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BELOVED Father!
Today, 1997, July 7, 7 hours, 7 minutes and 7 seconds, centering on the 3.6 Million Couples Blessing, we have accomplished this year's

motto, "Let Us Be Proud of True Parents and Love True Parents by Accomplishing the 3.6 Million Couples Blessing."

How hard You have struggled and borne the heart of *han!* As Your children, True Parents, we are here with Your other children not knowing Your heart in this historical age. In the meantime, you sent True Parents to the earth so we could build the foundation where mankind could speak out Your heart and be educated about Your internal situation. Through that foundation, we came to know the sad history that since Adam and Eve fell as teenagers and their family was broken down by Satan's scheme, humankind has been linked to fallen Adam's family and Satan's lineage instead of to God's lineage.

Therefore, until now, history has kept the lineage of the realm of the archangel and the lineage of Satan. When we think about founding the realm of religion in order to establish the history of the new archangel's position in the Kingdom of Heaven, we know that the providence of individual restoration is the history of regaining the elder sonship from the realm of the archangel.

THE AGE OF THE SECOND ADVENT

We thank You for this great time when we are facing the age of the Second Advent, the center of the worldwide salvation through the Old Testament, New Testament, and Completed Testament eras. Now we can fix the problems of family breakdown and corrupted juvenile ethics originally caused by Adam's fall.

In 1945, at the end of World War II, Christianity and the allied nations, which had the mission of a bride to welcome the Lord of the Second Advent, failed their responsibility as the bride. This loss of the world-level nation, an Abel nation, and Eve nation of Adam's family, which carried the victorious hegemony in the world-level providence, created greater pain and suffering than the loss of a family in the Garden of Eden.

If Christianity had received the Second Coming of Christ centering on the allied nations, we could have held a historic worldwide Mass Blessing Ceremony so that humankind could have been liberated through the Blessing by linking with the lineage of True Parents after uniting the *han* of Jesus, (whose

mind and body were separated by Satan) and prepared a united world centered on Christian culture. At that time, by working with 800 million Christians, God's desire to establish the Kingdom of Heaven on earth would have been completed within seven years, by 1952.

Christian culture, however, rejected its bridal responsibility of receiving the Lord of the Second Advent. As Adam's family turned over the fallen world to Satan during the fruitful growth period, Christianity and an Eve nation in the bridal role failed their responsibility and gave the victorious foundation at the worldwide level over to Satan all at once. As a result, fallen grief exists on the earth once again.

TRUE FATHER'S WILDERNESS PATH

We are reminded of the sad history in which True Father alone had to walk the wilderness path. The *han* that Adam's family left on heaven and earth could not be compared to True Father's path. True Father's path was a time of deeper sadness than the course of Jesus, who could not unite people based on his family.

Yet, I realized that it was Your desire to end Satan's lineage by liberating mankind centered on the ideology of a world family which would indemnify all of history. Also, I realized Your will which was to look for a place of rest and freedom in heaven and on earth.

Father, You have been yearning for a millennial world during seven millennia of history. I know how hard and significant that is! You tried to maintain the standard of Your wish by having Christianity observe the Sabbath on the seventh day.

Because all these tasks were not completed, I know that You have been sitting alone on Your throne in heaven and enduring the unbearable history of the realm of Satan like a prisoner. I found Your Fatherly heart that no one ever knew. You had to forget the situation that You could not forget, You had to re-create the condition into which You could not pour out Yourself, and You had to love those people whom You could not love. In spite of sadness and even death, I pioneered the path in which I could console Your heart, and I endured persecution to prevail over the hill of forty years with the determination to face any kind of deadly path, Father.

FORTY YEAR PATH OF RESTORATION

The fatherland, which should be the central nation of all nations centered on the unified world of North and South, and the whole culture of East and West were lost. Even the clan which You prepared to complete the Blessing was lost, too. Unification Church members understand that I have had to walk the path of restoration for forty years. There has been

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LET'S welcome our beloved True Parents to the stage. [Cheering and applause, presentation of flowers, cake-cutting and the singing of "Happy Foundation Day" three times.] [Father begins by writing the title of the sermon on the board and asking who understands Korean.]

The first part says, HSA-UWC. Repeat after me: *Saegae Kidokyo Tongil Silyoung Hyuphoe*. That is HSA-UWC in Korean. Now the second part is *Saegae Pyonghwa Tongil Kajung Yeonhap*. That is Family Federation for World Peace and Unification. Next I wrote Belvedere Home Church, repeat after me: *Belvedere Kajung Kyohoe*. The message is really rich this morning already.

Following the Principle view, since I came to America, I have been carrying out the providence based on this American holy place, Belvedere Church. Two years ago, I moved to South America. Now the providence is centered on South America. After centering on the South American providence for a while, I went back to Korea and I have been doing a lot for the providence in Korea. I started many new projects and have been taking care of all the work there.

A NEW FOCUS

Now is the time for all the old church or church-related signs to come down; a new form should emerge. The church era focuses on individual salvation; however, it is time to rise from the individual level of salvation to the family level, because the family is the cornerstone or basic unit for building a nation.

What happened in the family of Adam and Eve at the time of the human fall? Not only individuals but the entire family collapsed. Therefore, the providence of restoration involves restoring mind/body unity, unity among family members, and then unity within the tribe, society, nation and so forth. Because of the fall, the human race started with a false blood lineage, and it expanded into families, tribes, societies, nations and a world; that is the world we are facing every day. Therefore, True Parents come to save humanity and change this blood lin-

age into the heavenly lineage; we have to expand this worldwide. This is the period of equalization, centering on True Parents. Do you understand? The worst parents appear and break down everything, causing separation in every direction. In this time, True Parents appear and bring mind/body unification and perfection of man and woman, who are connecting with one another to create a perfect family. This can expand horizontally into a unified world. Do you understand? This is the opposite of the fallen way where individuals separate and families separate. Satan has been occupying the whole world.

Rebirth is needed. True Parents appeared and connected the true individual base, accomplishing complete unification of mind and body. The authority of that kind of man and woman, centered on their perfected family, extends to the Kingdom of Heaven. The period of religion is passing away, because the purpose of the major religions was individual salvation. That is why the signs of all religious organizations, not just the Unification Church, should come down sooner or later. If Adam and Eve had been totally united with God to begin with, do



43rd Foundation Day, May 1st, 1997, at Belvedere.

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you think religion would have been necessary? What about the history of restoration? No. Everything was supposed to be accomplished at that time.

Because of the human fall, all of humanity throughout history has been suffering from fall sickness. Therefore, True Parents come to bring the new serum of truth. When you get a shot or injection from True Parents, you are engrafted into the heavenly lineage. It is like receiving a vaccination during an epidemic. That is why receiving the Blessing is the most important thing in your life.

TRIBAL MESSIAHSHIP

We are in the position of restored Adam and Eve, working towards the level of perfection. Centering on blessed couples, the entire world has to be restructured and reorganized to meet the criteria of the Kingdom of Heaven. That is why I gave direction to blessed couples to play the role of tribal messiahs. If you perform the tribal messiah role properly, you should be able to bring 160 families, including your relatives and your immediate family, to the Blessing. By doing so, you will set a condition to restore your entire tribe. Based on this tribal restoration, the nation can be built, restoring the failure at the time of Jesus Christ. The families of John the Baptist and Joseph will be restored; all the foundation will be laid, then the nation will be formed. Then we will continue building the world centering on God.

As you know, already in 185 nations, national messiahs are forming this center. Your responsibility is to do tribal messiahship where you are living and carry out your mission. Once we accomplish the three levels of family messiah, tribal messiah, and national messiah, and fulfill our responsibility properly, then Satan cannot interfere in our work and in our life. Once all these levels are completed and the national messiahs are totally united and the worldwide level is prepared, they will be called "world messiahs." All humanity will be in the position of the original Adam and Eve who have completed the eight different stages and will be called "perfected."

While you were not aware of what I was doing, I laid all the necessary ground work to dispatch these national messiahs to the world. No matter what nation it may be, if four national messiahs can be totally united centering on God, then the entire world can be restored. After four nations, the next stage will be twelve nations. The four position foundation will be elevated to restore twelve nations and then the world. People tend to keep their old habits from before they joined the church, but while you are still struggling with your old habits, the time line of God's providence has progressed so fast that it makes you dizzy. You don't know how fast it is traveling, but soon it will be beyond your reach; thus, you have to be fully alert.

STAGES OF RESTORATION

There are eight different stages horizontally and eight different stages vertically. Through shrinking the satanic realm from the worldwide level to the individual level, in eight dif-

ferent stages, we can get rid of it. Right after World War II, if people had connected with God's blessing centering on the Lord of the Second Advent, this process would have been completed by now. Then it would have expanded vertically centered on God's direction, the heavenly line, not the satanic line. It is like establishing and rebuilding the Garden of Eden again. But that did not happen.

The Lord of the Second Advent would have become the True Parent to the entire humanity, but because of the failure of the allied countries and Christianity, the True Parent was kicked out of this world. I, who was supposed to build this vertical original world, was chased away to this satanic world level, into the wilderness. So I started from scratch, from the zero level again, to complete these eight different stages. At each stage, I had to get the Cain and Abel representatives to unite. Finally, True Parents won victory on the worldwide level here. That is why, after I won the victory in Korea, I moved to America so that I could work with world-level Christianity centering on Catholicism and Protestantism, which represent Cain and Abel and are like a mind/body relationship.

The United Nations represents only the body, the minus, because it is a political organization. It does not have the plus. It represents world politics; therefore, it needs a woman figure. In other words, Eve and Cain and Abel figures are needed. I am preparing this very foundation for the sake of the United Nations. Just as our body always puts pressure on our mind and tortures our mind, the United Nations has been putting pressure on religion and putting down religion, which represents the mind. That is why body-centered politics, such as these do not have anything to do with God or God's original purpose. Mind and body have been separated in the history of restoration; they have to reverse this course in order to meet the original point. Once I reach the worldwide victory, I will bring the entire world to this original point. There have been two different battles, internal and external, because of the battle between the good spirits and the evil spirits in the spirit world. And also, in the physical world there has been a struggle between evil parents and True Parents. The satanic individual base has extended to the worldwide base, and battles have taken place from the individual level to the worldwide level.

Up until recently, the entire world, including the democratic world and the communistic world, mobilized to oppose and attack me. However, that era is over. I set the indemnity conditions and restored 4,000 years of human history in 40 years. The Old Testament era, which was the first Israel, the first Messiah era, and the New Testament era, which was the second Messiah era, ended in failure, and I had to restore those 4,000 years of the history of failure. The spirit world and the physical world are now united with True Parents. So once I reach the worldwide victory level and embrace the entire world, this entire world will go through the engrafting process, the process of rebirth, and the Kingdom of God will be built on earth. These eight horizontal stages of completion will be established vertically, too. During the last 40 years, the entire spirit world and the physical world joined together and attacked and persecuted me. That time is over. Satan is losing his dominion of the entire world. There is a new world, nation, tribe,

All levels and viewpoints have to be re-established centered on God, through True Parents—from universal views to world views, national views, family views, and individual views. By establishing home church, you are in the position to inherit everything. Everything connects to that direction.

family and individual, because at this point, we meet with our own mind and body.

THE FUTURE OF AMERICA

Americans say that America represents the free world and is the supreme nation of the world, but suppose the entire world disappears and America alone exists. America is the kingdom of extreme individualism, the kingdom of free sex. In the Garden of Eden, Adam and Eve became the ancestors of extreme individualism, selfishness, and free sex. You will reap what you have sown. That was the season of spring, and we are reaping the results as the harvest. The country that represents Satan's harvest is America. The original individual personality, family values, tribal base, national base and worldwide base were lost. This is reality, not a concept. Do you understand?

America does not have anywhere to go now. As American brothers and sisters, do you have enough resources and power to rule the world? You lost your grandparents, your parents, your siblings; there are no relationships. Relationships became complicated and were lost. Can anyone deny that? So, centering on America, there may be twelve major nations in the world that are leading world affairs. These countries are repeating the same mistakes that Adam and Eve made in the Garden of Eden at the time of the fall.

How can we say that our tribe, our nation, and our world are centered on God? Even your view of life and way of life is based on this selfish and extreme individualism. That is why you lost everything from the individual level to the worldwide level. This is a result of free sex. Incest is taking place in this world. Incest is not connected to God's side, but completely connected to Satan's side. This has been the reality.

You have to turn back 180 degrees otherwise, there is no hope. The world, with its nations, tribes, families and individuals, have all been connected to Satan's side. Now Satan's work is collapsing. True Parents restore all that was lost throughout human history and establish it on a vertical level. All levels and viewpoints have to be re-established centered on God, through True Parents—from the universal views to the world views, national views, family views, and individual views. By establishing home church, you are in the position to inherit everything. Everything connects to that direction. Do you understand? Adam connects to the individual viewpoint and to the viewpoint of the family, tribe, nation, world and cosmos, centering on God's love. Is that right? (Yes.)

We take things away from Satan. The first thing we have to accomplish is the restoration of the elder son's birthright. Then once Cain and Abel have reached unity, they have to be united with the mother figure. Then, when they join the United Nations work and unite as plus and minus, as Cain and Abel, the restoration of kingship will take place. For that reason, I established the Women's Federation, Religious Federation, Youth Federation, and all the federations to work with the United Nations for world peace. The day that the United Nations declares True Parents' Day to the world, the entire world will celebrate. Also, the United Nations should invite True Parents to take the position of Secretary-General for eternity. When

that kind of tradition is set, then restoration of the world will be completed. Then we can proclaim not just one nation under God, but one world under God! [Clapping]

THE FUTURE OF THE UNITED NATIONS

America cannot control the United Nations. Recently, the Republican party had an agenda to somehow pull America out of it. But I used the *Washington Times* to stop that evil attempt. I mobilized many ambassadors from around the world to exert their influence to stop it. Many Ambassadors and American ambassadors met to discuss how to solve these problems. The *Washington Times* pointed the direction for the future. You were not aware of that, were you? Because each nation sends ambassadors to the United Nations to America, I mobilized both ambassadors from each nation and worked with them. As individuals, we consist of mind and body. The same principle applies to the organization of the United Nations. Because we lost on the individual level the elder sonship, parentship and kingship, we have to restore the elder sonship, parentship and kingship on the worldwide level, centering on the restoration of Cain, Abel and Eve. I am told that the United Nations is in debt for about 3 billion dollars, but I am confident that we can take care of that debt if we truly mobilize the Women's Federation for World Peace, Family Federation for World Peace, Youth Federation for World Peace, HARP and CARP, and all organizations under my wing. The family of Adam included the father, Eve, Cain and Abel. What was lost in the family of Adam should be restored before we attempt to restore the world. That is why we have to make sure that the elder sonship, parentship and kingship are restored, centered on God.

Where is the base or very place for advancing God's providence of restoration from the individual level to the world? The home church, the family church. Suppose everyone in a nation, from the president and the cabinet members to all its families, establish this family church; then national restoration comes automatically.

Suppose that by the end of August of this year, with only three months to go, we reach our goal of 3.6 million couples. Then I will proclaim to the world that beginning from September 1, we will march forth toward the goal of reaching 36 million couples. Once that happens, the entire world will be stirred up.

The family is clearly the starting point, the direction, and the terminal point. It is the clear cause and clear result. Churches and religions did not have a clear starting point, a clear direction, or a clear destination. They have lost their direction. The Unification understanding offers a clear purpose and direction for the individual, family, tribe, nation, world and cosmos. It clarifies God's starting point, direction and purpose. At last we will be with God. All humankind and everything in the cosmos will be centering on God and will become new creatures with a clear direction. Then they can embrace God and God's true love place. Everyone will enjoy dancing and singing. People of all tribes and nations will be dancing and singing. The cosmic Kingdom of Heaven on earth and in heav-

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*Father and Mr. Peter Kim at the opening of the speech at Belvedere,
May 1, 1997.*

en will be an enjoyable world of dancing and singing. That is the Kingdom of Heaven on earth. Is that right? (Yes!) How great everything will be when race and color are no problem! Love power is the strongest power. Think of the power of blood lineage when it is directed towards unity. Do you understand?

Because such a time has now come, I took down the sign for HSA-UWC. It is reborn as the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification. Through the course of the Old Testament and New Testament eras, we lost everything from the family to the worldwide level. Since we are in the time of world level, I started from the worldwide level and went to the family level; so now we are establishing family church.

Although Jesus Christ was crucified 2,000 years ago, his power and influence have been felt all over the world. But suppose Jesus Christ had not died, but rather had established his family. If his children had multiplied, how long do you think it would have taken to restore the entire world? Not more than 600 years. Do you understand? Jesus' family would have been the mainstream family of the world. The mainstream is like the true olive tree. The fallen world's wild olive tree would have been cut down at the starting place, making that true olive tree and influencing the whole orchard. Then God would have been able to dominate the true olive orchard. Is this clear? The wild olive trees need to be grafted with True Parents' blessing. The trunk has to be cut down and then grafted with a new branch. The new branch is the new blessing. This grafting process takes place through receiving the Blessing. In this way, the very family that was lost in the Garden of Eden will be restored on the worldwide level.

No matter how much America may try to harm the Unification Church, it will not be destroyed. Even if Germany or the entire European continent is mobilized, there is no way for them to achieve it. The entire nation of Japan was mobilized to get rid of the Unification Church, but they found no way.

The conclusion, at this point, is that unless we take down this sign which deals with religion, we cannot accomplish res-

toration of humanity because this very sign limits salvation to the individual level. Do you want salvation to remain on the individual level, or do you want to see family-level, national and worldwide-level salvation?

ASSISTANCE FROM THE SPIRITUAL WORLD

Just as at the time of Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden, now at the Chung Pyung Lake workshops, the spirit world is coming down and working at our physical level. Good angels are coming down and chasing the evil angels and evil spirits away. Once we establish this foundation by chasing away these evil spirits on the family level, then couples in the spirit world will be liberated too. What is the basic unit of the Kingdom of God? The family. The Kingdom of God is within God-centered blessed couples who

are connected through the family-level true love foundation. Do you understand? Without making that family system, one cannot get into the Kingdom of Heaven. That was God's original ideal of creation.

Until now, everyone was separate. The archangel had no spouse. On the individual base, everything is separate. Now True Parents have made the ideal family base which is victorious on earth and in heaven as well. The two worlds will be liberated completely, centering on this year's Blessing in November. The true love family base will expand to the nation and world, connecting people everywhere with the Kingdom of Heaven on earth, and in heaven. Everything will be liberated. Mansei, Mansei, Mansei!

This plan is not imagination; it is not science fiction. It is reality. It is a very logical process. That is why I already declared that newspapers should be established in 185 nations. Centering on these newspapers, I am organizing investigative bureaus in each nation which will mobilize many former intelligence agents to become investigators of righteousness. I also formed the Martial Arts Federation for World Peace. These three legs will form the front line to deal with the reality of society and the satanic power of the media, investigative bureaus and the Mafia, which have been blocking God's power everywhere.

I recently spoke to writers from the Orient. I am now planning to form a federation for world authors. Through such organizations, I am going to lay the foundation to build the new heavenly culture for the 21st century so that we can educate young people and lead them to grow up for the sake of the entire humanity and God's providence. Writers should produce novels and books centered on Godism, not secularism anymore. Do you follow me?

Therefore, please do not feel bad or sad about the disappearance of the HSA-UWC sign. This has been transformed into the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification. This is a much better and higher-level sign. Because of this, you have the blessing to conduct your family church.

I want to sing some kind of famous song; I will dance so that God will enjoy everything.

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May 1, 1997, at Belvedere.

What era are we living in? This is the Completed Testament era. The Old Testament and New Testament eras, which dealt with Christianity and other religions, have passed. This is the era of completion, the Completed Testament era. Now we can deal with families. This is the way families will be saved. It is a different and higher dimension. The family base all over the world will connect all humankind, automatically, into family churches, tribal family churches, national family churches, and a world family church. That will be the Kingdom of Heaven—the ideal family, ideal tribe, ideal nation, ideal world, ideal creation of God. Everything will be completed so that at last God will be liberated, too. Wow! It will be the first time for God.

I want to sing some kind of famous song; I will dance so that God will enjoy everything. Singing groups, dancing groups, ballet, academic projects, etc.—everything will be liberated, in every corner of the world. Do you like that? Wow, what a wonderful time has come on earth! Wow, we are laughing with loud voices, we are dancing, we are stirring up all of space. A wonderful time has come for you, your family, your world—God's Kingdom of Heaven! Do you like that?

A NEW SPRINGTIME

I have suffered too much persecution for the past forty years. You don't know that. If I had not been here, what kind of result would there have been? The time of persecution and hesitation is over. Utilize every ounce of your energy and do your

absolute best to fight and march forward. Will you do that? (Yes.) So, that is our main active purpose. Do you like that? (Yes.) And you like Father? [A small child shouts, "Yes!"] Young people have more power. Youth have more power, more than you and I. So should we have that goal and hope? (Yes.)

This is May, and we will see everything prospering and blooming. New life emerges. New buds form. All the birds and animals start moving. In springtime, freedom and liberty are dawning for the sake of the entire Unification Church movement. You should have a burning desire and new determination to follow True Parents to restore the entire world so that we can build the Kingdom of God on earth. Amen. (Amen!) One baby's voice is stronger than all voices. That means the third generation is more hopeful and is coming to us.

The details of this transition from HSA-UWC to the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification have already been explained through various speeches; so you will be informed of the details. However, I want you to understand the crux of why this new era begins with this new name. Don't you feel obligated to go out and bring more couples to the coming Blessing? (Yes.) Bring the king of your nation. Bring your grandparents, your father and mother, your children, and your

grandchildren, your families. Then your entire nation will be restored at once. It is not a lie. The lineage is now changing. When foreigners come to America and go through proper procedures to become American citizens, it takes some work. Which is more important, precious and more valuable: becoming an American citizen or becoming a Unification Church blessed couple? God's blessed couple. With this blessing card, you can go everywhere, for it will be the Kingdom of Heaven on earth and in heaven. There are no boundaries for blessed couples. Free, free, too much free! I can sleep and take a long, long rest—forty days or forty years. How wonderful! What a wonderful time for me, too!

So, do you feel excited? This is the 43rd anniversary of the establishment of HSA-UWC. After 430 years, the Israelites restored the land of Canaan. This is the worldwide time. Christianity is the expansion of these Israelites, and worldwide Christianity is being restored after 43 years of HSA-UWC. The failure of the Israelites has been restored centered on the unity of Christianity and now this new era has been formed. This is why I gave the mottoes: Let Us Be Proud of True Parents and Love True Parents, as last year's motto, and this year, Let Us Be Proud of True Parents and Love True Parents By Accomplishing the 3.6 Million Couples Blessing. That way, we can even fly. Is that a problem for you or not? (No.)

Thinking of the size of America, your responsibility is to bring 360,000 couples; that should be a piece of cake. So is America going to accomplish this or not? Thumbs up or down? (Thumbs up!)

You are the elder brother; you can bring your younger brother to the Kingdom of Heaven. At least they will be thankful for their elder brother. You did great, they will say, thank you very much! Satan's side is using force to get people into hell. We go the opposite way.

I am planning to leave the country on May 5. Sunday is May 4. Do you want me to come here to speak on Sunday? (Yes!) [Cheering and clapping] Do you want me to come to headquarters today and speak at the celebration there, or do you want to wait until Sunday for me to give a new message?

BRING YOUR RELATIVES TO THE BLESSING

Please study the detailed explanation of this transition and remember what I told you this morning. This is the time that you have to bring your immediate family members and your relatives to the next Blessing. You have authority as elders, parents and kings. That is the subject position. The subject can control the object with no problem. Do you understand? You are the elder brother; you can bring your younger brothers to the Kingdom of Heaven. At last they will be thankful for their elder brother. You did great, they will say, thank you very much! Satan's side is using force to get people into hell. We go the opposite way. Do you understand?

Until now your family, your tribe, and your nation were against us. You should now reverse this and use your power as subject to connect people with God and True Parents. Satan's power cannot combat this original power. They will ultimately follow. They must go the way of the Blessing, beginning with your family, your tribe, and your nation.

Can you do it? Really? Can you do it? (Yes!) Your mind says that first. Mobilize all ten of your senses to do it, then swear to God. Show your determination through mobilizing not only your five physical senses but all ten senses. Become seventy times stronger than the opposition and persecution from the satanic world. Use seventy times more power than they did in the past to bring your relatives and immediate families to the next Blessing. You will not be violating heavenly law.

Satan will bow down at last. Even Satan will bow down to you and say, "I want to be saved, please." Do you understand? We have to root out the entire tree of Satan and throw it into the dungeon of hell. Your relatives and the people of your nation should be saved and separated from Satan. You understand clearly. Get them away from Satan. You will do it absolutely? Open your big eyes, open your mouth and ears, and you can clean everything up at once. God wants that kind of person. Do you understand? Our time has come. You will not lose. Will you do it? Will you do it? This is May 1. My message needs your determination, right? Let's do it.

Please do not feel sad because my message is short this morning. In the near future, it may not even take five minutes. Please join me in prayer.

[Mr. Peter Kim's prayer] *Our most beloved Heavenly Father. What a morning and what a message! The entire creation, all of nature is showing us the sign of life, the sign of new lineage. On this day, May 1, on top of that, we truly, truly are grateful that True Parents are here with us in America at Belvedere to give us new life, to share with*

us new truth. Father, now we are emerging out of the HSA-UWC era and into the era of the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification, therefore, we have to become new persons. Our mind and body must be united, and centering on that, we must build our original family on our family level, Father. That is the basic unit to build the Kingdom of God on earth, our Father says. Heavenly Father, this is our goal. Our goal is based on our family. We have to bring 160 families to the next Blessing. For that, we received Your inspiration, we received Your blessing, we received energy and power from You through True Parents this morning. With this power, this energy, this inspiration, Father, we are ready and more than ready to go out and hit the road to do our mission. Therefore, please whip us if we are still asleep, so that we can be fully aware of what You want from us from this point on. Father, please give Your strength, wisdom and heart and power to our True Parents so that they can be up in heaven, and spiritually and physically leading us without doing actual physical work, Father. We will carry out the mission here on earth, Father. Heavenly Father, thank You very much for this precious message You have given us this morning. Centered on True Parents, we are more than determined, more than pledged to do our absolute best to mobilize every ounce of our energy to complete our mission. We again thank You, thank You very much, and we pray all of these things in the name of our True Parents. Amen.

Please rise for Mansei - four times. Hananim, Mansei! Cham Pumonim, Mansei! 3.6 Million Couples Blessing, Mansei! Family Federation, Mansei! ■■■

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THE COSMIC ERA OF BLESSED FAMILIES

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IS THERE any volunteer to read Father's title this morning? Please repeat after me: Family Federation for World Peace and Unification. Chukbok kajung means blessed couple; Saegae means world or cosmos; means period or era. The Cosmic Era of Blessed Families.

Even if you become a couple, without producing children you cannot form a blessed family. Therefore, it is important that we understand the term "blessed family." It does not just mean a blessed couple. In the family there should be grandparents, parents, children and grandchildren.

Ordinarily, secular people do not understand what we mean by cosmos. This is our own unique term. The cosmos includes the Kingdom of God on earth and in heaven. It means the unification of both worlds.

If we use the term "cosmos" people do not understand, therefore, I use the word saegae or world. Internally, we should understand the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification to mean: the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification—the Cosmic Era of Blessed Families. This title has recently been given to you. The Family Federation for Cosmic Peace and Unification includes within it the meaning of the Unification Church as an individual entity. It includes the individual, unification, and church. What is the subject centering upon the individual? (The mind.) Where do you as an individual fit into this title: cosmos? peace? unification? Family Federation? Where? (Family.)

"I" can represent the whole. Therefore, I can say that "I" represent the entire cosmos. I represent unification. I represent the Family Federation. I represent the cosmic era. I represent the blessed family movement. Subject and object, plus and minus have equal value.

"I" can represent the cosmos, peace, unification and even God. I can represent the Kingdom of God on earth as well as in heaven. Do you follow? What about your eyes? This eye can represent me. Even your nose can represent you. Your ear, mouth, hand, foot and even a small cell in your arm can represent the whole of yourself as a human being.

MAKE UNIFICATION YOUR GOAL

A man's sexual organ can represent manhood. You can represent the universe. In love, what comes together in order to create love? (Male and female sexual organs.) Man is a big plus and woman is a big minus. [Father draws a diagram on the board.] The meeting point between husband and wife is the small plus and small minus. The whole man is a big plus and the whole woman is a big minus, but when they make love, the small plus and small minus come together and become one. There are billions of cells in your body, but this small organ represents

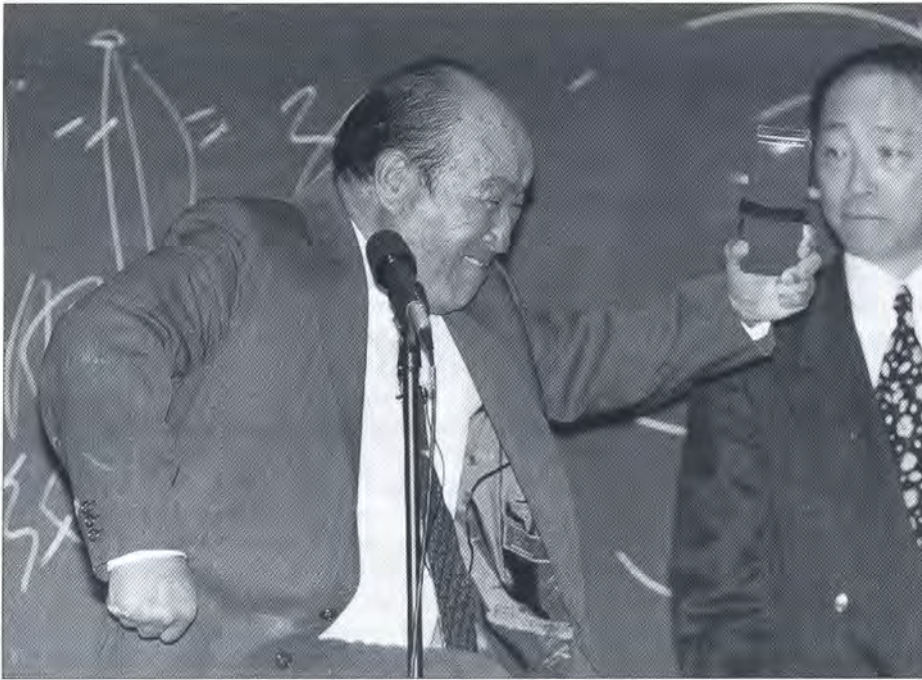
all your cells and organs. When you make love, don't you think that the cells in your body become active? (Yes.) Everything works towards one goal of unification. Where plus and minus come together, peace is created. When this phenomenon occurs, the base for a family is established. The extension of this is the man's world and the woman's world. It extends further to the cosmic level. [Father continues to draw on the board.] This is the very beginning point for building the Kingdom of God on earth. That is why love is so precious.

Please remember that there is only one vertical line. There is just one central point, never two. The horizontal and vertical lines should be perpendicular. Centering upon that central point, if this vertical line and this horizontal line begin to move around in a circular motion, then the entire universe will begin to revolve. In that center, we can find God as well as the family of God. That center represents everything that we can imagine. We should understand this concept clearly.

No matter how small a woman may be, she should have confidence that she is the representative of the entire female world. The same is true for a man. You can even think that you represent your grandmother and all your ancestors. As a woman, you represent all the mothers who went before you as well as all the wives in your time period. As a woman, you also represent all the elder and younger sisters in the world. Any woman has a lineage. If we are able to pull her lineage out, don't you think that all the female ancestors would be pulled out? Although they may stretch out like a rubber band, they are not disconnected but rather form part of the same line. In your mind, you should desire to become the representative of the entire humanity and the entire world. You should desire to become a queen of queens, grandmother, mother, wife, daughter, and sister—the representative of all female figures.

You ugly men have the same feeling don't you? If I were to pull your lineage line out like a rubber band, then your father, grandfather, and great-grandfather, all the way back to Adam would be pulled out also. Do you understand?

Therefore, you are the representatives of all the male and female figures throughout history. If God comes down here and sees what is happening, do you think He would be happy to see only one tribal lineage, or would He look for the lineage all the way back to Adam and Eve? (All the way back.) If you want to provide the road for God to travel, would you like to offer your lineage zig-zagging all the way to Adam, or a straight superhighway lineage back to Adam? (Straight superhighway.) If you want to do that, then you have to make sure that you become a good enough representative so that your entire ancestry will support you in one line. You should not live in a zig-zag fashion. Once you build this superhighway, it should be straight and wide all the way to the end. It should not be both wide and narrow. Because of the fall of



Have you been living like a fish in a net, or like a rocket?

Have you followed the straight way, the highway of one cell to one cell? If you are the one plus cell and ten minus cells appear, will you welcome them or reject them? (Reject.) Among all the billions of cells within our sexual organ, there should be a kingly plus cell and a queenly minus cell, truly centered upon God. But have you supported, strengthened and widened this super-highway, or have you deviated and held back? This is the question you need to ask yourselves. If ten queenly minus cells appear, a single plus cell cannot deal with all of them. In order to deal with them, you would have to have ten sets of eyes, ten sets of ears, ten noses, etc. It would be too com-

man, this road is sometimes upside down and so narrow in places that one cannot pass.

FOLLOW THE STRAIGHT COURSE

In our teaching we use the term "individual truth body." Within our body there are over 40 billion cells. If each of these cells insisted on being the best and doing whatever it wished, could we exist as a human being? (No.) If each of the cells in your eyes and nose began to insist that it is better than the others, or insist on its own way, we would have trouble. Which of the 40 billion cells could claim to be the best? The love organ cell. Repeat after me, love organ cell. (Love organ cell.) Wow! People might claim that the Unification Church is heretical because Reverend Moon always speaks about sexual organs, but in reality we are not heretics. Do you feel this is real? (Yes.) If you truly understand and believe in my message, would the cells in your sexual organ be ashamed or give a loud mansei? (Mansei!)

Even among the sexual organ cells there are plus and minus. Which kind is the mainstream cell? (Plus.) If there are only plus cells then there would be no continuation. The plus cells in your sexual organ should claim that they are living for the minus cells and that their ultimate goal is to meet the minus cells. The minus cells should claim the same thing about the plus cells. With this desire, once the plus and minus cells come together and become totally one, then as a combined being they will explode like a rocket. They will become so powerful because they want to occupy the love center, which is God. The power of love is like that. Do you think that two minus cells would unite with one plus cell, or would there be only one partner? (Only one.) Yes, only one plus and one minus, not two. One partner means an absolute, unchanging being. Love has that kind of content. Therefore, do you understand the concept I have explained?

This concept of the cosmic era of the blessed family includes all the explanations which I have just given to you. Also, the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification is included here. Now I want to pose a question to you. Have you been seeking this one-to-one cellular love life, like the egg and sperm cells, or have you deviated and entertained different thoughts?

licated. Absolute unification can never occur under such circumstances. Do you understand?

Blessed couples, show your hands. Amazingly, everyone is blessed! Have you blessed couples been living up to the standard of these king and queen cells, or have you lived like helpless shrimps caught in a net? What kind of life experiences have you had? Do you understand what I am trying to say? A woman's net exists in order to catch a man. There is also a man's net which exists to catch a woman. You end up like shrimp caught in the fishing net. Have you been caught in one of these nets and have your activities been limited because of it, or have you been totally free from these nets and lived as king and queen cells, uniting and exploding like a rocket? Have you been living like a fish in a net or like a rocket? (Rocket.) If you pull up a shrimp net, there are usually many dead shrimp in it. Some are alive, but they are weak. How miserable people are in the world because of such nets! Even though this handsome gentleman's hair is very ugly, still his hair desires to live like a king and queen cell. Don't you think that the hair would think that way?

If all the 40 billion cells in your body were to complain against you, what would be your destination, heaven or hell? (Hell.) The bottom of hell. The dividing line between heaven and hell is within the sexual organ. The sexual organ is the most fearful and also the most precious place. If you follow the king and queen cell road, it will lead to the most precious place. Do you want to find the most fearful place or the most precious place? (Precious.) Those who are willing to follow the precious way, the king and queen way of life, please show your hands.

The world around us is filled with free-sex advocates. Do we find anyone like you out in the secular world? (No.) Do you have confidence in that? (Yes.) Thumbs up or thumbs down? (Thumbs up.) There may have been some zig-zag lines caused by past wrongdoing, but from this time on, since I have proclaimed the cosmic era of blessed families, we have to straighten everything out.

TRUE PARENTS ARE LIKE TRUE LOVE CELLS

What is the meaning of "True Father" and what does it mean to you? True Father represents the true king cell, and True Mother

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represents the true queen cell. True Father represents plus and True Mother represents minus. Don't you think that they should have the same direction when they unite? (Yes.) [*Father draws on the board.*] This upper section represents plus and minus centered upon God, and this lower section represents plus and minus centered upon True Father and True Mother. Circular movement should center upon the central meeting point of the vertical and horizontal lines. This is the central point where all the billions and billions of cells become united representing the individual, family, society, nation and world. But if we cut this in half vertically, one side represents the big plus and the other side the big minus. Once this big plus and big minus combine into one, the entire being becomes united; therefore, circular movement occurs. Do you understand?

The meaning of "True Parents" can be traced all the way back to the cell level. The king plus cell and queen minus cell must become absolutely one. Then from that point on, individually and as a couple, True Parents should win the victory at each level—the cellular level, individual level, couple level, family level, national level, worldwide level—and eventually become totally one with God. That is why establishing our blessed family is a prerequisite in order to build the Kingdom of God. Even True Parents have to build the ideal family first.

When your body takes a certain direction for a particular purpose, your mind knows what is happening. If it is a wrong direction, your mind may say, "You, eyes, why do you look in that direction? You, nose, why do you smell in that direction?" Your mind knows what they are looking for. Is this not true? (Yes.)

I am referring to world level completion and even cosmic level completion centering upon the family. Even the Family Federation is centered upon the family—God's family, my family, your family. If there is even one cell among the 40 billion cells of a blessed individual that is complaining and demonstrating against you, then you cannot build the original family. At the cosmic level, each family is like one cell representing the whole body. Each family represents all the families of the cosmos.

UPHOLD ABSOLUTE FAITH, LOVE AND OBEDIENCE

Each person in your family knows which direction is right. If your family is heading in the wrong direction, the minds of your family members should know. If the father and mother are doing something wrong, then the children and other family members should know about it. If the elder brother is doing something wrong, then even the younger brother would know that. Then how can we take care of these problems? God has given the motto of absolute faith, absolute love, and absolute obedience. This should be our daily motto. Our entire family should live centered upon this motto because this is the road that the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification—the Cosmic Era of Blessed Families won.

Don't you think that God has cells? At the time of creation, don't you think that God had cells? God wanted His creation to become totally united. Therefore, He made certain that He created upon the foundation of absolute faith, love and obedience. That was God's aim and target. Everything was focused

upon that goal. That was the first concept. [*Father writes on the board.*] The substantial creation is in the position of minus. God's focus, His mental unity, was in the position of plus. This was displayed in His creation from the mineral kingdom, to the plant kingdom, animal kingdom and so forth. We can find plus/minus relationships within all of these kingdoms. Since God created on the basis of absolute faith, love and obedience, our life must be centered upon this standard also. As plus and minus, we should uphold the absolute standard. The absolute standard of plus and minus also applies to the relationship between the spiritual world and physical world. The vertical oneness between the spiritual and physical worlds should be manifested horizontally within ourselves. Then we can see plus and minus in a vertical way, and plus and minus in a horizontal way. These two relationships meet at the core. In this center we can find God, Adam, Eve and the entire creation. Do you understand? Therefore, in order to solve any problems that might occur, God gave us this daily motto of absolute faith, absolute love and absolute obedience. Unless we strictly follow this commandment, our lives will become more complicated.

This is why God gave His commandment to Adam and Eve not to eat of the fruit of the tree of knowledge of good and evil. What does the fruit of the tree of knowledge of good and evil mean? The woman's sexual organ. The woman's fruit is good or evil, depending on her partner. If you have a relationship with the boss of the Mafia then you will produce the son of the Mafia. If you have a relationship with your king, then you will produce a prince. That is why God told them not to eat of the tree of knowledge of good and evil.

How many male figures existed in the Garden of Eden? God, Adam, and three archangels. How many female figures were there? (One.) This was the problem. Originally God and Adam were to become totally united and then Adam was to become one with Eve. But instead, Eve became one with one of the archangel figures.

God wanted to take Eve as His bride once she grew to maturity. But God also realized that there were four other male figures besides Himself. Therefore, wasn't it natural for God to give the warning to Adam and Eve not to eat the fruit of the tree of knowledge of good and evil? (Yes.) What is it then? The fruit meant woman's sexual organ. What kind of warning did God intend to give? Do you think that God would be concerned about a literal fruit in the Garden of Eden, or Eve's sexual organ? (Eve's sexual organ.)

In the secular world, inventions are usually created by one person and then utilized by others. For example, Great Britain came up with many inventions, but Germany took them and utilized them more than England did. Whoever utilizes something usually becomes the owner. Even though I may invent something, if you truly take this invention and utilize it more fully than I do, then you can become the owner. Don't you want to see your children become greater than yourself? (Yes.) Yes, every parent feels this way. Likewise, everyone wants to be greater than their ancestors.

The five main figures in the Garden of Eden all paid attention to one woman. Therefore, a literal fruit has no place in

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families came into being and the blessing is taking place in this world. Since True Parents have won the victory in every direction, there is no opposition nor persecution whatsoever. Amen! (Amen!) Everyone and every living creature is supposed to welcome True Parents. Every creature is liberated. Mansei! (Mansei!)

EXPAND THE REALM OF THE BLESSING

This is why I have given you the title this morning of: The Cosmic Era of Blessed Families. At the 3.6 Million Couples Blessing on November 29, heaven and earth will meet vertically, and the entire world will meet horizontally and become united. It will be as if the entire humanity, prior to the fall, is awaiting the Blessing time on November 29, 1997. It is equivalent to the Garden of Eden.

During this heavenly era, you can use your power to bring your parents and relatives to the Blessing without Satan's accusation. After they receive the Blessing, they will be so grateful to you, even though you might have to pressure them somewhat to attend. This is the place where the family is being created to receive the entire universal value as one family. As I told you earlier today, if we were to pull out the entire lineage from any one woman or man, the entire ancestry would be pulled by that string.

True Parents have appeared in the Last Days. Now, through indemnity, they have won the victory and liberated Jesus and the New Testament, as well as the Old Testament all the way back to Adam and Eve. If you truly follow my direction and bring your relatives to the Blessing, establishing this kind of foundation, then your entire ancestry will be attached to you. Then you will be able to liberate this ancestral line.

Beginning from November 29, the new era of Blessing will be extended to include the spiritual world. Until now, even within the spiritual world there existed splits and separation. Originally, Adam and Eve were supposed to fulfill their responsibility to build the original ideal family. Then together with their family, they would live together with God and enter into the Kingdom of God in the spiritual world. But due to the fall, this did not take place. In other words, the Kingdom of God is still empty. In these Last Days, as long as you are totally united with True Parents, then based upon True Parents' victorious establishment of the True Family on the horizontal level, you will have the privilege of becoming the citizens of the Kingdom of God.

Just as in the time of Adam and the Old Testament era, and Jesus and the New Testament era, we are in the position to restore and indemnify our ancestral line so that the entire spiritual world can be liberated. Up until now, the world's religions have focused upon individual-level salvation. But once you come out of that shell by following True Parents you enter the family level. The family level automatically extends to the nation, world and entire cosmos. Therefore, we can build the Kingdom of God on earth. As Unification Church

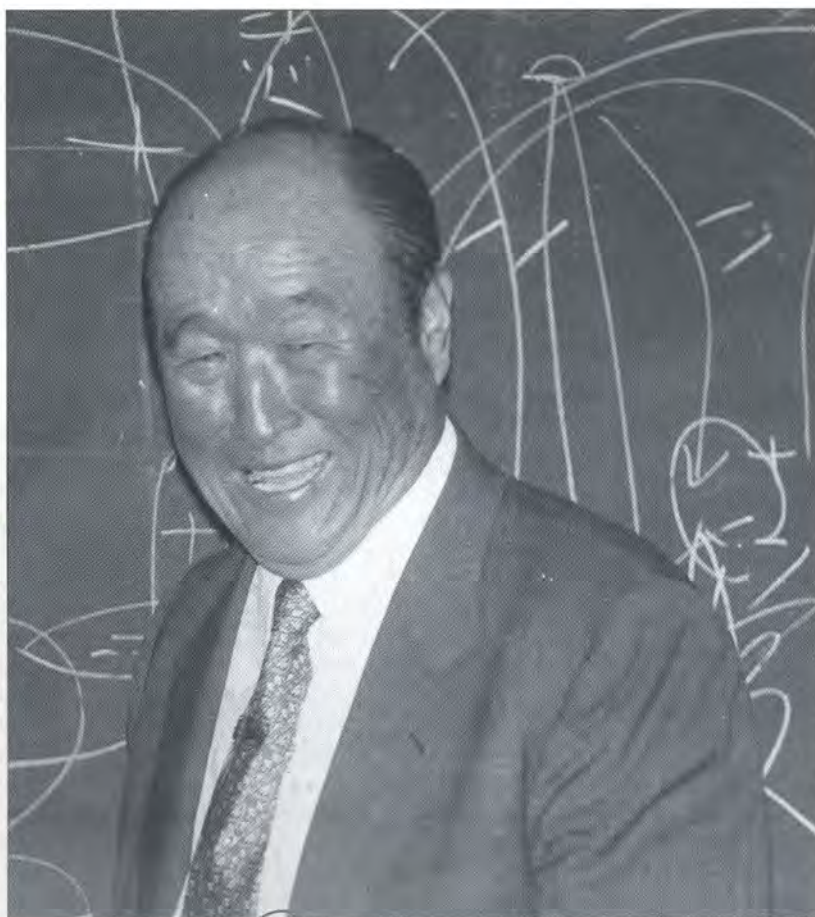


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blessed couples, if you truly fulfill the role of tribal messiahs, there is an automatic extension. That is why we can truly restore this world into the Kingdom of God.

For this purpose, I took down the HSA-UWC sign and put up a new sign, the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification. Until now, unification needed Christianity, including the Old Testament era and the New Testament era. If these are cut away, the Completed Testament era cannot stand. Without the foundation of the Old and the New Testament eras, the Completed Testament era could not find settlement. Now the era of Christianity is over. Now the blessing time has come to this world. Christianity can no longer persecute Reverend Moon in any way.

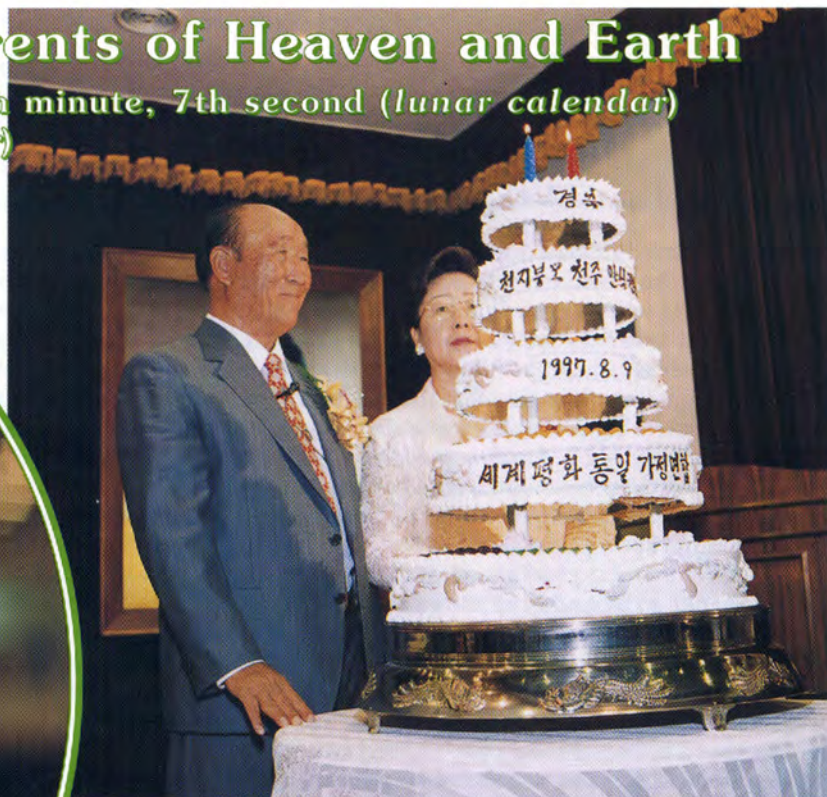
The members of the Family Federation for World Peace are not just Christians. They are the heads of nations and powerful leaders. Do you understand? No one can stand against this. The Christian world is following Reverend Moon. Everything is behind me making that highway. There are no obstacles. One Blessing can liberate all people of a nation, too. The way of salvation is not just for individuals. Do you understand? There is family and tribal salvation, national salvation and worldwide salvation, all at one time. How wonderful is the time in which we live! [Applause]

I am not speaking of concepts. This is a reality. Do you understand? Look at this secular world. Everywhere the families are broken down. No leaders in this world are able to correct things. Only Reverend Moon can do this—only True Parents. God didn't touch Adam's family at the time of the fall. God could not touch them. Only True Parents are able to touch that situation. Without the power of True Parents, humanity cannot be saved eternally. Do you understand? (Yes, Father.)

Remember, we are living in the cosmic era of blessed families. Therefore, your responsibility is to reach out to your imme-

Declaration of the Realm of the Cosmic Sabbath for the Parents of Heaven and Earth

July 7, 7th month, 7th hour, 7th minute, 7th second (lunar calendar)
August 9, 1997 (solar calendar)



True Parents celebrate the occasion with the traditional cake.



Father explains that at last God can rest in a nation, the world and the cosmos. August 9, 1997. (Photos: Korean Cultural Department.)

18-City Speaking Tour

August thru September 1997

Mother delivers her speech "Korean True Family Practice and Leaders Rally" in Incheon.
(below) Father speaks on the topic "World Peace and True Family Movement."
(bottom l.) Mother is greeted by the mayor of Seoul, Mr. Seun Cho, August 10, 1997.
(Photos: Korean Cultural Department)



Blessing Success in Mexico

Rev. Chong Kwan Yoo
National Messiah of Mexico
Leaders Conference
June 6, 1997

I joined the Unification Church in the 1950s. Until that time, I always regretted that I was born as a Korean, but at the time of joining, I started feeling proud of myself as a Korean. Again, listening to Father's message this morning, I felt so grateful, happy and proud that I am a Korean and that I am one of the Korean leaders. I have so much responsibility to carry out as a Korean.

At the last national messiahs meeting in Uruguay, Father gave us a really strong message. That was in the middle of May. In the nations of South America and Central America, only a few hundred couples had been blessed, maybe 1,000 couples only. At that point, Father challenged us by saying, "Do you know the meaning of the Old Testament era, the New Testament era, and the Completed Testament era? Regardless of the different time periods, everything was the promise of the Blessing, the marriage blessing." The Blessing means the marriage blessing; therefore, the completion of the Old Testament era, the New Testament era, and the Completed Testament era is the marriage blessing. As the disciples of the Completed Testament era, our task is to fulfill the responsibility of giving the Blessing.

Father scolded us saying, "Why couldn't you take this blessing campaign, make it popular in the world, and fulfill this responsibility?" Father also pointed out that our goal in Central and South America is 1.2 million couples. To accomplish that goal, we have 4,200 Japanese women missionaries. If each Japanese woman missionary blesses ten couples every day, that would total 42,000 couples blessed every day. If we could bring that kind of result every day, then in a month we will have fulfilled the goal of blessing 1.2 million couples. Father always gives us a blessing of possibilities; he blesses us with a possible task, not an impossible task. He always gives us blessings with the possibility that we can fulfill it.

All the Korean national messiahs who attended the meeting came to the conclu-

sion that Father is right. If our Japanese missionaries would go out and bring ten couples every day to be blessed, then we could reach the goal. That was our hope and vision when we returned to our nations.

When I came to this conference, Mexico had already blessed 5,050 couples. According to the continental leader, Rev. Zin Moon Kim, Mexico was ahead of any other Central American nation. Upon my return to Mexico on May 24, I followed exactly the way Father taught us, and the 5,050 couples have multiplied into 30,560.

Father also challenged us by saying, "Never be afraid of political leaders, media gurus, or even religious leaders. Have confidence and challenge them." Therefore, I got the idea of introducing the videotape of the inauguration of the Family Federation for World Peace which took place last year in Washington DC. I introduced this videotape to some television stations in Mexico, and those television stations have started showing it to the people of Mexico.

Christian ministers respond

When these videotapes were introduced through the television networks, the chairman of the Christian Ministers Association, which has about 600 Christian ministers working together, wanted to meet me. As Father explained to us this morning, he has spent more than twenty years in America working for the sake of Christianity. By the same token, when the president of the Christian Ministers Association came to see me, I explained to him that our movement, particularly this True Family Values campaign, is not trying to oppose Christianity but to work with Christianity, because the fall of man took place through the misuse of love. That is why we want to do this True Family Values campaign. Since fallen Adam and Eve married without permission from God, we want to obtain permission from God for every couple.

I decided to give a Blessing seminar

to forty key Christian ministers, and if they could agree to work together, we would extend these activities on a larger scale. So I invited forty ministers and their wives to come to this Blessing seminar. I lectured on the Principle of Creation, Fall of Man, Restoration, and the Second Advent. This lasted four and one-half hours. I also showed them two videotapes about Father's life, featuring his meeting with Presidents Mikhail Gorbachev and Kim Il Sung, and Mother's world speaking tours.

We have 130 Japanese missionaries, including the ten who came to Mexico about three years ago. I had some of them share their testimonies of how much they sacrificed to work for the sake of Mexico, leaving their infants and children at home, and how their husbands are supporting their families while the wife is in Mexico working for the sake of Mexico.

One minister's wife suddenly raised her hand and asked for the opportunity to say something. She suddenly started crying and said, "Now I understand that this Japanese woman came as a foreigner to Mexico and sacrificed her entire family for the sake of Mexico. Then we, as Christian ministers in Mexico, should stand up and lead everyone in this mission."

So, because of her inspiration and encouragement, all the participants at that seminar drank holy wine, were sprinkled with holy water, and shared in the officiator's Blessing prayer. The ministers then said in unison, "This Blessing shouldn't be just for us, we have to extend this blessing to our congregations too." Therefore, I immediately told them, "Since you received the blessing today, you are qualified to work with me to give this blessing to your congregations." They proposed to offer the blessing to the other 600 members of the Ministers Association first.

Since 600 couples is such a large group, I offered to hold two Blessing ceremonies for 300 couples at a time. I also told them to go back to their congregations and start giving the blessing to them.

As a kind of pilot project, I decided to hold three Blessing ceremonies each day for four days. When I asked those ministers how many couples from their congregation they could mobilize to receive the blessing, they said they could average 500 couples from each congregation. Because people work on different time schedules, they proposed holding two separate Blessings so every possible member of the congregation could participate. Of course, some ministers have smaller congregations and others have larger ones, but they said they could average 350 couples from each church. So if we hold ten Blessing ceremonies, we will easily pre-Bless maybe 3,500 couples.

As Father explained to us this morning, if each blessed couple goes out and brings ten more couples, the numbers will increase rapidly. By the same token, when I asked those ministers how we could reach our goal, they replied, "Look, it is a simple procedure. If we have 3,500 couples receiving the blessing and all these couples go out and bring ten more couples, such as their relatives and friends, soon we will reach 35,000 couples. It is that simple."

As I send out blessed couples to officiate at Blessings, I give them this photo of True Parents at the 360,000 Couples Blessing. They carry one of these photos around with them, and when they actually officiate at a Blessing, they put one of these photos in the center. If this size photo is not available, I have a half size of this photo which they can hang on their chest as they officiate. That is the way we are doing it now.

Also, since we are launching this campaign on a massive scale, there may be some fraud or fake campaigners. Therefore, we issue an identification card in Spanish. Whenever we bless a couple, we issue this identification card with their photo on it and True Parents' signatures, for them to keep. In the future, if we have to distinguish who is a blessed couple and who is not, we can always ask for this card; anyone who can show this identification card is considered a blessed couple. True Parents' photo is on the back of this card so no one can fake it.

I ask those who are going out every day to give blessings with these ID cards what kind of responses they are getting from the people they are blessing. First of all, they said that because they have this identification card, they are confident to contact anybody, approach anyone, and to go any place without hesitation. Also, because this ID card has True

Parents' photo on the back, they realize that they must not disgrace True Parents and they have to honor True Parents' name in whatever they do. This makes them more vertically connected.

They also shared their testimony that since they are going with True Parents' blessing and are carrying True Parents' photos, they cannot rest even if it rains. When it is raining, vendors and street sellers do not bother to visit families or solicit people on the street; if they did they would get wet. But these blessed couples who are giving the blessings feel that they cannot rest even on rainy days. When they ring a buzzer, people usually open the door wondering who could be calling on them on a rainy day. People tend to stay home when it is raining. Thus, on rainy days the result is greater than on sunny days. In one day, some people bless 33 or even 40 couples in a day. This kind of result is being harvested there.

In South America, there is a siesta from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. so no one bothers anyone during that time; it is nap time. But our blessed couples don't care. Even though they have a lunch box, sometimes they don't want to waste time by eating; they have greater results when families are at home to rest. When our couples introduce the Blessing, people get inspired and even introduce us to their children and relatives in order to bless those couples, so we usually get greater results.

These Japanese missionaries are inspired by the fact that True Father always goes out to the river or ocean regardless of rain, snow or wind. They conclude that we have to inherit that spirit from True Father. That is why they are going out every day regardless of weather conditions.

When they visit a family, the Japanese missionaries first sing the Mexican national anthem or any song Mexican people love to hear. Then they offer a Japanese song. Usually those husbands and wives are in tears because they had never seen a beautiful woman from a foreign country sacrifice their family to come and sing for them and offer a blessing. So they usually fill out the Blessing application form. We now have over 170,000 completed Blessing application forms in hand.

Our Japanese missionaries also carry the sisterhood certificate, which they exchange as part of the ceremony. The Mexican and Japanese flags are printed on this certificate. On the back, the Japanese sister and the Mexican housewife fill out their names and information, then

they exchange these certificates. After filling out the sisterhood certificate and pledge, they partake in the holy wine ceremony and the Blessing ceremony. The Japanese missionaries then give out the Blessing certificates which consist of True Parents' Blessing photo, the Unification symbol and the Family Federation symbol. The certificates also incorporate the four Blessing pledges/vows, and the signatures of both Father and Mother at the bottom. There are also serial numbers in order to track how many couples have received the blessing. These certificates are the living proof that True Parents' blessing campaign is spreading all over the world like wildfire. These certificates will be hung in the living room or bedroom of each family who receives the blessing.

As each missionary goes out with this photo of True Parents giving the blessing, I tell them that even though I am giving them these certificates with the blessing pledge, in reality and in spirit, Rev. and Mrs. Moon are officiating over the ceremony. Please consider that kind of significance.

As the Japanese missionaries prepared to go out to visit the families in Mexico, they were told two things. First, in the month of June, we have two significant dates to remember: June 10 was the date when Japan occupied Korea, and on June 25, 1950, North Korea invaded South Korea. To indemnify these two tragic events in Korean history, we must win the victory in the month of June.

How to win the victory

Of course, these Japanese missionaries are working hard day and night. They shed a lot of sweat and tears, but they have a common secret for winning the victory, they have a clear purpose and goal, and they pray constantly. Each missionary has a goal of reaching 360 couples, but to have Cain-type and Abel-type 360 couples, each has a goal of reaching more than 720 couples. Because this goal is clear, they are going for that goal and praying for it every day. Father told us the method of how to reach our goal. If you have a certain goal, set your goal much higher, then, in the worst case, you will reach your original goal.

Another secret to reaching the goal every day is by going out ten minutes earlier, and visiting one more house than originally planned; that way, they meet one more person. That is bringing results. If we want to win over Satan, logically we have to have something more than Satan or do better than Satan. Thus, if the secular standard is eight hours of

work and eight hours of rest every day, then we have to do more than Satan's standard of eight hours. Even after subtracting the time spent for a lunch break, we want to work more than eight hours every day. Our goal is to spend nine hours giving the blessing every day.

Another way of trying to be victorious is by working with the local authorities. For example, recently we had a Blessing ceremony for 200 couples in another city some distance away. There, the missionaries shared their hearts and gave testimony as to how they came to Mexico, even at great sacrifice to their families in Japan, and what kind of sacrifices they are going through to give the blessing. By sharing this kind of testimony, they urged each of the local couples who received the blessing to bring ten couples the next time, so the Japanese missionaries would not have to drive for twenty-four hours each time. The couples who received the blessing did agree to each bring ten couples next time, so that we can have a Blessing ceremony for 2,000 couples. They are now making such preparations, and one Japanese missionary will go there to officiate at this Blessing of 2,000 couples.

On various holidays, our members go out even more aggressively and reach as many couples as possible, and they bring even greater results.

My conclusion is that although families take a break, we must have a different standard. We need to do something special in order to win their hearts. While other people are resting, we go out and work hard. While they are sleeping, we remain awake to reach more families. This is the very secret, inspiration and determination which brings victories in Mexico.

I always inspire and encourage the missionaries to go out, to do their mission and reach their goal, and even to go beyond their goal. By doing so, we can indemnify all our past wrongdoings and mistakes.

Father always taught us to love our Cain-type children 100 percent, and that unless we can love like that, we will not be in the position to claim our own tribe, Abel-type, or our own children. Therefore, this is the best opportunity for all of us to indemnify our past mistakes and wrongdoings. By accomplishing more than our initial goal, we will do that.

I am reminded of what Father said yesterday. He said that if we decide to offer ourselves as a living offering, this offering must not be contaminated. It has to be a wholesome offering to God, True Parents and humanity. With that

kind of determination, with that kind of spirit and vision, if we reach out to all families, we will naturally win the victory for God and True Parents.

This is what the missionaries are doing every day. On Sunday, they wake up before 5:00 a.m., offer Pledge Service, and read at least eight pages of Divine Principle. By 8:00 a.m., they are already out the door to reach families—even on Sundays while everyone else is resting. I am truly inspired by those Japanese missionaries, and I am grateful to God and True Parents.

As the leader who is overseeing and guiding all these Japanese missionaries every day, each time I see their work, their genuine heart and their spirit, I am always in tears at the devotion and sacrifice they are offering. I am sure that God is moved by their devotion and sacrifice. When God is moved by their effort and tears, everything is possible.

The second generation mobilized

One of the daughters of a couple from the 430 Couples Blessing, Ee Jin Su, just graduated from Sun Moon University and is setting a living example in Mexico. She set a goal of reaching 40 to 45 couples every day. She goes out early in the morning and returns late in the evening, and every day she brings 33, 38 or 40 couples. She is the front-runner now. When someone from the second generation does such exemplary work, everyone else is inspired.

I have a personal testimony to share with you, too. I have a son who is attending the University of Bridgeport right now. The other day, I called him and asked him, "Well, your summer vacation is beginning, so do you have any plans?" He immediately answered by saying, "Father, I am going to witness for 45 days during this summer vacation with a second-generation task force organized and led by Jin Hun Nim. I am going to fully participate in that and gain a lot of experience."

I came to realize that without Father's vision for educational organizations such as the University of Bridgeport and Sun Moon University, our second generation would not have any place to go where they can be educated well and led vertically. The leader of the second generation students at the University of Bridgeport is well respected by them; they consider him like their uncle or elder brother. At the University of Bridgeport, professors such as Sung Hee Moon are always behind these second generation students, supporting them and leading them properly. That is why we see such results from the second generation. I am

truly grateful to Father that he established those schools.

When I showed this particular photo to the Korean ambassador to Mexico and to one of the consuls there, they said that it looked like the Nam Nam princess and Hoe Dong prince, which is a Korean fairy tale about the love between a prince and princess. I am proud to hold this photo in front of you.

We have a heavenly mandate from True Parents. It is our greatest honor and pleasure as blessed couples to go out and offer blessings to all families in place of True Parents. When did we have this kind of privilege and honor in the past? But now is the time that True Parents have given us this honor and privilege. I am truly grateful to God and True Parents. Thank you very much.■

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A Miracle with the Help of Jesus

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Israel

GENERALLY speaking, the Middle East is considered as one of the most difficult regions in terms of witnessing. Israel is one of this region's nations.

In Israel there is an anti-missionary law. If you violate this law, you will be kicked out. So ever since I arrived in this country, I have struggled about the issue of giving the blessing to the Israelites.

At the end of June, we started a 40-day Blessing campaign which lasted until August 6. During the previous five months, the results were just one or two couples a month. Since starting our campaign, however, results have reached an average of 100 couples a day.

As a national messiah, I had to make my own foundation first. In the beginning, I was nervous and had no confidence to bring results. This year I turned sixty years old, and I have a serious heart disease. On top of that, Israel's weather this time of the year is very hot. In any case, as a leader, I knew I had to show a good example to our members.

My wife and I started going door to door to give the blessing. It was the first time in 28 years, since our own Blessing, for the both of us to go witnessing together as husband and wife. It seemed to be a dream for me to be able to bless 160 couples; I had no confidence. Somehow we started and in just a couple of weeks we were able to bless 84 couples. It was amazing! Then I gained the confidence to bless 185 couples. We decided to go to the old city of Jerusalem, a city which is holy to the world's three major monotheistic religions: Judaism, Christianity and Islam. For this reason, it is not that easy to witness in the old city. Furthermore, this city has 3,000 years of history, so the streets are narrow and complex, like a maze. Foreigners are unable to enter the residential area. We went to the Christian quarter but had no idea where to start. Then we entered the big Catholic Cathedral and prayed seriously, asking Jesus to help us.

The first door we knocked on was opened by a young single woman. She said, "Sorry, I am not married yet." I asked her if she knew any good families living

around there. She pointed to an Arab man who was sitting on the doorstep nearby. He stood up and came over to us smiling and said, "Please come to my home." We followed him to his house where his young wife was waiting. They immediately accepted and received the blessing. The husband, who's name is Issa, said he was unemployed so he had lots of time. He offered to introduce his relatives and friends to us. Since then, we visited many houses with him every day. At each house, Issa explained about the Blessing and its procedure in Arabic. Since we do not know the Arabic language, without his assistance, we probably would have been rejected. As a result of his help, we just sat down on a chair and he did all the explaining. Almost 100 percent of all the families we met received the blessing.

I asked Issa to bring us to at least forty families in the old city within three days. The third day was Sunday and results were not good because all of the people were out. However, somehow around 7:30 in the evening we had reached our three-day goal of forty couples. Then a miracle happened. We visited one of the families who had previously received the blessing. At that Blessing ceremony, one of their relatives who was visiting them and had watched them receive the blessing, also wanted to receive it so we then gave him the blessing. By that time the rumor had spread that we were blessing people. Immediately after that, many people arrived at that house one after another, and the house became packed full. They also came in holding their spouse's pictures in their hands. When Issa saw so many people come, he got upset and chased them out, shutting the door, but I said to Issa, "We must give this blessing to everyone." Then the door was opened again and many people were waiting there beside the door. We became so busy giving the blessing to them one by one. Finally, in one and a half hours, 25 couples had received the blessing. All preparations were done by Issa so we just had to give the blessing itself. Among those who were blessed were Christians, Jews and Muslims. That was the unification of those three major religions. I was really so amazed.

Towards the end, people brought their sick adults and children. They thought I was a great spiritual healer. I felt that Jesus, who had healed many people, was with me. So although I could not heal the sick, I thought that I must pray for these people. As I prayed, tears came

from my eyes as never before. It was late at night and we were running out of Blessing forms so we had to bid farewell. When we were leaving, all of the people gathered and waved good-bye to us. It was the most incredible experience in my life. I believe that it was with Jesus' help and, needless to say, without our True Parents' victory, it could never have happened. We were finally able to fulfill our goal of blessing 185 couples on July 30, 1997. Mansei, Heavenly Father and True Parents!!!

Jesus Aids The Blessing In Zambia

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IN Zambia, recently a Christian minister received the pre-blessing from a Family Federation bicycle team visiting his village. Shortly after the pre-blessing, he was given negative information about us, decided to become "unblessed," and then went to the Family Federation headquarters in Lusaka. He was very irate as he spoke to the members there.

"Here is your holy handkerchief and Blessing certificate," he said. "Forget it. Consider me unblessed!" he shouted and stormed out of the building.

That night the minister had a dream. Jesus appeared to him and was upset with him.

"Don't you know that without this Blessing you will go straight to hell?" Jesus asked him point blank. "You may think you are my child and that you are serving me as a Christian pastor, but actually you have nothing to do with me without the Blessing," Jesus told him. "So you had better get those things [the holy handkerchiefs and Blessing certificate] back from those people."

The minister woke up badly shaken. He realized that he should never have rejected the Blessing, but now was too ashamed to return to the church center himself to ask for forgiveness, so he sent his wife instead.

At the center, the minister's wife begged the members to give them back their Blessing certificate and holy handkerchiefs. However, the members told her, "Sorry, we cannot give these back to you now. Because of your denial of the

"I got the idea to give away a dozen roses to the next 150 of my customers who would fill out a Blessing application form..."

Blessing, you need to fast first. Then let's talk." So the couple fasted for three days. The minister himself then returned to the center, explained his dream to the members, and repented for what he had done. He said that he had not understood that Jesus was supporting the Blessing providence. Upon seeing that the minister was sincerely remorseful for his mistake, the members returned their Blessing articles to him, and he returned home relieved.

He and his wife now live as a blessed couple and have encouraged their congregation to receive the Blessing. ■■

If I Can Do It, You Can Do It!

*Burgi Hutcherson
North Carolina*

WE have been pioneer tribal messiahs in my husband's hometown of Winston-Salem, North Carolina, for five years. We are self-employed. My husband has a repair business, and he also supports me in the preparation of flowers, which I have been selling for three years at car dealerships. The flower business has grown to be a good avenue of income for our family. I have built up a good route and every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday I go out from dealership to dealership to sell my flowers. While I am out on my route, my husband takes care of our six children ranging in ages from one to ten.

On May 25, we received the precious holy wine and holy water from our state leader with all the instructions to carry out pre-blessings at home. That evening, we blessed our first couple who came to our home for dinner.

On June 1, my husband left for Chung Pyung Lake to participate in a 40-day workshop. I was happy that he had decided to go despite the hardship it would be for us left behind. That week, school had finished for three of my children and everyone was at home. With family and business all in my hands, I really

wanted to fulfill True Father's desire. I felt really challenged, especially without my husband, but since I was the one to encourage his trip in the first place, I decided that I did not want to have even one thought of complaint. In front of True Parents, I do not have any excuse. I had experienced Heavenly Father's and True Parents' love and forgiveness for all mankind when I was in Korea in March. All was prepared; it was just up to me. Knowing this, I needed to plug away within my own circumstances.

Two weeks had passed and I had found one more couple. Another two weeks and I found another couple. I was getting really desperate. How could I deepen my heart and break down the walls? How could I move forward more quickly? Then I remembered the phone call from my regional leader, Rev. Won Seog Chang, full of love and compassion for me, encouraging me to talk to Mrs. Sun Willett, whose couple had already accomplished their goal. I spoke to Mrs. Willett late into the night. She poured out her heart, but I felt a deep gap between her and me. In tears, I begged God to help me so I could bridge the gap and feel that same sorrow deep inside every single bone of my body. Mrs. Willett just gave to me and gave. She invested totally in me without restriction of time. I needed it.

The following week I finally had some success door-to-door. In my business, I gave my customers a letter of invitation which my state leader, Rev. Hugh Dussek, had prepared for me. The following week, to the people who had responded positively, I gave out application forms to fill out at home with their wives.

Last week, after attending a meeting with Rev. Kevin McCarthy, who encouraged us to make a plan, and hearing the testimony of Mrs. Willett and her husband, I made up my mind to bless my customers. I got the idea to give away a dozen roses to the next 150 of my customers who would fill out a Blessing application form, since that was the missing number of couples I needed in order to fulfill my goal of blessing 160 couples.

I wore a little pouch around my waist carrying the holy wine, holy water, and small cups inside; I carried a clipboard with application forms in my hand, a bag with literature on my shoulder, and roses in my bucket on wheels—that was the way I could bring victory. I went from place to place and announced that I would give away roses to whoever qualified.

That really got everyone's attention. Then I explained about the FFWP, for which I was doing some volunteer work that day, and I explained the qualifications. Almost everyone was excited to participate. While they filled out the form, I prepared the holy nectar and placed it in front of them. When they had completed the application, I said, "This is some sanctified juice. Just put a drop on your wife's signature and drink the rest. It marks a new beginning with God in your marriage." My customers are mostly men. I then pulled out the holy water, sprinkled it onto their ring and said, "This is for pure love in your marriage." Then I grabbed their right hand, looked into their eyes and said, "I pray that your marriage can be blessed forever in Christ." Next, I pulled out "The Path of a True Family," the certificate, and some flyers with my phone number. Finally, I handed them the dozen free roses and they were so excited and happy. They went on to tell their co-workers. In many places that I ended up, I experienced blessing as many as ten couples. On the Fourth of July, I blessed 50 couples.

When I look back, I realize that the time of giving out the letter and the application form was helpful for me in order to build up my courage and determination. It is not really necessary to do that, though. In fact, I blessed many who did not get a letter. There are still many more customers which I have not yet reached who I want to bless in the days to come.

Brothers and sisters, this is a special time. If I can do it, you can do it. Just make a plan and follow it through. The spiritual world is ready to help us. I felt restless and I had a strong drive to keep on pushing forward. I didn't have time to sit down to eat, and I hardly had any time to sleep. All I could think of was the goal. I wanted to fulfill that goal in order to comfort Heavenly Father and True Parents—and I wanted to surprise my husband. For us, this is just the first step, and I hope many more victories can follow. ■■

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The Cleansing of Sin

Soonja Richardson
August 31, 1997

I would like to share with you on the basis of the things I heard and experienced here at Chung Pyung as part of the staff for more than one year. The reason some of you have difficulty in understanding what is happening in Chung Pyung it is because this providence is not like anything that has happened before. It is too good to be true. True Father has said that this is the perfected and restored Garden of Eden, the gates to the Kingdom of Heaven, and the training ground for the Kingdom of Heaven.

He also said that the great aspect of Daemo-nim is that she is able to mobilize and use the angels. Without the help of those angels, she would not be able to do this type of work to clean up those evil and resentful spirits. By us coming here to confess our sins and by repenting for our sins and our fallen nature, we can be forgiven except the action of the fall because this is something only True Parents can take care of. Daemo-nim is taking care of us spiritually and physically by removing the evil spirits which are the cause of many illnesses.

During the workshop for the Korean leaders in December of 1996, True Father asked the greatest world religious leaders to come and participate on this special workshop. Thus, Jesus, Mary, Buddha, Confucius, Mohammed and other religious leaders came to attend this workshop.

During this time, True Father called from South America to tell Jesus to bring everything he had accomplished during the time he was alive. So he did bring the angels which helped Jesus perform the miracles. True Father said that this was true. Furthermore, True Father also said that the work of Daemo-nim is comparable to the work of the Holy Spirit in the time of Jesus. This is just as if we were in the big womb of True Mother receiving new life spiritually. If anyone wonders why we need to be born again, we need to ask ourselves if we can become perfect and if we are ready to receive the perfected Blessing. True Parents know that we are far from reaching this. God and True Parents created this place to do

that and waited for someone to do this work.

God chose a person to be in the position of John the Baptist, but he failed. Next True Father had hoped that one spiritualist would take on this kind of work. However, none of them had fulfilled the requirement to be in such a position. Finally, True Father asked Daemo-nim to do this work when she was still alive, and two times after her ascension.

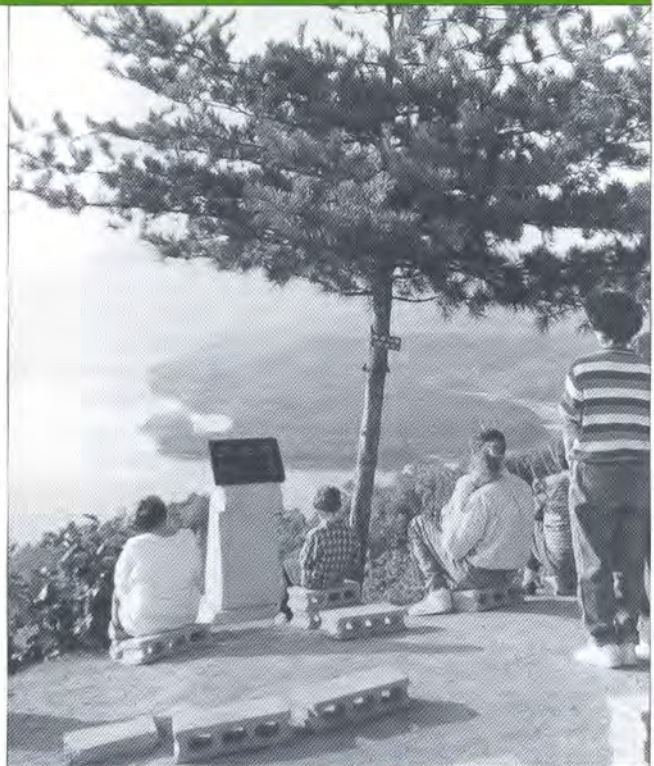
Therefore, she could do this work to separate the evil and resentful spirits which we have inherited from our ancestors. Whenever our ancestors committed sin or those who were hurt by our ancestors and whenever we committed sin, we made a base for evil spirits to attach to us. According to Daemo-nim who had visited the spiritual world, the spirit world is empty because we are at the time of the Messiah, a time for these spirits to be resurrected through someone on the earth. They are coming through these connections.

There is a new providence happening here which is the work of Heung Jin Nim. He is educating those spirits who have been sent by Daemo-nim from Chung Pyung, changing them from evil spirits to good spirits. This new providence is possible because Heung Jin Nim went to spirit world instead of True Father. He is in the position to do things which True Father will be doing later.

The amazing thing is that these liberated and changed spirits will be participating in the Blessing this November in Washington DC. After that they will become our supporting forces.

True Parents came to the groundbreaking ceremony on March 10 this year for the building of our Sanctuary. It can hold up to 10,000 people. True Father gave us a calligraphy writing which said, "The Heavenly Palace came down from the Kingdom of Heaven." This is something which True Father is constantly talking about: the settlement of the cosmic parents which is also connected with this providence.

Furthermore, Daemo-nim (through Mrs. Kim) went to South America and



Chung Pyung Lake view from the Tree of Blessing.

True Father gave her a calligraphy writing which said, "When you come to Chung Pyung and unite with the Chung Pyung Providence, we can be successful in 10,000 things" which means everything.) The Chung Pyung Providence has been progressing steadily. Most of all the Japanese members are attending the workshops. They are truly making the whole church become alive! When True Mother came back from Japan after her speaking tour, she said to Mrs. Kim, "The Japanese members were alive!" Many members who had left the church because they were tired of working so hard have been brought back. Many people are coming back. They are coming to Chung Pyung and are being recharged with spiritual power. They gain new motivation, courage and strength to go on. Thousands are coming and going back to affect their whole nation's spiritual atmosphere. There are many miracles happening to the Japanese members.

Of course, many Korean, American, European and African members also have come and had wonderful experiences. I am sure that you have heard many testimonies which were printed in Today's World.

As True Father said, this is the perfected and restored Garden of Eden. For this to take place, we needed to have those elements which were lost at the

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The Cosmic Era of Blessed Families

needs night? (Yes.) What do you need more, daytime or nighttime? (Both.) [Laughter] When do people ordinarily make love? During the daytime or nighttime? (Nighttime.) On Fifth Avenue in New York City people are rushing back and forth during the daytime. However, after midnight they all disappear. For what? To go home and find their love partner. To find their true love place. This means their family. The family is where love settles eternally. Then which one is more important, daytime or nighttime? (Nighttime.) You black brothers and sisters should shout mansei! (Mansei!) [Father begins to draw on the board.]

In the field we see a tree growing. Does that tree exist only above the ground or does it also have an invisible part? (It has both.) Then the upper, visible section represents daytime, and the lower section deep within the earth represents nighttime. Which one is more important? (Nighttime.) [Laughter] Don't laugh. I am giving you a very good example. If your root system is not strong enough, it makes no difference what color your face is or how proud you are, because within a few days you will collapse if your foundation is not strong enough.

SPRING HAS COME

This Western civilization is now being crushed because it represents the culture of autumn. When the winter culture appears, the autumn culture will be completely buried. As long as you have strong roots you can expect the following spring. These are the Last Days when the Lord of the Second Advent will come to this world and give us the new spring culture. The spring culture is now on the earth.

We are now in the month of May and everything is blooming. From now on the Unification Church will prosper. Do you like that? This is the world of spring culture. After the fall, we lost the spring culture world and summer culture world. During these last forty years, I was persecuted by the cold winter wind. Do you understand? The satanic world called me bad, but from God's perspective I am good. Which one do you choose? (Good.) Without heaven and God, you cannot connect with this good guy. Even Satan's color is bad. How can we change that back to God's side? Fallen people need to belong to God's world and change this world back to God's world. Do you understand? Otherwise, you will always be opposite to God's side; you will belong to Satan's side and Satan's tribe. You have to clearly understand this point. Do you understand?

Even after the severe winter wind and snow, I have sprung out this much [pointing to the board]. My root system is strong enough to hold a tree several thousand feet high. Now that springtime has come to the Unification Church this tree will grow infinitely and limitlessly. [Applause] When my tree is growing so rapidly, don't you want to be a branch or twig on it? Do you want to become a branch the size of America or just a tiny branch? (A huge branch.) Compared to the cosmos, America appears no bigger than your little finger. As Unifica-

tion Church blessed couples, you need to grow your minds as big as the cosmos. Since the root is big enough to hold any size of tree, then even if any persecution hits you as a small branch, because this root system is strong, you will continue to grow. The more you get hit, the bigger tree you will become, and even God will be there. Therefore, do you welcome persecution or not? (Yes.)

During the last forty years of my life, I didn't even show myself above ground, but I made sure that the roots were strong and secure. No one likes nighttime; therefore, I took the nighttime and made a strong enough foundation to restore the entire world. That has been my goal for these last forty years. Amen. (Amen!) I am willing to continue this for three hours but if we do so, someone might have a heart attack. [Laughter] Do you understand my message this morning? (Yes.)

EVERYTHING AIMS FOR THE CENTRAL POINT

We are incomplete beings. Isn't that true? (Yes.) Do you think that God has hope in Reverend Moon? (Yes, absolutely.) The vertical and horizontal lines are limitless, expanding eternally. [Father draws on the board.] This is the aim and goal for all people and all creation. Here, plus and minus begin to grow and form families. Everything is aiming toward the central point. Above this line is the spiritual world.

Those in the spirit world have to come down to this central point, while men and women on earth should go up to meet this central point.

As a man grows and reaches this point, [pointing to the diagram on the board] he should realize that he needs to move in the direction of the central point, because this straight line does not have the ability to create harmony. The same principle applies to a woman. As soon as she reaches this point [pointing to the diagram], she should turn and come towards this central point. Once this minus reaches maturity, she will automatically be pulled by this mature plus figure. Do you understand?

While they remain in the immature stage their pulling strength is weak, but once they reach maturity both will have strong pulling power to pull each other towards the center. Each has to cover this much distance to become one in this central point. What kind of power does it take to bring them into absolute unity? As a human being our goal is to build this original family. As a man and woman we have to become an original couple. That is why we all have to come to this central point. God's goal is to find His own ideal family.

When boys and girls become mature, they naturally find ways to come closer to one another and find each other. They don't need instruction. Didn't you ladies have such an experience? Girls appear to be very quiet and subtle and don't even look at boys. However, if there are three boys, you immediately are able to select which one you would like for your ideal partner. [Laughter] You have the ability to make that kind of comparison and choice do you not? (Yes.) I don't know because I am not a woman. [Laughter] No matter how famous a man might be, he has to learn through woman. This time I want to learn something too. [Laughter]

You men have the same experience, right? You are like

At the central point where God, man and woman meet, there is only one thing to be done and that is to establish a family. This is the place where God's most favored son and daughter, our original ancestors, Adam and Eve are being restored.

thieves because you are the descendants of the archangel. Who is stronger, man or woman? Who do you think raped whom in the Garden of Eden? Do you think Eve raped Adam or did Adam pull Eve towards him and rape her? Which one? Usually the crime of rape is tried in a court. Have you heard of any case where a woman forcibly took a man and raped him? (No.) I have never heard of such a case, how about you? (No.) Therefore, the conclusion is simple: men are in the wrong. When a woman pulls you for whatever purpose, do you have to follow her voluntarily with joy and happiness, or do you have to resist that pull through exerting your strength, using your foot as a brake? Even if you use your foot as a brake to resist but someone is still able to pull you away from yourself, then that person is a robber or a thief.

In the secular world, if a man seduces a woman and she voluntarily follows that man, then no crime has been committed according to secular law. Suppose a woman has a true lover, but sometimes she feels lonely. Don't you think that she will sometimes yearn for her true lover and desire that he come and take her? When you look deeply into a person's eyes you can find out what she wants. There is a way of measuring a woman by looking into her eyes. At first she might half close her eyes in looking at you, but as soon as she feels open to you or comfortable with you, she will look fully back at you. If she becomes crazy about you, then her eyeballs will speak. [Laughter] That is the signal and the time for you to pull her towards you and she will voluntarily come. According to the standard of the secular world, that is not a crime; it is not rape.

The same principle applies to men. When you women look at a man, observe his eyes and mouth because they are in the partner position. If his eyes and mouth smile together when he looks at you, that is a good sign. Then you can confidently call him and he will follow you. Even animals have certain signals to call one another.

Everyone aims for this central point [pointing to the diagram on the board]. God, man, woman, family—everyone wants to enter this central point. The process goes through eight different stages. Yet whatever your stage, the center is the same vertical line and God will begin coming down to meet this central point. This is also God's aim. Do you understand?

The vertical and horizontal lines represent the entire cosmos. The center point is where the vertical and horizontal lines meet. That center is your family. At the central point where God, man and woman meet, there is only one thing to be done and that is to establish a family. This is the place where God's most favored son and daughter, our original ancestors, Adam and Eve are being restored.

RESIST TEMPTATION

Adam and Eve were supposed to go through this process of maturing and reaching the center with God. Did God create two women and one man, or two men and one woman, or one man and one woman? (One man and one woman.) Do you think that was based upon God's eternal formula, or something God established temporarily? (Eternal formula.) Adam and Eve were the representatives of the entire cosmos. Suppose

we had two grandmothers and one grandfather in our ancestry, what kind of result would we have today? Would there have been peace or fighting between these two grandmothers? (Fighting.) Would the grandfather also be involved? Surely he would have trouble too. This would certainly not be a place of happiness. Instead, it would be hell.

When Eve was tempted and deceived by the archangel, do you think she voluntarily followed him or did she resist? (Voluntarily.) Imagine if you will, Adam as a young boy in the Garden of Eden, wild and running around investigating everything and leaving Eve by herself. They were both naked and unashamed originally. As Eve's body was maturing, suddenly the archangel approached her with an evil intent in his heart. Sometimes Eve would sit on the lap of the archangel and their sexual organs would be quite close to one another. They were accustomed to seeing the animals around them mating and caring for their young. Then, in a flick of a second, a relationship easily occurred between them. The archangel took interest in such phenomena so action was taken. It is that easy to fall into an illicit relationship of love.

As a young strong man, if you had a pretty, naked woman sitting on your lap, don't you think that you would experience the same temptation? (Yes.) In order to fulfill restoration through indemnity, no matter if a beautiful naked woman is touching your body, your love organ should not become erect. Rather, it should remain lifeless, without feeling. That is the action for indemnity. If that most beautiful woman attempts to touch your love organ and place it inside her, then you have to kick her about a thousand miles away. If you were to kick her so hard that she landed some place far away and immediately died, do you think God would punish you for that? (No.) Would God praise or punish you? (Praise.) That would be an act of self-defense. [Laughter] You are all laughing, but you should be able to do that. Those of you who have the confidence to do so, raise your hands. (Yes. We can do it.) Just because you know this truth which I have taught you this morning, you have confidence. But without knowing this, you would have no such confidence. By giving one strong kick to such a woman and sending her away, you would possess the entire universe. Heaven and earth would then belong to you. Don't you want to do that then? (Yes, absolutely.)

If you ladies can also practice that kind of principled life, then God will come down as your husband. That is the world where you no longer need any commandment.

GAIN THE QUALIFICATION TO RECEIVE GOD'S LOVE

The center represents the ideal family which God, Adam, and Eve all long for. This original ideal family has to expand through eight stages, including the family, tribe, society, nation, world, and cosmos. No matter how much it expands, your individual family is the representative of the entire cosmos. That is how your family becomes qualified to receive God and have God dwell with you. That is where we live as God's children and the place where God's lineage can be found. Through the lineage, the parent/child relationship is estab-

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lished. Originally God wanted to have this kind of family and cosmos, but due to the fall this entire foundation was lost. Therefore, it has taken thousands of years in order for God to re-establish this family. Finally, in the Last Days, the True Parents came and have established the original family. We now are in the time of the expansion of this True Family to the cosmic level. Do you understand?

Not only the True Family, but also the expansion of the True Family should be free from Satan's accusation all the way to the entire cosmos. Do you truly understand the concept of indemnity from the individual level to the worldwide level? You might think you understand the concept, but in reality, do you really understand? In order to reach that goal and travel freely vertically and horizontally from the individual level to the cosmic level, you have to inherit the victorious foundation established by True Parents. That is your only course. All the women in the Unification Church have to become like the second Mother, a branch of True Mother. All the men are branches of the archangel position.

Every human being has approximately 40 billion cells. Men, please consider yourselves to be attached to my 40 billion cells and carrying those cells. Likewise, women should consider yourselves to be carrying Mother's 40 billion cells. In order to do that, you have to demonstrate your absolute faith, love and obedience to True Parents. By doing so, you will become qualified to carry Father and Mother's 40 billion cells. Just like plus and minus, you have to become part of Father's cells and Mother's cells.

In a couple of days, Father and Mother will leave for São Paulo. If you truly want to be with True Parents physically, you have to transform yourself into a small fly and sit on Father's coattails; then you can achieve your goal. That way you can even enter the airplane without showing your ticket. [Laughter] Just hang onto them. That is absolute faith, love and obedience. Once you land in São Paulo, you will become absolutely free because you will have reached the goal. At the stage of completion, you will no longer need the concept of absolute faith, love and obedience, because you will have become totally one with them. Again, you do not truly understand what indemnity means. However, as long as you have an invisible rope attached to me, then even when you are far away from me, you can still hang onto this rope and find your way back. That is the key. No matter how far you cast a fishing line, once the fish strikes then it is simply a matter of reeling it in. You are now in the position of fishermen holding the fishing rod. I am the king fish which you have to hook and make sure that he doesn't get free. You just have to keep on reeling me in. Is that true? (Yes.) This fishing line is absolute faith, love and obedience. Even if I take a big bite, you still have to hang on and keep on reeling me in. In this process, if your ideal lover, your president or physical parents call you, do not even look at them. Rather kick them away and hang onto the fishing rod.

As man and woman reach maturity, they naturally follow this angle, meet, and form the ideal family. Then they can travel freely to the Kingdom of Heaven where God dwells. They can also travel freely to the bottom of hell and still it will be the Kingdom of Heaven. In other words, you are absolutely

free. This represents man and this represents woman: a big plus and big minus. Here I am drawing a double line because between the physical and spiritual worlds there is free travel. There is no limitation or boundary. God is in the position of plus and humankind is in the position of minus. The spiritual world is plus and the physical world is minus. This plus/minus relationship operates wherever we look. Once this center starts moving, then the entire cosmos will move at the same time.

BECOME A BRANCH OF TRUE PARENTS

Once the ideal family is established it represents the entire cosmos. This is the completion point of this right-hand section and left-hand section, the upper section and the lower section. From every angle you look, this is the point of perfection and completion. Everything turns around this core point. Do you understand? We have to establish such a family. This is the road that we have to follow in this cosmic era of blessed families. True Parents are the central root, central trunk, and central bud, all connecting in one direct way. You are branches and twigs centering upon this vertical, central root, trunk and bud. Since True Parents are the central bud, trunk and root, you have to hang onto True Parents and become all different sizes of branches.

How big a branch you become is entirely up to you. Would you like to become a small American branch or a big branch? Which country is larger, America or China? (Russia.) [Laughter] The population of China is four or five times larger than that of America. Even Russia is bigger than America in that sense.

If you become one of the major branches then you will have other small branches and twigs attached to you. If you cut off that branch and plant it in the ground, it will become another tree, which means another nation. I have given you blessings as an individual messiah, family messiah, tribal messiah, national messiah, and eventually, the world cosmic messiah. That is the goal we have to strive towards. Amen! (Amen!)

The blessed family includes true parents, or messiah. There are two meanings of the term "True Parents": one is the family and one is True Parents. The Old Testament True Parents are the true Messiah. Do you understand? The first Messiah, representing the Old Testament, wanted that kind of point. Jesus came to the earth as the second Messiah, but Jesus was not able to make a family and lost everything as a consequence. He could not make the heavenly settlement on the earth. The third Messiah is the Lord of the Second Advent. That means the world victorious foundation beginning from the family and expanding vertically and horizontally. Do you understand me this morning?

Now you understand the meaning of True Parents. True Parents come in the position of the third Adam to restore the failure of the first Adam and second Adam. They are the True Parents of humankind. You understand that, don't you? (Yes.) Because the original couple who were to become True Parents in the Old Testament era failed, and Jesus failed to establish the position of the True Parents in the New Testament era, in the Completed Testament era, the True Parents finally came to this world and completed this mission. That is why blessed

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families came into being and the blessing is taking place in this world. Since True Parents have won the victory in every direction, there is no opposition nor persecution whatsoever. Amen! (Amen!) Everyone and every living creature is supposed to welcome True Parents. Every creature is liberated. Mansei! (Mansei!)

EXPAND THE REALM OF THE BLESSING

This is why I have given you the title this morning of: The Cosmic Era of Blessed Families. At the 3.6 Million Couples Blessing on November 29, heaven and earth will meet vertically, and the entire world will meet horizontally and become united. It will be as if the entire humanity, prior to the fall, is awaiting the Blessing time on November 29, 1997. It is equivalent to the Garden of Eden.

During this heavenly era, you can use your power to bring your parents and relatives to the Blessing without Satan's accusation. After they receive the Blessing, they will be so grateful to you, even though you might have to pressure them somewhat to attend. This is the place where the family is being created to receive the entire universal value as one family. As I told you earlier today, if we were to pull out the entire lineage from any one woman or man, the entire ancestry would be pulled by that string.

True Parents have appeared in the Last Days. Now, through indemnity, they have won the victory and liberated Jesus and the New Testament, as well as the Old Testament all the way back to Adam and Eve. If you truly follow my direction and bring your relatives to the Blessing, establishing this kind of foundation, then your entire ancestry will be attached to you. Then you will be able to liberate this ancestral line.

Beginning from November 29, the new era of Blessing will be extended to include the spiritual world. Until now, even within the spiritual world there existed splits and separation. Originally, Adam and Eve were supposed to fulfill their responsibility to build the original ideal family. Then together with their family, they would live together with God and enter into the Kingdom of God in the spiritual world. But due to the fall, this did not take place. In other words, the Kingdom of God is still empty. In these Last Days, as long as you are totally united with True Parents, then based upon True Parents' victorious establishment of the True Family on the horizontal level, you will have the privilege of becoming the citizens of the Kingdom of God.

Just as in the time of Adam and the Old Testament era, and Jesus and the New Testament era, we are in the position to restore and indemnify our ancestral line so that the entire spiritual world can be liberated. Up until now, the world's religions have focused upon individual-level salvation. But once you come out of that shell by following True Parents you enter the family level. The family level automatically extends to the nation, world and entire cosmos. Therefore, we can build the Kingdom of God on earth. As Unification Church

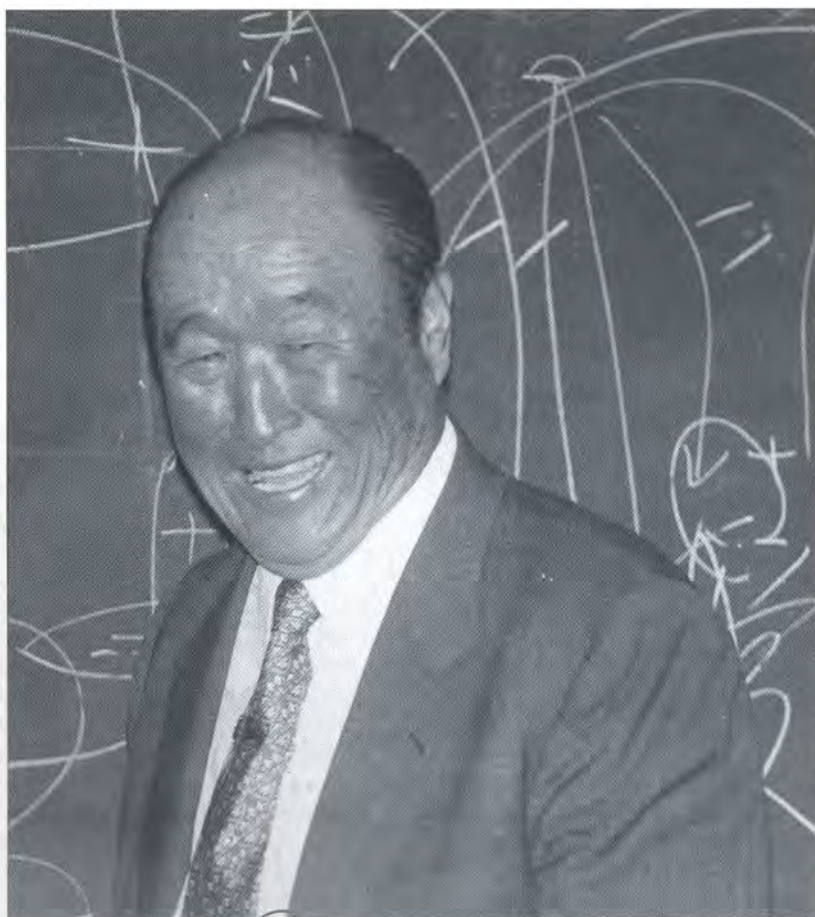


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blessed couples, if you truly fulfill the role of tribal messiahs, there is an automatic extension. That is why we can truly restore this world into the Kingdom of God.

For this purpose, I took down the HSA-UWC sign and put up a new sign, the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification. Until now, unification needed Christianity, including the Old Testament era and the New Testament era. If these are cut away, the Completed Testament era cannot stand. Without the foundation of the Old and the New Testament eras, the Completed Testament era could not find settlement. Now the era of Christianity is over. Now the blessing time has come to this world. Christianity can no longer persecute Reverend Moon in any way.

The members of the Family Federation for World Peace are not just Christians. They are the heads of nations and powerful leaders. Do you understand? No one can stand against this. The Christian world is following Reverend Moon. Everything is behind me making that highway. There are no obstacles. One Blessing can liberate all people of a nation, too. The way of salvation is not just for individuals. Do you understand? There is family and tribal salvation, national salvation and worldwide salvation, all at one time. How wonderful is the time in which we live! [Applause]

I am not speaking of concepts. This is a reality. Do you understand? Look at this secular world. Everywhere the families are broken down. No leaders in this world are able to correct things. Only Reverend Moon can do this—only True Parents. God didn't touch Adam's family at the time of the fall. God could not touch them. Only True Parents are able to touch that situation. Without the power of True Parents, humanity cannot be saved eternally. Do you understand? (Yes, Father.)

Remember, we are living in the cosmic era of blessed families. Therefore, your responsibility is to reach out to your imme-

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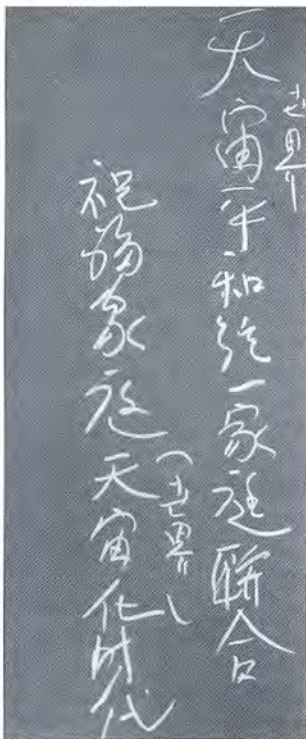


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mediate family members and relatives and bring them to the next Blessing. Your goal is to bring 160 to 180 families to be blessed. This is how you can begin registration in the Kingdom of God. Centering upon this number of restored families, we can then think of restoring our nation. Since we are living in this providential era, don't you want to become tribal messiahs or national messiahs? (Yes.) The period for individual salvation is over.

This is the era when the family, tribe, nation and entire world can be transformed into the heavenly side. This is a turning point and a most serious time from God's perspective.

From humanity's perspective, it is equally serious.

Without taking this kind of action you cannot make the connection. No matter how famous your family may be, you cannot connect to the national base. Do you understand? I understand this kind of content. America has persecuted me—until now.

YOU HAVE ALL THE TOOLS

I have made a highway which every nation, tribe, and family can travel to the Kingdom of Heaven on earth and in heaven. I provided the Divine Principle to be your steering wheel. Are you not even able to drive a car? I have created everything for you: the automobile's body, wheels, and steering wheel. If you cannot use that automobile, you are lost. Everything is ready for you, even the gasoline has been provided. I gave you driving lessons. Why are you unable to do it? It is all up to you now.

Do you clearly understand my message? (Yes.) Over a week ago, over 140 national messiahs came to see me. They testified to me that as they began working in their mission nations, they

came to realize that I had prepared foundations there without their knowledge. Everything was ready for them. Everything was already prepared by me. Now all they have to do is give their sincere effort. If, in my place, they give the message as I do, then everyone will naturally follow.

THIS WAS THEIR TESTIMONY.

There are tens of thousands of so-called movers and shakers in the world. There are all kinds of leaders and VIPs out there. We simply have to work with them. Last night I gave a banquet and message to the board and faculty members of the Unification Theological Seminary and the University of Bridgeport. Over 140 distinguished guests gathered at East Garden. I gave them a strong message and they humbly accepted.

Behind me there are many Nobel prize winners, scientists, politicians and scholars. If I were to truly mobilize them to push America, then America would surely be pushed. No one realizes this. No one realizes the kind of mission I am doing at the worldwide level. Unification Church members think that I am a strange man. They have never understood what was behind my actions. Do you understand? Even after forty years with True Parents, leaders such as Mr. Joo and others still fail to understand what I am doing.

As precious Unificationists, do you want to follow the road of perishing or the road of prosperity? (Prosperity.) The way to prosperity means expanding the cosmic age of the family era. We have to work harder and harder. There is no time to waste. There is truly no time. We need to eliminate eating, sleeping and playtime. The secular world is sleeping and resting. However, this is the time for expansion and prosperity on the earth. Do you understand? Don't lose this precious time. Be proud of taking this important action. Will you follow me? (Yes.) Make a big sound. Yes or no? (Yes!) Thank you.

God Bless you! Let us pray.■

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The Cleansing of Sin

time of the fall. They needed to be brought back and restored here. That is why we have five special trees and the water of life, to be engrafted into true love, loyalty, the heart and all things. These are the three great blessings and life. There are many angels on those trees to help people in certain areas.

We are living at the time of the Completed Testament Age which is the women's era. At the beginning of human history, Eve fell and brought all mankind to this evil world. At this time, the restored Eve

(True Mother and Daemo-nim) is bringing all mankind back to God. While True Mother is doing work at the worldwide level, Daemo-nim is doing work to clean up all the dirt from us in order to allow us to enter the Kingdom of Heaven, and thus to fulfill God's will and True Parents' will.

Some members have attended 10 day seminars and had good experiences. However, that is not enough; they were able to be aware of their sin more deeply. After 10 days is very difficult to put into practice what you have learned because you still carry a heavy burden of evil and resentful spirits. Even people who attended the 40 days have hard time

adjusting to their old fallen world Only.

Daemo-nim says that from now on when we live our lives according to the Divine Principle and the way True Parents have been teaching, we will have an amazing blessed life. The time is here for God to show Himself that He is alive and almighty!■

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BENEDICTION AT THE DECLARATION OF THE REALM OF COSMIC SABBATH FOR PARENTS OF HEAVEN AND EARTH

fighting between the democratic world and the communist world because all the descendants of the clan which was to become the clan of heaven faced the situation of division.

I understand that these forty years represent the 4,000 years of providential history. Yet no one has known Your painful sadness that for forty years True Parents have been persecuted by sovereign nations of the Satanic world that once used to persecute Christianity and Christians, as well as other religions and their people. These forces opposed Your will to comprehend the world.

All alone, all alone, all by Yourself. According to the directions given by You, who pioneered the path, I have fought and conquered the hills of persecution for forty years. This has been the battleground to declare Your individual resting place as well as the resting place for a couple, a family, a tribe, a nation, the world, and the cosmos. This place has been the ideal free environment of creation that You can call Your domain of freedom. Now it is completed, Father. Now, centering on True Parents, we are making the amazing declaration of the realm of the cosmic Sabbath.

Your son, Sun Myung Moon, who has lost the dream of his youth, of his 20's and 30's, while inheriting and tolerating the big heart of Heavenly Father, has conquered the hills of 40 years of agonizing history, while overcoming numerous failures that are filled with insults and bitterness.

As a result, the 3.6 million couples Blessing has been successfully completed. In place of Adam's family, these families on the world level can receive the Blessing at once that Adam's family failed to get. The realm of the Sabbath, where billions of people enter the realm of liberation, can evolve to both the Kingdom of Heaven in heaven and on earth. I thank You for that.

The elder sonship had to be restored first, then parentship and kingship had to be restored. Father, I thank You for the completion of 3.6 million couples Blessing that breaks beyond the limit of three stages.

The elder sonship on a family level can be sustained on earth. The right of a family on a national level and a cosmic level can be sustained on earth as well. Therefore, because this is the time for receiving the age of kingship centering on a family, from today the real liberation can be declared. This is the Sabbath for God, who has not been able to rest in a family. Again, I sincerely thank You for that.

Today, it is 1997, July 7, 7 hours, 7 minutes, and 7 seconds. Also, Your son, Sun Myung Moon, is at the age of 77. These eight occurrences of the number seven signify that the number seven can connect to the number eight, becoming the Sabbath and the day of a new start, transcending the numbers seven and eight. All this is connected with the number seven. Now all Unification members, centering on a family which inherits the tradition, heart, and authority of heaven, can attend God. Now God can rest in a nation, the world, and the cosmos. We are facing the victorious time when the kingship of the Kingdom of Heaven on earth and in heaven are established at the same time. The foundation of the Sabbath where God and True Parents can travel freely expands from the family level to the cosmic level.

For this great work to be done, Mother, who can represent

Eve's nation, had to come to the United States of America, which is the Archangel's nation, and to the United Nations to promote the fortune of unification, so that she can spread this fortune over the divided Korea, where the base camp for the liberation of the family can be founded to represent the liberation of people. Thanks to Your guidance and protection, True Mother could make three speaking tours during which she poured forth the words of True Parents. True Mother has opened up the Blessing for high-ranking officials by giving speeches in 16 places. Transcending the number 16, the Blessing that occurred vertically has become holier than ever.

True Mother has been welcomed in all her speaking tours by guests who represent women of all nations centering on women of the North and South. Today is a day of declaration based on these speeches. Tomorrow we will have another Blessing to declare the victorious realm of heaven in front of high-ranking Korean officials who represent the essential central figures and representatives of sovereign nations of the world. It means that we are entering the age of kingship on a family level. We attribute this Blessing, which the Unification Church received as the number one family Blessing team, to Your hard working path. If it was not for You, Korea would have no place to exist. But as You and True Mother are working together, we are having this great opportunity, and I am very grateful, Father.

A thousand thanks to You, Father, for having been able to complete both the foundation of the victorious 40 years and the Declaration of the Realm of Cosmic Sabbath for Parents of Heaven and Earth at the same time.

As the foundation of the Sabbath of the age of kingship on a family level, national level, worldwide level, and cosmic level are established on earth, Your will is facing the time when this country is called as the center of God's providence of salvation, liberating the world, and bringing the world of love. Please gladly remember this.

Now I am offering the path that Your son has walked on with tears and then declaring this to be an anniversary date. Please allow me to do so. From this moment on, I am declaring the age of liberation. As You have wished to act on the whole body in its totality, with all authority and everything, please fulfill Your wishes. Please claim the realm of liberation of mankind. I sincerely wish and ask for Your Blessing to move on to the liberating Kingdom of Heaven.

Now, it is the day and the time to stop the tears of sadness and to remove all the shed tears and all the tear stains from True Parents' family. I sincerely wish that You will receive this declaration of liberation in the name of True Parents. May You realize Your wish to have prestige to travel freely among Your beloved children, countries, world, and the cosmos. May the families of True Parents who work for Your liberation be able to travel around the world freely and come back home without any trouble.

So please accept this time of Declaration of the Realm of Cosmic Sabbath for the Parents of Heaven and Earth! Please declare it over heaven and earth! Raise high and wave the victorious flag of world unification in heaven and earth! I declare this day in True Parents' name! Amen! Amen! Amen!■

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Once you reach absolute unification as husband and wife, based upon absolute faith, love and obedience, then you will have the right to ask God if He wants to have absolute faith in you. Then God will come and bow to you and say, "Yes my son, I will have absolute faith in you. No matter how high God is, He absolutely needs His absolute love partner. As soon as God recognizes you as His absolute partner, He will come and embrace you and never let you go.

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(Top) The Holy Wedding of Young Jin Moon and Hwa Jung Yoo, and Hyung Jin Moon and Yun Ah Lee. September 6, 1997. More color selections and articles in the next issue of Today's World. (Photo: Ken Owens/NFP)