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Miracles at the Chung Pyung Workshops

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GOOD morning, first of all may I express my deep gratitude for your hard work. I have just received word from America that True Parents are working very hard under a very tight schedule. True Father's lifetime on earth is so important. Even one moment of his life is worth much more than a thousand years after his elevation to the spiritual world. What a tremendous fortune and amazing grace to be able to work with True Parents in their lifetime, especially under their direct guidance!

Miracles occur at the Chung Pyung workshops

What do you feel about the elders coming to Europe? Perhaps you are wondering what your position is now. You may have many concepts and feelings. I don't want you to spend too much time worrying, I want you to be able to work. These elders received an award for 33 years public mission dedicated to True Parents. This award is unique because it is the first time in history that Father awarded a prize inscribed with the name "True Parents". Father explained later that the meaning of this award is that he permits the recipients to be the true objects of True Parents —this is not simply an award.

We all felt unworthy to receive such an award as we are still not yet true objects of True Parents. True Parents asked us to lay certain conditions to inherit this title. Father directed all the elders to complete the special 40-day training session at Chung Pyung training center as the first stage of inheritance. Externally, Father asked me to take responsibility for the training session, but under such circumstances, how should I conduct such a training session? I determined that if at all possible I would simply stay as one of the trainees.

In Chung Pyung there have been many special training sessions for leaders and blessed couples. During these sessions many miracles and spiritual phenome-

na have taken place under the supervision of Heung Jin Nim and Daemo-nim. All of you clearly understand about the spiritual world. The spiritual self is an eternal being and our physical lives are closely connected to the spiritual world. You may not have had much experience with such spiritual phenomena, but this time many phenomena occurred.

The external schedule decided by Daemo-nim was extremely hard. Early in the morning we went to the holy ground on the mountain for prayer. After breakfast we had three sessions of at least 70 minutes of holy songs with praise and clapping, almost like dancing. Although we are all old we did our best, giving all of our physical energy.

I hope that you have the opportunity to have this kind of experience. True Father said that we needed to meditate and recall our past church history; based on this we needed to repent. We read Divine Principle eight times through during the 40 days. In addition, we studied True Father's speeches and had lecture practice every day. At midnight we had an outdoor prayer meetings with Tongil candles. Between the various parts of the schedule there were only 15-minute breaks. We also had to attend special blessed couples' prayer meetings which usually lasted until 3:00 am. This we had to do at least three times, but because many important leaders and members attended (sometimes even 800 or 1000 members) we participated in such meetings five times. In the history of the Unification Church we have experienced many spiritual phenomena, but this time was really special.

Many thousands of angels have been mobilized

Amazingly, Heung Jin Nim and Daemo-nim use many thousands of angels. According to Divine Principle,

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True Parents' Birthday

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I AM using English translation this morning for providential reasons. The Christian cultural sphere represents Eve's culture and the English language comes from England, which used to be in the mother's position. English has become the worldwide language, and with it we can enhance God's providence in a short time period.

There is a Cain/Abel relationship between America and England; however, Cain and Abel do not decide who holds the elder son's birthright. When True Parents come, they determine who has the elder son's birthright. After World War II, if the entire world had united with True Parents, centering on Christianity, the elder son's birthright would have been determined, but because of Christianity's failure it didn't happen. This being so, we have used the English language in order to unite the entire world and the Christian culture.

The fallen world has lost the children, Cain and Abel; therefore, the mother should embrace them, restore them, and engraft them to the coming Messiah, the bridegroom. The mother's language, English in this case, has been a major tool for bring-

ing about the restoration of Cain and Abel and engrafting them into the culture of the bridegroom, who comes as the True Parent to mankind.

Therefore, the mother, along with the Cain and Abel type children, has to overcome the barriers and hurdles of the fallen world and join the True Parent, who is beyond the scope of the fallen world. Centering on the True Mother, all the children who have been restored from the fallen world have to be transferred to the realm of the bridegroom, the True Father. Therefore, even though English has been a major tool to bring people back to God, from now on Father's culture, language and tradition, which is Korean, will be the only one we will use.

RE-CREATE YOUR CULTURE AND TRADITION

I am declaring a significant point today. The number 76, which is the age I reach this morning, divided by four equals 19. Nineteen is just one number short of 20. Thus, these four years prior to the year 2000 are the most critical providential time period, because they will consummate God's entire providence. From now on, major Unification Church holidays will



PHOTO: COURTESY OF WILSON TOMIO MONOMI

Father speaks to the leaders after the Pledge Service on True Parents' Birthday.

Such a culture is the culture of love, because such a world has the atmosphere of love. It is the Kingdom of Heaven on earth. There will be no national boundaries, only one tradition centered on True Parents' love.

be celebrated through the Korean language and the Korean culture, which is my language and culture. Soon those who do not speak Korean may not be able to attend this type of conference. Wherever I stay, only those who speak Korean will be allowed to enter and participate in events. Those who do not speak Korean will have to use a translator to receive my message.

I have been sending out Korean and Japanese missionaries to 160 nations because I want to make sure that the mother culture, which comes from the Japanese missionaries, and the father culture, represented by the Korean missionaries, will be transferred and engrafted into each of the 160 nations. I am giving you Japanese women missionaries so that you can re-create your language, culture and tradition. Each of the 160 nations has ten Japanese women missionaries, the Korean missionary's wife, and the national leader's wife; that makes 12 women leaders. Centering upon these 12 women you will have to strengthen your national foundation. You have to be totally united with the Korean missionary and his wife so that you can go through the re-creation process of language, culture and tradition.

There is a providential reason for going through this formula. These 12 women must be united with the male Korean missionary, representing Adam and his 12 children. Jesus had 12 disciples; now, during the Completed Testament Age, the entire world has to be united, based on the 12 women who are united with the Korean missionary, who is in my position in your nation. There are three different levels of 12 disciples, forming 36 blessed couples who follow True Parents. Now your missionary is your central figure, and the 12 women leaders represent the 12 disciples.

REACH LARGE GROUPS OF PEOPLE

The time is changing. Soon we won't have to go out to witness to people. Since I declared the World University Federation a few days ago in Uruguay, all colleges and universities in the world as well as high schools and middle schools will join the Federation of World Universities, Federation of World High Schools, Federation of World Middle Schools, and Federation of World Elementary Schools. These federations will function as the major tool to educate young people. Most families have children enrolled in one of these institutions; therefore, the parents, friends, uncles and aunts will eventually be led by these young students who will be educated through our federation activities. Heads of state, professors, and religious leaders will also join these associations and be educated. We will not have to deliberately go out to reach people, but they will be educated through such structured activities all over the world.

World leaders, heads of state, government officials, professors, generals, and all those so-called famous people are fallen; they do not know Divine Principle. In order to reach the world more effectively, I will use computer systems such as the Internet to educate young people and reach them all at one time. We will use the long distance-learning program as a major tool to promote our educational program on the world-

wide level. Education represents the philosophical world and sports represent the body. In order to unify mind and body we have to develop our internal characteristics as well as our external body. Through education we can cultivate the world's mind, and through sports we can develop the world's body, thus uniting the entire world. This will blossom and culminate at the World Cultural and Sports Festival.

EXPAND THE FAMILY-LEVEL CULTURE WORLDWIDE

I started the World Cultural and Sports Festival from scratch; we rented first a tent and then a gymnasium. I began from scratch because I know that this is the way to unite the entire world mind and the entire world body, just as an individual's mind and body are united. Once this becomes successful we will introduce the hobby industry, enabling people to enjoy life. What is the definition of the culture of the Kingdom of Heaven? It can be interpreted as the hobby culture of the ideal world. It is the extension of a family unit—the relationship between parents and children, brothers and sisters, and husband and wife. It is like in the original Garden of Eden, where people were supposed to communicate with animals, plants and the mineral world. The extension of such family activities is the hobby culture of the world.

Such a culture is the culture of love, because such a world has the atmosphere of love. It is the Kingdom of Heaven on earth. There will be no national boundaries, only one tradition centered on True Parents' love. There will be nothing to learn because we will practice our understanding of truth and experience God dwelling with us 24 hours a day.

What you inherit from True Parents is the family-level culture and world-level culture, but the family-level culture is more essential because the world-level culture is its extension. Without establishing the family-level culture we cannot expect to see the world-level culture. Three generations of your family—grandparents, parents and children—will establish your family-level culture, which will expand horizontally to connect to the world-level culture. Then it will expand vertically without limit for eternity.

Your family-level culture should enable you to travel the entire world horizontally as well as vertically. You should be able to go around the entire world and come back to the original point, which is your family. Therefore, the family-level culture is the key.

This is a small explanation of how your family structure can develop the family-level culture and become the world-level culture. The world culture is spherical because it expands from the various family-level relationships, including the vertical relationship between parents and children and the horizontal relationships between husband and wife and between brothers and sisters. With these family relationships, we can expand to the entire world, and when the world sphere is formed come back to the original point, our family. By developing the vertical relationship, you will be able to reach God and encompass Him in your grand sphere.

In order to establish this sphere you have to perfect seven points: front and rear, up and down, right and left, and the

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center. These seven points must be united centered on true love. These points can be extended to form a world-level sphere. The number seven represents completion. The completion of these seven points forms a globe, representing the number eight.

There is always a vertical axis, forming perpendicular lines at a 90-degree angle. Human beings were created by God to stand upright. Even when we are sitting we form a 90 degree angle. We are the only creatures who sleep on our backs. Thus when we lie down we are facing God and asking God to embrace us. There is a big irony, however, while Oriental people sleep on their backs and face God, asking Him to embrace them, Westerners sleep on their stomachs, facing down like animals; that's why free sex and homosexual problems predominate in the Western hemisphere.

UNITE SPIRITUAL AND PHYSICAL CULTURE

The culture and civilization of the Orient have produced spiritual power and teaching, whereas practical sciences come from the West. Thus, Western culture is more like a sports culture, more centered on physical activity, whereas the Oriental culture is more philosophical.

The Lord of the Second Advent combines these different aspects of culture. The spiritual culture and the physical culture will be totally united, centered on True Parents, through true love, the love which offers itself for the sake of others. Because of the human fall the father figure was chased out; therefore in the fallen world only Cain, Abel and the mother figure exist. The mother's cultural realm, the Cain and Abel cultural realms, and the archangel's cultural realm exist, yet there is no Adamic cultural realm in this world. Therefore, the teachings of the Lord of the Second Advent have been introducing this new Adamic cultural realm to Christianity. This will be achieved when the Lord of the Second Advent unites the mother's cultural realm and the archangel's cultural realm. This will only happen through true love and true life; it will begin at the family level. That is why within this realm everything has to be restored; then we will finally be able to restore the realm of heart, the realm of possessions, and the true love center.

The fall chased out true love, true life and true lineage; the entire ideal love center was lost. How can we find all these things again? Only through the True Parents, who bring true love, true life, true lineage, and true consciousness. True love connects all these things, uniting the mother's position, the children's position and the archangel's position. Through this process we will be able to enter the Kingdom of God.

UNITE TOTALLY WITH MOTHER

When the Second Advent comes, the purpose of education is not to restore the elder son's birthright but to restore the realm of Eve. Christianity is in the position of bride, and the Lord of the Second Advent is in the position of bridegroom. The mother figure should raise the children to receive the bridegroom, the father, along with her. Upon that foundation,

the Lord of the Second Advent will give people the true lineage, true life and true love tradition. That's the way education will take place. Because children in this fallen world do not have anything to do with True Parents, the only way they can



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Father speaks at the church headquarters in São Paulo.

be connected with True Parents is through Mother. Once they are united with Mother, they can be engrafted to Father's lineage.

In order to be engrafted to the true love, true lineage and true life through True Parents you have to be totally united with Mother and go through her. The completion of this engrafting process is the transformation of your lineage and your possessions from Satan's side to God's side. Your possessions include all the assets you have, even the realm of heart. The fall took place at the family level, and as a result everything on the family level was lost. Thus, the transformation of lineage, possessions, and culture should take place on the family level. Once this transformation expands to the tribal, societal, national, and worldwide levels, then the entire world will be the Kingdom of God.

RESTORE YOUR FAMILY AND TRIBE

I gave you the blessing of tribal messiahship because through this you can restore your family and tribe first, which are the basic units you need to work with. When we talk about tribe, we are talking about seven generations of your immediate family; these are like the first seven generations of Adam's tribe. Centering on True Parents, the realm of the individual, family, tribe, nation, and world have been completed. That is why True Parents can stand here as an axis. You have to accomplish your tribal messiahship and be engrafted to this axis, to True Parents' success and victory. That's all you have to do. Ultimately, the entire world will become the unified world.

Whatever power, possessions, knowledge, or money that you have in this fallen world belong to Satan, and you must

Where there is an absolute subject, the absolute object will emerge, and where there is an absolute object, the absolute subject will emerge. Tribal messiahship is as if we take one branch from True Parents' tree and plant it in the ground.

reject them and come back to True Parents' side. History teaches such lessons. Lot and his family were supposed to walk away from Sodom and Gomorrah without looking back; Lot's wife who looked back became a pillar of salt. By the same token, all the major religions teach people to leave their home and their family.

When the time comes, you must reject this fallen world's possessions and everything that belongs to this fallen world and strictly follow True Parents' direction. You have to follow an ascetic life. You have a fallen body and fallen blood lineage which keeps instigating you to sin; you cannot get married until True Parents approve of your marriage. True Parents have come and are giving the blessing; only because of this grace of True Parents are you allowed to marry, establish families, and form homes. Otherwise, from God's point of view no one is allowed to marry. Do you understand what I am saying?

I did not reveal this heavenly secret about the education of mankind to the president of the Unification Church first, but to the 160,000 Japanese women in Korea. Originally this kind of secret was supposed to be received by Christianity, but because of the failure of Great Britain, America and France to unite right after World War II, this blessing went to another Eve country, Japan.

BE READY TO FOLLOW FATHER'S DIRECTIONS

You Japanese women, your husbands are in the position of archangels; when you go to the wedding hall, I am in the position of the bridegroom, but I give the certificate to your husbands. When you go to the movie theater, I give your husbands the ticket to go in with you. Your husband is obligated to cope with your character and your desires, because he is in place of someone else; he is not the original one. Otherwise, the husbands will be reprimanded! When the last days come during the Completed Testament Age and I give the direction to restore your tribe, your nation or any other providential level, your husband must accept this direction from me.

Thus, your marriage is not completed. There are other levels of marriage: the formation, growth and perfection levels of marriage. Who knows what is in the future? By the same token, there will be three different levels of blessing: the church-level blessing, the national-level blessing and world-level blessing. Even though you receive the church-level blessing, if you have not fulfilled all the conditions to receive the national-level blessing, you will be cut off there. Those who have received the national-level blessing and do not meet all the conditions to go to the world-level blessing will be cut off when the world-level blessing takes place.

However, I am giving you a secret way: tribal messiahship. By completing your tribal messiah mission, you will be qualified to go to the world-level blessing, because when you deal with your tribe, there will be many levels and types of marriages: formation-stage married couples, growth-stage married couples, and completion-stage married couples. All kinds of families and people are included there, and when you deal with them and successfully bring them to God, you will be qualified to bring them to the world-level blessing. Thus the

tribal messiah mission is critical.

Where there is an absolute subject, the absolute object will emerge, and where there is an absolute object, the absolute subject will emerge. Tribal messiahship has the same theme as True Parents. It is as if we take one branch from True Parents' tree and plant it in the ground. The same type of tree will grow; that is tribal messiahship. The quality of the tree should be the same.

In order to establish the Kingdom of God on earth we need a national sovereignty, but until now there has not been one. Centering on 160 nations I have won the victory, and when the tribal messiahs complete their missions of restoring 160 families and registering them as heavenly citizens, we will have a heavenly country, heavenly sovereignty and heavenly kingdom.

BE READY TO TRAVEL

To prepare for that time you must be able to speak Korean; you must know True Parents' language and True Parents' tradition. Otherwise, you cannot connect to True Parents. There will be a heavenly constitution, and once you are registered you will have total freedom within the bounds of the heavenly constitution. You will be able to travel anywhere, because your conscience will lead you.

Once the 3.6 million couple blessing takes place, there will be many different branches of the tree. All the senior blessed couples will be able to travel freely wherever they want to go because they will be needed all over the world. The members will be connected with the bride's position as one body. To be one body means to be free. Do you understand? You will be connected with the front, rear, right side, left side, in every direction as one body. You blessed couples, especially the senior couples, can visit every family and stay freely for three to seven days and then come back. All 3.6 million newly blessed couples will be longing to receive any of the senior blessed couples into their homes and learn from them. When the demand is strong, you will have no excuse; you cannot say that you could not get a visa, that you did not have the money, or that you did not have time. This will not be accepted. Neither can you say, "I do not speak your language, and I didn't have a translator so I could not visit you." You cannot say, "I cannot eat kimchi or kochi-chong because I'll have diarrhea." We should have the same culture and language and eat the same food.

In order to provide this kind of mobility, I already started producing mini-vans. I am thinking about these things already. One of these vans can hold your whole family, and you can eat fish powder for one month. You need only drinking water, which you can mix with the fish powder for your meals. If you take one bag full of fish powder you can travel for one or two months without stopping. Of course, if you become a space pilot and have to stay in space for a month or two, then even if you have fish powder, you will need water. Where can you get water? We can build a space station to store a billion gallons of water. So wherever a spaceship goes it can get a supply of water.

We do not see how the water reaches the top of a tree; we do not see the capillary function. In the same way, I came up with a brilliant idea this morning. If we collect wool and weave

While your entire family is traveling by spaceship to a distant galaxy you can get married, give birth to children, and pass on to the spirit world, but your family line will continue, even if it takes seven generations to reach the destination.

a rope out of it extending from a body of water all the way to the space station, the water will eventually travel all the way up to the space station. Then it can be stored in the space station in a water tank. Also, there will be a space travel system using a universal force which can allow you to travel quickly. There will be a space train, and it will not need fuel because it will use this universal force.

There will be three kinds of families in the future: the van family, traveling on the ground; the submarine family, traveling under water; and the spaceship family traveling in outer space. Of course, it will be free. You could stay one week on the ground in a van, the second week under the water in a submarine, and the third week up in the sky in a spaceship. This will be no problem because there will be no shortage of food. Do you understand? We need a certain level of technology to bring about that kind of world; I have this kind of high technology.

When we travel like that, should we just eat and sleep? No, we have to enjoy our life. When we are up in space we should be able to enjoy the stars with a telescope. Since the universe is so huge, it may take 10 years or 100 years to send a spaceship to the stars, and while this spaceship is traveling you can keep watch and maintain records day by day, year by year. While your entire family is traveling by spaceship to a distant galaxy you can get married, give birth to children, and pass on to the spirit world, but your family line will continue, even if it takes seven generations to reach the destination.

When you join the spiritual world there is no limitation of time and space; wherever you want to go you arrive instantaneously. People say that Rev. Moon is crazy. Fifty years ago when I said that in the near future we would be able to eat breakfast in London, fly to Tokyo for lunch, and have dinner in New York no one believed it. Do you still think that such kind of thinking is crazy? It is possible, isn't it?

The last time Mr. Kamiyama was here, I gave him an ultimatum: Japan must fulfill a certain responsibility as the Eve nation; otherwise it has no hope. Also, Japan has the responsibility to unite North and South America. All these detailed secrets have been given to Mr. Kamiyama. Since Japan is in the mother's position, the entire world, the whole Unification Church, must know these explanations now and unite with Japan. Otherwise, we will not be able to enter the Kingdom of God together.

EMBODY AND SPREAD MY MESSAGE

My New Year's motto is "Be Proud of True Parents and Love True Parents" and my message given in North and South America is included in the booklet that each Japanese missionary takes to the 160 nations. These messages will be translated into every language and the entire world must study them. The Korean and Japanese missionaries in the position of father and mother must educate the world about these contents and also the contents of the speech I gave during my last speaking tour ["The True Family and I"].

Once this message is given to all the people in the world and they are properly educated, there will be no more messages from me, because you will not need any more. Once you

master this message you will be the embodiment of True Parents. If you master my philosophy and teaching you can go anywhere and represent me, teaching and educating people. Then you will not need me, you will not have to come to see me and receive my directions. You can forget about me from this moment on. If you keep longing for me and missing me all the time, it is not good. Suppose I join the spirit world; what are you going to do?

I am giving you the ultimatum to stand on your own two feet and become your own master. I have been teaching you on so many different levels. You have given your pledge on the individual, tribal, national, and worldwide levels, yet you could not fulfill your mission. Therefore, I had no choice but to work in your place and complete all the levels up to this point. It has almost become a habit for you to make a promise, fail to accomplish it, and then forget it. I don't want to see that any more. I want you to stand on your own two feet, become your own master, and fulfill your responsibility without my being involved. Do you understand? You should be able to build the Kingdom of God within your family. I have shown you every possible way and given you every means to follow.

From now on, the only task you should do with me is mass migration. When I say, "Now is the time for Unification Church members to go to Africa," those of you who are heartistically united with me can come to Africa with your family and join True Family.

When I married Sung Jin Nim's mother, if she had completely united with me, I would have perfected the family as the restored Messiah's family. If Christianity had accepted me as the Lord of the Second Advent after World War II, the Christian-centered world would have been established. But because of the failure of Christianity after World War II, all of this potential went down the drain. I have rebuilt the victorious foundation. In order to bring this about, I had to begin at the individual level, and restore the family, tribe, and nation of Korea which had been sacrificed. I won the victory on every different level. I had to go back to the family level, establish my perfect family, and gain the victory on the tribal, national and worldwide levels. That's the way the Kingdom of God will take place on the earth.

LOVE TRUE CHILDREN MORE THAN YOUR OWN CHILDREN

You have to fulfill your responsibilities as parents. You have to love True Children more than your own children, and you should become united with True Children first. That is how you can be elevated. Blessed couples should connect their children to my children so they can accomplish Cain/Abel unity, creating a horizontal base. Then, together you can connect to True Parents. Without making that kind of foundation, your family cannot enter the Kingdom of Heaven on earth and in heaven. Do you understand? This is the Principled way.

I have been living my whole life for the public purpose. When Kook Jin Nim was 14 years old, one day he suddenly stood up in front of me and challenged me saying, "Why can't I meet my own father when I want to? Are you my father or

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are you the Unification Church's father?" He protested because he wanted my love and attention and could not see me as often as he wanted to. Now, however, Kook Jin Nim understands my situation completely and becomes embarrassed when he remembers that time.

True Children grew up shedding so many tears of longing for True Parents' love, attention and care, yet it was not available. Why not? At school, peer pressure was always there, labeling them Moonies. When they went out to the world, no one welcomed them because they were my children. There was only one direction they could turn to, True Parents, but when they came home Father and Mother were not there. Think about what kind of heart they must have carried.

I left my own family in the middle of the wilderness and went out to restore the world. Satan looks for any small condition to damage the True Family, which is in the middle of the wilderness. Providentially I want to restore the Cain-type children in this fallen world and make them more genuine and more worthy than the True Children; that is my goal. I left my family in the wilderness and poured out my sweat and effort into Cain. When Satan sees these Cain-type children deviating and betraying me, he uses that condition to damage the True Family.

Because of the failure of Christianity right after World War II, Sung Jin Nim's mother, who was in the position of original Eve, failed. Also, Sung Jin Nim became negative. Satan initiated this opposition, and eventually Christians opposed me, saying, "He doesn't take care of his own family, but he formed the Unification Church."

Therefore, one of the most important responsibilities of our Unification Church is to go to the zero point and be engrafted to True Parents; then you will become branches of True Parents. As such, you should be able to love True Parents' children more than your own children.

From God's point of view, True Parents are investing all their energy and sweat into restoring the Cain-type children and restoring the proper position of the elder son. While True Parents are investing everything in the Cain-type children, if these Cain-type elder sons do not fulfill their responsibility their failure will be transferred to the True Children.

The history of the providence deals with the relationship between Cain and Abel, the first and second sons. Usually the second son, who is in the position of Abel, has been sacrificed. Look at how in my own family the second sons have been sacrificed. The Cain-type second son, Hee Jin Nim, was sacrificed. Through Father and Mother, Heung Jin Nim was sacrificed out in the wilderness somewhere. The second daughter Hye Jin Nim has already passed into the spiritual world. No one can deny this formula. Any Unification Church member who criticizes or

judges the True Family or the True Children will be punished because it is your responsibility.

This kind of formula applies also to your own family. Senior leaders of the Unification Church have usually died of cancer, and some leaders will die of AIDS. Satan is ready to attack you even with that kind of punishment; in a way, this is a punishment from heaven. It was supposed to go to the satanic world first, but because the heavenly side leaders did not fulfill their responsibility, this kind of punishment will come to them first. A fearful time is coming.

Since I am on the front line, spearheading this whole era of direct dominion, soon your ancestors from the spiritual world will come down and punish you if you deserve it. At the time of Adam's family, punishment came from the archangel. If you commit the mistake of the archangel, you will be directly punished by your ancestors. Please understand that whatever is taking place in the True Family is your responsibility, because I have been putting every ounce of energy and effort into restoring you. The effects of your failure to accomplish your responsibility are manifested in the True Family.

From today on, if you see or meet anyone around you who criticized or judges True Parents' family because of what is happening right now, you may challenge them. If someone writes a wrong letter, challenge them. I ordered True Children to keep any kind of wrong letter that comes to them, because in the future we will see how these problems have been solved. History will show it.

HELP SAVE NORTH KOREANS FROM STARVATION

Two former presidents of South Korea are now in jail, and in North Korea, Kim Il Sung has died and the regime is at the verge of collapse. Since I am in the position of True Father,



Father delivers his speech at the headquarters in Brazil. Alejandro De Souza translates into Spanish.

More than twenty million people are dying of starvation every year, and those who are concerned about this will try to find out what kind of power enables me to give this kind of humanitarian support to those dying people.

instead of hammering on them I am trying to figure out how to help them and save them. That is my heart. Most of the free world is waiting for North Korea to starve to death; however, I am trying to find every possible means to feed them and save their lives. I have been trying through the United Nations, the Red Cross, and the American government. People are dying, and we must reach out our hands to help them instead of cursing them.

I have received an official license from America to help the North Korean people. With this license we can go to warehouses and buy up surplus food at one-fifth of the regular price and send it to North Korea. For example, in South America we can buy corn for \$20 a ton; it regularly sells for \$100 a ton. If we can send 3 million pounds of corn to North Korea, the 25 million North Koreans can survive. For \$50 million, we can buy enough food to help the North Korean people live. I can do that. I sent a message to the KCIA director challenging him, "What do you think, should I do this in order to save the North Korean people or not?" What do you think? Should we do it? (Yes.)

What if I ask all the Unification Church members to donate \$2,000 so we can buy 100 tons of corn to send to North Korea. Would you do that? (Yes.) All those who do not want to participate, show your hands.

If we do launch this kind of project and make it a success, we should let the entire world know about it. More than twenty million people are dying of starvation every year, and those who are concerned about this will pay attention to me and try to find out what kind of power enables me to give this kind of humanitarian support to those dying people. When they find out that it is not just a humanitarian philosophy but a God-given truth, within a few years more than three fourths of the entire population will learn my ideology.

America has the most surplus food, but South America has the land to produce enough food to feed the entire world. South America doesn't have any owner. Who is the owner? Only the Unification Church members can take that position.

Suppose all the Unification Church members and their friends are willing to donate \$2,000 each to buy corn for North Korea and suppose scholars, religious leaders, and former heads of state come to South America to raise food to feed the hungry, don't you think the world will follow us? By then we will have all kinds of associations of college, high school, middle school, and elementary school children, as well as associations of retired people, mothers, and fathers. When they are all educated properly and follow in these footsteps, do you think the world media will stay still? They will also support us. That is why I need the media world; that is why am building media facilities. We are building media organizations in 34 nations of Central and South America to connect them to North America.

Suppose your innocent 16 year-old child volunteers to come to South America to work on a farm to produce food for those starving people, and because of his hard work he dies here. He will be a martyr and a worldwide hero. We can use our media to stir up the world. Do you understand? Do you think your children should go to South America to help produce food to save the starving people of the world, or should you keep them around you? What do you want to do?

A MASS MIGRATION

I am predicting mass migration on a worldwide scale. When I call Japanese blessed couples to come I don't mean only the husbands should come; they should bring their wives and children with them. I have the God-given privilege to mobilize all Japanese husbands, wives and children for whatever purpose I need in the providence. Once the Japanese families lay the foundation, then South Korean families and North Korean families will unite and my mission will be over. Do you understand? (Yes.)

So, this world scale migration will take place. In my eyes, there is no color, no race. Whatever race inherits my tradition

will become the second generation and will rule the world. Africa is already in the forefront; it has produced more blessed couples than any other continent. Do you accept that? Black athletes lead in sports such as track, basketball and football. The blessing is coming to the black race because a black man helped Jesus by carrying his cross. Do you understand?

This is a critical message for this transitional time period. From now on, please greet me not in English but in Korean: Annyong ha-sip-ni-gga! We are turning a new page. The other pages have been in the darkness, but this new page is in the light. Every living being is following the light.■

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Korean and Japanese leaders who were given awards by True Parents on True Parents' Birthday.

True Parents Invest the Most in Us

Rev. Won Pil Kim

As I was leaving for the New Yorker Hotel, I asked myself what merit I could possibly deserve and whether my past was really worthy of this award. Accompanied by my wife, I attended the God's Day ceremony with these thoughts in mind.

Should anyone wonder, among those who were designated to receive the award, none of us felt worthy. Nevertheless, I received the award and my picture was taken together with True Parents and all other recipients.

I returned to my room with my wife after the celebration was over, and placed the award upside down. When my wife noticed that the plaque was upside down, she asked me why I did it. Without knowing that I had placed it that way purposely, she thought I had been careless. I explained to her my intention, for she thought it was disrespectful to place upside down a plaque given by True Parents.

I first read the content that was engraved on the plaque to her. My name is on the top, followed by the date of my joining. The inscription begins with my name and ends with True Parents' name. In the past, awards were given in the name of Rev. Sun Myung Moon or HSA-UWC, but this award is given in the name of True Parents. This is the significant difference from previous awards. After giving the plaque to me, True Parents gave a supplementary prize to my wife.

Highest position

Usually the name of the higher-level person is written on the top of an award; it is almost never on the bottom. However, on this plaque, the person in the higher position is on the bottom and the person in the lower position is on the top. In other words, the person in the higher position is supporting the person in the lower position from below. I think this may be permissible in the outside world. In this world dominated by Satan and his kingship, people under his influence become the king, president, or chairman, and they give awards to those who have contributed in their respective areas.

The recipients can be considered above the ones giving the award, for they have invested more in their specialized area. Under such circumstances, in the outside world it is permissible for the recipient's name to be on top. Even though the chair-

man of a company may see the whole picture, the recipient of the award may have invested more than the chairman in that area of specialization, such as production, sales, research and development. Considering this, it is all right for the recipient's name to be above the chairman's name.

However, this award is not something we received from an outside person. We received it from True Parents. Instead of contributing to them and deserving merit, I have made True Parents suffer ever since I joined the church in 1946. It is upside down in my view for the one who made True Parents suffer to receive an award from them. That is the reason why I placed the plaque upside down. The ones who deserve to receive the plaque are True Parents, and we should be the ones to offer the plaque.

This plaque is for True P...

How can I ever repay the debt and grace I have received ever since I met True Parents? They have labored until now in order to lead me as if I were a prince. With such a thought in mind, I feel that we as children should offer a plaque to True Parents. That is why I am saying it is upside down. That is why I feel that True Parents' name should be on the top and then our date of joining the church and so forth.

Instead of contributing to them and deserving merit, I have made True Parents suffer ever since I joined the church in 1946.



Rev. and Mrs. Won Pil Kim receive awards from True Parents.

True Children did not receive True Parents' loving care because of us. We were able to come this far because of True Children who, without receiving True Parents' love, understood how much God and True Parents love us and sacrifice for us.

Ever more than our parents in the satanic world, we should cut off the relationship with Satan and be reborn through that love.

Our enemy, Satan, and the false parents love only for their own sake. However, we are reborn through the love of God and True Parents who love us more than their own children. Being reborn signifies that we left the bosom of our false parents and established a parent/child relationship with God and True Parents by voluntarily returning to their bosom. Who made that possible? God and True Parents gave us the blessing for our sake, giving us responsibility and allowing us to work.

Our original mind is God's tool

God and True Parents have guided us to become their true children through their love. How many times did we think that some instruction was too difficult to follow? However, God always showed us the way through dreams, voices, and many other means. He has guided us to follow the tradition of our True Parents. God always taught us through our original mind, and True Parents have showed us by example.

Since this is the case, what have we done? How many times a day did we avoid God and try to court the world during the 33 years of our ministry? How many times did we complain to God and fail to show gratitude to True Parents? Looking at True Parents' example of sacrifice, we have been able to re-determine ourselves and show gratitude.

I know that there is truly nothing that I have done; everything was done by the help of God, True Parents, and the good angels. Furthermore, many spiritual mediums have helped us to follow True Parents through the difficult times.

Recognizing these things, I truly have done nothing. As a matter of fact, I only made True Parents suffer. I was led to do things by their toil.

Therefore, God and True Parents are the ones who did all the hard work. Yet they are giving us the award for following them.

Who, then, deserves the award? It is God and True Parents who have labored for us. True Children did not receive True Parents' loving care because of us. We were able to come this far because of True Children who, without receiving True Parents' love, understood how much God and True Parents love us and sacrifice for us.

Therefore, I concluded that we were able to lead a public life for 33 years or more because True Children did not resent True Parents' total love and investment for their Cain-type children. Instead of receiving True Parents' love, True Children became the sacrificial offerings. They are the ones who deserve recognition and award.

Who should receive this award? Should it be the children of the enemy or the True Children? The plaques should go to True Parents and True Children, who sacrificed for us. I believe this is the proper attitude in receiving the award.

Receiving this award should stimulate us to reflect on how much True Parents have sacrificed to make us good children, capable of receiving God's blessings during the past 40 or 50 years. Next, we should reflect on how God, True Parents, and True Children sacrificed for us. Then, even Satan will recognize God, True Parents, and True Children as true God, true True Parents, and true True Children when he sees how they have raised us and sacrificed for us, even to the point of giving us this award. In other words, this award will allow a ray of hope for even Satan to be naturally subjugated by True Parents' love and be blessed as a restored child.

When Satan sees how True Parents have lovingly and sacrificially raised us to the point of inheriting the love of true children, he would feel, "Oh, how can God and True Parents love my children, who are the enemy's children? I see hope that even I may be restored through their love back to the position of their child."

The meaning of this award

I interpret receiving this award in two ways. First, True Parents are the ones who truly deserve to receive this award. Second, they want to establish us as their children and give a chance of hope for Satan, who was our false parent, to return to the position of God's child. That is why I placed the plaque upside down.

Finally, we should pray and invest our love ever more strongly for God's providence. We should do our best, thinking about the love of True Parents and True Children who lovingly considered our insignificant participation to be worthy of award. When we truly try our best, think how happy True Parents and True Children will be! I am redetermining and rededicating myself along these lines.

Satan has such a stubborn and arrogant character. How difficult it would be for him to return to the heavenly parent after playing the role of God and king of kings in that satanic world! When we work hard for the day when even Satan can willingly submit to God and return to Him as His child, on that day the ideal world of creation will be realized.■

Rev. Won Pil Kim is the president of the Family Federation for Unification and World Peace.



True Parents' prayer during the birthday celebration of three of their grandchildren. Left to right: Shin Yul Nim, Shin Chul Nim, Shin Won Nim.

IRF and IRFWP Representatives at the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II)

Frank Kaufmann
Istanbul, Turkey

ON June 10, 1996 Reverend Chung Hwan Kwak, president and chairman of the International Religious Foundation and one of six presidents of the Inter-Religious Federation for World Peace [The International Religious Foundation (IRF) is a United Nations Non-Governmental Organization (UN-NGO) registered with the Department of Public Information (DPI). The Inter-Religious Federation for World Peace (not presently registered) is currently seeking higher NGO status] addressed the plenary session of the Official (Committee I) United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II). His eight-minute address (see text attached) was one of several areas in which IRF and IRFWP representatives contributed to conference developments.

The roots of Habitat II are two-fold. One line traces from that history of United Nations conferences and organizations oriented toward the matters of housing, building and planning (beginning with an EcoSoc Committee on these concerns founded in 1962). Other steps in this line

include the 1972 Stockholm conference on the human environment and Habitat I: The United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (the direct predecessor of Habitat II), Vancouver, 1976. At the Vancouver conference the United Nations Commission on Human Settlements (UNCHS) was established. Habitat II occurs on the twentieth anniversary of the Vancouver Conference of 1976.

The second series of conferences which may be seen as predecessors to Habitat II are the recent world conferences which have occurred this decade: Rio on environment, Cairo on population, Copenhagen on social development, and Beijing on Women. Finally it should be noted that the sub-title for the current Habitat II is "The City Conference." This latter point recognizes the startling phenomenon of global urbanization.

Habitat II boasts of one historically unprecedented commitment on the part of the United Nations, the incorporation of "partners" into the process. Traditionally the United Nations has tended

to think of its work as limited to input and consensus among member States. Here however, UN leaders recognized other important contributors to human development, not just States. Many "partners" were acknowledged. From among them the more prominent were: the business and financial community, the scientific and academic community, local authorities (mayors, governors etc.), non governmental organizations (NGO's) and community based organizations (CBO's). These and other partners dedicated themselves to the pressing social, environmental, and economic issues raised by urbanization, and the dream of adequate shelter for all. The conference was three years in the making, and the work not only of the UN but of the partners spanned this time period.

Since the UN wanted to incorporate the full benefit and wisdom from these partners, Habitat II was structured in such a way as to receive from the partners input in a variety of forums and occasions. Reverend Kwak spoke as an NGO representative. There were three main ways for partners to engage the United Nations community.

1. The plenary conference sessions comprised of delegates from the 154 nations represented. These people read their nations' official statements, and debated the articles of the "Global Plan of Action," (GPA) namely that document which has the greatest weight and authority over how nations will be expected to respond to the social, environmental, and economic issues under consideration.

An extremely few NGO's were selected by the secretariat to address the official delegates of the plenary session. The format texts of these NGO spokespeople who entered statements in the plenary, had the same status as official statements of member states, and their



Head table of the plenary session at which Rev Kwak spoke.

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THE 34TH TRUE DAY OF ALL THINGS



Above (left to right): Hyung Jin Nim, carrying Shin Joong Nim, True Parents, Young Jin Nim, Jun Sook Nim; (front) Mr. Koo Bae Park. Below: A fish caught by Father jumps out of the water in Karluk, Alaska.



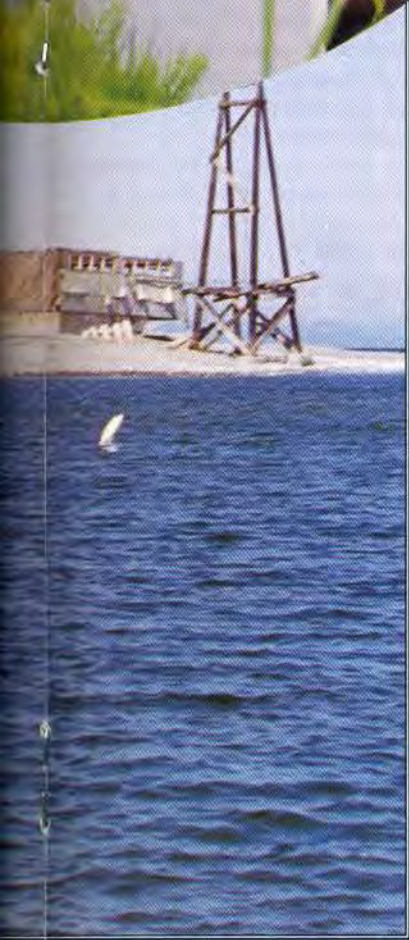
INGS IN ALASKA WITH TRUE PARENTS



Above: Members of the True Family take a group photo with leaders. Center: On True Day of All Things Father and Mother enjoy an outdoor lunch.

“The process of God’s creation was centered on love; all things long for human love and human beings long for God’s love. Even when a salmon gets caught and sheds blood, it rejoices because it can be assimilated into the higher human love.”

Rev. Sun Myung Moon
Karluk, Alaska
June 16, 1996



True Parents pose with members of the True Family and two leaders. Front row (left to right): Shin Joong Nim, Shin Yeon Nim, Mr. Koo Bae Park holding a big king salmon caught by Mother. Back row (left to right): Yeon Jin Nim, Jeung Jin Nim, True Parents, Hyung Jin Nim and Mr. Dong Moon Joo.

(Photos: Courtesy of Yoshihisa Inoue)

IRF and IRFWP ...

submissions entered the United Nations record as such.

2. Committee 1 worked on the GPA. Partners involved with this committee could seek modifications in this all-important text.

3. Committee 2 was that group of delegates responsible to meet daily with representatives of the partners, to hear reports, and debate the Habitat issues with them. Since Committee 2 was specifically designed to engage the partners, there was more abundant interaction between representative States, and those groups such as business leaders, or NGO's, who in previous times had virtually no voice at the UN. With Committee 2, partners could, A) present the composite document representing their entire constituency, B) make oral presentations to the Committee, and C) submit particular drafts and formal statements from one's own unique community. These latter documents (both composite and particular) were added to the official GPA to form the larger documentary record of the conference, namely "The Istanbul Papers."

Invitation to Rev. Kwak

Of these many possible arenas of participation, Reverend Kwak was privileged to be invited as a part of this tiny group which, although not representing member states, addressed Committee I in an official capacity. This was possible for those who were selected following an official screening process in which the speaker had to submit to the committee brief biographical data with special emphasis on reasons why he or she is qualified to address the issues at hand.

Additionally the speaker was required to submit in advance a copy of the text for presentation, which would then be reviewed for compliance to certain rigid standards for presentations in the Committee 1 plenary. Reverend Kwak's ap-

Urbanization was generally being taken for granted, as though a material force, as unchangeable and inevitable as hurricanes and earthquakes. Reverend Kwak, either naively or with haunting prescience and accuracy turned the

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plication is significant insofar as his explicitly Unification credentials were highlighted as strong reasons for selection, rather than muted in the hopes that the committee would miss or overlook his Unificationism. This bold affirmation of the positive qualities of attendance is crucial for the Unification community to recognize. The world's highest tribunal of leadership chose Reverend Kwak over many applicants on the basis of an application that traded specifically on his training as a Unificationist. (Without developing this here, teachings on "Kingship" should properly be considered when reflecting on this point.)

The other important, explicitly Unificationist aspect to Reverend Kwak's work in Istanbul had to do with the content of his message. Those familiar with Reverend Moon's teachings on environment, education, and global trends will readily recognize the unequivocal and uncompromised rendering of these positions in Reverend Kwak's talk.

The theme of urbanization

While a quiet voice among many (literally hundreds, and of top-most leadership at that), Reverend Kwak's message was in fact radical and startling.

minds of those gathered to a vision far more encouraging in its potential for the spiritual and physical health and welfare of people. Immediately following Reverend Kwak's address, Dr. Wally N'Dow, Secretary General of Habitat II, warmly greeted Reverend Kwak and said, "I read your remarks with great interest. Thank you very much."

In addition to Reverend Kwak's work in Committee I, Mr. Taj Hamad (UN representative for the IRF), and Dr. Frank Kaufmann played a number of important roles in the service of the NGO community. Furthermore, it must be said that Mr. Hamad paved the way for Reverend Kwak's opportunity. Dr. Kaufmann co-chaired the Values Caucus, which was that coalition of NGO's devoted to the spiritual and moral considerations of the issues at hand. Furthermore Dr. Kaufmann served as a member of the NGO steering committee, and as co-chair of the NGO drafting committee, devoted to forging a composite document representing over 2,000 NGO's to present to Committee II. Mr. Hamad served on the steering committee, and on the presentations committee which devoted itself to selecting, training, and organizing those speakers who would represent themselves orally to Committee II.

In all, IRF and IRFWP representatives were blessed by God to have a strong and positive influence on the efforts of the United Nations to seek ways to bring adequate shelter, education, employment, and sustainable environment to future generations. ■

Dr. Frank Kaufmann is executive director of the IRFWP. He and his wife Hiroko, participated in the 2075 Couples' Blessing in 1982. They have three children.



Rev. Kwak and Taj Hamad listen to delegates' statements about human settlements.

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Presentation to the Plenary Session

Reverend Chung Hwan Kwak
Istanbul, Turkey
June 10, 1996

HONORED President, esteemed delegates, ladies and gentlemen. I am grateful and deeply honored for the opportunity to address you. I am chairman and president of the International Religious Foundation, and one of six presidents of the Inter Religious Federation for World Peace, comprising scholars and religious leaders from all member states. Our task, to promote harmony and cooperation among the world's religions, rarely attracts press attention, yet our efforts have successfully protected life, property, and social stability. Furthermore it involves us at the grass roots with populations displaced by war and conflict. We are happy to cooperate with the United Nations. Our documents from Rio and Cairo exhibit multi-religious collaboration and successful consensus building. Our analyses and proposals are moderate and conciliatory. Similarly our sister organization, the Women's Federation for World Peace, introduced progressive yet respectful views during their participation at the Beijing Conference on Women. I carry with me warm greetings from the founder of these federations, Reverend Sung Myung Moon.

We praise you for choosing the partnership model, and we pray for a happy transition as these new relationships evolve.

Human settlement and urbanization

On the subject of human settlements and urbanization, I would like to present for your consideration a potential source of solutions, which can be called conscious or positive ruralization.

People move to cities for economic, educational, and cultural reasons. If these could be acquired elsewhere they would tend to stay, or move to the countryside which is more delightful and attractive. At comparable levels of comfort and intellectual stimulation, people prefer the more healthy, more peaceful, and more natural life in the country.

City life, on the other hand has drawbacks. The anonymity characteristic of city dwelling breeds family breakdown, and enhances the likelihood of moral depravity including extreme addictions of many sorts. The absence of nature's beauty and rhythms causes stress and is generative of complex physical and mental diseases, such as cancer and various neuroses and psychoses. We tend to be emotionally closed in the city, and spiritual life is next to impossible. Thus both basic (clean air and clean water) and advanced human needs (security and spirituality) are bet-

ter met in rural settings. As pollution increasingly causes epidemics, and shortages of clean air and clean water, the upper classes will flee the cities. This should not be a privilege of the elite. Let us take steps for equity, otherwise the poor, especially the urban poor, will suffer a plight far worse than at any time in history.

Contemporary technology

Presently the economic destiny of nations is tied to cities, but this habit of the industrial age is unnecessary given contemporary technology. Already non-urban settings are preferred by many corporations. In some industries, with a simple fax and a modem for the internet and e mail, virtually all work can be easily and effectively be accomplished from home. Companies can shed the expense and energy waste associated with maintaining huge urban properties. They can save on commuting costs, and eliminate this near criminal source of urban air pollution.

The same modern technology can also help decentralize education and culture. Television, video, and computers with modems make it possible for anyone to receive the highest levels of education. Distance learning allows a young boy in the Amazon to study with the same Harvard professor as the young lady living there in Cambridge. Through such means, a rural person can gain equal or surpassed cultural and educational sophistication to urban dwellers, thus eliminating a secondary cause for urbanization. If the scientific research and investment which has gone into the study of sustainable cities were equally oriented toward bringing the urban benefits of employment, education, culture, and ever higher standards of living to the countryside, a double benefit could be achieved.

The need for true love families

Lastly, the technological capacity for the globalization of economy, education, and culture, including to rural areas is dependent on the establishment of true love families. Unlike animals, the ideal human habitat is a loving home. Distance learning, for example, would fail without the influences of a loving family to protect and guide the student. Technology is value-neutral and can be used to transmit evil and harmful data.

Therefore governments and all related partners should support and protect the family. Through family love the all-important ingredients of citizenship and sound socialization are bequeathed to future generations.

People move to cities for economic, educational, and cultural reasons. If these could be acquired elsewhere they would tend to stay, or move to the countryside which is more delightful and attractive. At comparable levels of comfort and intellectual stimulation, people prefer the more healthy, more peaceful, and more natural life in the country.

I hope you will use these statement as you seek solutions to the urgent issues under discussion. Please count on us to help and support the United Nations and its partners in your noble efforts for human betterment.

Once again thank you and God bless your efforts and your countries.■

Reverend Chung Hwan Kwak Chairman and President of the IRFWP.

UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON HUMAN SETTLEMENTS (HABITAT II)

REVEREND CHUNG HWAN KWAK

Biography presented to the United Nations to qualify for his address to the Plenary Session.

Few in this world are better qualified to address contemporary challenges to humankind than Reverend Chung Hwan Kwak. Reverend Kwak represents a unique blend of Eastern spiritual foundations fused with first-hand familiarity with an extensive array of world cultures, not the least of which are the radically occidental impulses rooted in the North American situation. In addition to a rare grasp of concrete particulars of the world's major and minor cultures, Reverend Kwak's training substantially embraces scientific and technological impulses with spiritual insights and sciences.

philosophy from Korean universities, as well as a number of international honorary doctorates.

Reverend Kwak's early years were spent in conditions of hardship and poverty, as he conducted pioneer missions for the Unification Church. The resulting intimacy with spiritual reality has served him well over the years of ever greater responsibilities for professional, educational, ecclesiastical, and cultural organizations and events. His curriculum vitae shows an array of responsibilities as heavy and as diverse as publishing a major daily newspaper in a world capital (Segye Ilbo, Seoul) to serving as

international director of world missions for the Holy Spirit Association for the Unification of World Christianity. Most recently, Reverend Kwak chaired the organizing committee of the vast and historical World Culture and Sports Festivals (1992 and 1995), each attended by over 100,000 people.

This blend of the humble and saintly life of a pioneer missionary with the hard-hitting competitive life of an urban newspaper publisher, together with his first-hand familiarity with diverse cultures including Korea, Japan, the Americas (North, Central, and South), the Middle East, and Africa (all from direct, extensive, first-hand experience), position him to speak intelligently and with sufficient breadth to global issues such as those addressed in recent United Nations summits.

The Inter-Religious Federation for World Peace (IRFWP), of which Reverend Kwak is one of six presidents, has introduced well-regarded documents on the environment (in Rio De Janeiro) and on population (in Cairo). The Beijing meeting was addressed by the sister organization of the IRFWP, the Women's Federation for World Peace.

Reverend Kwak would address the United Nations Habitat II, City Summit, as chairman of the board of the International Religious Foundation, and president of the Inter-Religious Federation for World Peace. The content of his discourse thus pairs the benefits of a multi-religious perspective with the theological, technological, and lifestyle knowledge derived from his cooperation with current Unifica-

tion-based projects in areas of extreme challenge regarding food, shelter, and education. These include leadership roles in current community and industrial projects on Alaskan islands, the rivers of central Brazil, and African famine situations (particularly Rwanda). This latter arena has been served primarily through the agency of the International Relief Friendship Foundation, a long-standing relief organization which has worked with Cambodian refugees, established health and medical facilities around the world, and worked with United Nations organizations for famine relief in Rwanda.■



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Rev. Kwak gives his presentation to the Plenary Session.

Reverend Kwak's family is renowned in Korea for its spirituality and heroism. The village of his birth boasts an unusually high number of monuments testifying to the status of his clan. Yet even from such origins, his own career exceeds the record of his ancestry.

Reverend Kwak was born in Korea in 1936 and from these roots forged a distinguished career and a proud record of service to humankind. His education includes degrees in law and western

Southern India Hosts 50th RYS Project

John Gehring

FROM February 15-25, 1996 over one hundred RYS participants and staff from fourteen nations joined hundreds of local villagers in rural Karukutty, Kerala, South India to work together in widening the communities roads and modeling religious and community cooperation. This International Youth Meet was jointly sponsored by the International Religious Foundation (IRF) and Gramswaraj.

Gramswaraj, is a grassroots rural development program that is hosted by Mahatma Gandhi University. Based on Gandhian philosophy of village self-development, the program works to motivate a high level of community involvement. This involvement was obvious to all RYS participants from the opening day when they were featured in a peace march involving thousands of villagers.

The peace march featured RYS participants, local school bands, cultural dancers, anti-alcohol and anti-drug campaigns, students carrying peace signs, a 10-foot clown on stilts, and numerous religious organizations with local officials. Along the route, happy observers waved and stared and smiled as the event unfolded.

Five thousand people march

Following the march, a rally attended by five thousand people was held with the governor of Kerala as the chief speaker. Among the other honored guests and patrons were members of India's parliament, H.E. Cardinal Anthony Padiyara, Kerala's chief minister and the ministers of youth affairs, education, and agriculture. The highlight of the program was the cultural performances which depicted a wide variety of Kerala dance styles, famous for their grace and beauty. The RYS participants seated in the position of honor joined the cultural program through offering songs from many of the fourteen nations that they represented.

As part of the Gramsaraj movement's strategy for mobilizing communities, RYS's stay included being hosted by five villages of various sizes. These village programs included shared cultural performances and inevitably attracted almost

the whole population of the community, anxious to meet their international guests and witness the culturally and spiritually diverse elements.

Community participation

This fiftieth RYS project was more rooted in local community than any RYS activity of the past decade. Aside from the numerous village visitations, hundreds of local villagers daily joined RYS at the work site. A special closeness developed from the interactions during work and on breaks sharing coconuts, jackfruit, drinks and simple conversation. Frequently the warm, quiet sunny days were punctuated by the songs of the villagers who would spontaneously burst into choruses of local favorites. Before long, many of the RYS participants joined in the singing and even danced on occasion.

The International Youth Camp was no secret to the 30 million citizens of Kerala as media coverage was heavy and consistently favorable. Television, radio, and frequent newspaper coverage kept the region informed of the RYS's mission of building peace through interreligious

cooperation and service. In addition Gramswaraj's ability to mobilize locally gave the opportunity for more than fifteen thousand people to be involved or view RYS-related programs.

A varied and rich education program was integral to the RYS. Under the guidance of RYS advisors, Dr. Kazi Narul Islam and Dr. Azizun Islam from Dacca University and Professor Munuswamy, retired Dean from Loyola College in Madras, and with the help of guest speakers a wide range of subject themes were presented. Session titles included: Buddhism; Islam; Fasting as a Spiritual Practice; Sankara, India's Greatest Philosopher; Early Indian Christianity; Marriage and Family as a Key to World Peace; The Inner Qualities of True Leadership; The Role of Communications in Creating World Peace; A Vision for the New World Order.

Interfaith community orientation

The staff and participant orientation was guided by Rev. John Gehring and

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Over 5,000 gather at the opening RYS rally.

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Miracles at the Chung Pyung...

God created the angels as His servants. It would be natural for Adam, Eve and the children of God to use angels as their servants after their perfection. Unfortunately, Adam and Eve fell at the top of the growth stage, which is the same level of the angels. Therefore, fallen people could never dominate the angels.

If you study the Bible you will never find any reference to mankind dominating the angels. Especially during the Old Testament era, the level of human beings was so distant from that of the angels. Since the beginning of fallen history, people feared angels, worshipped them and received orders from them. However, during this seminar we came to understand how Heung Jin Nim and Daemo-nim use angels, thousands and thousands of angels. The angels officially reported even people's thought and secret conversations to Daemo-nim. Daemo-nim used the angels to take away evil spirits from members' bodies and guide them to the waters at Chung Pyung, where evil spirits wait before being brought to their proper place in the spiritual world.

Daemo-nim told me that after the blessing of 3.6 million couples, she will mobilize an incredible number of angels. This world seems spacious, but this is like a peanut compared to the vast spiritual world, where space is unlimited. In the spiritual world there is no limitation of time and space.

Due to the fall, the spiritual and physical worlds were completely separated. In the physical world the whole of mankind has been under the dominion of Satan, and our tendency has been towards evil. Satan also has dominion in the spiritual world. Even though there are billions of spirits in the spiritual world, everybody is under Satan's dominion. For this reason, Heavenly Father's side has been without human beings. While some of the angels are under the dominion of the archangel, Satan, most of the angels are in the position of mediators. Heung Jin Nim and Daemo-nim are now in a position to control all of these angels. This is an important historical development.

This kind of spiritual power can now be used to assist True Parents' work and our activities. Consequently, the Unification movement has now entered a very different era. In the past no one except God was qualified to control the angels, and even God could only use them only on special occasions. However, Daemo-nim and Heung Jin Nim have 24-hour control over the angels.

One blessed sister who had problems with her physical body and had experienced many difficulties participated in one of these special prayer conditions at Chung Pyung and received an amazing grace. After this experience, she decided to call her elder sister, who was not fully a church member, and invite her to attend the next workshop. At Chung Pyung they talked quietly to each other during the night. The elder sister said she appreciated the training center's nice location,

view and atmosphere, but it was difficult for her not to be able to take a warm shower. The next day the two of them decided to go to Chung Pyung village during the break time to take a shower (their workshop did not have such a strict schedule as ours). The next morning Daemo-nim talked to the younger sister and scolded her very strongly for taking this shower. Daemo-nim explained that she had received a report from the angels about everything they were talking about. Our sister was so shocked and decided to make some kind of fasting and repentance condition.

Daemo-nim can work in many ways. She can command the angels to follow somebody anywhere they go and ask them to report back. This is the original principle. Around the Chung Pyung area there are many trees and rocks, and the angels are staying there to watch what is going on. Such spiritual phenomena will soon occur all over the world, not just at the Chung Pyung training center. When this occurs the Heavenly Kingdom on earth and in the spiritual world will easily become a reality.

Thousands of spirits attached to our bodies

Daemo-nim taught us that all Unification Church members have thousands of evil spirits attached to their bodies. Generally we assumed that because we received the blessing, follow True Parents, and live in a principled environment, evil spirits could not touch us. There are two reasons why this is not true.

First, even though we are blessed, even though we hold some position of leadership, our mind and body are not always the objects of good spirits, True Parents and God. Our mind and body are often the objects of evil spirits and even Satan. If we could have received the blessing unconditionally, we could be completely separated from evil. However, the blessing has been conditional.

When we received the blessing there were four conditions which we were given to fulfill:

- To perfect our individual self
- To perfect our family
- To raise perfect children
- To perfectly restore all things

Has your life been focused on these four pledges which we all made at the blessing? We must live according to this standard, and then we will be liberated from this condition. We have not yet reached this level. Satan knows that we are not fulfilling the required conditions. Evil spirits always come to our body because of our impure daily life. Many evil spirits are attached to us because they hope to receive some kind of benefit.

The second reason why we have so many spirits attached to us is related to our ancestors. In the Divine Principle it says that we are not just individual beings but we are the substantial fruit of the whole history of restoration. This includes all of our ancestors all the way back to Adam and Eve.

Since Adam and Eve, all of our ancestors have been making conditions related to our physical

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body. Spirits who have some kind of resentment or indignation cause serious problems when they attach themselves to our bodies. Even in the physical world, this kind of person is very difficult to deal with. Most of our ancestors have enemies, and these resentful spirits block the way for our ancestors to come to us. Fearing the resentment of their enemies, our ancestors try to escape to another place. Therefore, instead of our ancestors, most of us are carrying spirits who resent and hate them.

Daemo-nim began to drive out these evil spirits, first by touching the body. However, now that thousand of members have already gathered at Chung Pyung lake making good conditions such as holy songs, prayer and meditation, many evil spirits leave without Daemo-nim even touching the body. Even so, some strong spirits stay attached to the body. In these cases Daemo-nim touches the body or uses special prayer to remove them. If that does not work, she orders strong angels to take away the evil spirits.

We teach The Divine Principle, but we do not have a clear understanding of the living Divine Principle. Unlike bacteria, which can be killed, evil spirit selves are eternal beings. Thus they cannot be killed. For this reason, there is often a dialogue between Daemo-nim and the evil spirit. If the evil spirits refuse to go, Daemo-nim persuades them to leave by saying that they will receive no benefit by staying there, and if they leave she can send them to a good place. Daemo-nim's treatment is usually very gentle. You must recognize the high position of Daemo-nim in the spirit world. Even from her high position, she never commands the spirits; instead, she explains logically and shares in true love.

Our understanding about the spiritual world is not sufficient. The medium for Daemo-nim is Mrs. Hyo Nam Kim (an 1800 couple). She said that evil spirits stay in our physical body like the eggs of an insect. Thousands of them live among the cells of our body, but when they are released from the body they appear as normal-sized spirit selves. Spiritual beings have no limitation of time and space. Spirits attached to our physical body, become smaller.

Wonderful grace to members!

Anyone who joins the Chung Pyung training session with an open mind can receive the benefit of the work of Daemo-nim and Heung Jin Nim. It is a wonderful grace for all brothers and sisters. Daemo-nim shared with me why she works so hard to drive out the evil spirits. She does it mainly for True Parents. If we are elevated into the spirit world in our present situation, we cannot go to the Heavenly Kingdom because of the evil spirits attached to us.

The most effective conditions are those laid on the earth. Even though we received so much guidance from True Parents, we are influenced by evil spirits because we did not fully follow True Parents' direction. As a result, we have many evil spirits attached to our physical bodies. With-

out solving the problem of these evil spirits while we are on the earth, we will burden our True Parents after our elevation. Because of their heart and love, True Parents will be saddened by the bad fruits of their investment.

Father has shared his love so deeply, giving us so much grace and wonderful guidance; even though we have disobeyed and failed to fulfill our responsibility, True Parents will not judge us but they will feel deeply saddened. If many evil or unworthy spirits come together with us to the spiritual world, True Parents would have an unnecessary burden. True Father's heart would be in such pain, when he looks at our situation. For True Parents, true love means that there are no limitations. After True Parents go to the spiritual world, they will go to an incredibly high place. However, we have too many evil spirits attached to us. True Parents' heart is never to accuse members but to help them.

Understanding this situation, Daemo-nim wants to do this work instead of True Parents. She understands that if True Parents go to the spiritual world leaving Unification Church leaders and members in their current situation, True Parents' mission will unnecessarily suffer.

To solve this problem, Daemo-nim laid special conditions on earth before being elevated to the spirit world. She explained to us about her life at East Garden and later in Korea. Her life of faith was a very special one. In Korea, there were three generations of special spiritual groups which made the necessary conditions for the Second Coming. She is the only Unification Church member who was linked to all three of these special groups. Her entire life was dedicated to True Father, True Mother, and the True Family. She had such an amazing standard and was so pure.

Daemo-nim later came to realize through her spiritual senses that many important leaders and blessed couples had so many evil spirits attached to their bodies. She prayed and asked God why leaders, who are the sons and daughters of True Parents, have so many evil spirits attached to them. Daemo-nim received the answer that it is impossible for some problems to be solved through the physical body. Then she determined to return after her elevation to solve such problems through spiritual power. Without spiritual power, such problems can never be solved. If we just receive guidance about such problems, we still cannot solve them. We disobeyed True Parents and did not fulfill their directions.

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Daemo-nim

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In such a case, how could we fulfill Daemo-nim's direction as well?

Daemo-nim determined to go to the spiritual world early and use spiritual power to teach, guide and solve the members' problems. During the last ten years of Daemo-nim's life she had almost no communication with outside people. Even though she stayed at East Garden or in Korea, she had little communication with church members or leaders. Heavenly Father cut off her physical relationship to others, and she concentrated on building a prayer foundation on earth. After being elevated to the spiritual world, she made further conditions through prayer for three years and then selected one blessed sister to work through as a medium and educated her for an additional three years. Daemo-nim can now be resurrected through this sister's body and can now work in the physical world. In other words, it took 16 years of preparation for her to be able to carry out this work.

Even after evil spirits are driven out, they still may return

The third reason for our difficulties with evil spirits is that even after they are driven out, there is the danger that they could return. Heung Jin Nim was concerned about this and is conducting a 100-day special training session in the spiritual world. According to the Principle, we should attend such training sessions here on the earth, not in the spiritual world, because such workshops are normally not so effective there. However, because of Heung Jin Nim's status in the spiritual world, he is able to effectively conduct such workshops there.

You should know about Heung Jin Nim's position in the spirit world. Because of Heung Jin Nim's sacrificial conditions and because of his heart as a loyal son of True Parents, Satan can never accuse the conditions he makes. Because of True Parents' foundation on earth, Father sent Heung Jin Nim to the spiritual world as his personal representative. Heung Jin Nim's position in the spiritual world is higher than that of Jesus Christ, because he is the only person in the spiritual world who directly received true love on earth from the True Parents. Just as the resurrected Jesus Christ sent the Holy Spirit to the earth as his representative, Father on earth sent his representative, Heung Jin Nim, to the spiritual world. Originally, the reorganization and cleaning up of the spiritual

world should have taken place after True Parents are elevated to the spiritual world, but because Heung Jin Nim was sent by True Parents as their representative, he can conduct amazing activities which True Parents would have conducted in the spiritual world.

Heung Jin Nim and Daemo-nim taught me that even if evil spirits go directly to Heung Jin Nim's training session after being guided through Daemo-nim's love, they have no idea how wonderful the Kingdom of Heaven is. Therefore, before the evil spirits go to Heung Jin Nim's training session, angels take them around the Heavenly Kingdom and paradise on a kind of sightseeing tour. The evil spirits are so amazed and delighted because they had no concept that such a wonderful world existed. They had no idea because they have had no experience of the higher spiritual world. They were always stuck in the darkness of agony, pain, resentment and fighting.

After the sightseeing tour, they gather at the training center for the orientation meeting of the workshop. They are told that if they do well in the training course, they will be able to go to a nice place in the spiritual world. They are amazed at what they have seen and joyfully at-



True Parents take a walk with Heung Jin Nim and Sun Jin Nim at East Garden.

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tend the orientation and training sessions with much gratitude.

A spiritual blessing in 1997

Before going to the U.S. to attend the True Parents' Day celebration, Heung Jin Nim asked me to convey a request to Father. Heung Jin Nim would like to receive True Father's permission to come to the blessing ceremony for 3.6 million couples and simultaneously conduct a blessing ceremony for couples in the spiritual world.

Heung Jin Nim is asking this permission because 100 days of training are not always enough to reform these evil spirits and he is concerned because there is no 100 percent guarantee that the evil spirits will be reformed and go the right way. If they receive a spiritual blessing they will have a greater determination to stay on True Parents' side.

True Father replied that he already opened the gate last year when he blessed three families in the spiritual world: Daemo-nim's couple (Great Mother), Choongmo-nim's couple (Loyal Mother), and Daehyung-nim's couple (Great Brother). Until now, the blessing depended on the physical body, because this is the original Principle. However, the time has now come for even spirits to receive the blessing.

True Father has given permission for the spiritual blessing to take place next year in Washington, D.C. There will be 3.6 million couples blessed on earth, but I have no idea as to how many couples will be blessed in the spirit world! It will not be a small number. On the earth many thousands and even millions of people will receive the blessing. This will mean that Satan's dominion on earth will become smaller and smaller, while Heavenly Father's side becomes bigger and bigger. In addition, because of the work of Heung Jin Nim and Daemo-nim, the spiritual world has given greater recognition to True Parents.

I was amazed to learn that there are not so many spirits in the spiritual world, because most of the spirits have come down to the earth and attached themselves to people. The New Testament era is over and the Completed Testament era has begun, and even within the Completed Testament era, we are now entering the time for the second generation. It is a special time. Even if spirits have no idea about the detailed process of resurrection, they understand that if they attach themselves to good people, they can be elevated. Because our spiritual eyes are not yet open, we have no idea about this, but through Heung Jin Nim and Daemo-nim's guidance even I could see so many things.

There are millions of spirit selves attached to our bodies. This is shocking news, but it is real. There is no limitation of time and space. Daemo-nim said that my wife has too many spirit selves attached to her. Her nature is soft and she has a deep prayer life, so I thought that she would not have so many evil spirits attached to her. I asked Daemo-nim why, and she explained that although the evil spirits were not so strong, there were millions of them. We don't know how many spirits are inside of us. Externally, we are just normal people, but our lives are special.

Elevated spirits will not attach themselves to us

I will invite you some time to a special Chung Pyung training session. There, people's spirits become light and pure. Evil spirits will not only be driven out; they will be educated and elevated. They will no longer be interested in attaching themselves to us. In the past evil spirits were ex-

pelled, but in many cases they returned. However, this time the problems can be completely solved.

Daemo-nim's training is a true love event. Many of you had experiences with Heung Jin Nim. In the Korean church there were also many other people who did spiritual work. Often the atmosphere is one of fear, because we see the reality of our situation. However, Daemo-nim's guidance is really special. When she looks at us she knows our reality, but her way is not to scold. Instead, Daemo-nim guides us by True Parents' heart and words and leads us naturally to repentance, guiding us like small children who made a mistake in front of their parents. A new start can be made in grandmother's loving bosom.

We stayed at Chung Pyung for 47 days, having asked True Parents for a seven-day extension to clear everything up. During that time Daemo-nim asked us also to repent for our ancestors' mistakes. Especially conflicts among Unification members must be solved. Sometimes we were called to a special prayer room to repent to each other. Then as brother and sister we hugged each other and repented about different points to each other in tears. Our past spiritual course and the course of our ancestors are important, but the most important thing is our present or future mission. It is, therefore, most important not to have conflicts in daily life but to love and comfort each other. This applies also to husband and wife. Daemo-nim asked us to repent to each other and urged us to make a new start. When we have resentment or an uncomfortable feeling towards others, evil spirits can easily be attached to us. We must change our lives from now on. Daemo-nim told us not to wait until tomorrow but to be reborn today!

Originally Father told us that if we want to keep an object position in front of True Parents after receiving this special 33-year award, we needed a minimum of 120 days special training. However, because of our busy schedule we spent 40 days in training and fasted during the final week. Some of the elders are over 80 years old. For them a seven-day fast is not easy. However, our seven-day fast took place under a special spiritual grace. Normally fasting is incredibly difficult for my wife due to her poor health, but this time it went well and she even managed to climb the mountain to the holy ground for prayer on the seventh day. This training is an amazing grace. We offer thanks to Heavenly Father, True Parents, Heung Jin Nim and Daemo-nim.

The leaders will bring salvation to the world

After the special training session, the leaders have been sent throughout the world to bring salvation to the nations and the world. Other leaders will have to attend the special training session and later work for the salvation of their own nation. Eighteen elder leaders will come to the European continent. Our spirit is not the same as before; we are more properly prepared for our important missions. To decide which

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nation the elders should go to, True Father ordered a special ladder lottery to be made. This time 54 elders received this special award. They include those who received awards on God's Day for centering on purely church activities and those who received awards on True Parents' Birthday for other business work and other missions.

Father said that each elder's chosen nation is their family's eternal mission and that kingship should be restored within three generations. Father said, "If your family restores kingship, you can be complete objects to me, and all your unworthy past can be forgiven." First, Father gave us national messiahship and second, tribal messiahship. All elders now have a very deep and serious determination.

In a certain sense I am sure that you are concerned about there being too many leaders. You have a continental leader, a regional leader, a national leader, an itinerary worker, a Korean missionary, and the Japanese sisters. You will now receive another leader on the national level. Please don't worry: our fundamental concern is to restore the nation. It is more difficult to achieve national messiahship in a big nation. We received full forgiveness for our past mistakes and have the opportunity to stand in the position of true objects to True Parents. For this reason, there were many different kinds of responses from the elders after the lottery.

There are several special cases like mine. I cannot personally go directly to my country but instead will send my elder son, Jin Man Kwak. Jin Man will go to Mongolia later this month. However, in most cases, the elders will arrive in your nations within this next month or so. Before they go to their nations, they need to lay a basic foundation for their tribal messiahship.

I would like to share with you about my own experience in the workshop. Father knew that it would not be easy for me to fully participate in the workshop because of my mission. Therefore, Father said that I could join for the first week and the last week. After I joined the workshop I really wanted to stay there and not leave because we were so close to the Heavenly Kingdom. Daily we could witness spiritual power and amazing spiritual phenomena. I was so happy because I was liberated from so many heavy duties. For me it was really the Kingdom of Heaven. When I had to leave the workshop for a couple of days, I always tried to come back quickly. In fact, I was delighted to return.

After listening to the guidance of Heung Jin Nim and Daemo-nim I reviewed once again my past life of faith and recognized how much I lacked and how unworthy I was. My most important problem was my vertical relationship to God and True Parents. Of course, I focused a lot on my relationship to God and True Parents, but even though I tried very hard, my attitude was sometimes not enough. I determined never to disobey, argue or make some excuse in front of True Parents. Through this training session I could really recognize who True Parents are and how

important they are for the whole of mankind. This helped me see how important my position is. In my vertical relationship to True Parents, I have made many mistakes. Therefore, I deeply thank God, Heung Kin Nim and Daemo-nim for giving me such an important opportunity to completely repent while I am still on the earth.

My position is so close to Father and Mother and I have spent a lot of time with them. Because of this I made many mistakes. Furthermore, I recognized True Parents' love towards me and my family. I generally understood that I and my family have received such amazing grace, but this time my experience was much more serious and deep. For example, I followed True Father for almost 39 years. Every time True Father met me, he taught me how to carry out the tradition of true love. There is no other parent who continually teaches truth at every available moment. To feel that True Father speaks too long is a very great sin. We think we already know about true love, but we are mistaken.

Father left his own children in the wilderness

True Father taught me on so many occasions over 39 years. He spent so much time with me that he forgot his own sons and daughters and left them in the wilderness. Of course, when Father talks to me he is not just speaking to me personally, but speaking as though he is talking to the whole of mankind. In fact, we are children of the archangel rather than the Cain-type children, but True Parents have been loving us for decades. They shared meals with me and from time to time bought me suits, shoes and necessary things just as normal parents would do. True Parents did more for me than any worldly parents could do. This is true love, because they are the origin and substance of true love. True Parents loved me out of the heart of parents, not out of duty. Therefore, I realized how much I need to repent and how I have the nature of an enemy. I am really an unworthy son. If True Parents had given me up, I would never have survived.

Laziness is a small mistake compared to a mistake against true love. Our mission was to protect, attend and guide the True Children, but we didn't do this. True Children were in the wilderness; nothing protected them. Unification Church members and blessed couples have no right to speak even one word of criticism against the True Family. If you violate this, you need to repent. Because True Children have known me since they were very young; they usually call me Ajoshi (uncle). Hyun Jin Nim still calls me Ajoshi, even after his blessing.

True Children expect us to stand as 100 percent loyal children in front of True Parents. If we truly did this, True Children would be able to overcome their loneliness and resentment about True Parents' schedule. They are too young, and their thinking is still simple. Their own father and mother are spending all of their time with people like myself, therefore, it's kind of natural

that they have resentment. If we were worthy Cain-type sons and daughters, True Children would see us as loyal children of True Parents and would calm down and understand more deeply. Even though they miss their mother and father, our example and sacrifice would help comfort them and give them hope. Then they would automatically love True Parents and believe in them. We missed this point. We failed in this mission. I failed this mission.

We must be reborn and make a new start. I failed, yet I continually received True Parents' grace. I have repeated the same mistakes for 39 years, but still Heavenly Father and True Parents love me. We have to understand the depth of true love. For 39 years I opposed True Parents on countless occasions because of my unworthy attitude. Even so, true love continues. However, for the True Children, we are simply the children of the enemy.

What kind of heart do True Parents have toward their children? Yet Heavenly Father loves us as True Children. What an amazing degree of true love! I have no words to speak in front of God and True Parents (Rev. Kwak weeps.) How painful was Heavenly Father's heart when He heard True Children's complaints, resentments and suffering! True Father and True Mother never shared with us even one word about the difficulties of their own children. They never spoke even one single word about their concern for their own children.

When True Children are struggling, I cannot express in words my repentful heart for my serious mistakes in front of God and True Parents. This is far beyond the most serious degree of mistake. As that kind of sinner, what shall I do? I am already 60 years old; I lost 39 years due to my unworthy lifestyle! I cannot simply give up my public mission or responsibilities, so I asked True Parents to replace me with someone more worthy. (Rev. Kwak sighs deeply.)

My conclusion is that like St. Augustine, I have so many things to confess, but my confession is inadequate. I do not know how much more life I have on earth, but I do know that it will be a life of confession, guiding and directing mankind, testifying to the true love of God and True Parents, despite my unworthy life. Through their true love, Heavenly Father and True Parents are still standing in a position above me. I must testify to their love.

Never criticize True Children

I urge you one thing: the media and even our own members criticize True Children, but please do not do it. We simply have no right to open our mouths. I hope with my whole heart that Heavenly Father and True Parents can solve any kind of problem of the True Children, but generally speaking, we are unworthy of them, so we have no right to speak. True Parents' victorious foundation is historical; they solved in one

stroke, with one proclamation and benediction, the original sin of 720,000 people.

Since the beginning of fallen history, Satan has always accused people. Because of this, our ancestors and all of mankind have lived under Satan's dominion. Early blessings involved small numbers of couples and had very strict conditions. The way of blessing was very narrow because this world was completely under Satan's dominion. Now, True Parents are giving the blessing freely, particularly since the 30,000-couple blessing in 1992 when the conditions to receive the blessing were so easy. People received this last blessing without the full recognition of True Parents. Now True Parents can even bless people from the street. Such a victorious foundation has now been laid.

In November of next year, Father will bless more than 3.6 million couples. This means that the original sin of more than 7.2 million people will be solved in a stroke. This is True Parents' power in front of Satan. Even though True Children made some mistakes and Satan makes some kind of accusation, don't you believe that True Parents can solve True Children's small bad conditions? Heavenly Father and True Parents already have such a strong, victorious foundation in front of Satan. True Parents are determined to solve all kinds of problems. True Parents' mind is always public; they love the children of the enemy while not fully loving their own children.

True Father's grace, forgiveness and love toward his own children is undoubted. I know this fact very well. If you heard something about True Children, how can you help? As soon as you hear something bad, first repent, because you are the one who caused it. Because of us, True Children are struggling. Father and Mother gave all of their time, resources and love to the children of the enemy. Therefore, repent first,

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True Parents' prayer for the 34th True Day of All Things in Karluk, Alaska. June 16, 1996.

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Do not expect the whole world to repent and follow us in one day, but the whole Unification Church leadership can repent and make a new start. Then the entire membership can follow us joyfully and everything can be successfully completed. Now we have hope because the entire spirit world is waiting to support us.

and then pray for them; our prayer can protect True Children. Because our prayer and determination to protect True Children were inadequate, Satan attacked them. Please don't forget about this point.

I am determined to return even a little of the grace I have received

My determination at the end of the training session was to return even a little of the grace that I have received to Heavenly Father and True Parents. My remaining life will be a life of confession and a life of returning grace. Before I reached this conclusion I realized how incredibly fortunate and blessed I have been to meet True Parents and be so close to them in my lifetime. I thought that because I was an important leader in the Unification Church, only good spirits worked with me; I thought that evil spirits would never come. How distant this is from reality! I realized that so many evil spirits have been working with me. In such a position, how can I correctly guide others?

True Parents recognized the evil spirits attached to us a long time before Heung Jin Nim and Daemo-nim did, but they never talked about it. They were always patient and just loved us. Even though I worked so much, my result could be taken by evil spirits. A large percentage of our work can be lost because of the evil spirits. If we drive out evil spirits and become truly pure, Heavenly Father can work through us 100 percent.

At present there are many obstacles in front of the Unification movement: many people oppose us, there is a lot of negativity, and many important people do not recognize True Parents. We should recognize, however, that the more important obstacles and negative conditions came from ourselves. If all of the present Unification leaders were truly reborn, then all other obstacles would be easily removed. Recognizing this, please repent deeply and make a new start. Because of my unworthy self, how many other members and how many leaders have I hurt and caused to have resentment, pain or difficulties?

This training brings new hope

The preparation for the 3.6 million couples blessing is not an easy task. But if all leaders are reborn, the 3.6 million couples blessing will be no problem. In the beginning of the workshop I was very concerned about the many missions and responsibilities that I have. In fact, all the participants came to the workshop with concerns about their missions. But Daemo-nim guided us not to worry about our missions. She said that if we go through the workshop with the support of the angels and the spiritual world, we would gain better results.

Many young members and leaders have heard how the Korean elders have received hard training. Some members commented that we now have hope! I myself work pretty hard externally, but I can understand that young leaders are very anxious for the top leaders to funda-

mentally repent and make a new start. Up until now we did not do so. Do not expect the whole world to repent and follow us in one day, but the whole Unification Church leadership can repent and make a new start. Then the entire membership can follow us joyfully and everything can be successfully completed. I stayed in the position as a major leader without fundamentally repenting. Now we have hope because the entire spirit world is waiting to support us. In the future the angels will work more actively, then the worldwide impact of our movement will change tremendously.

The physical world has a limitation of time and space, but the spiritual world can focus on one point with great power. The Unification Church is the only church or movement that can receive the full support of the spiritual world. Spiritual phenomena have been small because of our limited foundation, but from now on there will be miracles throughout the world. Unlimited support will come from all over the world.

I am now thinking about when European leaders will come to the Chung Pyung training center. Father decided that all U.S. leaders will go to Chung Pyung in August. Perhaps European leaders could join them. Before then, the missionaries who received 21-year awards will attend the workshop. Then I will invite you so the evil spirits that are staying with you can be driven out and you can become brighter and lighter!

Father ordered all 54 elders to go and take responsibility for different nations. These church elders have had amazing experiences with True Parents throughout their lives. They are capable of giving very special internal guidance. Particularly now after this workshop, they have a very strong determination to work in your countries.

If they have the title of president of the Unification Church, they can work above the national leader. I will seek True Parents' advice on this. In any case, you should be happy to welcome your elder missionary to your nation. From now on, please clear away all of your struggles and prepare to work according to True Parents' direction. These elders are coming in the position of messiah for your nation. From Heavenly Father's point of view, they are the most important VIP for your nation's eternal future.

Do not be concerned about external things. The most important thing is to unite with them. In some cases there will be difficulties in terms of qualifications or language ability, but heavenly fate and grace will come to your nation through them if you completely unite and understand them. If such is the case I have no doubt that your nation will develop.■

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Southern India Hosts 50th...

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Kerala's governor P. Sivasankar addresses the RYS opening rally.

these programs were designed to help participants clarify norms and their vision of living in an interfaith community. During this time leadership and communication skills were worked on as well as responsibilities delegated. Eight teams were formed, providing a more intimate forum to conduct discussions, practice for cultural programs, and build work teams. Following the orientation, the work portion of RYS began with a goal of widening 1.2 km. of road. Many consider literacy, roads and infrastructure as integral signs of a region's stage in development. Kerala state with its 99% literacy rate is now set on improving its various modes of transportation.

Widening the local road in Karukutty required a sacrifice from those whose property bordered the road. Land that was held for generations by families who made their livelihood from the soil was donated for the sake of the community. In the process of widening the roads often beautiful walls needed to be removed and reconstructed on the new realigned perimeter. The former property owners could be seen on the work, contributing their effort as well as their tools.

Tradition of hard work

Observing the standard of work that was generated by

the villagers, it was clear that they were no strangers to a routine of hard physical work. An example of the village tradition of hard work came when we asked

a seventy-five year old man who labored with the RYS each day why he was doing this. He stated simply that "I am happy to be a part of this international work team." While the work was going on, children could be found staring at the sight of Sikh workers in turbans, African and Japanese men and women moving soil, or any of the unfamiliar friendly faces that were now part of their community.

Women were active in keeping coconut water flowing to thirsty workers whenever the heat seemed to be getting too difficult. A protective environment of community sharing was the shared experience

Following the work programs, RYS was treated to a special dinner hosted by the Vice Chancellor of Mahatma Gandhi University, Dr. K. Jayakumar. The university has been a leading trainer of professional social workers giving students skills in promoting village development projects based on the teaching of the Mahatma.

Dr. K. Jayakumar highlighted in his talk how the Gramsraj's philosophy fit well into the goals of IRF and the RYS. This made the alliance of the two organizations a natural fit.

Although India has a national tradition of youth doing national service these programs often lack the spiritual root and the intercultural dimension that the RYS provides. These additional dimensions make the RYS a valuable resource in the training of leaders that can guide the nation in the ways of religious harmony.

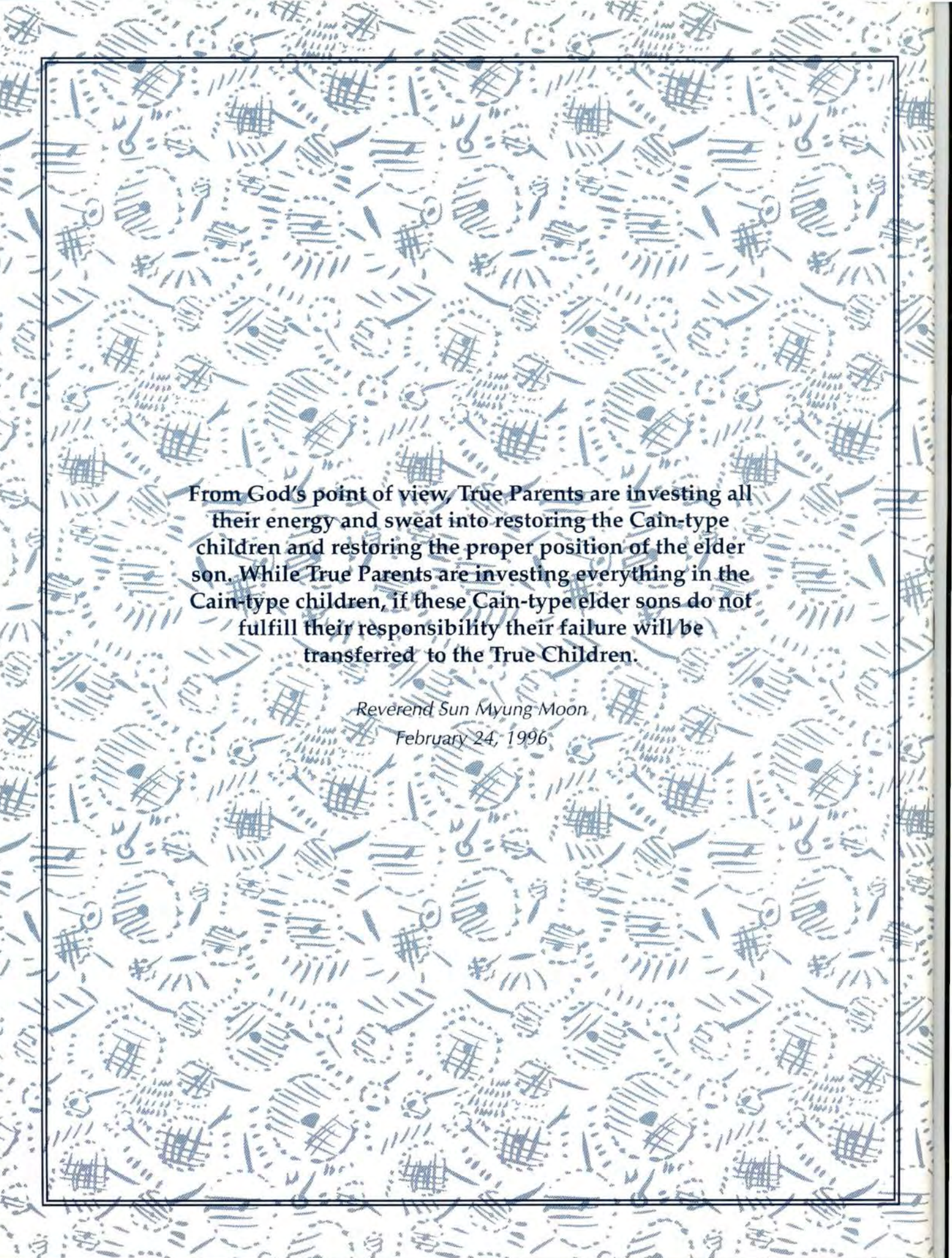
The lessons of life are often best learned through experience. RYS creates an experiential environment of shared love, suffering and commitment. This experience helps bind diverse people together in the spirit of unity and cooperation.

RYS demonstrates the hope that the practice of true religion will lead the world to a new and more fruitful era of human relationships, a world where the potential of love will begin to be realized. In the past decade RYS has tried to leave this as its legacy. ■

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From God's point of view, True Parents are investing all their energy and sweat into restoring the Cain-type children and restoring the proper position of the elder son. While True Parents are investing everything in the Cain-type children, if these Cain-type elder sons do not fulfill their responsibility their failure will be transferred to the True Children.

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