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s there a non-Korean volunteer to try to read the title of this morning's sermon in English? Since it is a little difficult this time, why don't you repeat after me: "Jei-ak segye-ui keunbon-in satan hyultong tanjul." Jei-ak means most evil, segye means world, ui means of, geunbon-in means origin, hyultong means blood lineage, tanjul means cut off. Putting these together we have: cutting off Satan's lineage, which is the origin of the most evil world.

Where does a true blood lineage come from? It is a matter of love. Centering around love, history has been reversed. [Father draws on the board.] Originally, without the fall of man, these two lines would not have existed. In other words, because of the fall, these crossing lines exist. History has had to develop from the smaller to the larger level, through the levels of individual, family, tribe, nation and world. The area beyond that center line represents the spirit world. This is the

While growing up in the physical world human beings need to receive parental love. We relate in subject/object relationships all along the way. When we are elevated to another level, we carry along with us what we have established in the lower level. In other words, to reach the tribal level, we have to bring along what we established on the family level. To the national level we carry everything from the tribal level, and so forth. We are now at the world level. Had there been no fall of man, on each level every individual should be the center, with man representing God and woman representing God. The original family of Adam without falling should have become the center, and the foundation Adam's family established should have been carried by every individual all the way to the worldwide level without the fall.

On each level there should be a public center. For example, in the family, the parents should play the role of bridge to connect their children to the village. The mayor of the village should play the role of bridge for the entire village to climb to the next level. On each level such as county, state and nation there should be a public central figure to serve as a bridge for people to go from one level to the next. That is the way we progress. We can reach every corner of the level we belong to, because the relationships within each level are flat, horizontal relationships. There is equality there, just as between brothers and sisters in a family. If one individual is in a higher position, that person should reach down to bring the others there up to that same level. Thus individuals, families, tribes, people, nations-every level will climb upward together. Each time you are being elevated to another level you will go through the course of indemnity horizontally and then be elevated to another level. Do you follow? (Yes.)

In the secular world there is no such formula being prac-

ticed, because Satan has been advocating extreme, selfish individualism. In the satanic world people remain in this one spot; there is no progress or elevation whatsoever. People are stalemated. Individuals should be willing to sacrifice themselves for the sake of the family, the family for the sake of the tribe, the tribe for the sake of the nation, and the nation for the sake of the world. In other words, individuals should become the material with which to build the family. The family should become the material or resource to build the tribe, the tribe the nation, and the nation the world. We can be proud of ourselves in this way, as the center of the family, tribe, society, nation and world, because we are the very material to build all those different levels.

We have been talking about restoration of the individual, family, tribe, nation and world levels all these years, but the essence of this teaching is here. Once we reach the worldwide level, centering on this line [referring to diagram on the board] circular motion begins. This can be centered on the individual also because each individual is included there. However if one is totally centered on one's individual, selfish purpose and does not give consideration to the worldwide level as a whole, that is the source of the worst evil and satanic world. If you are strictly centered on yourself, you start to tend to eliminate everyone else, because you are just seeking after your own interests. Is it true? (Yes.) Don't you want to become the center of the world? Don't you want to spin in a circular motion centering on yourself? This principle applies everywhere.

On each level, from that of mayor to president, the bridge should be centered on nothing but love, true love. Those who want to become the center with the true love spirit have to invest themselves constantly. The only way to find the center is to invest and invest. We have to invest on the individual level, as well as on the family, tribal, national and worldwide levels. What does this mean? It means that individuals should sacrifice themselves for the sake of the family, the family should sacrifice itself for the sake of the tribe, the tribe for the nation and nation for the world. Is it clear? Within our mind there should not be any such concept as extreme, selfish individualism or privacy.

Instead of building this kind of original, ideal world, because of the fall of man, the world has been built the other way around [Father again draws on the blackboard] from the individual level all the way up to the level of the world. This is the line of the fall of man. Because human beings fell, we see extreme, selfish individualism rampant all over the world. That is why human history is depicted as a history of battle, war and division.

But God did not abandon this fallen world. God sent the Lord of the Second Advent and started work on the providence of restoration. We are now reversing the order to return

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## Cutting Off Satan's Lineage...

to the original point. Since the original ideal world was not achieved, the world right now is divided into left wing and right wing. History has been a battle between the right-wing and left-wing worlds. In order to unite them we need the original world ideology. Plus and minus, right and left, are always in conflict and opposition, but because of the appearance of Unificationism and Godism, the root of which is true love, we now see a light at the end of the tunnel. True love is like a rope pulling the entire world. It is like a true love pillar. Is it clear now?

We have to reverse this right-wing/left-wing relationship. The left wing represents our body and the right wing our mind, so we have to reverse them and bring them into unity on this original level. Once we reach the worldwide level, we can reverse the order so that the right side takes the right place. In other words, if the fallen world reaches this worldwide level, that point is equal to the point which the original world was supposed to reach. Therefore, this interval from the beginning point to the level that the world was originally supposed to reach took 6,000 years of history. This is the original point upon which human beings were supposed to grow and establish the ideal world. Through the history of restoration through indemnity, we have reached the level where we have to cut off the satanic lineage. When we can completely eradicate Satan's lineage, then we can fill up the vacuum in the Kingdom of Heaven which has existed for 6,000 years because no one could enter it. Once we eradicate the satanic lineage on the worldwide level we can start filling up the vacant Kingdom of Heaven. Of course, the people here who belong to the satanic world have to be restored and brought into the Kingdom of Heaven so that they can become its citizens. Ultimately humankind lost everything: the individual base, the family base, the tribal base, the national base, the world base, and the cosmic base. So the Kingdom of Heaven is the ultimate goal. This is the way to complete restoration through indemnity. Once we reach this level, the entire satanic world and satanic lineage will be eliminated. Without going through that process, the job of cleaning up has not been done. Can you understand clearly? (Yes.)

For the sake of love, there should be only conjugalism, or husband-and-wifeism, between man and woman. There is no room for individualism or privacy. Do you understand? Once you reach the level where you are totally centered on conjugalism as husband and wife, then you can become parents. Then as parents, you invest 100 percent and you sacrifice yourselves to build your family and then your tribe, nation, world, and cosmos. You will even be able to reach God.

Beginning from this original point [again referring to the board], I am dividing this section into eight stages. Are you familiar with this diagram? Because of the fall of man, the world lost Adam. Therefore, when the completed Adam comes, all human beings will follow him and can be embraced by God. Adam was chased out of the Garden of Eden

and was lost. When the perfected Adam comes, this lost and chased-out Adam returns to the bosom of God. That is the Lord of the Second Advent. Through this returned, perfected Adam, now this lost family can also be found.

God exists beyond this line. That is why God comes down to find the lost Adam. God comes down all the way to this individual level and brings Adam up. Adam is in the position of plus. Centering on Adam, Eve was created as minus, or object. This original process of creation has to be repeated in the history of restoration, which is the re-creation course. Just as in the beginning God created Adam first and then Eve centered on Adam, the providence of restoration has to be repeated in the same way. How long has it taken? From the creation of the world until now. How many billions of years do scientists calculate as the history of humankind?

To reach the number ten, we have to begin from one. Ten times one is ten. Ten times ten is a hundred. Ten times a hundred is a thousand. If we start with this three-stage concept, human history could be as long as 30 million years since the creation of the world by God. We may say that according to the Bible there was a 2,000 year period, followed by another 2,000 and another 2,000, but it could be 2,000 times 10, or 20,000 years in each period, or we can say that 2,000 means 2 million or 20 million years. So basically human history has been longer than 20 million years. However, once we reach



Father and Mother offer prayer, (January 4, 1998, Uruguay).

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the realm of perfection, there will be no conflict or fighting. So instead of saying 30 million, we can say more than 20 million years. This is what I think based on the numbers mentioned in Genesis.

So to restore the lost Adam has taken God this long amount of years. How many generations have been involved? One thousand generations? Think how many millions of our ancestors in each generation sacrificed their lives and devoted themselves to bring the world up to this point. On each level, if they could not progress they just spun around. If their speed was lost, they slowed down and finally just fell down dead. In that process, so many millions of ancestors were sactificed in each generation. Think about God's heart, and how much pain God had to endure over those tens of millions of years watching His champions on each level and in each generation sacrificing their lives, yet not being able to fulfill their providential missions. Think how anxiously all those ancestors who sacrificed their lives without fulfilling their responsibility are waiting now in the spirit world to see their descendants in this time period fulfill their unfinished mission. At the same time, when they entered the spirit world and fully realized the kind of mistake Adam and Eve had made, what kind of curse do you think they cast towards them? After those ancestors gave their lives in the process of restoration their sacrifice was not fully recognized; they even disappeared. They played a role similar to that of fertilizer to grow plants, in a way being just wasted. Think about the lament they are holding in their hearts. In order to find whom did they do that? In order to find the original, unfallen Adam and Eve.

That is why the major religions throughout history have been emphasizing an ascetic life. This is an absolute course. The ascetic life is not a concept; it has been practiced in each religion. Do you follow? Do you understand why history has been developing this way? After 20 or 30 million years of human history, finally the Lord of the Second Advent came to this world to restore the lost foundation of Adam's family as the True Parents of humankind.

The world fully opposed and cursed the history of restoration, yet there is someone who has overcome all of the obstacles, curses and opposition and finally come out of it and won the victory. Who did it? God, to begin with. And then finally, after tens of millions of years, God found one champion 2,000 years ago whom He sent to the world as His own begotten son. At that time, the Israelite people were supposed to support and serve Jesus Christ, and through him humankind could have been restored; but because of their failure to do so Jesus was sacrificed. It was as if they had killed their own parents.

At the time of Adam and Eve, the spiritual being, the archangel Satan, destroyed Adam; but at the time of Jesus Christ, the physical, substantial Satan killed the second Adam. Because of that failure of the Israelites, humankind lost the Adam figure spiritually and physically. That is why the Jewish people have been sacrificed all over the world by Satan up until now, being oppressed and killed by people such as Hitler and Stalin. Don't you think this is a reasonable explanation, in terms of the history of restoration? Otherwise, how can we understand why 6 million Jews were killed by Hitler during World

War II. Somehow, because the world level of indemnity had not yet been fully reached, in order to fulfill that level of indemnity, this kind of sacrifice had to take place. If there was any vacuum, any room to be filled, God had to do it.

Suppose America opposes the Lord of the Second Advent until the very end and eliminates him. What kind of future do you think America will face? The time of the first Adam was the original, formation stage. Even though Adam had fallen, there was a way to save him because there was still a growth level and perfection level. But when the Lord of the Second Advent as the third Adam comes at the perfection level, if this kind of phenomenon takes place, there is no room for restoration history to continue. It will be completely wiped out, because there is no remaining growth stage period. The third Adam comes on the foundation of the perfection stage, so there is growth stage remaining. So this cannot be allowed. There would be no more providence or history of restoration. It would be even worse than chasing Adam's family out of the Garden of Eden. The entire human population would be wiped out.

Don't you think it was reasonable for God to chase Adam out of the Garden of Eden when he made that mistake? So think about it: the Lord of the Second Advent appeared after World War II in the position of the third Adam. He brought the truth to this world so that, centering on this truth, the Axis and the Allied countries could have united and the Kingdom of God could have been established. But at that time the Allied countries opposed the third Adam.

This is very important. Once the satanic lineage is cut off, there is no more providence of restoration. Just as when Jesus Christ was walking along and saw a fig tree with no fruit, he cursed that tree, the same kind of phenomenon will take place. A fearful time is coming. I do not have the right one way or another to interfere. Even God cannot interfere. To eliminate Satan from this world, that law or constitution has to be observed by everyone.

Communism is a system of total, satanic dictatorship. Under communism, opponents or adversaries to the system were killed in sudden "purges" and in that way eliminated. Religious people in particular were eliminated. This kind of method may be adopted when the time comes that God has to clean up this world once and for all. That is why, before this final judgment day comes I started giving the Blessing, out of love, in order to save the still fallen human descendants.

All human beings as descendants of the fallen Adam and Eve are also fallen, so it does not matter whether one is a fetus yet within the womb, an elementary school child, 20 years old, or 50 years old—no one is excepted. Everyone has to drink the holy wine in order to be reborn. All humanity has to go through this ceremony of restoration. Then, upon that victorious foundation, they can enjoy eternal life. Drinking the holy wine is like the ceremony of rebirth. Since after our birth we grew up, we also have to be restored. Once we complete these two stages, we finally enter the stage of eternal life through receiving the Blessing. The first stage should take place in the mother's womb. The second stage is the stage of restoration in this physical world. The third stage of eternal life is to be enjoyed in heaven. In this fallen realm however there is no

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eternal life. From now on, a particular grace period will begin in which the unborn child within its mother's womb can participate in the ceremony of rebirth when its mother drinks the holy wine. Those who have already been born participate in the ceremony of rebirth at whichever level they are on, whether it be kindergarten or elementary school or some other, but originally the infant stage in the womb would be ideal. Because these are the Last Days, God cannot wait thousands of years. He has to carry out this purification and restoration ceremony instantly all over the world for the entire humanity.

Let's look at one family. If there is an unborn baby still within the mother's womb, that fetus will drink holy wine through the mother and thus take part in the rebirth ceremony. If there are children of kindergarten, elementary, middle school or high school age, all these family members will take part in the ceremony of rebirth. They will then instantly be connected to the ceremony of restoration. Once the whole family receives the Blessing, as a family they eventually will enter the Kingdom of Heaven and rejoice there for eternity. That is the course of restoration.

We are now launching a new level of campaigning through which even the unborn babies in mother's wombs will re-ceive the holy wine. Everyone who is already born, whether they are one year old or 88 years old, has to drink this holy wine so that they can be cleansed and reborn and go through the restoration process. If a complete cleaning job is not done within your family, Satan will have a reason or an excuse to interfere with seven generations of your family after you and claim something from your family.

So do you understand how important it is to carry out this holy wine ceremony and Blessing properly? How fearful and how precious is this Blessing! It is like the turning point between heaven and hell. Do you understand? You have to logically understand this. Therefore, can you feel that we must cut off Satan's lineage at this point? (Yes.) Because Satan's lineage is the origin of the worst satanic world.

What about you? Have you cleaned up or cut off this worst, satanic lineage yet? As long as there is fighting between your mind and body, you are not completely done yet. Even during one day, don't you tell small and big lies here and there? Let's say during this seven-year course of restoration as blessed couples you are struggling to go the straight road all the way to its completion. Because your mind understands the truth, it is struggling to pull this line straight up while at the same time satanic influence is always waiting for the right moment to jump in and pull you to the left side. This kind of struggle is going on constantly. Because the satanic way has no central point or axis, its path is zigzag. Therefore, the key is to center on true love. Even if our course has been a zigzag one, we have to make sure that we have the center and eventually follow the right course. Once we reach the final point, instead of the zigzag course we can experience circular motion there centering on true love. It is like centrifugal and centripetal forces coming together and carrying out eternal circular movement. Do you follow?

Unless you secure eternal unity between mind and body, you cannot claim to be a heavenly person. Because there is

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always your own selfish desire or greed, there is conflict between your mind and body. No matter what it may take, before we lose our physical life we have to secure complete unity between mind and body. Even though I have given the Blessing to thousands and now millions of couples, if these couples are not completely tuned and up to their prime, then we will need a repair shop in the spirit world.

If pure gold is measured at 24 carats, what about you? Are you about 18 carat gold, or 14 carat gold? What about less than zero carat or even minus carat gold? It is not a laughing matter. There are many thousands and thousands of different levels and layers. It is a serious issue.

How serious do you think God is when He watches us? Satan is very serious too. He thinks, "Okay, this one is ready to pull." Likewise, our body is always trying to control our mind and pull it to do whatever the body wants. This is the way people have been pulled into the world of free sex and bodily desire. A homosexual is like the worst kind of satanic archangel, for whom as a spiritual being there is no partner. Men marry men and women marry women. As a result of this very last, most extreme kind of fallen phenomena, now AIDS has come and is trying to destroy those people who misbehave like that. Wait and see; those who practice free sex, homosexuals and lesbians will die of this disease. This is the time to cut off the satanic lineage, yet because there are still people who go against this heavenly providence. God can exercise His power to eliminate this. Through the AIDS disease judgment is now being cast.

In the Garden of Eden, before Adam and Eve fell they were in the position of the eternally begotten son and daughter of God and the first ancestors of humankind. But when they fell, God chased them out of the Garden. So when God looks at this modern world, with billions of people in the world doing all sorts of fallen acts, do you think God can be pleased? (No) We have to understand that God is watching us from that kind of viewpoint.

What about America? When we look at this secular world, do you think America has hope as it is? (No.) America is now heading in that direction. Look at AIDS; it is rampant all over the world. This AIDS rope is pulling America. That is why when I came to America, I started stepping on the brake to slow it down and stop it. Did the brake fail? People resist this brake and therefore are going straight downward. That is why I started building my own foundation, spiritually, economically, in every area. So now I have a foundation to turn the entire world to the right direction, through the international and interracial holy Blessing. Satan has divided this world into different nationalities, races, cultures and religions; but now through this holy wedding officiated by True Parents, I am combining and uniting all of them. The extremes of the north pole and south pole and the far east and west are being combined and united, because that is what God wants to see.

Therefore, in the future, if your family is not somehow related to international or interracial marriage, you will stand in the back. Within three generations, all humanity should be mixed internationally, interracially and interreligiously. Originally, marriage should take place within your family. Particu-

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larly in Adam's family, was there anyone else? Only Adam and Eve, who were brother and sister. But instead of following God's ideal way, this brother and sister fell going their own way. That is why in the Last Days, we see incest and all kinds of partner-swapping. There is no order whatsoever. Now the Lord of the Second Advent comes and sets a new order to bring these people out of that hell.

Right after World War II, if Christianity centered on America had truly accepted True Parents with this message, it would not have taken even seven years to clean up this world. But because of the failure of Christianity and America after World War II, how many billions of people have passed into the spirit world without being saved? Who is going to take responsibility for this? When those Christians and Americans who were responsible for opposing me after World War II entered the spirit world, all those innocent people constantly kept pounding on them saying, "You made this mistake," just as the fallen Adam and Eve are being cursed in the spirit world. In this way there have been constant conflicts and battles going on in the spirit world.

## SPIRIT WORLD BLESSINGS

To end this conflict among the people in the spirit world, centered on True Parents now we have to cut off the satanic lineage in this physical world. That way Satan does not have room to give any excuse. Upon that foundation I can allow the spirit world to start having international and interracial Blessing ceremonies.

The international, interracial, and interreligious Blessing is the only key to open both the physical and the spiritual worlds. As Muslims, Christians, Buddhists, and people of all nationalities and races go through the Blessing in order to enter the Kingdom of Heaven, this becomes the condition for me to allow those who are already in the spirit world to participate in interracial, international, and interreligious marriage there. Through this, heaven and earth will be unified. Do you understand? It is becoming a reality now. Based on this principle, this is a logical explanation, isn't it? (Yes.)

Do you think it is necessary for me to give the Blessing in the spirit world? (Yes.) While I have been conducting all of the holy wedding ceremonies in this physical world, I also started working on the spiritual level. Beginning on the family level, just like at the original level of Adam and Eve's family, I gave the Blessing to my physical parents and brother, who are in the spirit world. Upon that foundation, I gave the Blessing on the level of Christianity by blessing Heung Jin Nim and Daemo-nim, who did not actually have offspring and spouses. The worldwide level Blessing for the spirit world will take place upon this foundation. I have won the victorious foundation in the physical world, which I am now bringing on the family level, centering on Adam's family. At the time of the first Adam there was no foundation made, while at the time of Jesus Christ on the level of the second Adam's family, there was only a spiritual foundation. Following this failure of the first ancestor, Adam, through the life of Jesus Christ as the second ancestor, and culminating in the physical lifetime of the

Lord of the Second Advent as the third ancestor, this is your salvation. To connect all Unification Church members to this level, I instructed all of you, particularly blessed couples, to go through the Chung Pyung training session. Centering on True Parents, everyone was moving up to Jesus' level, and ready to enter the worldwide level Blessing. These are the formation, growth, and completion stages.

My victorious foundation is not only on the individual or family level, but also the tribal level. Expansion is taking place. The formation level of the spiritual world, centering on the level of the ideal Adam's family, will be filled also. Jesus' realm, the spiritual realm, will also be filled and receive the Blessing. The spirit world and the physical world will be completely united and in equal positions. That is why I have been advocating and teaching about the Kingdom of God on earth and in heaven. To reach that level, we have to transcend the realm of Satan's lineage and then enter into the fourth Adam's era.

The first Adam, second Adam, and third Adam all had to go through the course of indemnity. But beyond the third Adam's course, there is no more indemnity course, which is the era now of the fourth Adam. Do you follow?

Once the third Adam's indemnity course is over, all humankind will be considered to be just like the original Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden, having nothing to do with the fall. This is the realm of Adam's family level victory. So, even though the body becomes 3 billion people, I can bless them all at once in one single day and embrace them into the Garden of Eden as Adam's victorious family. Adam failed in one generation, and Jesus could not go beyond one generation; but within one generation, by the time I reach the age of 80, I can restore everyone back to the bosom of God. How many years do we have to go now? The next two years are critical. We have to fulfill the 360 million couples Blessing. Remember, when Moses brought the Israelites out of Egypt he was 80. The providence at that time was on the level of a people. Moses brought the Israelites out of Egypt to build the sovereignty of God's nation. But now we are on the worldwide level. Do you understand?

It has been very interesting to watch. At the time of the Blessing of 124 couples, the United Nations membership reached 120 nations. When the 430 couples were blessed, according to the Korean calendar Korea's history had reached 4,300 years. That was the national level Blessing. That is why up to the 430 couples, it was the people's or national level. Upon the completion of the 430 Korean couples Blessing, I started opening the gates to the Kingdom of God for those who have reached the completion level. This coincided with the 4,300 years of Korean history. The Israelites came out of Egypt after 430 years of slavery. But in this case, when Korean history reached 4,300 years and the 430 couples were blessed, the Korean people became open to the world—they were not just in the desert because I opened the flood gates. Because 430 blessed couples were in the position of plus centering on Korea, therefore, they had to find a minus, or object position in the world. So I went out on a world tour and blessed 43 couples worldwide. Remember that; it is historic.

So think about it: Through the 4,300 years of Korean histo-

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## For what purpose did God create human beings in such a way? "For love. Therefore no matter how beautiful or handsome you may be, by yourself you cannot experience love. Centering on love, man and woman, husband and wife become one, and also a new lineage is created.

ry and the 430 Couples Blessing in Korea, with the 43 Couples Blessing worldwide in an object position, the proper condition was set for all the tribes in the world eventually to be able to enter the Kingdom of Heaven. Upon that foundation, I went around the world and established holy grounds in order to claim this world.

Upon that foundation, I carried out the 777 Couples Blessing. More than ten nationalities were involved, which represented all the peoples who received the Blessing in the different stages of formation, growth and perfection. Next came the 1800 couples, and then the 6000 couples and the 6700 couples. The 1800 couples represent 3 times 6, the number representating Satan. When children reach the age of 18, they are on the borderline between adolescence and adulthood, particularly women. If a girl does not have a monthly cycle by age 18, there is something wrong with her physical body. Western girls start at age 12 or 13. That is where free sex started. Satan started using that,

Man is in the position of archangel, so sometimes there is an awkward situation occuring in America. Of course you are doing it to serve, but the man gets out of the car first and runs to the woman's side to open the door and lead her out of the car. In a way God trained these archangel-type men really well, to receive the true bride; we have to be trained how to serve. These archangel type men have been trained to serve the Lord of the Second Advent and his wife, the queen of heaven. The archangel is a servant, so this training began all over the world right after World War I, centering on America which is leading the Western world. But this is a temporary standard which will change after meeting the husband. Unification Church American women understand that. A woman may sit back and boast about herself, but only when she has her baby in her arms is it okay.

The laws or constitution of a nation come about centered on the king's idea and judgment. Every country's constitution and laws are connected centered on the idea of the king. In America we see countless cases of divorce, but according to current American divorce law, when a divorce takes place the children go with the mother, except in some terrible cases. But suppose the American divorce law said that all the children should go with the father after a divorce. Suppose there were no alimony or child support clause, do you think so many divorces would take place in America? (No) The state of bride does not last too long. Once you become a wife, the bridal status is over. To receive the Lord of the Second Advent, Christianity, particularly in countries such as America, is in the state of the bride. But this bridal state was completely destroyed and torn apart by Satan.

There are so many tasks that I have to carry out. Why do I have to do them? We have to know that before creating Adam. and Eve, God first created all things for their use. Do you understand, especially you American women? Upon the foundation of the creation of all things, God invested every ounce of Himself into the creation of Adam, as the pinnacle of all creation. [Father draws a face on the board representing Adam.] [Laughter.] Obviously that is someone else. [Laughter.] Who was created first, Adam or Eve? The fact that Eve was created after Adam means

that God created Eve in such a way that she would fit Adam's needs in every aspect, for them to unite together and become one. Could Adam and Eve unite by joining their eyes? What about putting their noses together? (No.) Only by joining their unique convex and concave shapes. Of course they look similar in this drawing, but the concave-shaped one is for lying on the back and the convex-one for lying on the stomach. That is why when a man and woman make love, the man is supposed to take the top position, every time. American movies sometimes try to describe different ways of lovemaking, but only playboys do that. Do you understand?

For what purpose did God create human beings in such a way? For money, power, authority or knowledge? (No.) Then what was the reason? (For true love.) For love. Therefore no matter how beautiful or handsome you may be, by yourself you cannot experience love. Centering on love, man and woman, husband and wife become one, and also a new lin-

eage is created.

There is a Korean saying that for a teenage boy and girl, the first stage of feeling love for one another involves staring at each other, uniting the eyes. The next stage concerns who kisses first. If the girl takes the initiative and kisses the boy first, then the boy will follow the girl and be controlled and dominated by her throughout their life. But if the boy takes the initiative to kiss the girl first, which is the natural order, the girl will follow the boy and her life will be dominated in a good sense by the boy. In the original sense, when a boy and girl meet and are in love, who usually takes the initiative in kissing, the boy or the girl? (The boy.) American woman! [Laughter] That is the principled way. It is like a universal law, a natural law. Why not kiss with the noses? Usually people try to avoid the noses colliding.

So what is the first stage? First looking, to make sure you are in love, then you go with your mouth as a preliminary stage, and finally you put your love organs together. So beginning centered on your face you become united in love through give and take of plus and minus, finally your entire bodies want to be united. Once you and your partner experience that, wherever you go, the husband usually wants to touch the wife's hips, which are so round and soft. The wife feels happy if when she is bending like that the husband comes and hugs her and rubs his body against hers. You do that. Everyone does it the same way. [Laughter.] If you have not, go and experiment with it. It is a natural phenomenon. Real love has that kind of action atmosphere. Without that kind of atmosphere, true love cannot be complete. Do you understand?

Look at the natural world. They do the same thing in many different ways. Have you seen cranes dancing? Do the female cranes dance alone or do male and female dance together? In the fallen, secular world the female is considered more beautiful, but in the original world the male is much more handsome and beautiful than the female. Look at the animal world, at goats, sheep and particularly lions—the male figures have full mustaches and beards. Hens look rather humble, but the rooster has all kinds of colorful feathers and a comb. Male peacocks and turkeys spread their wings to attract the female. In South America, you can hear all the male birds keep on

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singing or calling, while the females listen and follow. When it is quiet, suddenly the male birds start calling loudly, and from far away the female birds respond with a smaller sound; they come closer and closer, and sooner or later they become quiet. Do you know what they are doing? They are kissing, just like human beings! In the created world we can find this kind of model for going to God. It is a natural phenomenon that we can follow.

Do you want to see convex and concave shapes become completely one or be separated? The moment these two different shapes are just about to become one, if anyone or anything interferes, don't you think you will fight all the way even if you have to throw your entire house against that force? You do not want to allow any interference, right? Does that apply only to white American couples, not Oriental and Black couples? (No.) Everyone is the same. The formula is the same.

If God only cares about black people and no one else, not yellow or white people, then God would be colorblind to colors except for black. By the same token, if God is only focused on white, then God would be colorblind except for white. Therefore, God is focusing on all five races' colors. That way God keeps from being colorblind. The five different races we have are white, black, yellow, red and brown. If the white race's eyes can only identify and look at the white race, would those be healthy eyes? In that case white people's eyes would be colorblind. If black people can see only the black race, then the black people are colorblind too. Even during one day, there is nighttime, daytime, dawn and morning, afternoon—all different colors.

When you go to a ranch, ask the rancher if the black cows only go after the black bulls, or if the white bulls only go after the white cows. They do not care about the color. They mingle together without prejudice. Rather, the white bulls slightly dislike white cows and vice versa.

If a husband and wife are both white, when they see someone of a different race, such as yellow or black, they may pay more attention there because they find it exciting. When you add hot water to a pot which already has hot water in it, nothing happens. But when you add ice cold water to boiling water, there is an explosion of steam. There is stimulation there.

If there is a perfect man, he should practice the perfect principle. That is why I love the white, yellow and black races equally. That is the way circular motion takes place. Do you dislike this? (No.) Then do you like it night and day or just one time? (Both.) That means you like it when you are young and will still like it when you are old? (Yes.) So the entire universe, the physical world as minus and the spiritual world as plus, will like it. That is the way we reach the stage of perfected man.

Rev. Moon is the only teacher in this world who is teaching the original kind of love—what love is like, what kind of love we have to make, and what level of love we should achieve. The Unification Church has been teaching a standard of absolute sex all these years, yet some people have the concept that the Unification Church teaching is worse than the teaching of homosexuality and free sex. So who is conveying the truth, the Unification Church or those people who have been opposing it based on their misunderstanding? Even if they keep

opposing us for thousands of years, eventually they will run out of energy and fade away.

In America there used to be hundreds of television stations and newspapers criticizing and opposing Rev. Moon and the Unification Church's activities, but the time is now different. At the time of the 39.6 million couples Blessing two days ago, all the major network were watching and in a way were quietly supporting me, except for one newspaper, the Washington Post. They started looking up with amazement and excitement towards the Blessing. Eventually looking up they reached the limit, and then their hands started going up in surrender. I did not ask them to do that or to surrender, but without knowing it they started doing it by themselves. Satan at last has surrendered.

At this pace, I have more than ten years worth of material to share with you. I have been preaching this love teaching for five years, but I still have a lot in storage. So do you understand now? If you as an American truly understand this teaching and practice it day and night, you can go to Asia, Africa, or even any planet, you can go to the top of a mountain or under the sea and you will be welcomed. Will such Americans be praised or condemned? (Praised.) All over the world people will say, "Yankee, don't go home."

Do you realize that you are happy now? I have several daughters-in-law, but sometimes they do not fully understand how happy a life they are living. There are so many thousands of young girls in the world and they know that I have only six sons in this physical world, but they all somehow desire and look for a chance to join the True Family by becoming a daughter-in-law. Let's say that the world population is now about 6 billion. If people from ages 1 to 20 are about one third of the population, we are talking about 2 billion. Of those, about 1 billion are female. Suppose these 1 billion young females understand me and they know I have only six sons, don't you think they will all want to become my daughters-in-law? What about the boys? The same principle applies, doesn't it? In this physical world, I have six sons and six daughters. So we are talking about 2 billion young people.

People become one through love. All these young men and women desire to become True Parents' sons and daughters. My sons-in-law and daughters-in-law are in the central position among all these young men and women who have the desire to become True Parents' sons and daughters. Once they become my sons-in-law and daughters-in-law, they should become the center point, like a most crystal clear diamond point which everyone looks upon and desires to reach. That is the way they should think and live.

A diamond does not boast and say, "I am a diamond; everyone look at me." Diamonds just exist and that existence itself is good enough. A diamond also does not want to be with another diamond; it wants to be in the center of everyone where it can stand out. If there is another diamond the two will compare themselves and point out one another's flaws.

The same principle applies to the husband/wife relationship. They should be united in an absolute one-on-one relationship. If another enters in there, there will be fighting and competition. In the morning, at night and at all times there should If beyond loving your husband and children you extend your service to your parents-in-law and your relatives with genuine heart, then you will become the queen of that family. Such a husband and wife would be the real, absolute center and king and queen. Do you understand

only be a one husband / one wife relationship. Do you follow? So, as a Unification Church member, are you happy? (Yes.)

Just imagine, if you had plenty of money and could drive the most expensive car and fly all over the world in a private jet like billionaires, don't you think you would be happier? (No.) Why not? Probably God would like it. One way of describing the relationship between husband and wife is that instead of the man desiring to possess all the diamonds, gold and other treasures available in this world, he wants to somehow get them to give to his wife. That is the kind of love relationship to have between husband and wife. If you truly have that kind of desire and live like that, then God will nod and say, "Yes, that is my son." But if the wife says to her husband, "Oh, this is mine, don't touch it; this is my savings account," then God will express his disapproval.

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I have the desire to become the richest person in the world, and it seems money may have legs to follow me. [Laughter.] It is true. This is because of heavenly fate. Wherever I go and whatever I do, heavenly fate always accompanies me, as the true owner. The true owner is the one who follows true love. Rev. Moon has true ownership centering on true love. Do you understand? The definition of a true owner is one who is constantly giving. Instead of owning, the true owner wants to keep giving more, for eternity, and is always thinking, "Oh, there is another person in need; I want to give more."

I know that the population of Brazil is about 160 million, but when I go there my determination is to devote myself and give more than all of the Brazilian people do for the sake of their nation. Beyond that, I want to give more to all humanity. If I do that, and if the Brazilian people truly understand what I am doing they will all like me, and this means God's bless-

ing will be upon them.

I usually carry a small wallet; sometimes I carry money, but it does not last more than one or two days. I do not count money when I give it out to others. I just put my fingers into my wallet and whatever comes out, I give it. Then my wallet becomes empty again. Yet if I see someone who needs support, then I say, "Well, right now my wallet is empty, but I will give you more, maybe double or triple, sometime later."

If I have given \$1000 for example to one person, but then suddenly see that someone else needs some, I do not ask the first person to share half of it with the other person. Once I have given something, I have already forgotten about it. Then I will try to work even harder to give this other person something more, instead of taking back what I have given. In that way I will never, never perish, but will always go upward. This is the way God functions. Heavenly fate is waiting to support those who offer everything for the sake of the entire world. That is how the world can be turned around.

When there is absolute unification between plus and minus, heavenly fate exists there. Why do you think we have two eyes? So heavenly fate can protect them. Our hands, our legs,

our eyes, our nostrils, everything is in the pair system; why? Because heavenly fate appears where there is absolute balance. When balance is combined with energy, there is strong power. When dancers perform onstage and carry out circular motion, one dancer usually pulls the other around to make a circle; they turn together on an axis, and that keeps them from falling. Therefore, you need your partner all the time. That is the way the entire universe functions.

Do you absolutely need your partner? (Yes.) Absolutely means for eternity. (Yes.) Have you become such a wife? Don't you as women want to wear beautiful clothes every day? Don't you want to go around and visit many different restaurants and try French, German, Korean, American and Japanese food? You respond by making a small sound instead of a resounding "Yes!" When you go to a French restaurant, it may cost \$100 or more. Don't you want your husband to wear a tuxedo and look most handsome, and to wear all kinds of beautiful jewelry and clothing and stand out more than anyone else in that restaurant? What do you think? So don't you want to take the most handsome husband in the world or the most beautiful wife in the world to that best French restaurant?

However, in order to do that, the key is you need to have a genuine love relationship between husband and wife. Otherwise, whatever you do and however good it looks externally, it has no value. Once true love is the center of the relationship between a husband and wife, their relationship will be elevated to another level. Once they become completely one and settle upon that foundation, no one will able to separate them, for eternity. Even God could not do that. How wonderful this is! Do you understand?

Can we find true love only among beautifully dressed men and women? Or can we find true love in the most humble place, where people have a genuine heart. Even if you are in the lowest possible kind of place, you should still feel in your heart: "No matter how many beautiful women come to me, I will not even blink. I will only think about my wife." Don't you think that you can find true love there? Such a person would even spit at all those other women. If the entire world were watching this, would they respect such a husband or would they spit at him? Wouldn't they pay attention to and admire such a man? They would keep on admiring and respecting him until eventually they would stand up suddenly and give him a standing ovation. While the audience is applauding him, still dressed humbly in rags he may take the stage and then take off his jacket, revealing a most beautiful, 24-carat gold suit underneath. In the center of the stage he would then sing and dance. How wonderful that would be.

As we get older, our eyes and all the cells of our body start to drop down. We first experienced love through our eyes, but at the age of 80 or even 100, still a person's eyes look beautiful.

Don't you think Westerners and Orientals should become united? (Yes.) What about people at the north and south poles? Suppose the people near the north pole run this way and the people at the south pole run that way, where will they fall? Do you want to unite the two extremes of south pole and north pole, or to unite from a position in the center to one within only a fifteen-foot distance away? In that case there would not be

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enough room to dance around in. If you want to dance and fly, you need some space. In the performance of professional ballet, sometimes dancers are thrown into the air and land several feet away. It is exciting. A female ballerina usually uses a male dancer's strength to stand up and spread her arms to fly and jump. Isn't it beautiful! Or does one dancer just run around like this? You all have that feeling, don't you?

In many ways, Westerners and Orientals are opposite. [Father demonstrates the difference in how Westerners and Orientals put on a jacket.] Westerners put one arm in first and then the other, whereas Orientals put their jacket above them and bring it down putting both arms in. When you watch dancers, do you prefer watching them move their hands and lower bodies only or moving their entire bodies up and down? Even our eating habits are different. When Westerners eat soup, they use a spoon as a scoop. It looks like the way to feed a dog or a cat. [Laughter.] But Orientals move their spoon inward. Each of these cultures needs to go the way now of embracing the other. Western people eat with forks. Originally people probably used one stick or one finger but because it wasn't easy to pick food up with one stick, later on they started using an instrument with two prongs, and now even three or four. The four prongs of a fork represent north, south, east and west.

When you make a fist, do you put your thumb inside or outside? (Outside.) That means you feel the entire world is in your grip. How did you make a fist in your mother's womb? The thumb was inward, wasn't it? Before we are born, this is the way God protects us. The four different directions and seasons work along with God to protect us. The four fingers each with three joints represent the seasons, each of which consists of three months; thus the four fingers represent the twelve months. These four seasons also embrace and shelter

God, because the one thumb with two joints instead of three represents God.

When you open both of your hands and move them together, that means heaven and earth are moving together. Together both hands represent all existence, so when you love something you use both hands to grab and embrace it. Everything in creation wants to be touched by the center and owner of love, the ideal human couple. Even a small puppy will be happy when you pet it. But if when you pet your dog you are looking someplace else, the dog will be aware of that. Your eyes and your heart should go together when you relate with any object. Do you understand? This is the one formula for achieving perfect love for the individual, the couple, the family, the nation and all humankind. Everything wants to go through that kind of formula. That place connects to true love. Through creating that kind of atmosphere the so-called Kingdom of Heaven will appear on this earth. Is this true? All natural phenomena follow that kind of formula and carry out that kind of activity.

If you just boast about yourself, paying no attention to other people, you are a most foolish person. If you do that, everyone will just run away from you. What about money? What about power? It does not matter whether you hold a Ph.D. or are a Harvard graduate, if you behave in such a way everyone will run away. People would rather be with barking dogs than with that type of person. Don't you think so? (Yes.) We have to know how precious love is.

In the Orient, we gesture to others to come to us with our palm down. Gesturing this way with the palm up appears to say "give to me" while with the palm down means to come here and I will give to you. Western publications are read horizontally from left to right, but the Oriental way is from right to left and vertically from top to bottom. Then in terms of vertical and horizontal, which side will dominate the world eventually, the Orient or the West? (Orient.)

Western people can become completely transparent within three hours of meeting and talking with them. One can find out every bit about that person within three hours of talking together. But usually among Orientals, it may take three years or even as long as 30 years to find out about a person, and still there will be something invisible left, like God is invisible. The entire world is in a way afraid of China.

According to Oriental philosophy, the silence and tranquillity of meditation is very precious because this universe emerged out of tranquillity and absolute silence. That is why Oriental people develop their internal life through meditation.

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someone who can be more patient and even greater than God Himself? (Greater.) If we want to deserve to receive something precious from God, then we should have the determination to be even more patient and more silent than God; in other words, even going beyond God's ability. That is the way God wants to give.

[Peter Kim: I did not quite understand what Father had said and started saying something opposite.] When someone is translating for me and I hear a lot of mistranslation, sometimes I dismiss that translator. There needs to be unification of the languages of the world. Because of the division of languages, if someone wants to publish a book, to reach the entire world this book has to be translated and published into 1,800 to 2,000 languages. Think about the burden and waste the human race is dealing with.

Then what language should be the central one to unite all languages? Suppose there are several different languages, one used only by multi-billionaires, another by top politicians, another by philosophers, and another which is the language dealing with love. Which language should be the central language; the love language or the money language? Where do you think this love language stems from? Only upon the foundation of unification between God and True Parents, where true love emerged.

When you pursue a Ph.D. in philosophy you have to study a certain language in order to read the original texts which contain that particular philosophical thought. If you want to become a nuclear scientist you must learn English, German or whichever language is being used as the main language.

By the same token, in the future, if people truly want to master the contents of this teaching on love they will have to study this love language. For that purpose we will need to have the love language dictionary. So which dictionary would be more precious, the love dictionary or the money dictionary? To create the love dictionary and spread this love language, Rev. Moon's teachings have been published in books, in almost 300 volumes. Do you want to learn the love language and to understand the original context of these teachings? Wouldn't you like to read that love dictionary and love book?

During the last several days, I have been constantly speaking and teaching, day and night. Yesterday I had many hours of meetings and finally came home last night and could not sleep. This morning, I came here to pray alone. I did not expect anyone else to be here. Yet, you were here and now I have been speaking to you for several hours. (Thank you, Father.)

I thought that all the people in the New York area were mobilized to Washington DC for the Blessing. I flew back from Washington thinking that everyone else would still be on their way back to New York, so I am surprised to see many people here. But this is a good tradition and I am glad to see you carrying it out. Neither I nor anyone else expected you to be here this morning, since it is a long drive from Washington, but you are here to keep the tradition and to make a new start. With this spirit and tradition, you have already won the victory of the 360 Million Couples Blessing [Clapping and cheering.]

What does this mean? By the end of next May, within 180 days, we have the goal of blessing 360 million couples. I think

if we can do it within six months, that will be fantastic. In Washington, I announced that the 360 Million Couples Blessing will take place in three different locations at three different times. Suppose I choose, for example, Moscow, Beijing, Tokyo, or London to hold the Blessing ceremony. Don't you think the entire world will be turned upside down? Suppose this takes place—as a worldwide event, the entire world will be watching. Do you think the people who are not participating will be eager to join in this Blessing, or will they want to run away? (Eager to join.) Because eventually the world will recognize the value of blessed couples.

When a young blessed couple first comes to live in some area, they may look almost like beggars. But the neighbors will watch them and come to realize that they are like a mature adult couple—loving one another and helping and serving others, so outstanding in every respect. Eventually, the entire world will come to respect, follow and resemble these blessed couples. In this way the entire world will be embraced and join in.

When we talk about the 360 million couples, it means 720 million adults. Suppose there are an average of four people in each wife's family and four people in each husband's family; this average of eight people times the 360 million couples includes about 3 billion people—slightly less than half of the world's population. Once we reach this level and I ask these 3 billion blessed couples and their family members to start building a world tribe, world family, world nation and heavenly world together, don't you think it will be possible? (Yes.) How long will it take?

What kind of electronic network is being established throughout the world now? (The internet.) Today's young children—elementary, middle school, high school students—are even better off than us. They will all hear and learn about the Blessing as well as many other things through the internet. This is the way they are being educated now. Of course, they may use the internet at first to check on things such as the prices of different items or this and that, but eventually they will want to know: "Where can I find my ideal love spouse?"

Suppose news of the 39.6 Million Couples Blessing event is posted and sent out now through the internet, don't you think these young people will become eager to find out what happened there, how those couples are living and where the next Blessing will take place?

As you know, we now have newspapers in scores of countries around the world, including *Tiempos del Mundo*, the *Washington Times*, *Sekai Nippon* and *Segye Ilbo*. Eventually the message of the Blessing will be spread all over the world, and everyone will have access to read about it one way or another. Don't you think so?

In a way, I am happy that the Washington Post printed articles opposing the Blessing, because young people who have decent minds and clear thinking will say, "Well, I already know about the 39.6 million couples. The reality is that people from 185 nations were mobilized and were blessed via satellite. They are good people and they have hope for humanity, but the Washington Post came up with nasty nonsense and negative articles. I don't care what they say. I will go with this

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truth." Going one step further they will demand that the Washington Post correct its mistakes and present the real truth to the world. They themselves will also keep writing and sending out e-mail messages via the internet telling people that the Washington Post is wrong and advising them to please read their message which contains the truth. They will ask people to please read the Washington Times. Such things will take place, and the entire world will revolve around this. One way or another, Satan is doomed to lose and perish. Once we reach that level, don't you think we can organize the entire world to build the Kingdom of God on earth? (Yes.)

What kind of world shall we build? A world centered on democracy, on communism, or on True Parents' Godism? (Godism.) Godism and headwingism. Once people learn the truth, even if we tell them not to, they will keep following this headwing Godism. You are learning the truth regarding this physical world as well as the secrets of heaven. Won't people follow this right way, once they understand it? (Yes.)

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From now on we begin a new era. The first stage is the ceremony of rebirth through drinking the holy wine. In the second stage of the growth period we have the ceremony of restoration. And finally through the Blessing we will be able to have eternal life in the spirit world as well, centering on true love. Where can we find this? In the family base, which is the base of eternal life. How can we connect to eternal life? By connecting with eternal love, which is the original starting point from which eternal life automatically follows. This is the only reasonable conclusion.

You are the foot soldiers to carry and spread this message. As a blessed couple, you have to go through three different stages of Blessing— on the church level, national level, and world level. The place of the world level Blessing is the Kingdom of Heaven on earth. The entrance era is the church level Blessing. After that we have to again bless on the national base. Then afterwards by going over the blessed nation base finally the entire world can be blessed. This is the process through which the fallen world is first cleaned up, then passes through the period of growth and finally reaches the level of eternal blessing. By going through the course of indemnity, investing and forgetting, humankind can recover what was lost through the fall. After completing the course of indemnity through the eight stages, indemnity is no longer needed.

After being cleaned up, growing up clean, and finally being blessed centered on true love and reaching perfection, every couple becomes a center of the universe. This perfected center can go everywhere without any obstacle. Is this true? In there is eternal freedom. In there is also the liberation of True Parents and God. There is no other choice.

In the future, there will not be the need to pray any more. Instead of praying, you will spend time reading and studying Father's lifelong, victorious record. Through a course of fighting centered on Father's family, the victorious foundation has been established. The record of this course is gathered and concentrated into the speeches I have given. That course is the ideal plus axis, which you need to follow with absolute faith, absolute love and absolute obedience. Why? Because God created the original world based upon absolute faith. God is the perfect subject with whom you are in partnership as His object. You follow the same concept as God, believing everything without any doubt and pass over all obstacles upon the base of absolute faith, just as God does. With absolute love, you can go through everything.

After loving God, the spiritual world and humanity, I went to the Amazon area, to the pantanos [a muddy, swampy area full of many kinds of obstacles] to love all the creatures there, embracing all of these levels upon the same standard of absolute faith. Upon that foundation, the clean-up of the fallen world was expanded through the 36 Million Couples Blessing.

No one can decide, or block, the path I am going. There is no world there, just a flat environment in which everything is connected to God's same love theme. Everything is recognized according to the same flat standard. Centering on God and True Parents all humankind on earth and in the spirit world as well as all things need such a flat base as a standard.

At the center of this foundation I proclaimed the realm of cosmic sabbath for the parents of heaven and earth. Upon that declaration, God can come down to the physical world, and the physical and spiritual worlds can become completely one. God can bring down the archangelic world and the entire spirit world including the saints to connect with the present generation of humankind, who are the archangel's brood, in order to establish Adam's original world. After cutting off Satan's blood lineage, the system of marriage will be lifted up for all humankind. All the universe will exist centering on your family. In there, you will revolve around eternally, travelling up and down and followed by all creation, and by God and True Parents, too.

Where there are children of filial piety, patriots, saints and sages, and divine sons and daughters, heavenly fate will come and protect them and their future generations will prosper. That is the way to follow True Parents and heaven. Even for this small girl, when she has the realm of the sabbath, she is the dwelling place and house of rest of God. Within her small body God will dwell, and the entire angelic world will enter in too. All the ancestors in the spirit world, all the saints and sages, will be able to enter her body. Hundreds of millions, even billions of people, will come into her body. Is her conscience big enough and broad enough to embrace them? If there is someone or something even greater than God, our desire is to go beyond God to grab hold of that. That is why human conscience and desire are bigger than the entire cosmos. Even after we embrace all the cosmos, we still have room to reach further.

[To be continued in the next issue.]

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# True Family at Punta del I





Father addresses the leaders conference on January 4.



Mother and Hoon Sook Nim listen to Father's speech on December 30, 1997.

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Father delivers the True God's Day morning sermon. (Background) True Parents' home at Punta del Este.



Father holds a fishing training session on the beach at Punta del Este. December 31, 1998. (Photos: Ken Owens/NFP)

# True Families and the Kingdom of God in America

Rev. Joong Hyun Pak Continental Director HSA-UWC North America

[Editor's note: Rev. Joong Hyun Pak is the first Asian minister to be invited to speak at a National Baptist Convention Board meeting. Rev. Pak prepared this speech to give at the gathering in Los Angeles of 2,000 board members, including 50 state presidents, representing Baptist churches throughout the nation. For the sake of time, Rev. Pak necessarily shortened his speech, but not its effectiveness! At the end Rev. Pak received a very warm standing ovation.

Nationally, the Baptist denomination has roughly 8.5 million members in about 33,000 churches. Many of these churches supported Reverend Moon with prayer, demonstrations and fasting while he was in Danbury Prison. Nobel Peace Prize winner Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., was a member of this denomination.

BLOVED Christian leaders, my brothers and sisters, I am honored to be here. Dr. Lyons, and the National Baptist Convention leaders and representatives, I am grateful to you. This is a high-water mark for my life and ministry.

It is also an unprecedented honor for my church and its founders, the Reverend and Mrs. Sun Myung Moon, so I thank you from the bottom of my heart. For you, it may be just another convention speech; but for me, it is a humbling experience to be standing here before you.

In welcoming me, you are carrying on the ideals of one of your most eminent members, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr, who is recognized as a twentieth century saint, as a great Christian, and as a student of Thoreau and Gandhi. Sometimes it is forgotten that he was also being true to his calling as a Baptist minister.

I respect the National Baptist Convention as the close family of Dr. King. This Convention has served America and the world with the greatest gift of all: the word of God of eternal salvation in the blood of the Lamb.

Without your great network of minis-

ters, counselors, scholars, deacons, singers of praise and servants of God, where would our nation be? And without America's Christian foundation, where would the world be? Where would my nation of Korea be? Reflecting upon this, I am again humbled by the honor of speaking to you today.

As a living witness of the saving work of Jesus Christ throughout the world, I will share a testimony I recently received. I believe you are aware of Blessing '97, the worldwide, interfaith rededication of marriage conducted by Reverend and Mrs. Moon last November 29 at RFK Stadium in Washington DC. The ceremony was broadcast by satellite to 40 million couples in 185 nations.

One location which participated in the ceremony via satellite transmission was the Onikon Stadium in Lagos, Nigeria. There is a Christian leader in Nigeria named Dr. Samuel Akin Adewole. He is considered the greatest prophet in that nation because he has accurately predicted political and other events. Dr. Adewole spoke at Blessing '97 in Onikon Stadium. He told the gathered participants that he had not planned to be there because he had responsibilities to see to that day in his own church. But because Jesus told him to attend and speak, Dr. Adewole changed his plans.

How did Jesus speak to him? What did Jesus say? Dr. Adewole testified to the large audience at the stadium saying, "At about 3:00 a.m. this morning, our Lord Jesus Christ personally appeared to me in my dream. He called me three times and said that I must participate in the Family Federation Blessing today if I still belong to him because he, Jesus Christ, the heavenly elders and all the angels were going to be here to bless and anoint all the participants. Jesus told me that Rev. Sun Myung Moon is His. Jesus said that Rev. Moon does nothing on his own, but through him (Jesus). Jesus said he anointed Rev. Moon because Rev. Moon loves him, he loves all humankind, and he has suffered for Jesus more than anyone else in the world. Join hands with Rev. Moon. Heartily propagate and disseminate this good news to the nations. I bless you in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost."

Surely Dr. Adewole's testimony is a sign of the Last Days. How do we understand what Jesus said to him? Jesus told him to participate in this marriage blessing ceremony. Why would Jesus want to bless our marriages? Aren't we already blessed enough? To help us understand, let us read from John's Revelation 22: 12-17:

"Behold, I am coming soon, bringing my recompense, to repay everyone for what he has done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end." Blessed are those who wash their robes, that they may have the right to the tree of life and that they may enter the city by the gates. Outside are the dogs and sorcerers and fornicators and murderers and idolaters, and everyone who loves and practices falsehood. "I, Jesus have sent my angels to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, the bright morning star." The Spirit and the Bride say, "Come." And let him who hears say, "Come." And let him who is thirsty come, let him who desires take the water of life without price.

[Revised Standard Version.]

These are Jesus' last words, given in the last chapter of the last book of the Bible. So these are the closing words of the entire Bible, the last words of Jesus. What did Jesus want to tell us 2,000 years ago? Naturally, he wanted to communicate how he will work when he returns. So we should pay close attention to what he said. Verse 12 records that Jesus will come back soon in glory, bringing rewards and punishments. Those who follow God will receive great rewards; those who disobey God will be cursed. This is a serious reality at the Second Coming. I will discuss the standard by which we will be judged.

Verse 13 states, "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end." This means that Christ returns to fulfill the purpose of God's creation.

This creation purpose was not fulfilled by our first ancestors, Adam and Eve, because they rejected God's word. Therefore, we need a new beginning. The new beginning is Jesus Christ. He comes again in order to connect us to the beginning in the Garden of Eden. This is the blessing he brings.

Then what is the dividing line between blessing and curse? Verses 14 and 15 clearly reveal this.

Verse 14 states that those who "wash their robes" will be blessed. "Washing one's robes" means to leave behind one's fallen life. It means to cut from the original sin and be reborn. The person who receives this new life becomes a Tree of Life. The people who wash their robes can enter the New Jerusalem.

Verse 15 reveals who cannot enter the New Jerusalem. The list begins with "the dogs," by which the Bible means the sexually impure (Deut 23:18. "You shall not bring the hire of a harlot, or the wages of a dog, into the House of the Lord your God in payment for any vow; for both of these are an abomination to the Lord your God.") This is followed by "the sorcerers, the immoral persons, the murderers, the idolaters, the liars." All such unrighteous people following Satan's model of life cannot enter the Kingdom of God.

Verses 14 and 15 reveal that the person who cleanses their original sin will become a Tree of Life. I can clearly declare to you and to myself, "Those who can enter the Kingdom of God are those who create a true family." Those who

realize the love and righteousness of the true family can enter the City. On the other hand, those who follow false family life based upon immorality and self-ishness remain outside the City.

Important revelations continue in verses 16 and 17. The Spirit calls the religious leaders and righteous people to drink the water of life. To drink the water of life is to receive the absolute grace and blessing of God. By this, your family becomes a true family. This family can enter the New Jerusalem, the Kingdom of God.

I want to clarify three points concerning why true families enter the Kingdom of God.

1. Without your family, you cannot enter. A solitary person cannot enter. Consider this: God created Adam and Eve as husband and wife, to create a family. Why? You may be surprised to hear this, but He did so because He, our eternal Father in Heaven, was lonely. He was a God of love with no partner. God had no one to give and receive true love with.

God is love. Love exists in relationship. God's will is to work together with us, live together with us, and participate in our lives. This is why He created us as His people. He did not create Adam alone. He said it was not good for Adam to be alone. He created Adam and Jive. He wanted to see their godly offspring (Mal 2:15). He wanted to have more and more children, to experience and create more and more joy, to His eternal glory!

Therefore, without a family of true love, we cannot enter the realm of God's complete love. We enter into the Kingdom of Heaven with our loving spouse, loving children, loving parents, loving brothers

and sisters, aunts and uncles and cousins, our loving family!

2. The Kingdom of God is a realm of joy and happiness. You know this very well because Jesus says so. Where do joy and happiness originate? We cannot make joy by ourselves. Joy comes from love. Joy is a response to love. If you practice love, joy returns to you. Love and joy are like the two sides of a coin.

To practice true love, we need a partner. No one is happy isolated from others. No one joyfully proclaims, "I love me." Did the Almighty God say, "I love me"? No. Without someone to receive His love, even God cannot practice love. Without practicing love, we cannot live a joyful life.

Where do we find eternal partnership? We find it in the true family, in parental love, husband-wife love, fraternal love and children's love. These are the four great realms of heart. Love in the family extends to bring together the Smith family and the Jones family, and to harmonize all families as neighbors, relatives and friends. We all live together; this is the Kingdom of God.

3. Who can enter into the "Lingdom of God, the New Jerusalem? It is the love race. Can white people enter by themselves alone? They cannot. Can black people enter by themselves alone? They cannot. I am one of the yellow people. We, also, cannot enter by ourselves. Black, white, red and yellow—all races can only enter together.

God is color-blind. He recognizes only one color. That is the color of love. Different races have different colors of hair, but when we become old, everyone's hair turns the same color: silver. That means that we become the color of true love.

So when we arrive in the New Jerusalem, the Kingdom of God, we will be one people—people of true love. True love is God's love, which is living for the sake of others. Entrance into God's Kingdom is not based upon skin color, but upon the practice of true love.

Now let us consider true families and the Kingdom of God in America.

America has military, economic and cultural power. But our influence is creating problems for the world, including the spread of AIDS, drug abuse and free sex. Considering the deluge of pornography, is it any surprise that one-third of America's children are born to unmarried women, many of them teenage girls?

The current Miss America is not helping by her public advocacy of condom distribution in schools. I come from an era when we had a name for the type of girl who would give out condoms, and it was not Miss America.

David Blankenhorn, an expert on fatherhood, stated that within five years, half of America's children will have no idea what a father is. The absence of fathers leads directly to violent criminal behavior in boys and sexual promiscuity in girls.

New Jersey recently approved the



Rev. and Mrs. Pak share a moment of fellowship with Dr. Henry J. Lyons, president of the National Baptist Convention, and Mrs. Lyons.

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adoption of children by homosexuals. I saw a cartoon which brought this home to me. A judge is telling a child that he has good news and bad news. The good news is, "You have been adopted." The bad news is, "Your mother's name is Bruce." This is so shameful before our Lord.

On the brighter side, we read that there are less divorces today than five years ago. I like to think that our True Family Values Ministry made a small contribution here. In 1996, we hosted 5,000 clergy in our "Empowering Christianity through True Family Values" seminar. We taught solid, biblical principles on how to have faithful Christian marriages, and provided workbooks and presentation materials.

And yet, according to the Chicago Sun Times, "first marriages still have a failure rate of 45% and the failure rate of subsequent marriages is even higher." Our nation is at a crossroads. Who will make America a healthy and moral society? Who will bring justice and peace to America?

It is not important that America is an economic or military superpower, the way Rome was 2,000 years ago. Rome rejected Jesus Christ and persecuted the church. What if America, the modern Rome, stands against Jesus Christ when he returns?

When Jesus returns, I believe that he needs partnership. He needs co-workers. The Bible says the brides await him, with lamps and oil. The brides, the lamps and the oil are our families. Let us prepare true families, reborn as a new people, separated from the lineage of the fall (John 8:48). Then we can work with the Lord and saye this world.

My spiritual leaders, Reverend and Mrs. Sun Myung Moon, recently officiated the Blessing of 40 million true families. This included 400,000 families in America, 2,000 of whom were members of the clergy. In doing this, I believe that Rev. Moon is carrying on the work of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

In the only interview he ever granted in America, Rev. Moon was asked who was the greatest leader in American history. Rev. Moon's answer was Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. He explained that Dr. King was a man of peace, who gave his life to end America's racial and religious conflict.

Rev. Moon is the same. He gathered leaders of all races and religions to pray together for true families and world peace at RFK Stadium. Thus, in the invocation, Dr. T. L. Barrett, pastor of the Life Center Church of God in Christ in Chicago, called us "from all religious faiths and nations of the earth, not as Baptists, Catholics, Pentecostals or Muslims; not as blacks, whites, Asians, Greeks or Jews, but as your children, the family of God."

A few moments later, Archbishop Ioann of the Orthodox faith called upon the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, under the direct guidance of the True Parents, to open the new millennium and the age of the blessing.

Following that, the Honorable Minister Louis Farrakhan proclaimed that through God, we can create true families with true children and true husbands and wives, creating a true society. The highest ranking leaders of Buddhism, Sikhism and Hinduism added their powerful prayers. This is a sign of God's Kingdom worthy of Dr. King's legacy.

Reverend and Mrs. Moon always taught me that Christian ministers are my elder brothers and sisters. They taught me to respect, love and serve

you, to learn from you and see the face of God in you. Please believe me; this is the true heart of Reverend and Mrs. Sun Myung Moon.

Reverend Moon started the True Family Values Ministry half a century ago. Korea was under Japanese occupation, and then suffered the bitter Korean War. It was a hopeless country. All the people said he was crazy. And yet Reverend Moon taught his disciples that the most important way to connect to God and Jesus Christ is through the true family.

I met Reverend and Mrs. Moon when I was in middle school. I tell you that he was talking to us then about what is happening today. I could not believe it at the time, but all of his predictions have come

true. Reverend Moon always called the family "the school of love." Now we hear Pope John Paul II saying that the family is "the school of peace."

In the 1996 elections, all the candidates were calling for "family values." Bill Clinton said that if the family is strong, America will be strong. We offer to Mr. Clinton this worldwide movement for true families.

This movement has three major themes. One is the harmony of religions, races and nations. God's work embraces all people as one worldwide family under God. The second theme is sexual purity among the youth. God's young people are on the streets and in the media encouraging their peers to be strong and pure, to escape the dangers of disease, unwanted pregnancy and emotional heartbreak. Third and most important is family empowerment through the blessing, which is a marriage rededication to establish true families.

As I mentioned, Reverend and Mrs. Moon blessed 40 million couples in 185 countries. Taiwan has a government commission promoting the Blessing in order to protect young people from AIDS. Tens of thousands of government leaders, clergy and village chiefs in Nigeria, Kenya, Zaire and Sudan have officiated the blessing for over 20 million couples. Why? Because it is the only certain way to stop AIDS and create social progress.

Through the Holy Spirit, over 12 million couples have received the blessing in the Ukraine. In the Philippines, Thailand, Europe, Brazil, Mexico, America and all nations, we declare before God, Heaven and Earth that we will separate forever from Satan. We will practice true love. We will live for the sake of others. We will create a joyful family, joyful community, joyful nation and world.

The Blessing means to pledge to God that "my family will be a true family." This is a family which practices absolute sex. Absolute sex means joy and positivity about sex within a faithful, monogamous commitment. Such a family stands against free sex, immoral sex and selfish sex. This is the Blessing.

I refer again to Dr. Adewole's words: "Therefore, I heartily support this Family Federation for World Peace and Unification in the interest of a lasting peace in the world, and humbly advise the federal government and every patriotic and peace-loving Nigerian to join hands with Rev. Sun Myung Moon and Rev. Mrs. Moon to make this organization a huge and remarkable success."

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## Providential Significance of the Declaration of the Realm of the Cosmic Sabbath for Parents of Heaven and Earth

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[Professor Oh's interpretation of the providential significance of the "Declaration of the Realm of the Cosmic Sabbath for Parents of Heaven and Earth" as presented to the Unifcation Theological Seminary.]

T 7 minutes, 7 seconds past 7:00 a.m. on July 7, 1997, the year in which Father turned 77 years of age, a ceremony was held for the Declaration of the Realm of the Cosmic Sabbath for Parents of Heaven and Earth. This event took place with True Parents and True Children, and with 7,777 members, who included the Adam nation national messiahs from 185 countries, 10 American representatives, 200 Japanese representatives, all Korean church leaders and 4,000 Korean blessed families who had accomplished the pre-blessing of 160 couples.

Father stated that this day which could occur only once in the history of the providence is the day of God and day of Rev. Moon, in which God's sorrow of tens of thousands of years could be resolved by declaring the sabbath and liberation for the parents of heaven and earth. He said that since this declaration took place on the foundation of accomplishing the twelfth blessing stage of 3.6 million couples, through this day a new start and a new creation has come. Furthermore, as the Day of Seven and Eight this day will be the most important holy day in the Unification Church. Hence, this event was a solemn ceremony in which, standing on the top as the threshhold between uphill and downhill through the completion of the blessing of 3.6 million couples, Father reflected upon the previous providence and announced a new start by declaring the cosmic sabbath and liberation.

This will be examined in three stages: On the uphill, I discuss the providential background until this declaration; at the top, the meaning of the August 9 and 10 declaration; and on the downhill, the prospects of the providential course after

the declaration. I suggest that the providential meaning of this declaration should be examined from the standpoint of the declaration itself rather than from some traditional philosophical or theological viewpoint, for this declaration is unprecedented in human history. Thus, the present study will be based on the words of the declarer himself and their interpretation.

## On the Upward Path

The declaration of freedom, liberation, sabbath, and new start, made on the top on July 7, 1997 by the lunar calendar at 07:07:07 a.m., did not come about effortlessly. There had been an indescribably rough and turbulent uphill process. The toughest and most lonesome path on this hill was the course before the ceremony of the Declaration of Settlement of the Family Federation for World Peace and the End of Indemnity. After this ceremony the providence started to move forward with great speed. The key events between this declaration and August 8 were the process of overcoming the last hurdles before reaching the top.

#### A. Declaration of the Establishment of FFWP and the End of Indemnity

On November 1, 1996 at 1:00 p.m., in Montevideo, Uruguay, the historic ceremony of the Declaration of the Establishment of the FFWP and the End of Indemnity was held. Many national level leaders, mostly members of the Federation to Save the New Nation, and a few members of the Unification Church in Uruguay participated in this ceremony. Nevertheless, in this ceremony Father proclaimed boldly and in detail messages about his identity, the meaning of the declaration, and the direction of the providence after it.

In his speech, Father stated that the one who gave him the title of True Parents is God. Father claimed that since he alone knows God's will and the right

path, Uruguay and all its people should follow him. He also proclaimed, "When Rev. Moon prays, what he prays should be realized in heaven and on earth. This is such an exorbitant day. It is as if you would go around country roads blindly, meet a prince, and become a princess. If I pray with gratitude, things happen in the way I pray."

He proclaimed such contents through prayer. In this declaration, he announced himself as a new creator. In fact, by stating, "I am creating new things every day," he presented himself as a new creator representing God.

Through this declaration, "the providence of restoration through indemnity has come to an end, and the age of new creation has arrived. The age of conditional providence has passed, and the age of substantial providence has arrived." The providence of restoration through indemnity can be understood as the providence of paying the debt. In other words, we can say that the providence centered on the Unification Church before the declaration had been a history of paying the debt. As is expressed in a Korean saying, this history can be considered to have been that of trying to fill a bottomless jar while trying to restore the bottom. Through this declaration, the repair work on the bottom was completed. In other words, the indemnity that had been required because of errors committed in the providence all came to an end.

This declaration was possible because the FFWP had been established in 185 countries. The inaugural world convention of the FFWP was held in Washington DC from July 30 to August 1, 1996, with 1,500 in attendance, representing 150 nations, including two former United States presidents and forty former or current heads of state. This inaugural world convention announced to the world the passing of the old age and the coming of a new age, and was a solemn ceremony in which the Magna Carta

was proclaimed which revealed the path to be walked by humankind.

Mother played a key role in the inauguration of the FFWP in 185 countries, delivering the inaugural address in 43 cities around the world, mostly in North and South America. As well as bringing about the unity of Protestantism and Catholicism, this speaking tour was meant to indemnify the failure of the allied nations, which represented Christianity and the bride, to receive the Lord of the Second Advent after World War II. Since South America, representing Catholicism, and North America, representing Protestantism, welcomed Mother, it meant that Christianity and Mother became one. Mother offered this foundation to Father on November 1, 1996 at 1:00 p.m., and Father offered this to God. This is how the declaration was made possible.

Prior to the Inauguration of the FFWP, the blessing of 360,000 couples, which is the growth stage on the global level, had been accomplished. With the

worldwide establishment of FFWP based on the accomplishment of the 360,000 Couples Blessing, the completion level of the growth stage was transcended

on the global level. In other words, the level at which Adam and Eve fell was providentially transcended. By this, the debt was completely cleared and the word indemnity became unnecessary in

the providence.

What does it mean to say that indemnity has ended? Since the fall of Adam. and Eye, Satan stood in God's position towards human beings; and to block them from going to God, he put up walls of eight vertical stages (servant of servant, servant, adopted child, step child, true child, mother, father, and God) and eight horizontal stages (individual, family, tribe, people, nation, world, cosmos, and God). The only one who can bring down these walls is the Messiah, and it can be done only through indemnity. By establishing indemnity conditions alone, Father eliminated these walls and built another set of walls through which Satan cannot infiltrate, thereby creating the world of freedom where the eight vertical and horizontal stages can be traversed freely.

Indemnity is no longer necessary. Father is able to move freely, vertically from servant of servant to God, and horizontally from individual to God. Liber-

ation has occurred in which he can move freely and without indemnity through the eight vertical and horizontal stages, namely sixty-four stages. In other words, the state of freedom before the fall of Adam and Eve has been restored. In the new age, instead of talking about indemnity we talk about absolute faith, absolute love, and absolute obedience, which was originally given to Adam and Eve as the commandment.

Father said he was so busy last year to indemnify everything by the time he became 77, and that even his liver had melted in fighting against Satan. In going over the hill of indemnity, Father pioneered this path with sorrow, risking death, and foregoing sleep and rest, without being able to love those he wants to love and loving those he cannot.

As chapters of FFWP have been established in 185 nations and indemnity has ended, the level of the providence has been elevated from the age of individual salvation to the age of family salvation. Thus, the age of religions that

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emphasize individual salvation, such as Christianity, is doomed to disappear. Now is the age when the signboard of religion is brought down. Before this, however, comes the providence of bringing down the signboard of the Unification Church.

## B. Opening of the Age of the FFWPU

On April 8, one day after the 38th True Parents' Day, at an international leaders meeting in Korea, Father instructed us to bring down the signboard of HSA-UWC, which had been used for 43 years, and to put up the signboard of FFWPU. He said that although the name would change, the function and role of the organization would continue. Then why did he direct us to bring down the religious signboard and put up that of FFWPU? Because the time had ripened providentially: the FFWP had completely settled down in 185 countries, the wall of the completion level of the growth stage had been transcended, and Christianity's failure to accept Father after WW II had been overcome.

The coming of the age of the FFWPU means that the providence centering on

the Second Advent is now being carried out at a level that is beyond one particular religion and beyond religion itself. Religions so far have been emphasizing salvation of individual souls and have failed to suggest ways to resolve family problems. Since the FFWPU offers solutions that overcome this limitation, religions will be unable to reject FFWPU although they may reject the Unification Church.

The ultimate goal of the FFWPU is the completion of the true family ideal centering on true love. This is the very purpose and direction of Unification Theology. Unification theology is not a church dogma but principle, and principle is the unchanging official formula. Thus, Unification Theology is not a theology of comparison but of proclamation. Divine Principle, which is the official formula, is not many but one. Thus, this formula must be observed by all mankind, including True Parents, True Family, and blessed families, for the formula drives us toward the completion of the true family ideal centering on true love.

The original name Father considered for the federation was Family Federation for Cosmic Peace and Unification, with the meaning of cosmic including both the spiritual and physical

worlds. Since the term cosmos is quite unfamiliar to the general public, however, the term world was chosen instead. Thus, we should note that world in FFWPU includes both the physical and spiritual worlds. Accordingly, the federation does not simply seek to resolve family problems of the physical world but also of the spiritual world, and this is possible through the Blessing.

The Kingdom of Heaven is where blessed families live. Father wishes that through the federation all the spirits in the spiritual world will receive the blessing as well as all humankind presently alive on earth. When all of them have received the blessing and changed their blood lineage, Satan's blood lineage will have been exterminated, and also his place of stay. Then, there will be complete liberation in heaven and on earth. The last hurdle in achieving this was the hill of the 3.6 Million Couples Blessing.

#### C. Completion of the Preblessing of 3.6 Million Couples and Korea

Father emphasized several times completion of the blessing of 3.6 Million Couples. As the 1997 motto indicates, the hill of 3.6 million couples determines everything. If this blessing is accomplished, spirits can come down to the earth and act directly, and with this foundation heaven and earth can be connected as one. If this blessing is achieved, blessing can take place in the spiritual world centering on Heung Jin Nim and Daemonim, representing True Parents. In this way, God's eternal resting will be prepared in heaven and on earth.

The blessing of 3.6 million couples was achieved officially on July 15. On July 20, the 36 Million Couples Blessing was officially announced. Although the 3.6 Million Couples Blessing had seemed impossible, by July 20 more than 5 million couples were already blessed, and by August 8 more than 8 million couples were blessed. With the blessing of 8 million couples, the twelve-stage hill had been fully climbed before the Declaration of the Realm of Cosmic Sabbath for Parents of Heaven and Earth. Based on this Father had been waiting for the day to make this declaration at the top.

How was the blessing of 8 million couples possible by August 8? First, it was because the heavenly time had arrived. Second, True Parents had absolute faith. Third, True Parents allowed the pre-blessed couples to give the blessing. Fourth, continental and national leaders became one with True Parents and took to the front line, taking the blessing task as a blessing instead of a burden, and members also shared the inspiration, realizing the importance of the goal of 160 couples and giving their best to complete it.

Here, Korea, which blessed 1,050,000 couples, took first place. Before the preblessing activity became a boom, Korea had already been blessing thousands of couples in stadiums. Before the relaxation of the blessing conditions, 230 couples had already achieved their goal of blessing 160 couples in Korea.

This catalyst ushered in the blessing boom around the world, secured the dignity of Korea as the center of the providence, quickened the unification of South and North Korea, and gave confidence to members that they could achieve it if they tried.

### D. Mother's Speaking Tour in Korea

Until the time of the declaration, True Parents had great concern about Korea. Originally, Father said that the declaration might take place in the country that completed its blessing goal first. Although there are other countries that completed

their blessing goal before Korea, the declaration ceremony took place in Korea and this was because of Father's great concern for, love for and conviction in Korea. If Korea had not held first place at the time of the declaration, it would have had little ground to stand upon. Since Father knew this, he supported Korea and sent Mother there for the three speaking tours, thereby opening a new path for Korea.

There are a few common features among Mother's three tours. First, each tour occurred during or after inaugural world conventions in Washington DC: the first after the inauguration of the FFWP, the second around the time of the inauguration of the Martial Arts Federation for World Peace, and the third after the inauguration of the Literary Federation for World Peace and the Washington Times 15th anniversary celebration. Second, each speaking tour featured contents that reveal the essence of the

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Completed Testament Age: "View of the Principle of the Providential History of Salvation" in the first tour, "In Search of the Origin of the Universe" in the second tour, and "True Family and True Universe Centering on True Love" in the third tour were proclaimed. Third, after each speaking tour an event was held that constitutes a landmark in providential history: after the first tour, there was the ceremony of the Declaration of the Settlement of FFW'l' and the End of Indemnity; after the second tour, the Declaration of the Age of the FFWPU; and after the third tour, the Declaration of the Realm of the Cosmic Sabbath for Parents of Heaven and Earth.

In this way, Mother's speaking tours have an important significance in providential history. It is reported that every speaking tour sharply raised blessing results in Korea. Father understands that it was through this help of Mother and the help of God that Korea attained first place in this blessing campaign.

The third tour started after the completion of the pre-blessing of 3.6 million couples. Father did not accompany Mother on this tour, but oversaw it from Han Nam Dong house in Seoul. This was a rally for leaders centering on the Moon and Han clan federations in sixteen cities and women leaders in two cities. It continued until the eve of the declaration ceremony.

This prepared the foundation for Father to rest as a representative of God. Touring sixteen cities meant restoring the number sixteen, which was the age of Adam and Eve at the time of the fall. Representatives of the Moon and Han associations and leaders from all areas of society were invited in order that Mother could give rebirth to the clan representatives, in the position of Abel, and to general leaders, in the position of Cain. On the other hand, women leaders' conferences were held in two cities so that Mother could give rebirth to all the women in South and North Korea. In other words, the aim of this rally was that Mother give rebirth to all the representative Korean men and women, achieve oneness with them, and prepare for the sabbath of the coming Father.

Father said that by the time of the fall Adam and Eve had already been engaged, and if they had not fallen they would have been married about one and a half years later; that is, when they were eighteen. Their position at that time would have been the perfection stage of the perfection level; and after the blessing they would have been able to live in a liberated world where they could freely pass through the eight vertical and horizontal stages. Thus, the speaking tours in eighteen cities showed that from then on blessing would happen in the time of providential perfection, just as the blessing of 3.6 million couples had brought the providence

over the hill of perfection.

In this way, the steep hill has been climbed to the top. On the top, True Parents proclaimed the Realm of the Cosmic Sabbath for Parents of Heaven and Earth.

[To be continued in the next issue....]

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## LATIN AMERICAN PROVIDENCE

## True Parents Visit Argentina

Ricardo de Sena Argentina

with the holy presence of our precious True Parents. I would like to share some of their schedule during that time, because there are so many brothers and sisters who have never had the chance to be with True Parents physically.

On September 28, at 1:00 p.m., True Parents and several Korean elders arrived at Corrientes' airport. The city of Corrientes is located between two rivers, the Uruguay River to the east and the Parana River to the west (like the Tigris and Euphrates), and "touches" the four major countries in the Latin American providence, Argentina to the west and south, Brazil to the east, Uruguay to the southwest and Paraguay to the north. For this reason among others it has been chosen by True Parents as a central location. Father once said that this region is like the Garden of Eden.

As soon as Father could change his clothes he went out to fulfill his fishing condition, without taking time for lunch. Upon returning, Father had a meeting with the Korean elders. The next morning, Sunday, True Parents led the 5:00 a.m. pledge service. Together they offered a full bow before heaven, Mother then offered a full bow before Father and

we all offered a full bow before True Parents. After reciting the Family Pledge in Korean, Father prayed, focusing on the 36 Million Couples Blessing. Mrs. Won Ju McDevitt then read from "God's Will and the

World." The first speech read was "Myself," followed by "The Turning Point of History" and "Message at the Unification Ceremony."

That evening at 8:30 p.m. after coming back from the river, Father said that Sunday is the day of the Lord and asked that we therefore continue the reading. The speeches read were: "The New Cosmic Spring Will Prosper Eternally," "Today in

the Light of Dispensational History," and "True Parents' Day from the Historical Point of View." The following morning, we read "God's Preparation for our Church and Its Early Days" and "The Heart of Reunion." During the first speech, Mrs. McDevitt began to cry and could not continue to read for awhile. True Parents also wept, as well as the Korean elders. Even though we did not understand the words of the speech, which were read in Korean, to see True Parents like this moved us all. I suggest that we all read this speech very carefully to be able to connect with True Parents' heart and situation internally.

Father emphasized the following points in several speeches:

If children obey their parents, they can enter the Kingdom of Heaven without religion.

Father's speaking record is for 16 hours and 40 minutes.

By reading these speeches again, we can see that the Providence is exact.

Father is like a strong tree; the wind can come, but it does not bend.

The power of Satan is diminishing. The mind wants to do God's will, but the body does not.

The number one enemy is the body which cannot be controlled by the mind.

Go and find those who left the church and bless them.

The only way to inherit the lineage of God and True Parents is through unity of heart; the blessing is conditional.

The most serious problem is within the family.

With the blessing of 360 million couples, True Parents' mission is fulfilled.

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heart; the blessing is

conditional.

Each proclamation is given according to the principles of restoration.

Even though we do not see it, the restoration of the world is taking place before our eyes. Satan is retreating.

Father says, "I

want to sleep, but I cannot. I want to rest, but I cannot. There is so much to do." Those who cannot follow will stay behind.

We cannot complain on our path. If I had complained, God would have discarded me.

Everyone should read the book, God's Will and the World, because it is the history of our church. It is very important to re-read the speeches.

The following morning at 8:30 a.m. True Parents left for Uruguay, smiling and waving their hands to all of us who remained behind.

It is very hard to express the feeling adequately in words, but it is so moving to see True Parents dedicating their precious time to us, sacrificing their utmost desire to be with their own children. True Parents show us that we are meant to live for the sake of others, and that it is possible.

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## Blessing '97 in Venezuela

Mayerling Blanco Venezuela

o far, 30,000 couples have been blessed in Venezuela. A great spiritual storm has poured out its blessings over us. Although initially we were only able to bless fifty couples a week, now we are blessing as many as 2,000 couples a day. We all feel very happy, because each of us has accomplished our goal of blessing 185 couples. I sincerely believe this success is due to the absolute unity of our national messiahs. Rev. Hung Moon Lee and Rev. Mitsuo Hayashi are so united many people say that they are father and son- a Japanese father and Korean son, since Rev. Hayashi is older than Rev. Lee.

We have carried out a blessing tour to fifteen cities, during which we blessed an average of fifty couples each day. Many important authorities such as mayors and governors received the blessing. Tivil and military authorities, and Catholic and Protestant religious leaders participated as well. Rev. Lee and his wife officiated the blessing ceremonies and Rev. Hayashi, dressed in a kimono, danced a Japanese dance called *takedabuchi*. There was holy music in the background and the guests were always impressed.

It is a wonderful experience to see many couples receiving the blessing

with deep faith. In one small city the room was packed and 112 couples received the blessing, while many others waited outside who could not get in. Although we blessed 1,500 couples during the tour, we still had to reach many more. Father wanted us to accomplish quickly blessing of 3.6 million couples worldwide, and as a nation we were trying to fulfill a certain goal. Our American national messiah, Rev. David Stuart received news from Russia that members there were going to parks and other places to give the blessing. We also heard news from Paraguay that the Japanese sisters were going in groups of three to parks, markets and hospitals. Thus, our leaders encouraged all of us to do the same.

We began visiting hospitals. We visited the maternity wards and went from room to room blessing patients, nurses, doctors, other hospital employees, families and visitors. We also went to recreational parks and parks with rides, especially on Saturdays and Sundays when they are full of families.

We developed the confidence to go to metro stations, fire stations and police stations, and to approach Jehovah's Witnesses and Catholics. Several nuns over sixty years of age received the single person's blessing. Bus terminals on short routes have been very good, also taxis, beaches, restaurants and even sometimes bars. The supermarkets and other stores are also good places to find couples to bless, and we also experienced success going door to door, to tourist landmarks, schools, and many other similar locations.

It is so wonderful to see couples who have been married for forty years renew their marriage vows. The Japanese sisters are working very hard and thus some of them have blessed 300 to 400 couples.

We are now going to visit the poorer sectors of the city.

The most beautiful experience I had was in giving the blessing to a seventy year old woman. She saw the picture of True Parents in their blessing gowns attached to my chest and shouted out, "Those are the children of God." She then came closer to me and pointing at the picture said, "He is the elder brother of Jesus, and she is the only daughter of God." This woman cried a lot after we gave her the blessing, and afterwards she began to call others to be blessed. That day we blessed 2,661 couples, and all the members had similar experiences to mine.

The eastern part of Venezuela was shaken by an earthquake during the

blessing campaign. Almost one whole city was damaged; several rivers were flooded as well. I feel that the good and evil spirit world are very active and struggling during this time. It is very clear to me now that God has entrusted us with the great mission of giving and giving and giving the love which we have received from our True Parents. We have acquired a natural way of giving the blessing everywhere we go. This is God's grace. For example, every day Rev. Stuart prepares blessing materials, educates the members, records the blessing results and then goes home to give the blessing to his neighbors.

Our phones are now constantly ringing. People want to know how to join the Family Federation and how to receive the blessing, and they congratulate us for such a good, inspiring and educational campaign. We have to reach new levels every day. Physically and spiritually we have to renew ourselves to love, serve and be proud of True Parents wherever we go.

We are now making a new determination for the completion of the 360 Million Couples Blessing.

Mayerling Blanco participated in the 3.6 Million Couples Blessing in 1997.

## News from Honduras

Mario Salinas Honduras

FIER receiving strong persecution from the media and from the Catholic and Protestant churches, we finally were able to celebrate Blessing '97 in Honduras' capital city Tegucigalpa with 200 people and with 35,000 families all around the nation. It is important to consider that this celebration was held one day before nationwide elections for the president, congressmen, deputies and mayors. This made attendance at the blessing ceremony quite a bit lower, because the people needed to go to their hometown areas for voting.

Despite these circumstances, we felt a great sense of victory because we were able to transmit the entire blessing ceremony from beginning to end, including minutes of introduction and fifteen minutes of closing, via national television. It was an opportunity for us to prove that the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification and its founders, Dr. Sun Myung Moon and his wife, Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon, are really confronting a very central point of the decadence of our civilization by promoting high standards of value for the family which no one can oppose.

Another remarkable thing to mention is that. following three months of smooth circulation, the inauguration of Tiempos del Mundo in Honduras was held on October 30, 1997, just one month before the blessing. The inaugural address was given by Amb. Phillip Sanchez, who served as the U.S. ambassador to Honduras in the 1970s, during which time he won the respect and friendship of many Hondurans. The meeting was attended by over 200 representatives of the media, various industries, tourism and other businesses. Of particular note was the unexpected participation of Miguel Facusse, the most prominent and successful entrepreneur in Honduras and Central America, as well as of Jose Cecilio del Valle, president of the first private university and Mrs. Irma Acosta de Fortin, who is well respected for her leadership.

Josef Schinwald, a Unification Theological Seminary graduate who came to Honduras three years ago, has been the driving force behind the establishment of *Tiempos del Mundo* here in Honduras. Even though he faced great difficulties and much opposition, he persevered and succeeded. *Tiempos del Mundo* has now positioned itself as one of the major newspapers in Honduras and its journalists are regularly invited to attend important press conferences.

In 1996, Josef and I had a very good experience working together in making preparations for the first project of RYS (Religious Youth Service) to be carried out in Honduras. A group of thirty young people from Korea, Japan, the United States and Central America, including second generation, newly blessed young members from Bridgeport University and also non-Unificationists, came together and worked on the reconstruction of a school facility for about 1,000 children.

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## Grandmother's Love on Earth

Part III

Jorg Heller New York

### The Water of Life

HE Water of Life is situated on the same level as the Tree of Heart. It is ordinary spring water, but what makes it holy are the angels that are assigned to minister to people through it. There are many testimonies of people who have been healed of all kinds of diseases through drinking the Water of Life or through applying it externally to the skin. The point to stress here is that one must have faith in the process in order for healing to take place.

## The Tree of Blessing

The path leading up to the Tree of Blessing is very steep and narrow. The elevation from the level of the lake to the Tree of Blessing is about 700 feet, so the climb can be somewhat of a challenge at first, but after a few trips one gets used to it. The view of the lake and the surrounding mountains is very beautiful. The tree stands right at the edge of a small cleared area, facing the lake. About twelve feet high, this pine tree (Noah built his Ark with this type of wood) stands proudly between the lake and the visitors praying.

## Holy Song and Clapping Session

Following morning prayer at the trees on the mountain, workshop participants gathered together in the lecture hall. The first activity was one of four seventy-minute long singing and clapping sessions.

We were charting new ground so we had to learn many things anew and unite with these changes in heart. Throughout these sessions we sang just one holy song: "Grace of the Holy Garden." We had to learn to clap a certain way to facilitate the release of spirits. Raising the hands up and drawing them down has the purpose of pulling down the spirit of Heavenly Father. The clapping represents an explosion of the truth and love of Heaven. The follow through and extension of arms and the pushing down and out of

the hands represents pushing evil elements away.

The most important factor required for liberation of spirits is repentence. While clapping and singing we were to repent for the sins of our ancestors. I wanted to cover all my bases and repented for the sins of my nation, my race and humankind as a whole. Then I just prayed to understand for what aspect of my sin it was most important for me to repent. Inspiration usually came very quickly. Repentance for our ancestors and everyone else that was hanging on to us would liberate them and they would feel free to move on to attend the workshop



Jorg and Ayako Holler and their children at their home in Harlem, New York City

organized by Heung Jin Nim for persons in the spirit world.

During the first two weeks Daemonim visited our clapping session and spoke to us several times. She wanted to make sure we understood that we ourselves had to fulfill our own portion of responsibility in order to liberate our ancestors. This meant to work hard at everything we did, to clap hard, to sing loud, and to repent constantly. This was the major activity we did to liberate the spirits, but every part of the program was important and supplemented the others. Daemo-nim encouraged us saying, "Please believe that Heavenly Father has given me total authority through this program to cast out the evil, resentful spirits. If you have absolute faith, work hard and unite with this program,

you will be totally liberated."

One morning during the clapping session I was feeling a little tired and must have fallen into a trance of sorts. In this state I was able to see some spirits attached to my thighs! Seeing this shocked me out of my trance, and I could not see them anymore. But this experience gave me a deeper realization of what I was up against, and I picked up the pace again.

## Reading of Divine Principle

The next activity each day was the first of four seventy-minute periods in which we read the *Divine Principle* together. One reader read through the microphone from the podium on stage, while everyone else in the hall read aloud following the lead reader. The goal was to sound as one voice speaking the Word of God and to create such a high spiritual atmosphere by speaking the truth of God that no evil or resentful spirit would want to remain with us.

During the 40 days we read through the Divine Principle book seven times.

### Divine Principle Lecture Practice

At first, our workshop was organized in groups based on nationality. However, one of the purposes for our being at Chung Pyung Lake was to lay a foundation to bring world unity and peace, centered on the Lord of Lords and King of Kings, the True Parents and True Family. After about ten days, twenty teams of mixed nationality were set up, each team representing a small united nations.

After the last clapping session in the evening we set up by team for Divine Principle lecture practice. For the lecturers, it was difficult to lecture while twenty feet in front, to the right and left and behind other lecturers were also lecturing. For the listeners it was also difficult. There were at least another six lecturers within earshot. But victory would come if we could totally focus on working with and supporting the team leader and other members of the team. This would help every person to become the best national messiah possible. If we could overcome all the external and

internal distractions and focus totally on the program, Satan had to leave.

## Reading Father's Word: God's Will and the World

This part of the program was the most inspirational part for me. There were numerous elder brothers and sisters present in our workshop group with many experiences to share. Three or four of them were asked each night to read a section of a speech in God's Will and the World and then give a related testimony of their experiences in the church.

## Prayer at the Tree of Love

At 11: 45 p.m., we all gathered together at the Tree of Love, where we lit our tongil candles. On some evenings as many as 1,500 to 2,000 members were gathered together. It was a beautiful sight to behold. The service began with a song, was followed by the Korean director's representative prayer and unison prayer, and ended with the Song of Unity and five manseis: for God, True Parents, Heung Jin Nim, Daemo-nim and the victory of the 3.6 Million Couples Blessing. It was a beautiful way to end the day.

### Workshop Participants' Testimonies

Most of the spiritual phenomena were experienced during the clapping and singing sessions. Heung Jin Nim and Daemo-nim made so much effort to show us what was going on in the spiritual realm.

One brother from France saw a big gate between two beautiful columns at the back of the stage. Heung Jin Nim stood on one side and Daemo-nim on the other beckoning the spirits to come out of us. He saw that the spirits did come out, beginning with a few at first and eventually more and more.

A brother from the United States guided his deceased father to travel through the realms of the spirit world to gather their ancestors together. These spirits came to this brother, who then sent them off to Heung Jin Nim's workshop. Spiritually he saw them marching off right through the center of the church symbol at the front of the hall.

One sister, also from the United States, felt a huge weight being lifted off her heart during one clapping session, and she felt the love of Heavenly Father rush into the vacated space. Never before had she felt so close to Heavenly Father, or to brothers and sisters. She became a new person. Another brother witnessed the whole scene spiritually and later testified that he had seen a huge, dark spirit come out of her. This spirit had such evil vibrations it had scared him.

Not everyone had such tangible experiences, but after each clapping and singing session we all felt more purified than before. The spirit during these sessions was so pure, we felt that we were in a realm very close to heaven. When I prayed about the miserable situations of the people in my home church area and Cain type tribal area in Harlem, tears just ran down my face. I could not stop from crying. This happened to me every time I repented about not having done

enough in Harlem.

Throughout the workshop, spirits could leave a person at any time. I felt that many spirits left me while I was asleep. I had one powerful dream to substantiate this for me. In my dream, I stood on what seemed to be the playing field of a small football stadium. A great number of my ancestors were sitting in the stands at one end of the field, while I was preparing to take a picture of them. Everything was quite dark and I could not see them so clearly. After setting up my camera, I looked back into the stands. There were less people than at first, and more and more were leaving until eventually only three people in the center were left sitting there. Eventually those "big shots" disappeared also. When I woke up the next morning and stood up, it took me about ten seconds to find my balance, and I almost fell down. My whole equilibrium had changed. I was a new person and had to adjust to the vacancy left in my spirit by my departing ancestors. This experience took place near the end of the workshop. Throughout the workship I had many similar but less powerful experiences.

Daemo-nim told us that we could restore sixty generations of our ancestors if we would totally invest ourselves throughout the forty days. Again, the emphasis was on total investment, faith in and unity with the program. Near the end of our workshop we asked Daemonim how we were doing. She told us that she was happy with our results, but that it was difficult for Western people to totally clean themselves up, because our lineages are not so clear and are intermingled with many different elements. I understood this to mean that although we were quite successful, we could have done more to free ourselves of evil spirits.

## The Seven Day Fast

Originally and ideally the workshop was to have had a duration of 120 days. But because it would have been extremely difficult for members to attend for that length of time, Father reduced the time

to 40 days and added a seven day fast to substitute for the 80 subtracted days. We started the fast on our 26th day. Fasting at Chung Pyung Lake is not that difficult, probably because the spiritual atmosphere is very pure. We had also liberated many of our ancestors to attend Heung Iin Nim's workshop in the days leading up to the fast, which helped our situation. Some Japanese sisters testified that during their fast the Water of Life they drank every morning tasted like rich milk and satisfied their hunger for the day so that they felt they were doing seven one-day fasts. When I prayed at the Tree of Blessing during the fast, I felt energy and warmth being channeled to my abdominal area. One day it rained very much and I decided not to go up the mountain. It was the most difficult day of my fast. I never missed going up to the Tree of Blessing again.

Following the fast we were served a simple menu consisting of miso soup and soft rice three time a day, so that our systems could adjust gradually to taking in food again. But soon after ending the fast I felt a strong urge to eat everything in sight. As strong as the urge was, my intention to stick to the food offered during the meals was stronger. However, on the third evening my desire to eat something extra was really strong. I was almost convinced that it would be alright, but I came to my senses in time enough not to break my condition.

This third day had been a tough one for me. During evening lecture practice I felt very tired, but was trying hard to follow the program. Suddenly, I felt some power move up from my abdominal area. I felt this power reach my head and exit through my "third eye, and I realized that a spirit had left me. This happened four times during that session. The next morning I came to the full realization that the spirits who had left me were the "food spirits" I had wanted to shed for such a long time. From that point on I was a different person. I no longer feel the need or the desire to eat as much as I used to. Praying about this experience, I came to understand that when I had almost broken my condition, I had been at war with satanic spirits within me who were using all of their power to get me to do so. However, they did not succeed and thus Heavenly Father could exercise His power to cast them out.

My most amazing experience personally came through leading the Divine Principle reading sessions. Heavenly Father showed me how much He leved every one of the brothers and sisters in

the workshop. When I went to pray at the trees each morning, all I could think about was how to love everyone and make them feel as comfortable as possible. I asked Heavenly Father about this because I thought it was somewhat unusual. I asked Him to help me pray about other things as well. His answer was clear: "You do not need to pray about anything else. There is nothing else going on in the world that is more important than this. You should just tell everyone how important they are and how much I love them. Your brothers and sisters represent 185 nations which means they represent the more than 5 billion people in the world. By loving your brothers and sisters here, you are giving love to the world. Please give My love to My children. What could be more important than this?"

Since deep husband and wife unity would be so important to our success in our new mission as national messiahs, and because many couples were struggling to accomplish this unity, a request was made to Daemo-nim for family counseling sessions. But Daemo-nim made it very clear that 95 percent of the reasons why couples could not get along were related to their ancestors. She told us not to worry about counseling, but just to work hard to liberate our ancestors. In that way the relationships between husband and wife would dramatically improve.

However, two days before the end of the workshop Daemo-nim arranged to have a Chung Pyung Lake providence type of family counseling session with everyone together in the lecture room. Daemo-nim asked every couple to sit down, face each other and say over and over, "I love you, I love you, I love you!" It almost became a chant. Then in turn over and over: "I am sorry that I hurt you," "I forgive you," and "Please forgive me!" This went on and on while husband and wife looked each other in the eyes or held each other in a tight embrace.

It turned out to be a very emotional session. Many tears flowed and when the session was over the atmosphere in the hall was very joyful, even jubilant. I felt that something was resolved in my couple, and every couple that I talked to told me that they had a similar experience.

The most significant testimony was given at the graduation ceremony by a French brother. He spoke from his heart and gave an honest and tearful testimony about his experience: "I did not know what to expect when I came here. I was not ready and scrious enough to invest myself fully. I just could not unite

in heart with some of the activities we were asked to do. Now I know that I could have done so much better. If I had only understood from the very beginning. Now I realize the incredible significance of this providential event. I am chastizing myself now for having wasted Heavenly Father's and my precious time. I wish I could do this workshop all over again." I think all of us without exception, to a greater or lesser degree, felt the same way. Daemo-nim had told us from the very beginning to be serious and not waste our time because we would probably not ever have a chance to return to Chung Pyung Lake. At the end of the workshop we understood this, but it was too late.

## Life after Chung Pyung Lake

As our workshop drew to an end, we all had one question. How should we conduct our lives after Chung Pyung Lake? We were liberated from original sin through the Blessing, and now from hereditary and collective sin through the Chung Pyung Lake workshop, we had from then on only to resolve our personal sin and fallen nature. We wanted to know how we could protect ourselves from the evil, fallen world. We did not really receive any answer other than to live a life totally centered on the Principle: to live for our public mission; to follow True Parents and be obedient to the direction they give; to dedicate ourselves totally to building the Kingdom of God on earth and in heaven. This would draw down the highest levels of the spirit world to guide and protect us. Especially as national messiahs we must be very serious about taking responsibility for the restoration of our mission country.

When I arrived back in New York, I felt somewhat worn out and weak. It reminded me of the story in the Bible in which Jesus casts out an evil spirit from a young man. After the spirit came out, Jesus told someone to feed the young man and let him rest. With many evil spirits gone, the life energy they had supported me with was also gone. While at Chung Pyung Lake, the spiritual atmosphere was so high I did not feel the loss of energy. But once back in New York I it took me about three weeks to totally rebuild my strength.

I have become spiritually much more sensitive. The ancestors who left me at Chung Pyung Lake could not come back, but I have to make sure that no other spirits move in and occupy the space they vacated. I feel I have to be very cautious in everything I do and that Satan is still constantly looking for

ways to invade. I am taking a lot of time to pray and meditate about my internal condition every day. Resisting the temptation of spirits is still an everyday chore. However, these spirits no longer have inside support. Soon they are discouraged and move on to an easier target. Thus, it has become much easier for me to love my enemy, control my temper, and have more patience and love for the world around me. However, in everything I do I proceed with caution because the battle is not yet won. At the same time, there is definitely a light at the end of the tunnel. The removal of personal sin and fallen nature will proceed now at a much faster pace.

## Reflection

I can only feel deep gratitude to Heavenly Father, True Parents, Heung Jin Nim and Daemo-nim, as well as Tiger Park and President Hyo Won Eu, who also helped us in some spiritual capacity. Three months after my return from Chung Pyung Lake I look back still in awe of what happened there. I am not so sure I fully understand the impact this workshop has had on my life and will have in the future.

It is truly amazing to think that even our worst ancestors could be restored in such a short period of time. The time frame of the dispensation for the returning resurrection of spirit persons has been significantly reduced through the new providence at Chung Pyung Lake. What would have taken thousands or even tens of thousands of years to restore was accomplished in just forty days. The benefit we gained as individuals on the earth, and which our ancestors in the spirit world gained who decided to go to Heung Jin Nim's workshop, cannot be expressed in material terms. No amount of money in the whole wide world can buy the blessings that were received there. And of course, after the Blessing in November of 1997 our ancestors, now our spiritual children, will be able to come back as good spirits to work with and support us in a positive way. III

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## Eighth Verse of the Family Pledge

[Editor's note: On February 3, 1998, in Korea, True Father added the eighth verse of the Family Pledge as the condition of faith in the Completed Testament Age. This is the official translation into English.]

## Family Pledge # 8

Our family pledges, as we enter the Completed Testament Age, to achieve the ideal one-ness of God and humankind in love through absolute faith, absolute love and absolute obedience, thereby perfecting the realm of liberation of the Kingdom of God on Earth and in Heaven, by centering on true love.

## CHUNG PYUNG NEWS Workshop Session 255, February 20-22, 1998

It had been anticipated that about 1,500 people would attend this 3-day session, but in the end many more people came in unexpectedly from all over Korea. The final number of participants was over 3,300, the highest number ever. About 100 Westerners and 400 to 500 Japanese were also there. True Father called in the morning and asked how many were attending, and he asked Daemo-nim to take care of the participants well. There was a very high atmosphere and people somehow felt a heavenly blessing would be coming to them.

Most exciting was the ancestral liberation ceremony held at the end of the workshop on Sunday. Daemo-nim gave a powerful prayer and then all participants prayed in unison to liberate their ancestors. Daemo-nim had stayed up all of the previous night preparing the atmosphere in cooperation with angels to bring as many ancestors as possible from all levels of the spirit world.

Daemo-nim assigned newly blessed spirits to accompany and protect the participants, even if those participants had not attended a Chung Pyung workshop in the past, and even if those people were not their spiritual children.

It is expected that another very large number of people will be coming from all around Korea to attend Session 256 this coming weekend.

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#### True Families and...

This is a family which practices absolute sex. Absolute sex means joy and positivity about sex within a faithful, monogamous commitment. Such a family stands against free sex, immoral sex and selfish sex. This is the Blessing.

I refer again to Dr. Adewole's words: "Therefore, I heartily support this Family Federation for World Peace and Unification in the interest of a lasting peace in the world, and humbly advise the federal government and every patriotic and peace-loving Nigerian to join hands with Rev. Sun Myung Moon and Rev. Mrs. Moon to make this organization a huge and remarkable success."

Let us ministers in America hear this man of God! Reverend Moon has launched the campaign to bless 360 million couples worldwide. The first stage global satellite blessing will take place on Saturday, June 13, 1998, with major events in New York and eleven other cities. Let us fill stadiums with blessed couples rededicating their marriages for the sake of world peace. Two thousand clergy couples rededicated their marriage in America last year, among the 400,000 other couples.

It is a courageous and visionary step which I invite all of you to take, if you have not done so already. We ministers must stand in front! We will be the models for others to follow. The marriage blessing movement will sweep America!

We can make America a truly great country! We can revive the spiritual life of America! God expects us ministers to work together. The president can take care of the political arena. As for the spiritual values which make America a moral super-power, it is you and I, with the love of God, who can accomplish this.

We will cross all denominational, racial and cultural boundaries to join our hands and march together. We will bless the families of America. The Blessing will make America a moral and righteous country and will expand this goodness to the world.

Let us embrace and be strong. Hand in hand, let us march together into the New Jerusalem, the Kingdom of God on Earth. Thank you very much. Thank you, God. God bless you.

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The Day of Victory of Love, January 2, 1998, Punta del Este, Uruguay. (Photo: Ken Owens/NFP)

Individuals should be willing to sacrifice themselves for the sake of the family, the family for the sake of the tribe, the tribe for the sake of the nation, and the nation for the sake of the world. In other words, individuals should become the material with which to build the family. The family should become the material or resource to build the tribe, the tribe to build the nation, and the nation to build the world. We can be proud of ourselves in this way, as the center of the family, tribe, society, nation and world, because we are the very material to build all those different levels.