with myself and my sin and then confess, repent and pay the price to clearly separate from the present reality and distinguish myself as a child of God.

I have come to the realization that unless I, as well as all of us, wake up to the reality of Satan, his methods and his fog, our church is destined to perish just as the Israelites of long ago, although Father has personally overcome Satan and brought the victory. I have to destroy Satan's kingdom within myself and, ultimately, in the world. I came to the conclusion after the workshop that I am tired of living in Satan's fog and being manipulated by him as a vehicle to do his evil work in the world.

Original sin and "I"

Another realization gained from this program is that the commandment given to Adam and Eve was not just one of equal value among ten. It is *the* commandment, after which the others either develop or dissipate, depending on whether this one is obeyed. I, like many others in our church, minimize the significance of the commandment, "Do not eat the fruit." Sometimes we have thought that as long as we do not actually fall, everything else is okay. Reverend Ahn set the record straight, with biblical references to support his views on five aspects of the commandment regarding sexual sin: *Do not eat* (no fornication, adultery or homosexual activity); *Do not touch* (no kissing, holding hands, caressing others or even touching their clothes); *Do not look or talk*

(no voyeurism or pornography); *Do not think* (no fantasizing about others); and *Do not think even in dreams*. There is never an excuse to do any of the latter things, including masturbation, to release tension or avoid the actual fall.

If anyone in our church doubts the centrality of the commandment, one need only look at how it has pervaded society. It is still the original sin and the foundation upon which all other sinful action is conceived. Once sexual sin is committed, a person will lie, cheat, steal, hate and even murder to hold on to that obsession. Conversely, whenever one begins to lie, cheat, hate, feel resentment and complaint, drink, smoke or take drugs, it invariably leads to the fall. In other words, everything starts and ends with sexual sin. To top it off, there is the tendency to conceal it or minimize the severity of sexual sin, just as Adam, Eve and the archangel did so long ago.

It may seem too radical to lump everything into one basic sin, but there was only *one* commandment at the beginning. The forty-day workshop forced me to look at myself honestly. What I saw was not always pleasant. It was shocking to realize how much time I spent during a normal day looking at women—especially those outside the church—in sexual connotations, some subtle and others not so subtle.

Having come to this stunning realization about myself, I was amazed at how much effort and time I had to spend every day trying to overcome and redirect sinful thoughts. At first I thought I was getting a little too obsessed with trying to uproot this attitude. I then realized I had to become a little extreme, if I were going to truly lick this problem at its deepest core. St. Paul did not mince words when he said, "In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood." (Hebrews 12:4)

The raucous parties condoned in our society with drinking, drugs and sexual promiscuity are no different from the behavior of the Israelites as they served the golden calf. When we participate in any form of sexual sin, we are worshipping false gods and betraying our one true Heavenly Father, who gives us the commandment to keep us from worshipping anyone else but Him.

Four kinds of desires and sin

This workshop reveals that the cause of the human fall is the self-centered abuse of original human desire. Desire is the core of human emotion, and it seeks joy and happiness through being fulfilled. Desire coupled with self-centered motivation translates into evil desire which, when

EVENTS (CONT.)

JUN 22	Topeka, Kansas
JUN 23	Detroit, Michigan
JUN 24	Miami, Florida
JUN 25	Manchester, New Hampshire
JUN 26	Charlotte, North Carolina
JUN 27	Nashville, Tennessee
JUN 28	Bridgeport, Connecticut
JUL 1	Kook Jin Nim & Jin Sung Nim visit Brazil
JUL 10	Honolulu, Hawaii
JUL 11	Las Vegas, Nevada
JUL 12	Billings, Montana
JUL 13	Cheyenne, Wyoming
JUL 14	Sioux Falls, South Dakota
JUL 15	Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
JUL 16	Jackson, Mississippi
JUL 17	Columbia, South Carolina
JUL 18	Wilmington, Delaware
JUL 19	Providence, Rhode Island
JUL 20	Boise, Idaho
JUL 21	Fargo, North Dakota
JUL 22	Omaha, Nebraska
JUL 23	Des Moines, Iowa
JUL 24	Little Rock, Arkansas
JUL 25	Charleston, West Virginia
JUL 26	Portland, Maine
JUL 27	Indianapolis, Indiana
JUL 28	Capitol Hill, Washington, DC
JUL 29	Burlington, Vermont
1993 JUL 30	Louisville, Kentucky
JUL 31	Richmond, Virginia
"	Columbus, Ohio
AUG 1	Day of Returning to the Home Country
AUG 2	Shin Joong Nim born
<i>Mother spoke in 40 countries. Following are the dates and locations. Father spoke to Mother from Kodiak following each speech.</i>	
SEP 7	United Nations
SEP 11	Hokkaido, Japan
SEP 12	Miyagi, Japan
SEP 13	Fukushima, Japan
SEP 13-14	Tokyo, Japan
SEP 15	Nagano, Japan
SEP 16	Nigata, Japan
SEP 17	Gunma, Japan
SEP 18	Tokyo, Japan
SEP 19	Ishikawa, Japan
SEP 20	Gifu, Japan
"	Aichi, Nagoya, Japan
SEP 21	Okayama, Japan
"	Hiroshima, Japan
SEP 22	Tottori, Japan
SEP 23	Kagawa, Japan
"	Ehime, Japan
SEP 24	Fukuoka, Japan
SEP 25	Kumamoto, Japan
SEP 26	Saga, Japan
SEP 27	Okinawa, Japan
SEP 28	Kyoto, Japan
SEP 29	Hyogo, Japan
SEP 29-30	Osaka, Japan
OCT 4	Seoul, Korea
OCT 5	Kwanak, Korea

acted upon, produces sin and reinforces Satan's environment. Similarly, desire can be good and lead to good action when its motivation is to serve others.

Reverend Ahn connects the purpose of creation and the possibility of sin to our human desire and the four fallen natures. The four basic desires originally intended by God are: *To maintain material existence* (food, sleep, clothing, shelter), which is accomplished through the economic system; *Love, sex and reproduction*, which are contained and managed through the family system; *Dominion and sovereignty*, which are maintained within the political system; and *Knowledge*, which is fulfilled in the educational system.

Whether these desires contribute to the realization of the purpose of creation or whether they play into the hands of Satan depends solely upon whether we choose to guide them by God's word or Satan's word. Evil desire, in the form of excessive or premature desire, stimulates our tendency to fulfill these desires for self-benefit in the context of the four fallen natures. Acting upon these fallen natures eventually leads to committing four kinds of sin, which stem from the distortion of the four original desires:

Misguided desire for knowledge can lead to arrogant self-importance and thinking that I know better about things, stimulating my tendency to take my own point of view, rather than God's. This manifests in the *sin of falsehood and rebellion*. *Misguided desire for love and sex* can stimulate the fallen nature of leaving my proper position in human relationships, and leads to *sexual sin*. *Misguided desire for dominion and sovereignty* can stimulate the fallen nature of reversal of dominion, leading to the *sins of hatred, anger, resentment and murder*. *Misguided desire for material things* can stimulate my tendency for self-justification and the multiplication of evil, leading to *robbery, embezzlement, vandalism and other related sins*.

These desires, originally intended to be the foundation for God's sovereign kingdom, have been manipulated by Satan's influence and distorted to the point of creating the kingdom of hell on earth. The four corresponding social systems have subsequently become corrupted by sin to the point where they are often impediments to, rather than an instrument for, the ultimate fulfillment of human desire and happiness. Throughout history people have been trying to fight "the systems" without knowing how to truly transform them.

Satan has legitimized sin at the highest levels of authority and leadership, and people are left with the impression that anyone is permitted to compromise and make excuses for evil action. Society consequently re-interprets sin as normal reality and permits increasingly worse behavior. Our church is not immune to Satan's strategy to undermine its leadership with corruption, as he has with political and religious leaders of the past. In positions of influence, it is not difficult for church leaders to abuse money, power, knowledge and position to commit, condone and hide the sins of fornication, robbery, murder and rebellion. Needless to say, it is critical to understand Reverend Ahn's perspective on these matters if we are to prevent our church and its leaders from perishing, as so many have in the past, as a result of similar corruption.

To liberate myself from this condition, I have to first recognize my condition of sin and choose to no longer participate in Satan's way of life.

Finding the solution

Reverend Ahn's lectures give new insight into the inter-connectedness of the intellect, emotion and will, showing how these functions can be used for evil or for good. Contrary to misconceptions that Satan influences only the body, the forty-day workshop reveals the process of sin as originating in the three functions of the mind.

First, Satan works on the intellect, trying to persuade us to accept his word to "eat the fruit" and do all things for self-benefit. We use our intellect to rationalize the reality of sin in ourselves and society as something normal and unchangeable. Similarly, our function of will depends upon whether we seek to do things for ourselves at the expense of others (licentious will) or for others according to God's original purpose (free will). Finally, the neutral function of emotion, the core of which is desire, seeks joy and happiness in one of two directions, depending upon whether it is combined with Satan's word and licentious will or whether it is guided by God's word and free will.

This profound elaboration of the origin of sin has helped clarify my responsibility to resist sin and change myself. In every case of temptation, I must reject Satan's word, using my intellect; learn, believe and practice God's will using my other-

centered free will; and fulfill my four original desires through linking my emotion with free will and God's word, to develop good habits, good character and a good heart. In this way, I can become God's true object and the recipient of His true love. It is my responsibility to apply this formula countless times every day and to continue doing so for years, if need be, to establish habitual thought and action based upon goodness.

Overcoming past sin

Reverend Ahn points out that because of past sin, I have been enslaved by four kinds of "chains" related to the four evil desires and their respective sins. To liberate myself from this condition, I have to first recognize my condition of sin and choose to no longer participate in Satan's way of life. This involves self-denial and self-sacrifice or being willing to die to my fallen self. I must reject all concepts, attitudes, cultural influences and images of myself which derive from Satan's sovereignty, no matter how harmless and good they may appear on the surface.

The next step is to confess my sin to others and make prayers of tearful repentance to God. Public confession and repentance prayer truly work to liberate my spirit and lift the darkness of Satan's fog.

The third step is to pay a price, almost like alimony in a divorce settlement. Because I initiate my divorce from Satan, I am obliged to pay retribution for having belonged to him for so long. By willingly paying indemnity and receiving punishment—even actively seeking it out—I can demonstrate to Satan that I am willing to suffer anything—even give my life—to separate from him. Father has often said that if we understood the meaning and value of restoration through indemnity, we would be more aggressive in making it our daily diet.

The Divine Principle bridle

The final step in separating from Satan is to create a new marriage to God. I must be willing to consistently follow God's guidance, for there is no neutrality in the life of faith. To accept and practice God's word means, in Reverend Ahn's imagery, to wear the Divine Principle bridle.

I realized how much I still resisted harnessing myself to the bridle of God's word. I have taken it lightly, especially when things seemed to be going well for me. I felt content to wander as a wild horse and play into my own licentious will, thinking that I was expressing my freedom. Little did I realize that my lack of seriousness led me to all levels of sin and entrapment by Satan. To study and

practice the Principle every day is critical to gaining complete separation from Satan. I have realized through this workshop that I must seriously harness myself to the bridle of God's word to achieve total liberation from Satan and experience true freedom within the bounds of the Principle.

Salvation through the model course

Another shocking revelation is that neither God, True Parents, Jesus, my wife nor anyone but myself can separate me from Satan and subjugate him in my life. No one can save me but myself. To expect God or the Messiah to work some miracle to save me means to relinquish my responsibility and my dignity as co-creator.

True Parents have given us two things that only they can uniquely provide. First, they provide a model course by which we can save ourselves and reach perfection. Next, they give us the blessing, so that we can change our blood lineage and have an opportunity to start the model course in the same position as Adam and Eve before the fall.

Abel's course was only partially successful, through his becoming a dead martyr. Jacob's course, on the other hand, was one of total success, through his becoming a living martyr. Abel-figures in history include Moses and Jesus, while Jacob-figures include Isaac, Joseph, Joshua and Father. It is important to understand how to avoid Abel's course and achieve Jacob's to fulfill our goal of salvation and perfection. I believe that we should cease using the Cain-Abel paradigm in describing the restoration process and emphasize the Jacob-Esau paradigm, which depicts success by both brothers.

"Separating from Satan" and "subjugating Satan" have been the battle cries of church members ever since I can remember. However, these are often mere clichés. Without separating from Satan, the foundation of faith cannot be established. To qualify as a central person in God's providence, it is imperative first to overcome past sin and separate from Satan. One can then practice God's words "do not eat the fruit" and make other conditions of offering to fulfill the foundation of faith.

The subjugation of Satan is also a prerequisite for the foundation of substance, which can be understood in clear detail by studying the courses of Jacob and Joseph. These two men made four conditions to restore the birthright and reverse Satan's lordship over humankind: (1) they received punishment for sins never committed; (2) they did this without com-

plaint or resentment toward their torturers, who were often their elder brothers; (3) they forgave and loved their enemy elder brothers and gave all things to them; and (4) the elder brothers not only willingly relinquished the birthright to the younger brothers but accepted their guidance about how to separate from Satan and become God's person.

Tracking my growth

Without knowing how to evaluate our growth, it is difficult to know what to work on to achieve perfection. To pass to the top of the formation stage means to control my desire for material things. I reject Satan's word regarding material things and accept God's word by my own volition. I control my desire to use material things merely for self-centered purposes, which often results in material things dictating my life. By controlling this desire of my own free will, I gain the qualification to become the lord of all things. Practically speaking, this translates into not smoking, drinking, taking drugs or overindulging in normal material desires. If I cannot accomplish this, I exist at a level lower than the animals.

The growth stage is fulfilled when I control my sexual desires by completely rejecting Satan's word to "eat" and accepting God's word "do not eat," again by my own free will. By doing this, I can separate from Satan and obtain the qualification to become the lord of angels. The commandment was given solely to Adam and Eve. By following it, I accomplish more than what is expected from the angelic world, which qualifies me to take dominion over it. If I cannot accomplish this, then I remain Satan's slave and child.

Finally, one passes to the top of the completion stage by loving one's enemy by one's own free will. By loving others more than self, I put myself in a category distinct from the rest of creation. In this way, I can qualify to become a child of God and a co-creator. Without doing this, I can never understand the unconditional heart of God or inherit His tradition and ownership.

I know that we all face the same challenges in this church, no matter who we are. It gives me a sense of confidence to know that the attainment of perfection is truly possible, if I am committed and serious enough to seek it at the price of my life. ■■

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EVENTS (CONT.)

	OCT 6	Chonan, Korea
	"	Taejon, Korea
	"	Workshops for Japanese women begin (Cheju)
	OCT 7	Chong Ju, Korea
	OCT 8	Seoul, Korea
	"	Chongpadong, Korea
	OCT 9	Sutaek-ri, Korea
	OCT 24	True Children begin 40-speech Tour in US
	NOV 2	Frankfurt, Germany
	NOV 3	Luxembourg, Luxembourg
	NOV 4	Brussels, Belgium
	NOV 5	The Hague, Netherlands
	NOV 6	Dublin, Ireland
	NOV 7	London, England
	NOV 8	Ottawa, Canada
	NOV 10	Paris, France
	NOV 11	Oslo, Norway
	NOV 12	Stockholm, Sweden
	NOV 13	Geneva, Switzerland
	NOV 14	Zagreb, Croatia
	NOV 15	Vienna, Austria
1993	NOV 18	Budapest, Hungary
	NOV 19	Warsaw, Poland
	NOV 20	Kiev, Ukraine
	NOV 21	Moscow, Russia
	NOV 22	Minsk, Belarus
	NOV 24	Lisbon, Portugal
	NOV 25	Madrid, Spain
	NOV 26	Rome, Italy
	NOV 27	Prague, Czech Republic
	NOV 28	Istanbul, Turkey
	NOV 30	Jerusalem, Israel
	DEC 1	Cairo, Egypt
	DEC 2	Athens, Greece
	DEC 3	Nairobi, Kenya
	DEC 5	Abuja, Nigeria
	DEC 7	Asuncion, Paraguay
	DEC 9	Brasilia, Brazil
	DEC 10	Montevideo, Uruguay
	DEC 11	Buenos Aires, Argentina
	DEC 12	Lima, Peru
	DEC 13	Bogota, Colombia
	DEC 16	Auckland, New Zealand
	DEC 17	Sydney, Australia
	DEC 19	Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
	DEC 20	New Delhi, India
	"	India's Parliament
	DEC 22	Taipei, Taiwan
	FEB 12-26	International Student Leadership Conference for World Peace (Moscow)
<i>Mother & True Children spoke on 100 campuses in the US. Following are the dates and locations, interspersed with other significant events.</i>		
	MAR 8	Mother: Harvard University
1994	MAR 9	Un Jin Nim: Pasadena City College, California
	"	Jun Sook Nim: Loyola University, New Orleans, Louisiana
	MAR 10	Mother: University of Maryland, College Park
	"	Un Jin Nim: California State University at Hayward

Heaven Works Directly in Nigeria

Kathy Rigney

WE have just completed presenting "True Parents and the Completed Testament Age" in forty cities and towns in all thirty states of Nigeria (September 9-18, 1994). Altogether 7,000 people participated in the programs that were held simultaneously in seven regions around the country, culminating in a rally in Lagos.

The rallies were sponsored by the Women's Federation for World Peace (WFWP). The meetings were officially held to inaugurate WFWP on the state or city level, and internally they were part of our continuing effort to present Mother's speech to every citizen of Nigeria and to break through the spiritual chaos in the country.

Many of the highest government and community leaders on the state and city levels attended, including the governors' representatives or the governors' wives, along with several state cabinet officials, women's commission representatives,

representatives of local churches and mosques, representatives of various professional organizations and traditional tribal and clan leaders. Overall, more women attended than men—probably because it was held in the name of WFWP. About 2,000 women (and many men) signed WFWP membership forms. In addition, we received cooperation from many state information services that helped us place ads on state television and radio. Local newspapers in nearly every state covered the events.

Working on the rallies brought our church and WFWP members' experiences and spirits to a new level. We are really proud of their performance and their eagerness to volunteer to go out and work under difficult circumstances. The speeches were organized almost entirely by the Nigerian leaders and members. They did all the high-level contacting. They were amazed to see how receptive people were, based on True Parent's

own foundation. They could see how heaven worked directly with them.

Their working circumstances were extremely difficult. A fuel strike had caused public transport costs to rise as much as ten times the normal price. After a one-day orientation workshop, we sent out about 74 brothers and fourteen sisters, for three weeks, to organize rallies in cities and towns far away from any established center. They stayed in the cheapest hotels or with contacts in the city. We had hardly any money to support them and many went for weeks with one meal a day or eating only some powdered cassava root in water to kill their hunger, so they could use the rest of their money for transportation around town to meet their contacts. Ironically, the people they met thought they must be working for a big international organization with plenty of funds, and they were expected to throw money around to arrange the meeting. This only put additional pressure on them, but no one complained. In fact they came back to make their reports with bright and shining spirits, eager to go back to do follow-up.

Extraordinary things take place

They saw extraordinary things take place. One brother organized a rally in his hometown and was assisted by his uncle who is an influential chief. His uncle was able to assemble over fifty traditional chiefs from all the villages around his hometown to attend the speech.

A sister arrived in her assigned city and started contacting as soon as she got off the bus. The first person she met was a woman television announcer who knew absolutely everyone in town and immediately started taking the sister around to meet them. Within three days she had met with five state commissioners, four traditional rulers and the wife of the governor. Her rally was well attended.

In another small town, many fundamentalist Christians attending the speech started murmuring when the text referred



The women who put together the Cross River state WFWP rally in Calabar on September 12, 1994.

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to Father as the Messiah. At the end of the talk, the Japanese sister who was reading the speech recognized the elderly parents of one of our brothers, who is blessed to another Japanese sister, and ran to embrace them. This so moved the audience that they all cheered and gathered around her to shake her hand, completely forgetting any religious differences.

In one state capital, the governor's wife ordered the meeting stopped and sent police to block the entrance to the hall. When we approached her to find out why, she made some excuse that we had not properly informed her about the meeting (we had, in fact) and she gave our members one hour to leave the state or be arrested. After exactly one hour, an announcement was made on state radio that the federal military government had

down by Muslims, only miles from the place we were to meet.

We appealed to Taj Hamad, executive director of the Inter-Religious Leadership Seminars, for advice and he suggested a version of Mother's speech which is geared to Islamic audiences. He asked approval for the modified speech from Jin Sung Nim, who told him to go ahead as long as the speech contained the essential proclamation of "True Parents and the Completed Testament Age." We used that version throughout the North. It was well received by every audience. In fact, it even seemed less offensive to Christians.

Resistance comes forth

We did cancel a rally in one state capital when, a few days before the event, a ranking state government official threat-

ened to disrupt the meeting because he had heard the Abuja speech [the speech which Mother gave personally] and considered it blasphemous. The pioneer announced the cancellation to all his positive contacts, which included many other

top government people. They were deeply troubled that they would be the only state to fail to have a WFWP meeting. One of them complained to the governor, who informed the state cabinet member directly concerning the man who had made the threats. The cabinet member called our pioneer and the offending official into his office to have him apologize to our member. On that condition, we promised to hold a rally there later. In the meantime, forty good contacts there signed membership in WFWP.

The only other resistance we had in the North actually came from one larger Christian church which told all its members to stay away from the meeting because Reverend Moon would cast a spell on the women that would make them convert to the Unification Church. One reporter tried to cover the event from outside the window of the hall for fear of being expelled from his church. Although some people stayed away, many other members of that church, and people who had heard the negative report, came anyway because they were curious. After the meetings, some of them were angry with their pastors for spreading such false stories about us.

Other churches were very supportive of our campaign. In Lagos, the world

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removed the governor, her husband!

In another state capital, the Executive Director for Women's Affairs pretended to be our friend but secretly tried to block the event. When the governor's wife learned this, she reprimanded her. Filled with anger, the director continued to try to sabotage our meeting there. Gathering a group of four prominent women who were all negative toward us, she set out to stop our meeting; but along the way they had a serious car accident and were all hospitalized throughout the final days of our campaign there.

In the same town, a powerful Muslim group used its influence to push one government officer to send police to the hall to stop people from coming in. Our brothers there took the leader of the policemen aside and spoke to him. With that encouragement, they hung our banner for us and actually helped direct people into the hall.

We were especially concerned about the members working in the northern thirteen states where Islam is strong and where fighting between Muslims and Christians in recent years, claiming hundreds of lives. Our members had already been chased out of their center in one of those towns by Muslim fanatics. Even as our pioneers were working in another one of those cities, four churches were burned

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| MAR 11 | Mother: New York University |
| MAR 12 | Mother: Cornell University, Ithaca, New York |
| " | Nan Sook Nim: University of Kansas, Lawrence |
| MAR 13 | Mother: Chicago State University, Illinois |
| MAR 14 | Soon Ju Nim: Bishop State Community College, Mobile, Alabama |
| MAR 15 | Mother: Columbia University, New York |
| " | Soon Ju Nim: San Francisco State University, California |
| MAR 16 | Mother: Princeton University, New Jersey |
| " | In Jin Nim: Boston University, Massachusetts |
| " | Un Jin Nim: Highline Community College, Seattle, Washington |
| " | Jun Sook Nim: State University of New York at New Paltz |
| " | Soon Ju Nim: California State College, Los Angeles |
| MAR 17 | Mother: Howard University, Washington, DC |
| 1994 | " Jun Sook Nim: Hostos College, Bronx, New York |
| MAR 18 | Nan Sook Nim: Hofstra University, Long Island, NY |
| MAR 19 | Mother: University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia |
| MAR 20 | Jin Sung Nim: University of Illinois, Chicago |
| MAR 21 | Mother: Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut |
| " | Jin Sung Nim: Prince George's Community College, Largo, Maryland |
| MAR 23 | Hyo Jin Nim: University of Southern California, Los Angeles |
| " | Jin Hun Nim: University of Texas, Austin |
| MAR 24 | Hyo Jin Nim: University of California at Berkeley |
| " | Nan Sook Nim: Morehouse College, Atlanta, Georgia |
| " | Jin Hun Nim: University of Louisville, Kentucky |
| MAR 25 | Hyun Jin Nim: Queens College, New York |
| " | Kwon Jin Nim: Brandeis University, Waltham, Massachusetts |
| MAR 26-29 | 2nd World Peace Conference (Seoul) |
| MAR 26 | In Jin Nim: Roxbury Community College, Boston, Massachusetts |
| " | Kook Jin Nim: University of New Mexico, Albuquerque |

Tribal Messiah Work in Eket, Nigeria

Isie Michael

I AM very grateful to Heavenly Father and True Parents for all the blessings I have received from them since I joined this movement in 1981 in Nigeria. Before I share with you my hometown experiences, I want to share with you some of my activities since I joined this movement as a full-time member.

In 1982, I attended a 21-day leadership workshop. From 1982 to 1984, I was a fundraising team leader. In October 1984, I attended a forty-day leadership workshop. In 1985, I was assigned to a pioneering mission to Cross River State in Nige-

Japan, my mind became broader. In 1989, I went to Italy to raise funds to support our movement in Nigeria.

In 1991, Mrs. Kathy Rigney, our national leader, asked me to go to Korea as a mobilization leader for forty African members working in Korea. I spent four months there. During that short period, I had many wonderful experiences. I came to know Korean tradition, culture, food and language. I was so happy to give out 900 newspapers on the day True Parents met Kim Il Sung.

In 1992, I attended the first World Culture and Sports Festival in Seoul, South Korea. I was blessed then with my heavenly queen, Yoriko Kumasaka.

After our blessing, I came back to Italy to continue my MFT mission. Based on True Parents' proclamation of blessed couples as tribal messiahs, the Completed Testament Age and Mother's world tours, I was inspired to visit my hometown, in Eket, Nigeria, as a tribal messiah from December 1993 to January 1994.

Divine Principle, January 3 and 4, which twenty people completed; two-thirds of them were my relatives. I am very grateful for my mother's support and participation in all the activities I had at home.

During this short period, I was able to introduce International Relief Friendship Foundation (IRFF) projects to some people. Since the WFWP-Lagos chapter has a center for the handicapped as its social project, the WFWP Eket chapter was inspired to open one. My spiritual son, Joe S. Udoukpong, has donated his former office space for the training school for the handicapped people. They will be taught tie-dyeing and sewing.

I visited a home for motherless babies and gave donations as a representative of IRFF-Italy. The center for the handicapped will produce clothing for the babies' home.

Some executive members of the Eket chapter of the WFWP made speaking tours to seven middle and high schools in Eket and the neighboring cities. In addition, we spoke to 5100 middle and high school students. The principals and students were very inspired and want WFWP to visit them regularly. I also presented lectures on "The Purpose of Creation," "The Fall of Man," and on "AIDS: the Worst Social Problem." I explained True Parents' views about how to overcome AIDS.

I was able to meet some top government and political leaders and introduce Reverend and Mrs. Moon. I also shared with them some of True Parents' international activities for bringing world peace and God's kingdom on earth.

Due to my victory in hometown, my national director has sent four missionaries to pioneer my hometown. Their leader, Imoh Essien, is my spiritual son. My mother has given them my family's apartment. They are living in the apartment and working out of there.

I am very grateful for all my leaders and to all the organizations, brothers and sisters who contributed greatly for the success of my hometown providence. I am also very grateful for my beloved spouse who made many spiritual conditions for my victory. ■



Isie Michael and his bride, Yoriko Kumasaka, at the 30,000 Couples' Blessing.

ria. During my pioneering activities, I did some work for the Professors World Peace Academy in the University of Calabar and I also became a part-time student. I witnessed to some students and we were able to do some Collegiate Association for the Research of the Principle activities on the campus.

In 1987, I went through international training in America under the World Mission Department. I had wonderful experiences then. I met True Parents for the first time at the Children's Day speech and celebration.

In 1988, I went to Japan for another international training program with the International Relief Friendship Foundation. Through my experiences in America and

Forty-day tribal messiah mission

In the early morning of December 30, 1993, some of my family members and I held a memorial service for all our ancestors and relatives who died during my absence from home. We then had a family get-together in the evening which about 21 families attended. Through these programs, I was able to prepare their hearts for some of the activities I intended to begin.

On January 2, 1994, we launched the Eket chapter of the Women's Federation for World Peace. We showed a videotape of Mother's speech in Abuja, Nigeria, with about 85 people in attendance.

We held a two-day seminar on the

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leader of the Celestial Church of Christ (CCC)—the largest indigenous African church in the world—sent his personal representative to give the invocation, together with the chief Imam of a large Islamic organization. (The CCC leader himself expressed regret that he was not free to attend the meeting himself and asked us to remember him the next time Mrs. Moon comes to town.) In two other cities, representatives of the Catholic church asked if they could start a chapter of WFWP within their own churches. Christians in several cities commented afterward that they wished the speech could be read in all churches.

Brothers who work for WFWP

An outstanding feature of the whole campaign was that brothers were going out to work in the name of WFWP. Many government officials would receive a note at their desks that a delegation of the Women's Federation for World Peace was waiting to see them. When they sent for them to come in, they would be surprised to see the secretary leading in two or three brothers and no women! Some brothers told their curious hosts that if they looked again at the name of their organization they would see it says the "We-men's Federation for World Peace." Other brothers told their contacts they were working to help their mothers. People called the national headquarters from all over the country to get more information. At least a dozen men called only to ask if they too could be involved with WFWP, even though they were men. We told them they could be members in a helping or

advisory role and that WFWP was laying the groundwork for the eventual establishment of the Family Federation for Unification and World Peace, in which they could take greater responsibility.

All women leaders mobilized

We mobilized every sister leader in the last nine days of the campaign to speak in different cities, especially the Japanese sisters. It was an excellent opportunity for the Japanese to get a feel for the country and the pioneering experience. Some of them had to travel over rough roads for two days to reach the place where they would give their first speech. They ate the same food as the members and slept in the same mosquito-infested rooms and huts that the pioneers had been experiencing for several weeks. They also came back looking thinner, but brighter. None had the slightest complaint. They really did a good job giving the speech, which they had prepared by reading out loud several times a day for weeks before the time came to speak in public.

Now our WFWP leaders are meeting to discuss plans and ideas on how to follow up on the rallies. In some states already, influential women have been mobilized and chapters of WFWP have been established. They are asking for representatives of the national WFWP movement to come to oversee their activities and give them direction. In a few cases, people have even offered houses or apartments that can be used as temporary WFWP centers. We want to keep holding rallies in other cities throughout the thirty states until we can be sure everyone has heard the message.

All the strikes that were affecting the country have stopped. The political crisis is not over, but the tension that existed before has really died down. We are so grateful to see the power of God's word and the wonderful foundation, which we can inherit so freely from our True Parents, saving the people and saving the land. ■■

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Comfort Dan Barthelomey delivers Mother's speech in Kaduna, Nigeria, September 17, 1994.

EVENTS (CONT.)

MAR 27	In Jin Nim: University of Chicago, Illinois
"	Hyun Jin Nim: University of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
"	Kwon Jin Nim: Wentworth Institute of Technology, Boston, Massachusetts
MAR 28	Kook Jin Nim: Arizona State University, Tempe
"	Jin Hun Nim: University of South Florida, Tampa
MAR 29	Hyun Jin Nim: State University of New York at Purchase
"	Kook Jin Nim: University of Houston, Texas
"	Jin Sung Nim: Bowie State College, Maryland
"	Jin Hun Nim: Wayne State University, Detroit, Michigan
MAR 30	Jin Hun Nim: Seattle University & Seattle Central Community College, Washington
MAR 31	Kook Jin Nim: Indiana University & Purdue University, Indianapolis
"	Nan Sook Nim: Syracuse University, New York
1994	" Jin Hun Nim: Clackamas Community College, Oregon City, Oregon
"	Soon Ju Nim: Nova Community College, Alexandria, Virginia
APR 2	Soon Ju Nim: Drew University, Madison, New Jersey
APR 4	Jin Sung Nim: Montgomery College, Rockville, Maryland
"	Jin Hun Nim: University of South Alabama, Mobile
APR 5	Kook Jin Nim: Everett Community College, Washington
"	Jin Hun Nim: University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa
APR 6	Kwon Jin Nim: Clark University, Worcester, Massachusetts
"	Jin Sung Nim: University of Texas, Arlington
"	Jin Hun Nim: University of North Carolina, Charlotte
"	Jun Sook Nim: City College of New York, Harlem
APR 7	Hyo Jin Nim: University of Delaware, Newark
"	In Jin Nim: Catholic University of America, Washington, DC
"	Kook Jin Nim: University of Colorado, Boulder

Going Beyond Culture Wars Re: Love and Sex

Richard Panzer

THOSE of us with strong religious convictions often tend to view the world through "ideological lenses." It is very easy to become angry at those who promote antithetical (secular) values, particularly when such values involve the education of our children. Because of this, religious conservatives often talk of a "culture war." While there may be quite a bit of truth to this analogy, how

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successful are you likely to be if you are viewing many in your potential audience as your "enemy"? Not very. How do you effectively promote your values in a way that can be received by many, if not all?

Several years ago my thinking went through a profound change. I began to ask myself, "What can be known and understood by everyone?" Instead of asking people to make the effort to understand and to accept what I believed, I asked myself, "Where are people at now? How can I relate to where they are in a meaningful way, reach their hearts, awaken their consciences?" Sometimes we become rigid and think people should accept everything we believe, but I think half a loaf is better than no loaf. To promote dialogue is the point.

Documentary film-making

I have some background in documentary film-making. One is forced to ask, if one wants to make an effective documentary, what kind of statements are credible because they come from a person's own experience versus statements by a narrator that reflect a bias or a belief that has many unquestioned assumptions. The more you base the documentary in real events, as reported through people's personal experiences in their own words, the

more believable and effective the documentary is likely to be.

The other question I ask myself is: Richard, what are your strengths? What do you know? I am used to reflecting on my personal failures and lack of perfection, but I have come to the conclusion that wallowing in guilt and regret does not help anyone. While I may never be able to achieve perfection in all areas, if I can practice even one microscopic "postage stamp" of truth and pursue it with as much fervor as a dog fighting for a favorite bone, I will probably be a very successful person and have much impact.

AIDS prevention programs

I have found this approach to be very fruitful in my efforts at communicating about the tragic consequences of the misuse of love through several educational programs. *Surviving the Sexual Revolution* is an AIDS prevention program. The first

part discusses what is currently known about AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases, giving many examples of people infected in their teen years or early twenties. The second part discusses the ethical nature of all behavior, including those involving love or sex, and the value of vertical love relationships.

After the Sexual Revolution: The Role of Marriage in Society is a completely new presentation released at the end of 1994. It is aimed at a wide audience, especially college students, and discusses the assumptions of what is often called the "sexual revolution" that took place in the 1960s and 1970s in the US and around the world. The results of this shift in attitudes and behaviors are examined in terms of the trend toward breakdown of the two-parent family because of out-of-wedlock births and divorce and their link to poverty, drug use, crime, the declining quality of education and crime.

After the Sexual Revolution will be released in the form of a comic book with four protagonists: Malcolm X, Marilyn Monroe, Jack Kerouac (the 1950s Beat

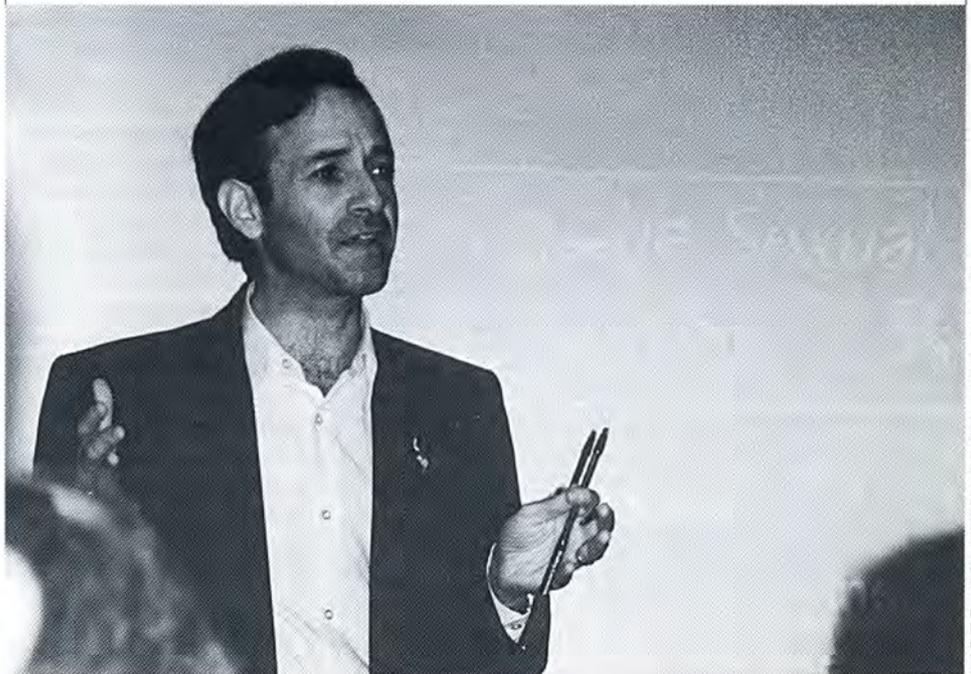


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writer) and Sigmund Freud, in the spring of 1995.

When the media reports on these problems, they often imply that these problems exist because of a lack of social spending by government, and that more spending would solve these problems. Social science research, however, shows that almost every major social problem is strongly and clearly linked to the lack of parental (usually, absence of the father) involvement in the life of a child. Government programs are unlikely to be successful

booklet and slide presentation I developed called "Sex and Love: Teaching Our Children in the Age of AIDS." Also discussed were the underlying assumptions of these approaches and their track records of effectiveness in reducing teen pregnancies and the spread of sexually transmitted diseases including AIDS.

People are often surprised to hear how effective abstinence-based programs have been, whereas programs that try to persuade teens to use condoms or contraceptives have had little success in bring-

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unless they take this into account. Since three out of ten births in the US are out-of-wedlock and that number is increasing, whether we can re-establish the connections between sex, love and commitment is a life-and-death issue for our country.

Cross-cultural study findings

Cross-cultural studies by John and Beatrice Whiting show that boys who grow up without a father often become involved in violence as a way to "prove" their masculinity. Boys who do grow up with a father who is involved in their lives do not have to "prove" their masculinity in antisocial ways (sex, drugs and/or violence). They grow up seeing a living example of nonviolent, responsible manhood and do not have to gravitate toward the extreme, hate-filled models in the movies and music videos.

Girls who grow up with both parents are much less likely to become sexually involved. Instead of looking for the missing love they never received from a father in the arms of a boyfriend, they can approach life with confidence, knowing they are loved and have value as more than just sex objects.

Unfortunately, many AIDS and "family life" (sex) education programs fail to honestly discuss these deeper issues, as if sex were just an issue of preventing disease or pregnancy. Some programs teach that teens have a "right" to have sex and teach teens various sexual practices.

Approaches to sex education

An overview of the different (sometimes shocking) approaches to AIDS and sex ("family life") education is given in a

ing about the desired behavior change and zero impact in reducing teen pregnancies, or for that matter, the spread of AIDS. At the end of this presentation, suggestions are given on what parents can do to guide their teens.

The key theme in both presentations is the importance of vertical love relationships, personally and for society. Unless we can rediscover our capacity to give and receive unselfish parental love, our country can never be healed. Ironically, as is discussed in *After the Sexual Revolution*, monogamous, married men and especially women, are more sexually fulfilled, something you would never know if you based your understanding of reality on the movies!

It is my hope to correct many of these misunderstandings, particularly among college students and parents, who might otherwise make poor decisions based on faulty information from the popular culture. Anyone interested in ordering one or more of the three presentations (*Surviving the Sexual Revolution*, *After the Sexual Revolution* or "Sex and Love: Teaching Our Children in the Age of AIDS" or just desiring more information, can call or fax the Center for Educational Media at 201-358-9013 or write to

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EVENTS (CONT.)

- APR 7 **Jin Hun Nim:** Boise State University, Idaho
- APR 8 **Kook Jin Nim:** University of Massachusetts, Boston
- APR 9 **Hyun Jin Nim:** Ohio State University, Columbus
- " **Kook Jin Nim:** University of Colorado & Community College of Denver
- " **Jin Sung Nim:** Northeastern University, Boston, Massachusetts
- APR 10 **Hyun Jin Nim:** St. Louis University, Missouri
- " **Kook Jin Nim:** Martin University, Indianapolis, Indiana
- " **Jin Sung Nim:** Bunker Hill Community College, Chelsea, Massachusetts
- " **Jin Hun Nim:** University of Chicago, Illinois
- " **Jun Sook Nim:** George Mason University, Fairfax, Virginia
- APR 11 **Kook Jin Nim:** Portland State University, Oregon
- " **Jin Hun Nim:** Georgia State University, Atlanta
- 1994 " **Jun Sook Nim:** Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond
- APR 12 **In Jin Nim:** George Washington University, Washington, DC
- " **Hyun Jin Nim:** State University of New York at Albany
- " **Kook Jin Nim:** Laney College, Oakland, California
- " **Sun Jin Nim:** New York Technical College, Brooklyn
- " **Nan Sook Nim:** University of Minnesota at St. Paul & University of Minnesota at Minneapolis
- " **Jin Sung Nim:** Wayne State University, Detroit, Michigan
- " **Jin Hun Nim:** University of Missouri at St. Louis
- " **Jun Sook Nim:** Lehman College, Bronx, New York
- APR 13 **Kook Jin Nim:** University of California at Los Angeles
- " **Nan Sook Nim:** University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee
- " **Jin Sung Nim:** University of Louisville, Kentucky
- " **Jin Hun Nim:** University of Washington, Seattle
- " **Barbara Masuyama:** University of Miami, Florida
- APR 14 **Kook Jin Nim:** San Diego State University, California

In Memoriam

WE announce the ascension of our dear brother, Jean-Pierre Gabriel, to the spirit world in a tragedy that took place on Tuesday, December 6, 1994, between 8:30 and 9:00 p.m. in the city of Antony, France, near Paris. This is a brief history of his life and the tragic circumstances under which he died.

Jean-Pierre Gabriel was born in 1952, in southwest France. His father was a famous poet and novelist who recently passed away. After commencing his studies in architecture in Bordeaux, Jean-Pierre met the church there and joined in September 1972. He participated in the International One World Crusade throughout the United States, Japan and Korea during the 1970s. When he returned to France he always had missions connected with publications and public relations work. As the director of *Le Nouvel Espoir* for four years (1978-1982), he signed dozens of editorials which inspired the members and many of our friends. On July 1, 1982, he was blessed with a Canadian sister, Myrna Guenter, who was then a top fund-raiser in America.

After spending some time in Latin America working for CAUSA (he was fluent in Spanish and English), he became one of the key persons in the establishment of CAUSA in France, assuming the direction of the CAUSA magazine for three years. During all these years, Jean-Pierre wrote several books. In 1988, he became more and more involved with the political activity of Pierre Ceyrac. Later he started to work as a speech-writer for many conservative politicians. In 1993, he received the mission of pastor for the Paris region. Later that year he was given the mission of Education Department leader.

Jean-Pierre's accomplishment

Jean-Pierre Gabriel achieved many things for God and our True Parents during his life on the earth. Though he did not start *Le Nouvel Espoir*, his name is connected to the most creative and successful period of this magazine.

For the family itself, he wrote two books: an introduction to the *Divine Principle* and a book on the spiritual mission of France. He also wrote many

articles for non-church-related publications in France, the United States and Japan. Often defining himself as a "workaholic," he was nevertheless a religious person and had an amazing spiritual accomplishment. Officially, he has eight spiritual children, who are dedicated to our church. He was a very respected pastor in his region; his sermons deeply inspired brothers and sisters. Jean-Pierre had many friends outside the church and was a very public person. We also discover now that his couple and small family are probably among his greatest accomplishments.

A real brother

We all feel that Jean-Pierre's main accomplishment was something more internal: his initial understanding of the Principle was deep, and he kept studying and teaching it over the years. He kept a very pure faith throughout his church life. People commonly use the adjectives "good" and "pure" in referring to him. Jean-Pierre was not just somebody we admired and respected; he was a brother deeply loved for his kindness, total humility and sense of humor. We all remember him as a person who never argued with others.

His last week on the earth

After he returned from a workshop in Germany with other European Education Department leaders, his wife noticed a deep change in his behavior. He prayed a lot with many tears, which was quite unusual for him, expressing deep repentance for his own life as well as for our church and nation. Myrna said that her husband was almost obsessed with the salvation of France, sleeping just two or three hours every day. He was constantly praying for some brothers or sisters, with a desperate yearning to help them. Myrna was so amazed by the change in her husband that she said, "Jean-Pierre, I feel God is preparing you for an important mission." He himself declared that he also was surprised by this change in himself.

His death remains mysterious

The circumstances of his death remain mysterious. On December 6 at



Jean-Pierre Gabriel

1952 — December 6, 1994

7:00 p.m., he and his family went to visit a blessed couple in the city of Antony. Unable to find the place, he parked his car and told Myrna that he would look for a telephone and make a call. He never came back. Myrna started to worry and phoned the blessed couple he was to visit. They then searched for Jean-Pierre. After a few minutes, they saw an ambulance and a few police cars. They then started to fear the worst. A body was lying on the street, already wrapped in a sack. After describing the clothes Jean-Pierre was wearing, they were allowed to see the body, which was severely wounded. It was our unfortunate brother. It is extremely difficult to know exactly what happened. The official statement is that he had been hit by at least one truck.

The French family is still in shock. We all loved our brother and will miss him very much. Yet we want to offer his sacrifice for God's providence.

This kind of tragic, violent accident cannot happen at random; surely, it has some providential meaning. Knowing that Jean-Pierre's last week on the earth was spiritually so rich, we feel that something very special was being prepared for him. We all feel responsible to follow his example. That he died while doing his mission, as he and his family were trying to help a blessed couple, makes him a special heroic offering for God. We feel very proud of our dearest and most beloved brother Jean-Pierre Gabriel. ■■

—Laurent Ladouce,
national leader of France

Forty Years of Principle Study

Ultimately, True Parents will become the king of kings worldwide. This is the Messiah's mission. Jesus should have accomplished this mission, but he did not. Father fulfilled this mission and became True Parent. At that time, Jesus shed tears and bowed down to True Parents. Jesus had been waiting 2,000 years for this wonderful day. Without True Parents, history cannot be resolved. Only Father can resolve religious disputes and philosophical controversies.

I have devoted my life to spreading this truth worldwide. Day and night I teach this wonderful truth. I teach our members to bow to True Parents morning and night, pray, study Divine Principle over and over, and seek to completely liberate all humankind from Satan.

Why do we need to witness? All humankind is destined to go to hell. We must tell them to change direction. "We have wonderful truth, we want to save you." People will go to hell unless we save them. Our first motivation is to save others; only last do we seek to make them our spiritual children.

Father is unique

For forty years, I have never forgotten Father, even for a single day. When I joined the church, Father met and prayed with us. Before that I had met many famous ministers in Korea and heard many prayers; but when I heard Father's prayer, spiritual electricity came to me. I felt fire and automatically I shed tears.

Peter, James and John went with Jesus to the Mount of Transfiguration and saw him shining brightly. Until Father's time, Jesus was the central person. Now that Father has appeared, who is the central person? Father.

Heavenly Father had only one person in Abraham's time, and all the rest of humankind belonged to Satan. Therefore, Satan had strength. In Moses' time, when the 600,000 Israelites did not follow Heavenly Father's order, they all died in the wilderness. The central person was Moses, and Heavenly Father loved only Moses, because the other people could not receive God's word. In Jesus' time, Heavenly Father's word came through Jesus. The only revelation that other people received was that Jesus was the Messiah. This is God's providential word.

Today God's word comes only through Father. If other people receive God's word, that word is that Reverend Moon is the Messiah. There is always a central

person. If God gave His word to two or three people, they would fight and destroy God's providence. That is why God chooses only one person.

I feel as if Heavenly Father has placed some kind of bridle on me. Like a horse, I am bridled to Father. All day long I can think only about Father. My whole life is connected with Father. If I forget Father, I cannot do anything.

Therefore, during the forty-day workshop, I give the whole content of Father's speeches. I continually study and pray to teach Divine Principle. For forty years, I have been doing this. When I study Divine Principle, spiritual fire comes and I understand where communist theory is in error, what percentage of value Toynbee's theory of history contains, how the spirit world operates, etc.

This Divine Principle is wonderful, eternal truth. That is why only Father could subjugate Satan. Father went through eight stages of restoration to liberate the whole world and set a pattern that all humankind can follow. Did Jesus bring liberation from Satan? He did not. That is why he died and promised he would come again. Christianity should know this wonderful truth and accept it.

As soon as one forty-day workshop is finished, I study and pray to prepare for the next one. Heavenly Father comes to me and guides me, filling me with fire and strength. When difficulties arise, I dream about Father, and he guides me and teaches me continuously. In dreams, Father signifies Heavenly Father, God.

Father: Not dreams, revelations.

Reverend Ahn: Father teaches that when he appears in our dreams, Heavenly Father is using Father to give us revelations.

Father: You have to experience this before you can really understand it. Just to hear someone explain it to you is not the same as experiencing it yourself. Nothing can replace experience. When God is sad, we have to experience that sadness. *Che hyul* means that all our billions of cells experience something at the same time. The only way we can achieve that level of experience is through deep, deep prayer. Only by shutting ourselves off everything else and entering into deep prayer can we get to that experience. After that, we do not need prayer. If we know things already, why pray? ■■

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 " **Jin Hun Nim:** Montclair State College, New Jersey
 " **Jun Sook Nim:** Mercy College, Ardsley, New York
 APR 15 **Nan Sook Nim:** Chabot College, Hayward, California
 " **Jin Sung Nim:** American University, Washington, DC
 " **Soon Ju Nim:** Georgia State University, Atlanta
 APR 16 **Kwon Jin Nim:** Towson State University, Baltimore, Maryland
 " **Jin Sung Nim:** University of Bridgeport, Connecticut
 " **Jin Hun Nim:** Rutgers University, Newark, New Jersey
 APR 17 **Hyun Jin Nim:** Fairleigh Dickinson University, Englewood, New Jersey
 APR 19 **Kook Jin Nim:** Fordham University, Bronx, New York
 APR 27 **Jin Hun Nim:** State University of New York Maritime College, Bronx
 APR 28-30 IRFWP Conference (Seoul)
 " PWPA Symposium on the Future of the Family (Seoul)
 " ICUS planning board meeting (Seoul)
 MAY 1 Family Pledge received
 MAY 22 Inauguration of Jin Hun Nim & Sung Am Moon as Vice Presidents of World CARP (New York)
 JUN 9 In Jin Nim graduates from Harvard Divinity School with degree in theology
 JUN 21-28 International Student Seminar on Science & Peace (Beijing)
 JUL 26 Youth Federation for World Peace inaugural ceremony (Washington DC)
 JUL 30 Shin Ji Nim born
 OCT 6 Shin Hoon Nim born
 DEC 7 True Parents go fishing in Brazil ■■

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I am establishing a new tradition here. From now on, each blessed family should have a worship service within your family on the first and fifteenth days of each month. If you do not have children, you can begin as husband and wife. After you have children, you must teach them this tradition, demonstrating your unity to your children, in the position of God in front of Adam and Eve. God could not intervene with His children's fallen act because they were at different levels. However, because of my victorious foundation, blessed couples are in the realm of the heavenly Adam's family. If anything goes wrong you can intercept it and correct it. This is direct dominion.

*Reverend Sun Myung Moon
November 23, 1994*