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A View from Africa

A story from behind the scenes of events honoring the memory of True Father

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Africa is very far away from everything. Many national leaders have no internet connection, so they have to go to a cyber café; and they don't have much money to spend on that. They may not eat three meals a day. It is a challenge for them to keep abreast of the rest of the movement, especially of Korea and the international headquarters.

Nonetheless, the king of Lesotho attended our World Summit conference in Korea. Lesotho is a small nation, surrounded by South Africa. The country has a very admirable king and queen. The king is a very dignified and educated man who wants to change his nation.


He came to our UPF World Summit because of national leader Darkwell Sakala and his wife. Darkwell is not originally from Lesotho; he was sent there from Zambia ten years ago as a pioneer. They live in a very poor house, eating perhaps just twice a day. They are too poor to send their children to school. They are holding on by the tips of their fingers. Yet they just go out and do outreach work. Somehow, they established and maintained a relationship with the deputy prime minister. They don't have a car to travel to the government offices, so they maintained this friendship from afar. They found a way. They sent me a message. I thought, Is this real? We were seeking to invite heads of state. Could this impoverished couple really bring their king to the summit? So I went to Lesotho, and we went to meet the deputy prime minister. He took us immediately to meet the king. The king accepted on the spot to attend the World Summit.

This came about not through an invitation from the UPF International offices, or through the higher leadership in Africa. This came from the efforts of this young, very poor brother and sister. It showed me that when God is working, we can overcome any obstacle. King Letsie III was the star of the World Summit. He spoke very well, with great insight. He met the New Village Movement (*Saemaul*) people. They treated him like a king! He visited Samsung; the company invited him as soon as they heard he was in Korea.

The Korean government also got involved. As he was a visiting head of state, they had to take responsibility for him while he was on Korean soil. They took very good care of him, which saved us greatly in time and expenses.

Naturally, we desire to improve our national leaders' capacity to communicate with the worldwide movement, so they can know what is going on and can guide their nations in the right direction. Yet at the same time, there are stories like this, a miraculous story of a faithful brother and sister, who, despite enormous personal sacrifice and challenge, could bring such a person.

Sometimes we feel our own personal circumstances are overwhelmingly difficult. Sometimes we think our church needs to be better organized or needs to change this or that. Actually, our Heavenly Parent can work in any circumstance—as he did through this very inexperienced brother. The king and queen of Lesotho, the stars of World Summit 2014, came because of him. When I visited Lesotho, I needed to stay in a hotel because we were going to meet the king and queen. I told Darkwell I wanted to visit their home and see their children. Going from the nice hotel to his home, which was so humble, and meeting his two blessed daughters, made such an impression on me. There are stories out there that our brothers and sisters worldwide need to hear. There are brothers and sisters living in such unimaginable circumstances, yet they come up with this kind of offering.

I believe this story can inspire and encourage members who are also facing difficult circumstances in other ways. Even though we may feel it is not easy to bring results, we need to understand that our Heavenly Parent is ready to work and make such results possible. 

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God's Will Is for Humanity to Become One

True Father's farewell message before he entered prison in Danbury, Connecticut (U.S.) July 20, 1984

It is God's Will that everything be brought into oneness. Had the Fall not occurred, our mind and body would have become one. The mind and body of man would have united and the mind and body of woman would have united. Had this happened, the unification of these two beings of harmonized mind and body as a couple would have engendered a world of unity. When we look at today's world, we can see that it is not a united world. What does the world of today reflect? It is meant to be a magnified expression of man and woman.

Can you say that your mind and

body have been united throughout your life? Whether this question is posed to a man or a woman, I do not think that anyone can answer affirmatively. We can reach the overall conclusion that this world is not the outcome God desired. This is why we say it is a fallen world. Thus, since there is not a single person whose mind and body are united, the conclusion is that we have no unified families, tribes, peoples, nations, world or cosmos (heaven and earth).

Therefore, we can see that if one person succeeds in uniting his mind and body, God will seek to manifest Himself as God to that one person.

This is how we think. Thus, if two such people become one, it is clear that God will manifest Himself as subject partner to this couple. And if this couple forms a tribe, God will manifest Himself in this tribe once it achieves oneness. Thus, thinking this way leads to the understanding that even though there are hundreds of millions of people in the world, the Almighty God wishes to manifest Himself before each of them as their subject partner.

Then what is the path I am taking and what is the work I am carrying on? This is the issue. The ultimate goal is to find the path to the oneness

of all humanity. This is the path the sons and daughters that stand in the position of God's beloved children must take. Had human beings not fallen, who would have been responsible for the unity of human beings? It would not have been God; human beings should have achieved oneness and lived a life of attendance to God. We must understand this point. Had this been achieved, it would have become the starting point of unity and would have brought together all the hundreds of millions of people.

However, due to the Fall, all of this was destroyed and human history after the Fall became the history of recreation and, at the same time, the history of restoration. Accordingly, God's position became one of seeking and hoping for someone to redress this outcome all the way to the global level.

Jesus was alone when he carried the cross. He bore the cross by himself. As a result of Jesus' crucifixion, God lost Judaism. Christianity, the new ideal religion that would have formed had it not been for the crucifixion, was lost, Rome was lost and the world was lost. Then on what position is Rev. Moon standing today? What work is Rev. Moon doing? Because I knew what work God desired... What is the Unification Church doing today? You need to clearly understand this. Your fathers and mothers are trying to separate you from Rev. Moon; you face opposition in all corners. Judaism seeks to separate you; Christianity and the Communist party also. Nonetheless, you are saying that you will not be pulled away.

My philosophy is to choose and follow the path that leads to the realization of God's hope of bringing together the four billion people of the world.

After hearing the Supreme Court's verdict, you may be asking, "God, what next do you have in store for us?" After the Supreme Court's verdict, however, Christianity returned to the side of the Unification Church. What kind of great blessings do you think await us through my going to prison after this legal battle? Humanity will take our side. Henceforth, on the path that I take, united families not seen in the fallen world are fol-

lowing me, united tribes are following me, united countries are following me and a united world is following me.

This is why when I overcome this hill, a united group of people from all over the world will be waiting for me.

Therefore, I believe that the path I am taking is the path of hope. I am setting out on a path of hope and joy.

This is why all of you who are gathered here must gather and make unity with all the different people of the world, and then follow me. Blessed couples must make oneness with their families and follow me. Leaders of tribes and nations must be united with their tribes and nations and follow me. All the members of the Unification Church worldwide must unite and follow me. I know that because of this day, the Unification Church tradition, which is capable of bringing unity, is connecting the True Parents with their sons and daughters, with the existing churches, with the United States, and with the world.

On this day, as I set out on my assigned path, I do not want you to send me away with tears. I welcome your tears if the tears you shed spring from the thought of fighting ten times, a hundred times more than I have for the sake of this nation and this world. If your hearts are sad and grieving, please become pillars of the Unification movement who, when I am released, will come to see me, having united thousands and tens of thousands of people. Please do not forget that God is staking this moment in the hope that you will accomplish this.

With the belief that you, our Unification Church members whom I leave behind, will make oneness with Christianity and the world, I am going to prison with the aim to bring the people there, who are not united, into one. Since that is also our territory, please know that I am going there to ignite a movement that will newly bring all those living there together. Therefore, all of you who are remaining outside must unite completely. If you do not unite, we will not be able to further the movement to open the gates of hell and liberate hell. This is why to open those gates, you who are remaining outside [of prison] need to first unite. That place is also our territory.

The number of people listening to me in East Garden today may be small but you must know that there are many outside people, people that believe in God, who have been shedding tears, without your knowledge, because of this day. Why am I trying to accomplish on a global scale what no-one else has been able to accomplish? I have fought until now waiting for the day when the world can welcome the blessing of becoming a new world. From now, when I cry out, all those with conscientious hearts will spring forth and engage in a unifying movement that will spread like wildfire. There can be no despair before the path that leads to greater unity. There can only be glory and prosperity. You must know this. Please have this resolve and reach out to everyone around you, investing with the heart, "Staying outside [of prison], I will build a bridge to reach across to the realm that possesses the good fortune of unity on a global level, and play the role of the concrete that cements things together."

Look at the world. We have our Unification Church, we have Christianity, we have so many friends and colleagues around the world. You must be more confident. Until yesterday, people laughed at you and called you Moonies. Do they do that even now? You know who the great Moonie leader is. Take pride in being a Moonie. Therefore, we must stand up anew. This is the right time. We have no time to grieve. We have no time to cry and no time to despair. We only have time to move forward for hope. We may be distressed tonight but we only know of advancement. Why? To liberate God. From that moment, the era when God can freely oversee the world will come. I sought out this path because I knew that from the moment God becomes free, the kingdom of heaven on earth will be realized from there. You and I share the homework of uniting the world and I entrust this task to you. As for me, I am going there to open the gates of hell. "We will bring about unity! We will realize unity!" This is our homework. We shall move forward for this purpose. All of you who desire this, please stand up. We shall move forward toward that purpose.

Amen! 



True Father, the Messiah at His Second Coming

The Second Anniversary of the Universal Seonghwa of Sun Myung Moon, the True Parent of Heaven, Earth and Humankind was held on August 12 in Cheongshim Peace World Center. Below is the message True Mother gave at the event.

Distinguished guests from home and abroad and beloved blessed families and members from around the world, I welcome you. I am so pleased to be with you all here. On this second anniversary of the Universal Seonghwa of Sun Myung Moon, the True Father of Heaven, Earth and Humankind, we feel how much God has loved us until now and that he has given us all his blessings. Yet, for

our shortcomings in fulfilling our responsibilities, we repent once more.

True Father who saved the United States and the world

As a result of the Fall of Adam and Eve, the first ancestors of humankind, Heaven had to undertake the providence of restoration through indemnity, a history marked by pain and bitter sorrow. However, not once did God forget about His lost children. To

save them, he had to go through a miserable and excruciating history. When he had established his chosen people through a long four-thousand-year providence and fulfilled his promise to send his only begotten son, humanity once more committed a mistake in front of this great grace given by God.

Even so, the only begotten son said he would return. Two thousand years later, God's only begotten son has

emerged again through the providence unfolding through Christian history!

On this foundation, God prepared his only begotten daughter and elevated us to the position of True Parents. Thanks to this, another page came to be written in human history.

The world today remains fallen. It is a world owned by Satan. Hence, even though religions have tried to pursue a good lifestyle, they have not known the way to heaven. Now, thanks to True Parents, we have been able to obtain the title "blessed families," which have been born anew.

How can we describe in words the overwhelming emotions that we feel today? Our True Father, you worked hard, so hard. Our True Father, we love you. Our True Father, we miss you. Yet, just as the people, out of ignorance, did not welcome Jesus two thousand years ago, they did not accept True Father, the Messiah in his Second Coming. The providence, however, continues to move on.

In 1971, when True Father went to the United States, he said he had come as a doctor and as a firefighter. Heaven had prepared the United States as a stronghold for the Free World; yet the nation was moving away from upholding God's will as he had originally intended it to do. The United States stood at a life-or-death crossroads because of its culture

of decadence, family breakdown and the communist ideology. True Father, who knew how God had worked hard to raise the United States, had to go to the front line once more. That was in 1971. In the 1980s, Father aroused the attention of the United States and followed a path, all alone, to save that nation, which was facing threats to its religious and ideological underpinnings, a threat that came from communism.

He left many accomplishments as his legacy, accomplishments that no ordinary human being could have achieved. In trying to save the United States, his goal was to bring salvation to all of humanity in accordance to our Heavenly Parent's will. That is why Father called on the Free World, which was wavering, and the United States, where democracy was wavering, to forgive, love and unite. He awakened all the good people of the United States. He himself practiced the love he preached. Yet, Rev. Moon, who lived for others in such a way, ended up following a suffering course in prison at Danbury.


Even though he did not have to follow that path, he still followed it, calling us to unite. He cried out, "I do not know what blessings Heaven has prepared in the background where I am going. So be strong! Be confident!" From the perspective of the global providence, it is only True Parents who

saved the United States and the world.

Be proud citizens of Cheon Il Guk

This second anniversary particularly focuses on the activities True Parents carried out in the Americas. Let us all mobilize all our strength, ability and effort in front of True Parents' great love and become one in heart, body, mindset and harmonize in front of God's will. It is my hope that we all do our best, as proud citizens of Cheon Il Guk, to lay the substantial foundation for Cheon Il Guk. During the first anniversary of Father's ascension, Japan and Korea became one through the Peace Bike Tour. This time, fourteen countries took part in the event and the teams cycled a total distance of six thousand kilometers.

How beautiful is that? Despite the changes in climate and bad weather, the participants were not deterred. All brothers and sisters present here have become one in heart and vision. With this second anniversary, you have shown the people of the world and that you are proud sons and daughters of True Parents; you have demonstrated this as well in light of True Parents' achievements.

I thank you all for all the hard work you have invested so far. Our goal is now clear. Do not forget that our Heavenly Parent and True Parents are always with you wherever you are. 



Public figures and members whose lives were touched by True Father filled the Cheongshim Peace World Center.

True Parents' "Flu"



I sincerely thank all of you here for setting aside your schedule to come all the way here from your different countries. I believe you may feel the same way I do whenever you come here. We feel that way because we have become one, one family. I have gone on many speaking tours and met a great diversity of people.

A common hope everyone shares is his or her desire to live in a free, peaceful and happy world. I believe that our hope and all the efforts we invest as we pursue this will certainly bring about happiness. However, what I would like to tell you is that doing it by oneself is a lonesome undertaking.

God began the Creation because of his loneliness; He needed a partner. Today, the Unification Church foundation has spread to 194 countries. Many countries have their own path, their own dreams.

I am sure that those in leadership positions, the heads of state and those in charge, people leading nations, would want their people to live well, wouldn't they? However, at this point, it is impossible to pursue one's national interests alone and promote happiness, freedom and peace. There are many national boundaries and many indescribable barriers such as racial and religious conflicts.

We, however, know how this can

be achieved. When we serve our Heavenly Parent, the Creator, we know what path the seven billion people on earth should follow. True Parents are the ones who have taught the way we should follow. All countries can become one as sibling nations through True Parents.

Two people can exercise greater power than one. The same applies when three, four... If the 194 countries move together with one heart and vision, all the problems that human beings are agonizing over can be resolved. In particular, we are facing many dangers as a result of environmental problems. The disorderliness of humanity is bringing down the source of creation. The natural environment, which is a source of joy to us, is being destroyed. Even though our leaders are greatly concerned about this environmental problem—because they worry about everything in the future—it is quite unfortunate that they have not been able to do anything about it.

I visited Switzerland recently. I heard there are more than four hundred mountains in the Swiss Alps. I went to twelve of the highest peaks. On one of these mountains, I was shown a road that was built during the days of the Roman Empire. The Alps connect five countries. When Christians went on missions, instead

of going around the mountains, they found it more convenient to follow a mountain path. I heard that that is why a road was built in the mountains during the days of the Roman Empire.

We must communicate. We must be able to talk to one another. In order to do so, however, we must have one center, we must have one goal. So, one thing I would like to ask of you is to please maintain your health. Then you will certainly be able to realize the one world that True Parents, our Heavenly Parent and humanity have desired. However, in order for you to partake in this, you must first be fit.

How do I look to you now compared to last year? Even though it hasn't been long, I have been working out. I didn't take any pills or receive any kind of treatment. I have been walking.

Thanks to these efforts, my body has certainly become lighter. It is my hope that all of you in charge of nations be in good health. Then, we can all join in heart and vision and practice true love all together. During my message earlier today, I asked that we forgive, love and unite. If we take the first letter from these three words it becomes "True Parents' flu." However, because this is a "flu" of true love, it is a really good flu.

Please remain healthy. 



The audience listening to True Mother speak at the UPF World Summit 2014

Our Challenge at this Time: Building a World of Lasting Peace

By Moon Sun-jin

On behalf of True Mother, Sun-jin Moon, director general of the FFWPU International Headquarters, spoke on August 10 at the Millennium Seoul Hilton Hotel during the Opening Plenary: Global Assembly of the Universal Peace Federation's World Summit 2014. She began by personally addressing the audience and then read the Founders' Address.



Moon Sun-jin, director-general of the FFWPU International Headquarters, representing True Mother in reading the UPF Founders' Address

to live our lives for the sake of others and is the only force that can bring the entire world into balance. True love is our eternal quest, from the time of our birth, throughout our physical lives, and even beyond our earthly existence, until we attain everlasting peace.

Why, then, do we find ourselves in the midst of very trying and unpeaceful times? Although we know in our hearts the peace and love we desire, it constantly evades us on a personal, family, tribal, national and global level. Now more than ever we are faced with the impending disharmony of war, disease, famine, environmental destruction, greed, corruption and human rights violations, all throughout the globe, threatening all members of the human family.

Your excellencies, religious leaders, ambassadors for peace, distinguished delegates from throughout the world, now more than ever, the world needs you. Our family is absolutely and wholeheartedly committed to this cause, and we will do our utmost to stand side by side with each and every one of you and your families to create one peaceful world under God.

It was always my father's tradition to deliver the Founders' Address at the start of a major conference. My mother, Dr. Hak-ja Han Moon, now takes up that task. Since my dear father's passing in September 2012, my mother has led the way in carrying forward the development of our worldwide movement. I have witnessed her stoic and unwavering efforts to reconcile, reorganize, restore and recalibrate all the organizations of

Good morning, *anyonghaseyo!* Our family wishes to extend to each of you our sincere gratitude for your attendance and participation in this very important World Summit, dedicated to peace and human development. We are deeply moved to welcome and work with so many high-level leaders from virtually every field who have come here to Seoul despite your busy schedules.

No other cause or goal can surpass what we all know to be the single calling we have in our hearts today; that is, to realize a world of true peace, joy and prosperity for all. We gather here united as one family under God on

this historic day, commemorating the second anniversary of my father's passing. In this way, we honor his legacy, his life's mission and his treasured teachings, which call us to build a world of harmony, kinship, service and faith, and to commit ourselves in service to all of God's children around the globe.

My father tirelessly dedicated every waking moment of his physical life to teaching us to work together to apply the principles of peace through true love. True love reaches out to everyone, globally, even to our enemies. The lifeline of this global consciousness eternally links us to our Creator. It is what guides and calls us

our worldwide movement in order to build a world of lasting peace.

As you can imagine, her responsibilities are overwhelming. As a result, she has asked me to assist her in a variety of capacities as she leads our global movement and prepares for the second commemoration ceremony. Therefore, she has asked me to deliver the Founders' Address today on her behalf.

We are eternally grateful for our mother who has walked down and survived this incredible path of service and true love with our father. She has been an unconditional source of love, healing, and encouragement, and a tower of strength for our movement, a true shining example of living for the sake of others. I am sorry to be the one to deliver this speech this morning, as I could never do it justice, as my mother could. So please excuse the reader, and please take her words into your hearts and let them inspire the great change that is possible when we come together as one united family under God.

With this in mind, let me now deliver the Founders' Address that she asked me to share with you today:

Your excellencies, distinguished religious leaders, ambassadors for peace, respected delegates from throughout the world, ladies and gentlemen:

Thank you for participating in the very important World Summit 2014, sponsored by the Universal Peace Federation, in partnership with the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification, the Women's Federation for World Peace, the Washington Times Foundation, and the Segye Times.

We have come together at this time to honor the life and legacy of my beloved husband, Dr. Sun Myung Moon, who ascended to the spiritual world two years ago. On this second anniversary of his seonghwa (ascension), I have commissioned a wide range of programs, such as the World Summit, not only to pay tribute to my husband and the providential work we have carried out together over many decades but to blaze a trail forward toward the fulfillment of God's providence. I pray that we can work together to achieve this goal, which has been the hope of all the ages, and

God's hope.

At the time of our Holy Wedding in 1960, amidst a handful of followers in a humble house located not far from here, my husband and I pledged to God, our Heavenly Parent, to work day and night, until our dying breath, to build a world of peace and prosperity for all. I vividly remember that day, as if it were yesterday. My husband and I had been brought together by heavenly providence for a sacred mission. As we began our marriage, we felt great hope and at the same time a sense of overwhelming responsibility.

God alone does not control the events or outcomes of history. Rather God seeks to find and raise individuals that understand and follow his will. The progress of God's providence requires that each individual, and especially central figures, fulfill their own portion of responsibility. Those who take up the call often find that the path is steep, treacherous and painfully difficult.

Neither my husband nor I were naïve or unaware of the challenges we would face. On the one hand, we each experienced directly the love, guidance and protection of our Heavenly Parent in the most intimate and powerful ways, and this inspired our absolute faith, commitment and determination. On the other hand, we also encountered extraordinary opposition and obstruction that defied rational explanation and that can only be called demonic. The forces of good and evil were ever-present and palpable.

Korea itself was a battleground. We each had firsthand experience of the humiliation of colonial rule and the horrors of war right here on this peninsula, which to this day remains divided. Forced to flee our hometowns, when a dictatorial communist regime took control of the territory north of the thirty-eighth parallel, neither of us was able to live in the cherished homes of our birth, among family, friends and relatives.

As we started out on our mission, Korea was a nation emerging from a devastating conflict, with our people still mourning the tragic loss of hundreds of thousands of men, women and children. Korea was then a small, impoverished country, known to

many as the "hermit kingdom." Our church headquarters was, at that time, about the size of a single hotel room. Our followers were few, and our resources meager. As if this were not enough, we faced prejudice, slander and persecution from the established political and religious authorities.

Yet, by the grace of God, our movement grew, and grew, and grew! Who could have predicted that what is now a respected global movement, known throughout the world for its vision, principles and best practices, could have arisen out of the ashes of war, abject poverty and unfair persecution? God works in mighty and mysterious ways!

The essential ideal that has guided and sustained our work through thick and thin over so many difficult years is that God is truly our Heavenly Parent, and we are all sons or daughters of the one God, one family under God. All our effort and the numerous peace organizations that we founded over many years have been entirely dedicated to the fulfillment of that vision. By the grace of God, and through the blood, sweat and tears of countless members, this vision is now blossoming like a flower of hope in the midst of a world that otherwise seems on the brink of disaster.

Although it may appear that we are about to enter an era that resembles the Dark Ages, we are actually on the threshold of a new era of peace, if only we respond to God's call. This World Summit is itself a response to God's call.

Our world faces a multitude of challenges—from climate change and poverty to geopolitical tension, terrorism and interreligious conflict; from family breakdown and crime to moral and spiritual confusion. I am sure you encounter many of these same challenges in your own nations and regions—in the Americas, in Africa, in Asia, in Europe, in the Middle East or in Oceania. These problems cannot be solved through the instruments of government alone, for their root cause is not exclusively political or economic in nature. Rather the root cause is buried deep in the human heart, in selfishness and in separation from God. ☩

To be continued in our next issue...

Welcoming Remarks

Let Us Look to the Future

By Mr. Moon Kwon-jin

The recently appointed Chairman Moon (of the World Martial Arts Federation for World Peace) gave the following remarks to welcome the UPF delegates to a banquet on the second anniversary of True Father's seonghwa, which was held at Cheon Jeong Gung on 7.17 on the heavenly calendar (August 12).

Your Excellencies, Distinguished World Leaders:

It is a special privilege and an honor for me, and my entire family, to have the opportunity to share this day with all of you. Thank you for being here. I want to thank all of you for attending the World Summit and this seonghwa anniversary luncheon.

I am quite amazed by the extraordinary quality and diversity of the World Summit delegates, including many heads of state, heads of gov-

ernment, first ladies, United Nations officials and religious leaders. There is a great deal of power and capacity assembled in this room, and we sincerely hope the UPF World Summit can be a catalyst for peace, stability and prosperity throughout the world.

This morning's program was very significant, and it means a great deal to my mother and my entire family that you participated in this second anniversary of my Father's seonghwa, or ascension.

While I was growing up, my father and mother always taught us about the importance of God and the true meaning and purpose of our lives. While each of us was encouraged to try to excel in school and to develop our God-given talents, we also were repeatedly reminded that our ultimate destiny is not in the physical world. Our ultimate home and final dwelling place is in the spirit world.

With this in mind, my parents always reminded us that what we call



A broad view of the commemorative banquet from the audience's point of view

death is really a time of “birth” or “ascension.” It is a time of transition from the physical world to the spiritual world. Each and every one of us will one day pass into the spiritual world. Even when we speak about one family under God, we do not mean only this world but also the spiritual world, where all our ancestors dwell. For this reason, as much as we all miss my father, we also look forward to the day when we will meet with him again.

What is most important about our lives on earth is that we develop ourselves morally and spiritually, so that when we finally enter the spiritual world, we are people who have developed the capacity to love God and one another. If we live selfish or corrupt lives during our earthly lives, our spirits do not develop correctly. If we have been hurtful to others or have misused money, we will not want to lift up our head in front of God and our ancestors.

Therefore, on this day, we are not simply looking to the past. Rather, we are thinking of the incredible love and the lifelong labors of my father; how he dedicated every day of his life, every minute, every hour, to try to carry forward God’s providence. He always talked about living our lives without casting any shadow, as at “high noon.” That is how he lived. The same is true of my mother.

I am so proud of my mother. Even though she has experienced a very sudden and incredible loss of her husband of fifty-two years, she has immediately stepped forward to carry on the mission she and my father started as True Parents.

So, while this is in some ways a day of remembering the past, more importantly it is a day of looking to the future. Many of us are thinking about the ways in which we can work harder to achieve the goals that my parents devoted their lives to fulfill. They have wanted nothing less than to try to help God, our Heavenly Parent, build a world of universal peace, happiness, unity and true love: one family under God.

I truly hope we can work together toward this goal. If we work together, we can transform the world. That is our hope.

Once again, I welcome you here on this special seonghwa anniversary day. May God bless each one of you, your family and your nation. 7



Kwon-jin nim welcoming everyone to the banquet



True Mother with Sun-jin nim and Kwon-jin nim at the banquet



The audience had a chance to taste a bit of Korean traditional culture.

SPECIAL PICTORIAL SECTION

on the Second Anniversary of the Universal Seonghwa of Sun Myung Moon, the True Parents of Heaven, Earth and Humankind

The second anniversary of True Father's universal seonghwa was held in Cheongshim Peace World Center on August 12 from 9:00 AM. Around twenty thousand members from many of the world's nations filled the stadium on that day. Ryu Kyeong-seuk, president of FFWPU-Korea, was the master of ceremonies during the first part of the anniversary observance.

The event started when True Mother entered with Kwon-jin nim. She first offered flowers to True Father and then took a seat. Following this was an opening declaration and the singing of the Cheon Il Guk anthem by everyone present. Song Yong-cheon, chairman of the Federation of Blessed Families in Japan, prayed. Participants and representatives of various circles placed flowers on the altar. The audience watched a commemorative video on True Parents' work in the Americas, followed by a video message from U.S. Senator Orrin Hatch. Dan Burton, a former congressman, spoke, explaining that True Father's conviction "was not the will of the righteous American people." Finally, the vice-governor of the second administrative office of Gyeonggi Province on behalf of Nam Gyeong-pil, governor of Gyeonggi Province, read a eulogy to True Father.

Next was a medley of holy songs, the dedication of the English Cheon Il Guk Scripture and the 2014 white book on public assets worldwide and finally True Mother's address.

The second part of the memorial consisted of a musical performance that reflected True Parents' lives and their activities in the Americas. At the end of the musical, the whole event concluded with three cheers of eog man-sei. Prior to this main event, a pledge service was held at 7:00 AM in Cheon Jeong Gung. At 12:30, after the main event, a commemorative banquet was also held in Cheon Jeong Gung.

A pictorial section on the main features of the first and second part of the main event and those of the victory celebration and commemorative banquet can be seen in the next few pages.



THE SECOND ANNIVERSARY OF THE UNIVERSAL SEONGHWA



1 Members offering flowers at the second anniversary of True Father's seonghwa in front of the entrance to the Cheongshim Peace World Center



2 True Mother offered flowers at an onstage altar beneath a photograph of True Father projected on a large screen.



3 True Mother speaking at the main event



4 Rev. Ryu Kyeong-seuk was the master of ceremonies.



5 Chairman Song Yong-cheon offered a representative prayer.



6 U. S Senator Orrin Hatch of Utah, sent a video message.



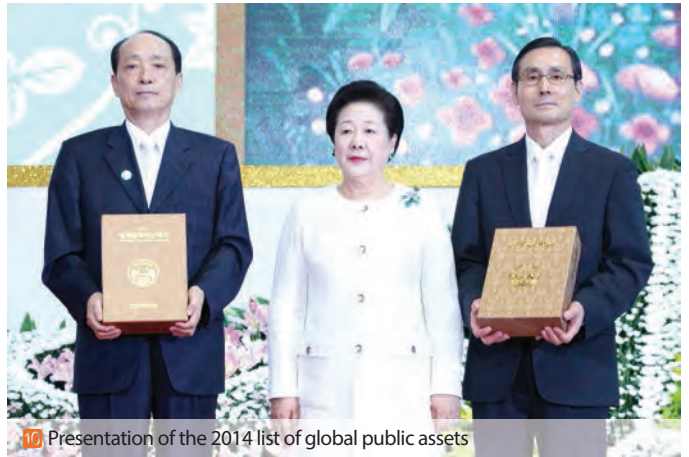
7 Dan Burton spoke of the religious persecution Father endured.



8 True Mother enjoying the performances



9 Presentation of the Cheon Il Guk Scripture



10 Presentation of the 2014 list of global public assets



11 True Children placing flowers on the altar



12 A performance by the American team



13 A musical portraying True Parents' work in the Americas

BANQUET



1 True Mother speaking at the banquet



2 True Mother presenting King Letsie III of Lesotho with a Good-Governance Award



3 Chung Tae-ik, chairman of the Korean Council on Foreign Relations (left) and Julio Maria Sanguinetti, two-time former president of Uruguay, giving welcoming remarks



4 Honored guests pose with True Mother after the event

VICTORY CELEBRATION



1 A traditional component of Unificationist victory celebrations



2 Pioneers of the Leda Project receiving plaques for their years of service



3 A Japanese wives' choir singing at the victory celebration



4 True Mother in the audience at the victory celebration

Religious Freedom in America and throughout the World

By Dan Burton

Mr. Burton was member of the United States Congress representing the State of Indiana for fifteen terms. Never defeated in election, he retired in 2012. Among his many accomplishments, he submitted the resolution that led to July 28, 1994 being officially recognized as Parents Day in the United States. He made the following remarks at the anniversary event for True Father's seonghwa.



To Dr. Hak-ja Han Moon, distinguished current and former heads of state and government, international religious leaders from many nations and distinguished guests:

I am very happy to join you here in the Republic of Korea—one of America's greatest allies and friends—to celebrate the life and work of Rev. Sun Myung Moon. Especially to Mrs. Moon, my wife Dr. Samia and I offer our heartfelt greetings and condolences to your family from ours.

As a veteran member of the United States Congress for thirty years and a member of the Foreign Affairs Com-

mittee, I am greatly encouraged by this gathering of participants from so many countries, representing all the world's faith traditions, to address the critical need for (and your unique approach to) establishing peace in this era of urgent challenges.

Dr. Moon, I must say that your continued leadership to support the Washington Times is appreciated by all God-fearing people. The role of the Washington Times in America's capital city has been one of the most powerful influences on America and the world in support of faith, marriage, religious freedom, respect for all faiths and races, and finally the rejection of

socialism and atheism. The thought-leadership presented daily in the Washington Times also supports the God-affirming democratic free world to stand firm against terrorism and tyranny.

I want to encourage you and everyone here at this impressive gathering that the work you and your husband have done and continue to do to strengthen America and people of faith over the years is recognized throughout the world.

We know that Rev. Moon suffered for several years in a North Korean communist prison camp and was liberated by UN forces led by the United

States. After launching his church, together with Mrs. Moon, he then responded to God's call and came to America to strengthen America's founding spirit of faith and freedom, so that America could lead the world to peace. I witnessed how his movement worked hard to help America's leaders, citizens and media stand firm against communism and immorality.

Ladies and gentlemen, I want to set the record here straight today. We know that it is because of such a righteous and effective stance that Rev. Moon encountered opposition and persecution—just as it came to all historical religious leaders in the past.

Just two weeks ago, I met with my good and long-time friend, Senator Hatch, who you just saw in the video. Senator Hatch has served in the United States Senate for thirty-seven years. He is well known in America as a champion of religious freedom and traditional values.

Senator Hatch sincerely conveyed how he knew that Rev. Moon had been persecuted and mistreated. Back in June 1984, the senator held important hearings in the U.S. Senate and he stood strong to fight this injustice.

He said, on the record in those hearings—and I want to quote Senator Hatch—he said, "As chairman of the Subcommittee on the Constitution, I personally analyzed Rev. Moon's case very carefully and felt so strongly about what I believe were violations of Rev. Moon's constitutional rights, in the manner in which his trial was conducted, that I filed my own brief with the United States Supreme Court."

Senator Hatch went on and concluded, "I believe that injustice was done and that the treatment of Rev. Moon was because of his strong and righteous stance against communism and immorality."

I agree with Senator Hatch—and I would like, again, to set the record straight here today, before you in this historical event. What happened to Rev. Moon was not the will of the righteous American people—but a tragic case of religious persecution and bigotry. I am glad, Mother Moon, that you are here to hear this today.

As a man of faith who was honored to serve my country in the United States Congress and on behalf



Dan Burton and his wife Samia being appointed ambassadors for peace



The fifteen-term former congressman speaking at the World Summit

of the patriotic and God-loving people of America, I am sorry that the American system did not work to protect this man of God.

Dr. Moon, I want you to know that because of the persecution you and your husband endured, your movement became stronger and more effective. And, through the Washington Times and your husband's many efforts combined with freedom-loving people of the world, the cold war was ended and the Berlin Wall came down.

Today, given the many challenges faced around the globe, here on the Korean Peninsula and in America, we stand together with you and are confident that with your leadership and a unified effort among faith-based organizations, families can be strengthened with a God-centered approach that reduces divorce and immorality. A new level of cooperation can be made real among the Abrahamic faiths, and the mounting wave of terrorism and other security challenges can and will be rolled back. It is our

common prayer that peace be established and that God's will be done to set forth his kingdom here on earth.

However, all of us gathered here today need to speak loudly to all of the leaders, nations and peoples around the world, that religious persecution and terrorism must be defeated. We must speak out.

America must once again stand up to be a beacon of religious freedom and morality for all—joining with the Republic of Korea, and all God-loving nations—in protecting the rights of conscience at home and abroad. But as world leaders assembled here, let me once again say it: It is all up to us to speak out against religious persecution and terrorism.

Ladies and gentleman, I pray that the legacy of peace that Rev. Moon upheld throughout his life and that all of you carry forward together with Mrs. Moon will shine brightly here in Korea and throughout the world.

Thank you, and may God bless each of you, your families and your significant work. *✠*

An Overview of Seonghwa Memorial Events

The Media Relations Department of the Tongil (business) Foundation provided a press release that outlined the various events that took place during the second anniversary of True Father's universal seonghwa, from the opening of True Parents' Historical Archives on August 8 to the victory banquet held on August 13. This overview is drawn mainly from that source.



A view of UPF's 2014 World Summit Opening Ceremony

Martial Arts Festival

The Martial Arts Federation for World Peace hosted a martial arts festival on August 8 at Seon Jeong High School in Seoul (where True Mother attended middle school). More than a thousand guests, including 147 martial arts practitioners, participated in the event. The Martial Arts Federation was founded in 1997 in accordance with Rev. Moon's vision. It now has branches in forty nations. This was its first official event since the Martial Arts Federation moved its headquarters to Korea in February 2012.

In his opening address, Mr. Moon Kwon-jin, chairman of the Martial Arts Federation, remarked, "I hope that through martial arts, the peace ideology of my father, the Reverend Sun Myung Moon, will be expressed beautifully and the ethos of learning, intelligence and strategy can blossom among young people." He added, "Just as the indomitable, sacrificial and patriotic ideals of the Shilla code of chivalry led to the unification of the Three Kingdoms, it is necessary during these turbulent times to have a martial arts organization that will combine the spirit of the code of

chivalry with the spirit of true love among young people who can be the vanguard of the reunification of North Korea and South Korea. Hence, if this federation trains and moves forward for the historical task of reunifying North Korea and South Korea, it will be blessed with heavenly fortune."

Giving words of encouragement, Ryu Kyeong-seuk, president of FFWP-Korea remarked, "The founding ideal of the Martial Arts Federation for World Peace and the mission of every martial arts practitioner is to subjugate the body, restore the body to fulfill its original purpose, polish the spirit and follow the true path of life forging unity of the body with the mind."

Dr. Seuk Joon-ho, director of the Sun Moon Educational Foundation and a ninth degree black belt in Judo, said in his congratulatory remarks, "I hope this festival can exemplify the two mottos of the Martial Arts Federation, "forging one's character and advancing by training" and "victoriously following the path and reaching the peak of filial piety and patriotism."

Moon Jong-keun, president of the Sambo Federation in Korea, said in his congratulatory remarks, "Let us engrave within our hearts the radiance of a life of true love and let us live to accomplish the mission of



A taekwondo demonstration by students of Cheongshim International High School



A group of significant figures at the 2014 World Summit

every martial arts practitioner, namely realizing a just society and living for the sake of world peace!”

In the second part of the festival, students from Cheongshim International Middle and High School gave demonstrations in Taekwondo, Special Forces defense techniques, and Wonhwado. Then, foreign students and students from Sun Moon University’s Martial Arts major demonstrated Tongil Moodo. Once the demonstrations were over, all the martial arts practitioners came on-stage, held hands and sang the song “Unity.” The wonderful festival ended with three loud cheers of Mansei! from all participants.

World Summit 2014 (UPF)

The Universal Peace Federation’s World Summit 2014 opened in the morning of August 10 in the Grand Ballroom of the Seoul Hilton Hotel under the theme “Peace, Security, Development” in the presence of four hundred opinion leaders from seventy countries. The plenary event began with opening interfaith prayers from Buddhist, Christian, Jewish, Muslim, Jain and Confucian leaders, which were followed by opening remarks by Dr. Yang Chang-shik, chairman of UPF; welcoming remarks by WFWP international president, Professor Moon Yeon-ah; and True Mother’s main address read by Mrs.

Moon Sun-jin, director-general of the FFWPU International Headquarters.

Sun-jin nim read the message of the founder, Dr. Hak-ja Han Moon. In her address, Dr. Moon asked that we build a world of peace. She wrote, “Although it may appear that we are about to enter an era that resembles the Dark Ages, we are actually on the threshold of a new era of peace...if only we respond to God’s call. This World Summit is itself a response to God’s call.”

A list of notable participants

World Summit 2014 attracted a number of public figures. A partial list follows:

Zivko Budimir, president, since 2011, of Bosnia-Herzegovina; Letsie III, king, since 1996, of Lesotho; Tuiatua Tupua Tamasese Efi, head of state, since 2007, of Samoa; Disanayaka Mudiyansele Jayaratne, prime minister, since 2010, of Sri Lanka; Xanana Gusmão, president (2002–2007) and prime minister, since 2007, of Timor-Leste; Georgina de Venecia, member, since 2010, of the Philippines House of Representatives; Mrs. Koila Nailatikau, wife of Ratu Epeli Nailatikau, who has been president of the Republic of Fiji since 2009; Julio Maria Sanguinetti, president of Uruguay (1985–1990, 1995–2000); Luis Federico Franco Gomez, president of Paraguay (2012–2013); Stanislav

Shushkevich, chairman of the Supreme Soviet of Belarus (1991–1994); Dioncounda Traore, interim president of Mali (2012–2013); Graciela Rompani, post-presidential wife and then widow of the president of Uruguay, Jorge Pacheco; Jose de Venecia, speaker of the Philippines House of Representatives (1992–1998, 2001–2008); Mr. Anwarul Karim Chowdhury, retired from the post of under-secretary-general of the United Nations, to which he was appointed in 2002.

Transforming the DMZ

The Citizens’ Federation for the Reunification of North Korea and South Korea joined hands with the National Assembly research institute, Tongil Mirae Forum, on August 11 at the Korean National Assembly for the 2014 Symposium of Peace and Unity among the Korean People. The symposium’s purpose was to discuss the reunification of the Koreas and means to transform the DMZ into a world peace park.

The symposium took place with four hundred guests in attendance, including Korean residents of Japan and leaders of various organizations devoted to Korean reunification. Among them was the leader of the New Frontier Party, Kim Mu-seong, the senior member of the National Assembly for the New Frontier Party, Lee In-jae, the



A view of the 2014 Symposium on Peace and the Unity of the Korean People

director of the National Assembly's National Defense Commission, Hwang Jin-ha, several other members of the National Assembly, a member of the Japanese Diet, and the president of FFWPU-Korea Rev. Ryu Kyeong-seuk. Otsuka Katsumi, president of the Federation of Peace and Unification was on hand as was Ota Hirokazu, president of the Peace Federation, which is a group seeking harmony between two groups of Korean (non-citizen) residents in Japan, one loyal to Pyongyang and the other loyal to Seoul.

Mr. Seol Yong-su, president of the Citizens' Federation said in his welcoming address, "The proposal to transform the Demilitarized Zone (DMZ) into a world peace park was formally submitted to the United Nations on August 18, 2000, by the founder of the Citizens' Federation, Dr. Sun Myung Moon. It is our hope that this plan is realized at the earliest date possible, thereby transforming the demilitarized zone from an area of historic suffering filled with division and war into an area blossoming with the flowers of peace."

In his congratulatory remarks, the leader of the New Frontier Party stated, "The new source of growth which will unite the nation is none other than the process of unification. Koreans living in forty nations and peace bikers from fourteen countries are united in their fervent hope for the unification of North Korea and South

Korea. Accordingly, today's symposium to discuss means of building and cooperating on a world peace park in the DMZ is particularly meaningful. Despite being blocked on its northern border, South Korea has achieved the "miracle on the Han River." My heart swells with happiness when I imagine a united peninsula where North Korea and the South connect together. President Park Geun-hye even instituted the Readiness Commission for Unification. Symposia such as today's, where participants from forty countries have come together, are extremely important. I will do my utmost to assist you as you prepare for unification with hearts burning with the desire for a nation in peaceful unity."

Lee In-jae, senior member of the National Assembly for the New Frontier Party, added, "I can feel that the sound of pedals from the Peace Bike Tour is adding weight and meaning to today's symposium. The cold war between east and west finished long ago and the day when the ice that divides the Korean peninsula melts like last year's snow is not far away. Cyclists from fourteen countries rode six thousand kilometers in the Peace Bike Tour and their fervent hope for unification is moving the hearts of citizens and leaders from both Koreas as well as the hearts of citizens around the globe. This will lead to the historic moment of unification. Unification on the Korean Peninsula is a blessing for

Asia that will lead to greater peace and prosperity in the world."

Of particular significance on this day was the attendance of fifty peace cyclists from fourteen nations who traveled great distances by bicycle for the sake of North-South unification. Representatives of the fourteen nations involved in the Peace Bike Tour presented the members of the National Assembly who were present with a message expressing their hopes for the reunification of the Koreans.

Regarding the world's central nation

The Professors' World Peace Academy (PWPA) met on August 8 for an academic conference on the topic, "Dr.



A presentations at the PWPA Academic Seminar

Sun Myung Moon and the theory of a united Korea as the central nation in the world." This topic attracted two hundred people to a seminar room in the Press Center Building in Seoul.

In his welcoming remarks, Dr. Son Dae-o outlined the importance of the seminar: "Rev. Moon explained that the central nation of this new era will be the Korean Peninsula, in other words, the soon-to-be united Korea will be this nation. The history, culture, language and alphabet of our nation are an indescribably precious cultural heritage that will guide humanity in the future. These days, the 'Korean wave' can be witnessed all around the world, but when we dis-

sect the source of the Korean wave, we can see that sixty years ago, in 1954, Rev. Moon founded the Unification Church in the midst of indescribable persecution and suffering. Today, the Unification Church is present in 190 nations and Unification Church members all over the world have transcended boundaries of race, nation and religion. They see Korea as a mecca and are actively learning Korean as well as familiarizing themselves with Korean culture. When taking this into consideration, today's seminar is particularly meaningful."

In his memorial lecture titled "The Era of Cultural Territory and the Globalization of Korean Culture," Dr.



Hong Il-shik, a Ph.D. in Philosophy and former president of Korea University, said, "We must foresee and prepare for the society of the future. The twenty-first century is the era of cultural sovereignty and the cultures of developed nations merge and become one with the cultures of underdeveloped nations. When the traditional eastern philosophy of filial piety puts aside the logic of vertical obedience it has carried and, instead, becomes the value that harmonizes the vertical and horizontal relationships within society, today's undesirable and negative human characteristics can be conquered. It is my hope that henceforth a new type

of Korean, a unified type of Korean, will emerge—one who is loyal, confident, precise and endowed with correct behavior and a generous embrace."

Dr. Park Jeong-jin gave a presentation on the topic and Sun Moon University professor emeritus Lee Hyeong-goo made remarks. Daejeon University professor Choi Byeong-hwan spoke on "The Unification of the Korean Peninsula and the Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon" while Dr. Hong Hyun-ik of the Sejong Institute offered comments. The conference concluded after the speakers responded to various question from audience members on this important, intriguing topic.

Women seeking peace in the Americas

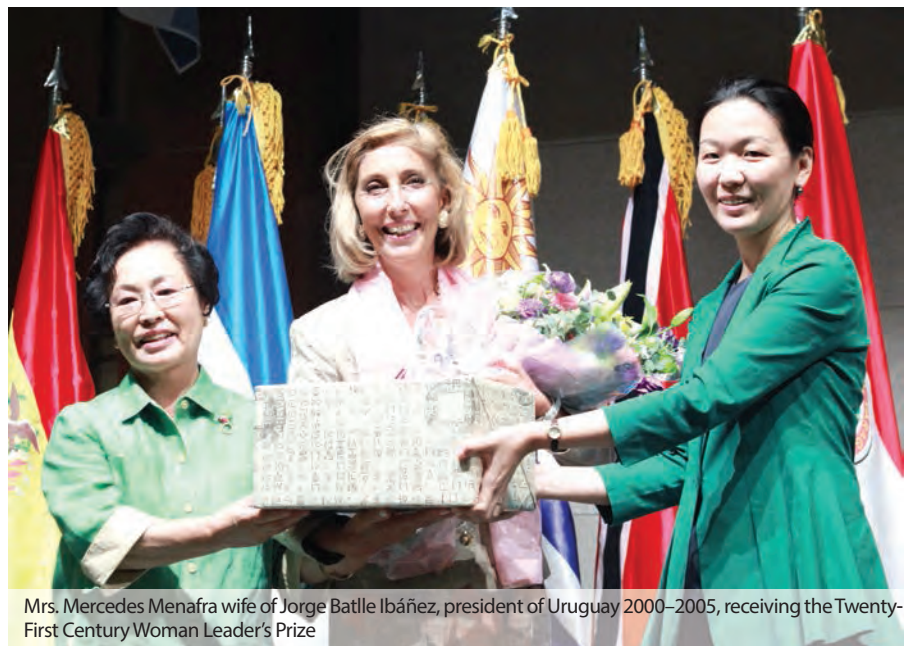
To commemorate the second anniversary of Rev. Moon's ascension, to review the effort and effects of the peace movement being led by women in the Americas, which Rev. Moon initiated, to connect this movement to other NGOs and to revitalize the Global Women's Peace Network, the Women's Federation for World Peace hosted the "International Conference on the Women's Peace Movement Begun by Dr. Sun Myung Moon, a Peace-loving Global Citizen."

This event took place on August 11 in the convention hall of the Kim Ku Memorial Hall. Among the four hundred female leaders and guests from

twenty-one nations were President Moon Yeon-ah of WFWP International, who has also been a professor teaching about social welfare in Sun Moon University's Pure Love Department.

Mrs. Lieom A. Loeak, whose husband is the Marshall Islands' president; Mrs. Adi Koila Mara Nailatikau, wife of Fiji's president; Shiranthi Rajapakse, wife of Sri Lanka's president; and Tunu Rehani Pinda, wife of Tanzania's prime minister participated in the event, as did Mercedes Menafrade Batlle, the widow of a former president of Uruguay. Uruguay's ambassador to Korea, Mrs. Alba Florio Legnani, also took part.

Mrs. Mercedes Menafrade Batlle had come to Korea for this event and offered congratulatory remarks. Following a video presentation, Mrs. Moon Lan-young, a past president of the organization, presented "The WFWP women's peace movement and the Global Women's Peace Network." WFWP envoy to Cuba Mrs. Kuramoto Kyoko presented a field report on activities in Central America and South America while WFWP director for South America Ezzat Ferrabolli gave a report on the women's peace movement in the Americas. Director of WFWP North America, Mrs. Alexa Ward, reported on women's peace activities in North America" and WFWP UN secretariat director Mrs. Caroline Handschin pre-



Mrs. Mercedes Menafrade wife of Jorge Batlle Ibáñez, president of Uruguay 2000–2005, receiving the Twenty-First Century Woman Leader's Prize

sented on evaluations and proposals in the United Nations. Mrs. Mercedes Menafrá de Batlle, received the Woman Leader of the 21st Century Award for the numerous charitable work her NGO has carried out in Uruguay. Finally, envoys for the countries with the best record of activities, Costa Rica and the Dominican Republic, received awards for public service.

In her welcoming remarks, WFWP International President Moon said, "For the past two years, I have witnessed Dr. Hak-ja Han Moon striving every day to realize world peace, the lifelong wish of the Dr. Sun Myung Moon. Her leadership of the Women's Federation has taught me that the heart and wisdom of women are the keys to realizing peace. For forty years, Dr. Hak-ja Han Moon and the Rev. Sun Myung Moon invested themselves in the United States and taught the importance of investing America's wealth for the sake of world peace. They also sacrificed themselves through various channels, including the Global Women's Peace Network, so that instead of focusing on their own interests, member nations of the UN can come together to resolve global issues, including ongoing conflicts." President Moon then looked to the future, "Unless the issue of famine is resolved, peace cannot be realized; however, even if the issue of famine is resolved, it is imperative to continue educating about the need for

peace and love."

WFWP has its international headquarters in Korea and branches in 160 nations. WFWP supports the actualization of world peace through constant volunteer activities, donations and educational programs for women all over the world. Furthermore, its "1% Love Program for North Korea" consists of sharing 1 percent of one's income with North Korea, and this is being expanded and implemented all over the world. WFWP is currently working to rename the program the 1% Love Movement for the Global Family and is seeking to expand it.

Youth Federation for World Peace

YFWP has been leading various domestic and international youth movements emphasizing sexual ethics and seeking North-South reunification and world peace. On August 10, the organization celebrated the twentieth anniversary of its founding in the grand conference room of the Kim Ku Museum and Library in Hyochang Park with a General Assembly under the theme "A Powerful Leap for the Next Generation—Peace, Unity and Sexual Purity."

Three hundred and fifty people came for the event. Among the many participants were YFWP president Yu Gyeong-duk, FFWPU-Korea president Ryu Kyeong-seuk, International Headquarters secretary-general Rev.

Kim Man-ho, Council of Traditional Korean Religions youth director Mr. Yoon Beo-dal, YFWP leader Mr. Ha Jun-tae, World Peace Education Forum president Mr. Lee Tae-jae, Adolescent Character Education Cultural Center representative Mr. Ji In-shik, YFWP-Japan president Mr. Matsuda Koji, and YFWP for Asia president Mr. Yamada Yutaka. The event began with welcoming remarks from YFWP-Korea president Yu Gyeong-duk, followed by an address from FFWPU-Korea president Ryu Kyeong-seuk. Congratulatory remarks by Matsuda Koji, president of YFWP-Japan, Ha Jun-tae, representative for KYC and Yoon Beo-dal, youth



Youth Federation for World Peace came together to celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary of the organization's founding.



Rev. Sun Myung Moon and the Women's Peace Initiative in the Americas

director for the Council of Traditional Korean Religions, followed. The General Assembly program then proceeded with a congratulatory cake-cutting, commemorative photo sessions and three cheers of mansei.

In his welcoming remarks, YFWP president Yu Gyeong-duk said, "We would like to make a new start towards the future with the spirit of "a blue horse that flies." We will march forward for the next twenty years to establish meaningful lives seeking peace and unity, to develop good character and sexual morality, and to develop global leaders capable of living for the sake of all humanity. Furthermore, we shall establish

international networks with youth organizations all over the world, organize a youth UN modelled after the United Nations, and strive to resolve the various problems occurring around the world.”

In his address, FFWPU-Korea President Ryu remarked, “The founder of YWFP, Rev. Sun Myung Moon, said that young people should become pioneers of change and usher in a new era through true families, true nations and a true world. True families are indeed the essence of a world of peace. This is because within a true family, true love and values are transmitted from the parents to the children, thereby connecting past, present and



future. Rev. Moon has said that true love is the starting point of all ideals; to young people, true love possesses a strength that surpasses life. It is my fervent hope that the members of YFWP can remain true to the founder’s ideals and invest their youthful vigor and passion, strive to realize a world of peace and reunify North Korea and South Korea. It is also my hope that YFWP members can be at the forefront of building a righteous world through living in harmony with others, striving for the public good and seeking justice and righteousness.

To overcome a twentieth century marred with division and conflict and




The Sun Myung Moon Research Center of Sun Moon University

create a twenty-first century of peace and harmony, the Youth Federation for World Peace was founded on July 26, 1994, in Washington DC in the presence of youth leaders from 164 nations. Youth leaders from around the world transcended ideologies and structures and engaged in a global movement of peace and unity to overcome conflicts between people, races, religions and nations. Following its founding, professors from North Korea and South Korea and university students from thirty-one nations gathered on five occasions for international leadership peace seminars. They held these seminars in Moscow, Beijing and other cities and they provided venues to seek means of achieving a peaceful reunification of North Korea and South Korea. The Youth Federation for World Peace has been engaging in various activities such as student led North-South reunification movements in the communities, North Korean-South Korean student exchanges, seminars on unity and harmony among left-wing and right-wing students, international relief and volunteer activities, pure love movements and activities teaching appropriate sexual morality.

In addition to the above activities, the Universal Peace Federation and the office of National Assembly member Kim Eul-dong hosted on August 11 a “Day of Friendship Between Korea and the Philippines for the Sake of Mutual Prosperity in Asia—A Spe-

cial Lecture by Jose de Venecia, former speaker of the Philippines House of Representatives.” This event took place in the great hall of the National Assembly library in the presence of three hundred participants, including fifty Filipino families. After serving as Speaker of the Philippines House of Representatives, Jose de Venecia is actively working as founding president and chairman of the standing committee of ICAPP, an NGO seeking to bring unity and harmony among political parties through an alliance of 340 political parties in fifty-two nations in Asia.

Also on August 11, the Sun Myung Moon Research Institute at Sun Moon University hosted an academic conference at the Seoul Press Center with the topic “The Dr. Sun Myung Moon’s Global Discourse.” The Cheon Jeong Gung Museum in Gyeonggi Province hosted a special exhibition, August 10–12 with the theme “The Providence in North America and South America and Rev. Sun Myung Moon’s Achievements.” On August 8, a hundred people including Rev. Ryu Kyeong-seuk, who is also president of the Alliance of International Families in Korea, families in which one parent is non-Korean and award recipients, gathered for the award ceremony of the 2014 National Peace Drawing Contest for International Families.”

Thus, a variety of commemorative events took place during the official memorial period. 

Prize Recipients to Carry on Rev. Moon's Legacy

The Launching of the Sunhak Peace Prize Committee



The launching of the Sunhak Peace Prize Committee attracted significant press coverage.

of many righteous and capable individuals. Through founding the Sunhak Peace Prize, we wish to recognize individuals who have willingly sacrificed themselves for peace, and praise them for their work, thereby lighting a beacon of hope that will shine upon each and every person on earth who yearns for world peace.

After introducing the committee members, Dr. Hong offered the following remarks:

Today, human civilization is seeing an end to the era when the nations of the East were greatly influenced by those in the West, an era that began in the nineteenth century and sees the rise of a great transition, opening the era in which Eastern nations are becoming more influential. The age of economic sovereignty and technological sovereignty of the post-industrial society has passed and as we enter a society requiring expert knowledge and information. Humanity is longing for the creation of new values.... I believe that Korea and its people are standing tall at the center of this great transitional time in human history....

From long ago, a distinct oriental culture blossomed in Korea based on the basic values, which we call Hong-ik In-gan and Ewha Segye, which mean benefiting all people and leading the world based on the truth, respectively. In addition, the universal ideology representing Korea in each era was readily accepted; for example, during the era of Buddhism in Korea, people accepted its ideology and flourished; likewise, in the age of Confucianism, people readily accepted Confucian ideals and the same happened again in today's era of

The Sunhak Peace Prize Committee presented itself to the public for the first time on the nineteenth floor of the Korean Press Center, on August 11. One hundred and thirty people from Korea and abroad attended the event. Starting from August 2015, the Sunhak Peace Prize Committee will annually award the Sunhak Peace Prize to a selected individual or group that has dedicated itself to world peace or for the benefit of humanity. One million U.S. dollars will be presented to the individual or group winner as prize money. This is the most money offered for any prize in Korea. Dr. Hong Il-shik, a former president of Korea University, is the chairman of the committee. Dr. Boutros Boutros-Ghali, a former secretary-general of the United Nations; Mr. Larry Beasley, president of the Washington Times; and Mr. Ono Yoshinori, a former director-general of Japan's Defense Agency are also among the thirteen members of the Sunhak Peace Prize Committee.

Chairman Hong introduced the

committee members offered remarks. Mr. Beasley read the Declaration of the Sunhak Peace Prize. Mr. Kay Rala Xanana Gusmão, prime minister of Timor Leste, and Lee Cheol-seung, president of the Seoul Peace Prize Cultural Foundation, offered congratulatory addresses.

Excerpts from the Declaration of the Sunhak Peace Prize

The Sunhak Peace Prize was founded by Dr. Hak-ja Han Moon, the wife of the late Rev. Sun Myung Moon. This award reflects her profound hope of continuing the legacy left by her husband, who lived his life with the spirit of having the heart of a parent, in the body of a servant, shedding sweat for earth, tears for humankind and blood for heaven, dedicating his entire life toward realizing world peace, prosperity and coexistence, where humankind thrives as One Family under God....

Indeed, peace is the highest and ultimate value and desire that has been sought ceaselessly by humankind throughout history. This noble ideal demands the dedication and sacrifice



Chairman Hong Il-shik of the Sunhak Peace Prize Committee,



Mr. Larry Beasley, president of the Washington Times



Mr. Kay Rala Xanana Gusmão, prime minister of Timor-Leste



Mr. Lee Cheol-seung, president of the Seoul Peace Prize Cultural Foundation

Christianity, creating a peaceful culture of coexistence, co-prosperity with all humanity.

Dr. Hong then presented the direction the committee will take by saying,

The late Rev. Sun Myung Moon, who understood such features of the history of civilization, combined Christian ethics, the universal thought representing the Western world, with Korean traditional thought, creating a new philosophy of peace. He presented a vision for the path we should follow.... The Sunhak Peace Prize committee will do its best to practice true love transcending race, religion and nation based on the peace ideology that all people are one family. Upholding the noble will of the founders, Rev. and Mrs. Sun Myung Moon, who lived this ideology and encouraged us to become peace-loving global citizens, we will keep searching for and supporting people who are dedicating their lives to building a world of peace.

Among Prime Minister Gusmão's remarks in this congratulatory address, he said the following:

Rev. Moon taught that there were two basic principles of peace. The first principle was a motto that he lived his life by, "Live for the sake of others." The second principle was his vision of the world as, "one family under God." In essence, Rev. Moon saw public-mindedness and family values as the pillars and beams for building world peace.... I believe it was Rev. Moon's passionate love for God and humankind that were central to his vision for peace. He shared this dream most intimately with his

lovely wife and lifetime partner, Dr. Hak-ja Han Moon. It is their unbreakable love and her desire to carry on Rev. Moon's legacy of peace that is at the heart of the Sunhak Peace Prize.

In essence, the message that this Sunhak Peace Prize should carry is this: By living unselfish and altruistic lives, we can build families and communities of peace. By transcending religion, race, nationality and culture, we can build nations and a world of peace. With this message, the Sunhak Peace Prize will serve as a beacon of hope, guiding us all toward a culture of peace.


Lee Cheol-seung, who is a retired member of the Korean National Assembly, as well as head of an organization that recognizes those who work for peace, said the following in his congratulatory address:

Despite tremendous persecution and criticism, Rev. Sun Myung Moon firmly continued to carry out worldwide peace initiatives and also endeavors to bring about peace and unification between the divided Koreas. He dedicated his entire life to loving humankind.... He initiated memorials to remember patriots that fought for the independence of Korea including Ahn Jung-geun in China. In 1990, at the height of the cold war, he met Mikhail Gorbachev, president of the Soviet Union. The following year, in 1991, he went to Pyongyang and met with Kim Il-sung, the leader of North Korea, whom he embraced and negotiated with. Many people have been moved by his courage in doing so. I cannot but bow my head in solemn respect for the depth of Rev. Moon's ideology and his

courage as he unhesitatingly met even heads of the enemy camp for the sake of world peace. Unless one is a true saint, loving enemies in this way would be impossible.

I express my deep gratitude to Dr. Hak-ja Han Moon for enacting the Sunhak Peace Prize and continuing her husband's legacy in working toward realizing a world of peace even though Rev. Moon has ascended. I fervently hope that this prize can be a driving force in enhancing and developing the spirit of Rev. Sun Myung Moon.

Before the conclusion of the meeting, Secretary-general Kim Man-ho gave a general introduction of the Sunhak Peace Prize, explaining how they had instituted a fair process to select the winner and that they would continue to work in raising the authority of the prize. He also added that by the end of October this year, the Sunhak Peace Prize Committee would receive candidate recommendations from a nominating committee of about a thousand people from eighty countries who have fulfilled certain criteria to be included on that committee.

The Sunhak Peace Prize Committee will gradually assess the eligibility of all the candidates and will choose next year's winner in April. The committee's involvement with the winner will not simply end with the prize presentation; the Sunhak Peace Prize Committee intends to provide continuous support to candidates and winners for their activities and to publicly promote the values that make for peace. 

A True Peace magazine staff member contributed this article.

The Ceremonial Dedication of True Parents' Historical Archives

Though some effort had been made over the years, we had not been preserving and organizing the thousands of items scattered around the globe that True Parents used, or that record (in writing, sound or visually) True Parents' efforts to bring salvation to all humanity and to liberate God's heart. True Parents' Historical Archives is now open and actively pursuing that noble objective.



True Mother speaking at the dedication of True Parents' Historical Archives

On August 8, at 10:30 AM, the dedication ceremony of True Parents' Historical Archives began at the Korean-FFWPU Headquarters Building. True Mother and approximately 150 people, including Sun-jin nim and her husband In-sup nim, Kwon-jin nim and his wife Hwa-yun nim, senior church members, heads of providential organizations, special emissaries, regional presidents, district pastors, directors of FFWPU headquarters departments, pastors in Seoul and church executives from Japan partook in the event. The event was held in two parts. The first part took place on the second floor of the headquarters building, where the archives are located. True Mother led the unveiling ceremony that revealed "True Parents' Historical Archives" displayed on the wall.

True Mother then offered a prayer, blessing the dedication:

Beloved Heavenly Parent,
Today, on the thirteenth day of the seventh heavenly calendar month in the second year of Cheon Il Guk, we thank you for allowing True Parents' Historical Archives to be dedicated to you and to True Parents. Your efforts, dedication and hard work until now established the names of your children, and we thank you for allowing us to dedicate this sacred time to you. May this place, a treasure that preserves the historical records of how much



The dedication ceremony of True Parents' Historical Archives

True Parents loved humanity and how hard they worked for the completion of the providential history, be well preserved and together with the erection of the Museum of True Parents' Lives may it express our desire to dedicate something bigger to you for future generations. Father, please take command of everything. I once more thank you for allowing this day to take place. I pray all this in True Parents' names. Aju.

Purification of the area

A tape cutting followed the prayer. Mother sanctified the archives with holy salt. She and her entourage inspected the inside of the archives, guided by Kim Seog-byung, director of the FFWPU History Compilation Committee, of which PeaceTv and *True Peace* magazine are two of several related components.

The second part of the event took place on the eighth floor auditorium of the headquarters building, where the guests enjoyed a luncheon banquet. The emcee was Lee Jae-seong, vice-president of FFWPU-Korea. Rev. Lee Jae-seok prayed. Ryu Kyeong-seuk welcomed the guests.

Rev. Kim Young-hwi gave a congratulatory address expressing elation over the dedication ceremony, "This is the first event among the commemorative events for the second anniversary of True Father's seonghwa. Dispersed materials related to True Parents are finally in one place, where

they will be preserved, arranged, exhibited, displayed, read or used for reference and for the production of books. It is a great joy to have the dedication ceremony of the True Parents' Historical Archives, which will be carrying out all these functions." He went on to emphasize the following:

True Parents planted numerous teachings and lived the tradition that humanity must inherit as they led God's providence of restoration. This is why our church and humanity are destined to find the way—through the tradition and teachings they left us and through their lives. In this light, the opening of True Parents' Historical Archives is indeed significant. I hope that the depository being dedicated at this time is not only successful at preserving historical materials on True Parents but also in providing materials that can properly introduce True Parents to our members and to the rest of the world. I especially hope materials can be produced on our church history. I believe that organizing True Parents' history and our church history is connected with clearly establishing the direction in which we must go. God established our church; hence, as it is the central religion within the providence of restoration, the history of our Unification Church must be able to show that we have a tradition. Simply put, I believe that our present task is to compile history in

such a way that anyone can easily understand the consistent providential history that connects God, Jesus and True Parents."

True Mother's message

The guests were treated to a congratulatory performance. True Mother presented mementos commemorating the opening of the archive, and then expressed her heart at this significant juncture:

I thought of something on my way to the dedication of these archives. I received a report while in Hawaii. One elder member from Japan hoped to see for himself, before he died, the many achievements that he had heard True Parents had carried out for the Las Vegas providence. With this hope, he came to Las Vegas. When I heard the news, I thought that upon my return to Korea I should make better use of the Hannam-dong residence; I am thinking of using it as a guesthouse and as a church. This, too, would be recorded in the archives. Even though members around the world are living in the same era as True Parents, among them still are members that have not been able to make it to Korea for particular reasons and those who cannot afford to. You know that there are members like that around the world, don't you? Even though many of the world's people have come here to experience many events, still

some could not afford to come. For members, the place where True Parents stayed or lived... Aren't all members worldwide True Parents' children? As children, wouldn't they want to sleep at least once in a house their parents lived in or stayed in? They would want to feel their love and sense their essence, wouldn't they? That is why I am resolute about doing this. Our responsibility is important. Your responsibility is important. As God's homeland, Korea should be able to fulfill its responsibility as a nation. To have a providence like that of Israel's... What should I say? If I am blunt, Jewish people might protest. You already know many things through history and through what True Parents have shown in the providence until now. You know how you should live before your life on earth comes to its conclusion. Hence, you cannot go to the spiritual world by just living as you do now. You should be able to complete something and make some result within your generation, shouldn't you? If so, what should you do? As long as True Parents' Historical Archives exists, the history and records of your lives will also be preserved. I have repeatedly said that you should become devoted children, loyal subjects, ancestors and true owners. I have told you everything. What else should I say?

What is left now is for you to practice it in your lives. That is why I came here with a happy heart. I want God, this nation and the people of the world to be able to hear that you, the brothers and sisters of God's homeland, are indeed different, are qualified as ancestors and have no faults. What do you think? Will you do that? [Yes] I hope you do your best. Thank you.

History and scale of the archives

Director Kim Seog-byung's progress report, accompanied by a video, described the history and scale of the historical archives. The History Compilation Committee began its existence on November 1, 1981, at the Korean headquarters. Those working for the committee were tasked with collecting and preserving church materials. However, a lack of space led them to move to an annex building of the *Segye Times* company. When the *Segye Times* complex underwent reconstruction, the archives had to be moved to the rooftop of the Suwon District church building and some of the materials had to be stored in a container at Sun Moon University's Cheonan campus. However, in the process, all the materials, especially those in the container, suffered great damage. True Mother's support in dedicating True Parents' Historical Archives was timely in managing these materials. Director Kim then ex-

plained the arrangement and state of the archives and the scale of the preserved materials.

The first section of the archives consists of materials related to True Parents, the True Family and elder members. In this section are preserved books that True Parents signed, photographs and materials from the early days that elder members donated.

The second section is the text section. Around 6,600 binders containing text that include official memos and papers on major events are here.

The third section is on periodicals. Around 7,400 volumes published in Korea and abroad, such as *Tongil Segye* and the Japanese publication, *Family*, are preserved here.

The fourth section is the book section. Around 11,000 books on topics related to our church, published since the early days, are arranged here. The book section includes *Explanation of the Divine Principle* and a variety of books published overseas.

The fifth section has photograph albums and clippings of media coverage. Here are around 2,200 albums and 657 volumes of clippings from publications that have been preserved beginning in 1955.

The sixth section is the audio and video tape section. We have tape recordings of True Parents' teachings since 1956. In case the original tapes are lost or damaged, we have also made back-up copies. We have pre-



After the unveiling of the sign designating True Parents' Historical Archives



True Mother cutting the tape with her children and son-in-law

served 24,600 recordings. We received 1,006 video films from the United States.

The seventh section is the photographic section. Photographic negatives of True Parents and major events conducted by the headquarters and providential organizations from the early days until now are housed here. We have about one thousand binders full of negatives, which fill about a hundred boxes. Aside from Korean materials, we have also received 1.7 million photographs of True Parents' activities in the United States. We are in the process of digitizing all of these.

After explaining that the records in the library have been divided into these seven classifications, Director Kim also introduced the exhibition hall. He explained that the displays there were organized centered on the Holy Wedding and cover the period after the establishment of HSAUWC, starting from Father's ordeal in Seodaemun prison to the time True Parents left Korea for the sake of the global providence. The artifacts are displayed in such a way that one can get a glimpse of what our church is all about. He added that at the center of the exhibition hall, faded papers are displayed on which True Father explained the Divine Principle to Eu Hyo-won, the first national leader of Korea. The holes in the paper give us a picture of True Father's passion as he wrote. In the process of transfer-

ring all materials to True Parents' Historical Archives and arranging them, they discovered a roll of color film from True Parents' Holy Wedding. Director Kim expressed how grateful they were for that discovery.


Director Kim's report ended with coverage of the image materials. He explained that there are about 30,000 video tapes from the 1980s, most of which are in a bad state because of oxidation. In order to resolve the problem, a video archival system was built on the fifteenth floor of the Dowon Building. Work to digitize the videos is ongoing. This started last year. Eighteen experts are working on the digitization process. They expect to complete the entire project within five years. Furthermore, a container of motion picture films, which were taken in the United States in the 1970s were all transferred to Korea in May. Presently, they are preparing to purchase "Telecine," a machine necessary to digitize motion picture film.

Sensing True Parents' presence

On November 15, 1969, True Father said, "Everything that I do, from one single thing to all the different things that I have done, will remain for eternity in history as having a value more precious than anything else in history. I am saying that even one single piece of paper that I used will remain as a historical legacy." On November 10, 2000, True Father said, "During the imperial rule, the police would follow

people and interrogate them. I had no choice but to burn my diaries, which I had been writing in for over seventeen years. If they still existed today, they would have become a great textbook to guide the young people of the world. However, I had to burn everything. This is how I lost teachings I could have utilized for forty years." He expressed his sadness at the loss of these historical records.

With the installation of mobile shelves, all providential and historical materials in True Parents' Historical Archives, which is now open thanks to True Mother's grace, are easily available (though access to some materials may be limited to authorized personnel). True Parents' Historical Archives not only provide a library and a photograph room, but also an exhibition space where True Parents' presence can be felt through on display artifacts related to Father's Seodaemun prison ordeal (known to Koreans as the 7.4 incident), the Holy Wedding and early days of our church. Researchers and general visitors will find they can view materials and read or search through documents. Pastors can study our church history and find materials needed for sermons and others means of enlightening their congregations.

After these presentations, the banquet at which they were given ended with Mr. Cho Jeong-sun, chairman of the Tongil Foundation, leading everyone in three cheers of *eog mansei*. 



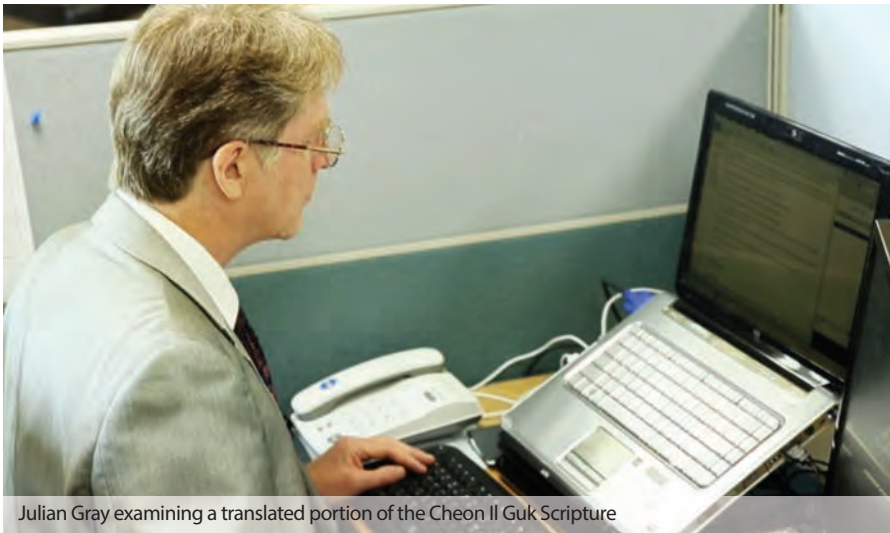
True Mother inspecting the moving shelves at True Parents' Historical Archives



True Mother looking around the exhibition hall

New Scriptural Works Published in English

Julian Gray recently worked on two new scriptural works in English. Here he outlines the process that brought them to fruition.



Julian Gray examining a translated portion of the Cheon Il Guk Scripture

True Parents created new scriptures

We have just completed the translation and publishing of two new scriptural works in English. They were dedicated to God at the second anniversary of True Father's ascension, and they will now be available to members around the world.

True Parents ordained that three volumes be created for this era when Cheon Il Guk has been announced and must be completed. The first is Cheon Seong Gyeong, which could be translated as "the holy scriptures of heaven." As this work is composed on many short extracts from the range of True Father's teachings, it might be compared to an impressionist painting, where many small dots of paint make up the image. Yet the overall effect is a complete picture. The second is Pyeong Hwa Gyeong, which could be translated as "scriptures of peace." It is a selection of 178 of Father's and Mother's complete speeches. A third volume, Cham Bum Gyeong, "True Parents' scripture," which will feature

True Parents' own story, is still undergoing final preparations in the original Korean.

During the ceremony to mark the publication of the new Cheon Seong Gyeong and Pyeong Hwa Gyeong in Korean, on June 10 last year, Mother said of Father's teachings, "I am immensely happy to see that True Father's teachings are no longer scattered, but are like beautiful gems that have all been threaded together." The volume has been created as a reference for the enlightenment of anyone wishing to study Father's teachings in his own words.

Unique qualities

The new book is not a reedit of the original Cheon Seong Gyeong, therefore; it is really a new book. Even though the underlying themes are largely similar, many new extracts were selected with great care by the compilation committee under 36-couple elder Rev. Kim Young-hwi. For those reading translated texts, it is content never seen before. The aim is

to convey the full range of True Father's teaching. The work therefore includes content not only from the early years of Father's ministry but right through to the final crucial decade of Father's earthly life—during which many providential milestones were reached.

The work is enhanced by the inclusion of a selection of True Father's prayers from the earliest recordings of Father's words (1956) to Father's final redemptive prayer just weeks before he ascended. These are the words Father spoke not to us as his followers, but to God, as a son to his father, his Heavenly Parent. From that point of view alone, these are remarkable to have in writing, but they also reveal many new aspects of the mission Father has striven to fulfill and they explore aspects of his teachings unexpressed elsewhere.

Notably, a section is also devoted to extracts from talks given by True Mother during the months following Father's ascension. This is a record of her earliest guidance and expression of resolve as the sole True Parent on earth.

How the work was done

Around Foundation Day, in February last year, when the Korean versions of Cheon Seong Gyeong and Pyeong Hwa Gyeong were offered to God, True Mother requested that work on an English translation begin.

Finding exemplary translators is more difficult than you might suppose. Ideally English-speaking native Koreans with much experience listening to Father and reading his words would work together with native speakers of English, and do the initial translations together.

Father uses many unique terms, so

translators have to develop specialized vocabulary and familiarity with Father's speaking style. We constantly discussed the best way to render certain concepts and sought help from experts both in Korea and overseas. We developed a translation glossary that we hope will become a guide to translating Father's words. And we aim to incorporate all this in translation memory software that will reduce the time and effort required for such tasks.

The translators worked very hard to complete the initial translation. Then the task became to both recheck the translation and edit for excellent English. We are using American English as the standard for these translations. Each nation needs to develop its expertise in translating, and writing beautifully, what True Father said and taught.

Ownership of the project needed to be taken by the American church for the sake of the future. Our U.S. members have worked for our professional media, at publications such as the Washington Times, so there is a foundation of editing expertise. Some thirty part-time editors assisted with this task, headed up by Dr. Tyler Hendricks.

There is always the need to write the text in a way that expresses Father's passion, while remaining true to the meaning of his words. That is no easy task, and many hours were

offered by devoted editors, and by those who worked to check the accuracy of the finished text. One expert team, consisting of a translator and a UTS professor devoted many months to check and improve the most challenging parts of Cheon Seong Gyeong.

It took seventeen months to translate and edit the two scriptural works with a total of 3,300 pages. This work is like translating the Bible because of the depth of the teaching, and because of the linguistic challenges. We have tried our best. God certainly guided us along the way. For example, we had the benefit of special assistance from the Cheongshim Graduate School of Theology, whose president, Dr. Kim Jin-choon, and professors gave their time to discuss challenging theological and linguistic issues.

With just a few months remaining, True Mother placed the project under the church publications and media offices director Kim Seog-byung. I felt God was clarifying his priorities. This was the end game. Everything accelerated, and every step from that point was under strict micro-deadline, down to the day. I had to understand that time in God's providence is of the essence, maybe the most important factor.

We were instructed to send the text of both Cheon Seong Gyeong and Pyeong Hwa Gyeong, divided into chapters, out to the district headquar-

ters of the church in the United States and Great Britain. These booklets were read by members all over America (and the UK), and they sent them back with suggested improvements. Everyone who participated made improvements that are now in the finished text. It was like a spiritual condition for the English speaking members to participate in this historic work.

The course concluded with teams of two or three people (each) reading the entire text of the two scriptural works aloud. God shone his light on this work: as if by coincidence, an exceptionally capable group of linguists and editors happened to be here in Korea at precisely that time—and amazingly, they had time and unique, perfectly complementary talents to offer.

Deadlines are a feature of God's providence and they allow us to experience God's guiding presence. The experience also made clear to us the need to continuously develop our expertise, as a movement, in the field of translating and expressing True Parents' teachings in languages other than Korean. The future looks bright. As these works are gradually translated into the many languages of the world, they will open the way for Father's revelation and thought to be studied by individuals, and in the universities, in nations throughout the world. *✠*

The English editions of Cheon Seong Gyeong and Pyeong Hwa Gyeong will be available for members to order directly from our Sung Hwa publishing company in Korea.



Cost: KRW 160,000 per set (Cheon Seong Gyeong and Pyeong Hwa Gyeong) plus mailing charges. This is approximately 125 euros, allowing for exchange costs. Mailing rates will vary from country to country and the mailing cost will depend on the number of sets ordered. If 4 sets are ordered (8 books, in one box) there will be no mailing charges added.

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Let Us Have Faith in Change and Unity for a Hopeful Future

Vision 2020 Strategy Conference for Strategic and Providential Nations in 2014

The August 13–16 2014 Vision 2020 Strategy Conference for Strategic and Providential Nations took place as one of many events that our movement ran on the sidelines of the second anniversary of True Father's seonghwa. It was the second such conference, born out of the need to assess the state of development in each nation and to study rational means to reach national targets, set by the local members. The first was also held in conjunction with Father's seonghwa anniversary, in August last year. The FFWPU International Headquarters, which Director-General Sun-jin Moon has been leading since May 11 this year, was the host. The organization is taking the opportunity, when leaders will naturally be in Korea, to convene and to fine tune international efforts in re-

lation to Vision 2020.

More than two hundred people attended the conference, including thirteen regional presidents, special emissaries, Cheon Il Guk special envoys, twenty-three national leaders and some regional figures involved in family education. In addressing them, Director-General Moon said, "Some of you are working in the most difficult regions of the world, in extremely poor environments where freedom of faith is not permitted. Some of you are literally risking your lives and your families. I have deep respect for those of you who have sincerely followed and sacrificed for Heavenly Parent and True Parents. Whatever foundation we stand on has been a testimony and an immortal legacy of your lives of selfless sacrifice to bring glory and joy to our Heavenly Parent, True Par-

ents and the world." The bulk of the director-general's/Sun-jin nim's talk was a testimony to her daily recent experiences with True Mother and her personal interpretation of how True Mother lives for others' benefit.

The conference was held main at the Cheongpyeong Youth Center, and had the theme, "To seek locomotive for growth and change to accomplish Vision 2020."

In his Strategic Presentation for Vision 2020, Kim Man-ho, the secretary general of the FFWPU International Headquarters, said in his typically strong voice, "What True Parents want for us is not just overcoming this crisis, but changing this crisis into an opportunity to reform and grow." He then proposed what he felt was the best way for us to achieve Vision 2020. He said, "To



achieve Vision 2020, we should restore trust: self-trust, trusting relationships, trusting organization and trusting society and nations. He laid out nine strategic priorities, that he called “agendas” that the Unification movement might pursue centering on the FFWPU International Headquarters. Later, he explained the details of this strategy and the role of headquarters in the future. The nine strategic agendas are the following:

1. Renewal of personnel: We need a reform of our consciousness and culture.
2. Reform of organizations and structures
3. Reform of human resources
4. Reform of home ministry for new tribal messiah activities and realization of happy ideal family
5. Reform of contents and diverse programs for education, witnessing, and external activities
6. Reform of the delivery system of services and improvement of various service for members and society
7. Reform of environment
8. Reform of Image
9. Reform for transparent financial operation and securing a stable financial foundation

The main purpose of this conference was to discuss and establish the goals and strategy for the realization of Vision 2020 based on each leader’s respective region or nation and to establish a social foundation for national-level restoration. The leaders took part in one of two simultaneous break-out sessions—one to concentrate on family education and the other to focus on tribal messiah activities.

No one denies that the locomotive of Vision 2020 is the blessed central families. Thus, in accordance with what we’ve learned through the Divine Principle—that churches and providential organizations should unify and support blessed central families to create happy ideal families—all participants had deep discussions on family ministry, the education of blessed children, matching systems, blessing education, and tribal messiah’s activities. They shared case studies and sought solutions.

This is why the representatives of Family Departments from twenty-three strategic nations including Korea, Japan and the United States joined in this conference.

Ms. Crescentia De Goede, the head of Family Department in the United States, who participated in the Family Ministry group discussion, said, “Having dealt with several problems

related to blessed families and blessed children, I always thought it is crucial to share experiences and know-how of providential countries such as Korea, Japan and the United States. Having this conference, all my worries and concerns disappeared. Not only for this time, should we also keep conversing with Family Department representatives continuously online and offline.”

Through a presentation given by Yang Sun-seok, deputy head of the Family Department in FFWPU-Korea, participants learned about the current situation of blessed couples in Korea in which at least one spouse, usually the wife, comes from a nation other than Korea. Worldwide our movement faces circumstances in which a parent needs to adjust to raising a family in the spouse’s nation. Korea has extensive experience with this. Currently, around nine thousand five hundred couples fall into this category. The vast majority, around seven thousand, are couples in which the wife is Japanese. Two thousand Korean-Filipino couples, four hundred Korean-Thai couples and a hundred Korean-Mongolian couples bring us to the total. Mr. Yang explained that from their studies, they have observed three stages these couples go through as they seek to adjust to life in Korea. At first they undergo a pe-



Participants shout three cheers of *eog mansei* at the end of the closing ceremony.

riod of adaptation, in which they encounter difficulties due to language and cultural differences. Often they feel disadvantaged financially and socially. After some years, they settle into society and depending on how much attention they pay to educating their children and developing good relations with them they can establish a sense of identity and with other members from their home nation they can begin to develop a strong immigrant community. As their children come of age, the foreign-born parent may be well established in Korea. In some cases, such as with our Filipino members, they have been able to establish organizations that connect to and win the respect of figures in Korean society and figures from their home country. Conversely, those unable to establish a strong identity as a foreign-born participant in Korean society, who feel somewhat distant from even their own children as the children grow in a Korean environment face great difficulty.

Other than these main programs, leaders also learned about the operation and management of public assets, the Cheon Il Guk Constitution and how these apply to their respective fields. They learned of the basic direction of the third anniversary of True Father's ascension and discussed proposals for activities to be held in conjunction with it, because the third anniversary will be held under the supervision of the FFWPU International office. They heard an explanation of the FFWPU History Complication Committee's work to bring to one central location all historical materials

related to True Parents and their mission, and heard an overview of the strategy for the Tongil Group's business activities, and management.

In a closing ceremony coupled with a luncheon, centering on the True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind, participants became one with Heavenly Parent and True Parents. Together with Sun-jin nim, all those present dedicated themselves and made a personal resolution to True Parents to achieve Vision 2020.

Roughly stated, the resolution, which has four provisions, contains statements through which participants promise, as Cheon Il Guk church officials, to fulfill their responsibility to substantiate Cheon Il Guk by leading with one heart, to win respect and love not only from members but also from society, while having absolute love, faith and obedience toward True Parents and horizontal love for the Unification family members we serve; to build a Cheon Il Guk social environment that earns the trust of the nation; to fulfill the nine strategic tasks we all agreed upon through uniting with the international headquarters, which is supervised by True Mother and to pursue efficient organizational management, transparent financial management, and to raise next-generation leaders as successors and talented youth for the betterment of our movement.

A regional president that participated in this conference, said, "Ushering in the substantial era of Cheon Il Guk, to achieve Vision 2020, our movement should seek new thinking, new attitudes and new activities,


which are different from those employed in the indemnity era. This conference reminded me again of the central driving force for new age—the FFWPU International Headquarters supervised by True Parents directly, thirteen regions and twenty-three strategic nations. Based on the communication and cooperation among the FFWPU International Headquarters and each respective field, this conference served as a starting point to connect both for the new era."

One Cheon Il Guk special envoy said, "I deeply realized that the solution for this crisis actually starts from change and growth of leaders like me. The message from Secretary General Kim, stayed in my heart: 'In place of flowery speech, I will take action.' I will be a leader who can fulfill the resolution that I made to True Parents."

One leader from a strategic country said, "Looking at the whole schedule of conference, I can feel the strong determination and change centered on the FFWPU International Headquarters. The best part above all was that this conference showed the strong resolve of all leaders including special emissaries and continental leaders to join this change. Even though Sun-jin nim and the International Headquarters did not order leaders, saying, 'You must do this,' they appear to have been able to find determination naturally to complete Vision 2020. Thus, it was very precious time."

In order for an organization to change, it is necessary for not only all members to positively accept a change, but also leaders to stand as the center of trust. It is impossible to change without self-trust and trusting relationships, and trust cannot be forced, but naturally accepted.

The change in the Unification movement should not finish with one person's slogan. All leaders should unite with members, create a positive change in each person's heart and spread the "happiness virus." Thus, all members should enjoy a loving-culture community filled with fresh winds of change, warm love and an air of trust.

In the three-day strategic conference, everyone found greater hope for the future, disseminated seeds of trust and took the first steps forward toward "change" and "unity." 

Let's Learn from True Mother's Example

By Moon Sun-jin

Sun-jin nim gave the following message to regional presidents, national leaders and others on August 13 at the opening ceremony for the Vision 2020 Strategy Conference for Strategic and Providential Nations, which was hosted by the FFWPU International Headquarters, of which she is director-general.



started doing this in Hawaii when she came in May. You can see good health and amazing power when we put one foot in front of the other and follow True Parents' course.

She started this as exercise, as a morning ritual, in Honolulu. We would walk on the Beach Walk early in the morning, about 4:00 am, because this is a time, she said, when the moon is setting and the sun is coming up. This is the moment when the masculine and feminine energy, the energy of True Father and True Mother, are one in nature and in the universe. True Mother felt then as if Father were smiling down upon her whenever she would welcome the moon. As she walked, she would give sincere devotion and prayer with each step saying, "I will carry this movement to victory. If I have to go, no matter how my body is suffering, I will give it my all for the sake of True Father."

She started walking in nature along the beach and walking on the beach, too, to feel the waves on her feet. She felt True Father in nature embracing her, not only with the moon as a spotlight, lighting her way in utter darkness at 4:00 am but with the ocean waves coming to embrace her each time. This real spiritual and physical connection that she felt is always there when we start to open our eyes and realize that True Father is all around us. She made this connection every morning as a prayer.

After approximately three months, she has not only physically changed (her clothes are like six sizes smaller) she said she feels lighter, literally being lighter but internally she has felt so much strength that Father is al-

I'm going to read a bit of a speech, but I'm going to share with you some of the amazing experiences we have had with True Mother. I would just like to thank you, brothers and sisters. On behalf of my family, I would like to extend to all of you our sincere gratitude for working on the front line of Heavenly Parents' providence. Some of you are literally risking your lives and your families. I have deep respect for those of you who have sincerely followed and sacrificed for Heavenly Parent and True Parents.

The sun and moon

I have had the honor of attending our True Mother this past year. Did any of you attend today's luncheon? Did you notice a great change in our True Mother?

We had performances not only from leaders but also from True Mother's team. They did a song called "Bounce" by a famous Korean pop singer whom True Mother likes. What you saw was a dance she does every morning. The change in True Mother's physical and emotional experience has been drastic since she

ways with her and deep within her. To many elder members that came to Hawaii True Mother taught this bouncing course. I see Mr. Balcomb in the front here and Bishop Kim Ki-hoon, who is an amazing super-bouncer. They have all been under True Mother's bouncing training and have lost many notches on their belts. Mr. Tokuno-san (if he is here) she also wished that you take care of your health. She was surprised to see Rev. Tokuno after a year. He was carrying a lot of stress. She told Rev. Tokuno-san, "Even if you want to go to church early in the morning and work until late at night, you need balance. Take care of your health. Take care of your body. You need to live a long time. You need to be strong, so that we can overcome all of these challenges."

True Mother and LFSO

True Mother's mantra for this bouncing activity is "living for the sake of others." In America, we say, LFSO. She is saying every day "I take responsibility. I walk and I meet True Father. I give jeonseong, sincere devotion, for the sake of the world. I am living for the sake of others."

Every day she was walking longer. At first, she could only walk for twenty minutes. Now she is walking for two hours—two hours and bouncing. So, "longer,"—LFSO. The F is for "faster," because she is picking up her pace. When she started walking, it was very slow because you are trying to build muscle but everything is aching. Though that course was difficult, she persevered and through the course of

doing it every day, she got faster. By the end, we could barely keep up with True Mother. We are young people so we are running around trying to open doors for her, but she has already walked through. That is how much faster she got. I am sure many of you witnessed that too. You see True Mother standing now, and she does not need anyone's help. So, longer, faster... Stronger is the S. For the sake of others, I need to be strong. It starts with my own mind and body.

That individual perfection is the key that True Parents teach us. It is not only going to create balance in our own bodies, but that is the cornerstone of everything we do as a couple, as a family or in living for the sake of the world. The O is for Omonim, because Omonim is literally leading us to not only health and well-being but also showing us the way to move forward in the future.

There is nothing I can say to all of my elder brothers and sisters that are spiritual pillars for the movement to inspire you, because you are the inspiration. You have done all that work. I know that this has been a difficult year of transition. There was tremendous loss for our community but True Mother has shown how to persevere. This whole year, she has been concerned about leaving a lasting legacy, because True Parents have completed everything; they have done everything.

An essential component

True Mother is like the key that opened up the whole world so that

we can be free and liberated. If you look at all the other religions in the world—Christianity, Buddhism, Islam—the spiritual leader has been a male figure, a father. So what is the significance of our True Parents? Why are we different? What makes our religion or our truth so much more... true? It is because it is not just a man. The whole of history has been waiting for a man and woman, united as one, just as True Mother comes to meet the sun and the moon in the morning.

This unity is what she devoted her whole life to. We can't even imagine. Can you imagine what it's been like to be True Mother, serving True Father, together indemnifying all of history's fallen past to come to a point where they can stand united and liberate the fallen world through their sacrifice? So everything we are, everything we've done, comes from that unity. Without man and woman becoming one in complete harmony, there is no way for us to become children of True Parents. Every blessing we have, calling ourselves a true family, a blessed family, everything with "family," the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification... Where does family start? It started with True Parents, and that is the most important, precious reality. This is something she wanted to make sure was passed on to those in the second and third generations. Because many within our community, my family too, have not been able to realize the significance of what it means to have Heavenly Parent and True Parents as our parents. We have not realized how much they still sacri-



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fice. They are waiting for us to realize that and to come together as one family with complete love and unity to offer this joy to God, which he has been waiting for.

Gratitude and love

Mother has been thinking that this year she would focus all her attention on teaching the next generation. Many, we know, in the second generation have moved on, but True Mother wants to witness to the third generation, too. This was behind the Aloha workshop she started in Hawaii when she invited Hyo-jin nim's children, who are in the third generation of the True Family, and others. She said, "I want you to teach them and I want all the counselors to teach them two main things: kamsahamnida (thank you) and saranghamnida (I love you.) If those children can just learn these two phrases, they have understood all of the Principle."

That is profound. Many things that True Mother says in a short amount of time are almost poetic. I was thinking, How are we going to teach these children true love and gratitude? Turning to the first page of the Principle, you realize that the Creation was about joy. If you think about what it is to have third-generation members, second-generation members, everything you've done as first-generation members was to follow the path of True Parents and to pay indemnity.

Your children are pure water

Many of those in the first generation are saints. You are our amazing examples of sacrifice. You went through tremendous suffering to create what Mother this time called "pure water." To our forty second- and third-generation blessed children, at the workshop she gave the blessing, "You are pure water, which your parents had to purify to give life to something so pure, so crystal clear that it can go anywhere and shine with love and joy." She gave that blessing to the children. When you think about it, the education we got from True Mother and True Father is very difficult. It is, as you know, witnessing, fund raising, going out on the front line—witnessing, witnessing, witnessing.

To all of you, I bow down deeply. Many in the second generation, even

though we were taught Principle, we never inherited, internalized, that heart. Mother said that to internalize it the difference is that you have been purified.

I told every blessed child that came this time to the workshop that one prerequisite for coming to the workshop was to get your parents' testimonies. Go ask your parents why they joined this church. What about the Principle moved them? What made them change their lives? Have direct parent-to-child dialogue and communication. If you can understand why your parents joined the church, more than my teaching you all the chapters of the Divine Principle, that is going to be where you understand who True Parents are, through your parents. You will also understand who Heavenly Parent is and why we are at this point, and who you are as pure water to whom Mother has given that blessing.

True Parents' "flu"

In this way, True Mother was teaching many things to our third generation, too. This is her heart. This is her absolute heart as a True Parent. She never stops being a mother to all of us. As we saw in this World Summit and True Father's commemorative ceremony, the main point was when True Mother said, "It's True Parents' 'flu,'—forgive, love and unite." Once you catch this bug, you are immune to all evil because you build immunity by fighting the flu of evil. The one thing about a flu or a virus is that somebody else will catch it, so others can also be restored.

We might make it into a joke, but forgiveness, love and unity are the only things that will bring all the world's children together as one. When you think of True Parents, when you think about any difficulty you have in the world, go forward with the heart of parents, of True Parents. Only through forgiveness, love and absolute brotherly unity (where Cain and Abel become one) can no differentiation exist—man and woman are completely balanced and harmonized because of True Parents. Now it is our work to completely unite as one family, to work together.

Being in this position, we get many reports and see many unsustainable

things, while everything True Parents did was with the heart to want to save and give. But we haven't been able to do our utmost and follow that path as True Mother is doing every day with bouncing.

This time, with the commemorative ceremony, Mother is giving grace to all humankind after Father's passing. This is the heart of a parent. When you are able to forgive, love, and bring unity wherever you go, you are honoring True Parents, honoring True Father and honoring our True Mother. You are remembering the precious, pure water your children are.

She actually said to first-generation members that they are like beautiful gems, the most beautiful, colorful gems. She said this to the Japanese elder members that came to Hawaii; she gave them that blessing. To become a gemstone, how much heat, how much suffering, how much fire, how much meticulous cutting goes into creating something that sparkles and can reflect light in a way that can shine and bring so much joy to people? In that way, that is you.

Walk with True Parents

I am sorry, because I have nothing to share with you other than my experiences with True Parents. I hope that as brothers and sisters you can feel as if you walked with True Mother and can carry that training and carry this message and this flu, True Parents' flu, with you in everything you do.

That is what I wanted to share, and I think that True Parents already mapped out the strategy as individual perfection. You do the work. You take that step every day to bounce, to leap forward, to move and to be well. From there, be appreciative, thankful for who True Parents are, what they had to indemnify to come into harmony together and to liberate us from this fallen world. Third, educate our children. We can do that for the rest of the world only through forgiveness, love and unity.

From the bottom of my heart, I thank you. Thank you all elder brothers and sisters. We wish you so much joy because that was the intention, why we were all created. So when Mother says be happy and hopeful, it is because you have been given that blessing. Thank you so much. 7

World Summit Pools Global Wisdom and Experience

The Universal Peace Federation's World Summit 2014 was held from August 9–13 in Seoul, Korea, coinciding with the second anniversary of True Father's ascension. The extracts that follow are from a cross-section of the speakers, which included several heads of state and government and religious leaders with experience in interfaith work on the national level. If their words are listened to and acted upon, or at least conveyed to like-minded people and government leaders in other nations, there is reason to be confident that such assemblies can have an effect on attitudes and actions taken at high levels. These extracts have been selected from recordings of actual presentations and from prepared texts made available through UPF, and some have been slightly edited for conciseness.



Dr. Thomas Walsh
President, Universal Peace Federation
(Statement for *True Peace Magazine*)

UPF's World Summit series provides a context in which the critical issues of peace, security and human development can be addressed comprehensively by high-level government officials—including heads of state and government—together with representatives of civil society, the private sector, and the world's great faith traditions.

Along these lines, delegates express significant interest in and support for UPF's proposal, articulated by the founder's address at the UN in 2000, for an interfaith council within the UN system. Current efforts to resolve crises in such places as Gaza, Syria, Ukraine, and East Asia are not proving to be effective, and many are becoming receptive to a new paradigm for conflict prevention and peace building. UPF and the World Summit are increasingly recognized as initiatives that are providing credible and innovative approaches to peace in the twenty-first century.



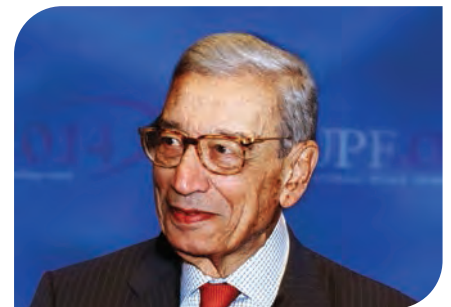
Dr. Yang Chang-shik
Chairman, Universal Peace Federation
(From his welcoming remarks)

This World Summit series was initiated prior to Rev. Moon's passing. We continue this series in his honor, and in order to fulfill the ideals, principles and objectives that he and his wife, Dr. Hak-ja Han Moon, have promoted....

We are living at a serious and troubled time in history. Although the world is turning toward an Asia Pacific era, this region is not entirely stable. There are tensions and the threat of conflict in many places, including on the Korean Peninsula. But it is not simply military threats that are to be feared at this time. We also need to find a way to stop the spread of moral decline and family breakdown and the rise of religious extremism. If we cannot solve these problems, we will see an increasing decline in the quality of human life.

UPF founder Rev. Sun Myung Moon devoted his entire life to realizing a united world under God. He held strong to the opinion that world peace could not be brought about

without first resolving the conflicts between races and religions. He established UPF in the hopes that it would help bring that vision for peace to fruition.



Dr. Boutros Boutros-Ghali
Secretary-general, United Nations
(1992–1996) (From his message to the World Summit)

I have great respect for the work of the Universal Peace Federation and truly wish you well in your noble endeavors to further the establishment of lasting peace and security that all of humanity longs for.

Peace, security and human development have long been areas of great concern to the United Nations and to other world bodies.

I believe that civil society initiatives such as yours are much needed in supporting the ongoing work of the UN and the global community as a whole, and I applaud you for your efforts.

I shall look forward to hearing the results of your deliberations and hope that World Summit 2014 is successful in every way.



Sun-jin nim delivering True Mother's address at the Opening Session of the UPF World Summit 2014



Atua Tupua Tamasese Ta'isi Efi
Head of State, Samoa

In the developing Pacific there is a strong and persistent belief in the spiritual elements of peace and human development. The indigenous peoples and cultures of the Pacific continue to find meaning, identity and solace in our spiritual heritages. These heritages continue to inform our sense of well-being as individuals, communities and nations, and our sense of belonging to the region and the world.

In the indigenous reference of Samoa, the essence of peace for humans lies not in finding the absence of war or violence. It lies in finding harmony, harmony within oneself, with one's fellow men, with the cosmos and with the environment. Where these harmonies exist, it can be said that one is in harmony with God, that you are with God and God is with you....

Achieving peace and human development means not only addressing the needs of the most vulnerable and disadvantaged within our societies, but also first admitting that

they do exist. It also means that everyone—young and old, male and female, rich and poor—has a responsibility to ensure that when they or another person comes into strife that they know they can seek help and actually do. This requires a society willing to give help and give without expecting anything in return.

Rev. Moon has said in his autobiography that "True love is a heart that gives and gives and wants to continue giving. True love is a love that forgets it already gave love and gives love again." This idea of enduring love and selfless giving reminds me of the oft-quoted Samoan proverb: "*E lai se gaumata'u na o le gaualofa*": what you do out of hate will not survive; what you do out of love will live forever.

In this proverb true love and selfless giving play out in an intense drama between a powerful ancient Samoan warlord and the family of his daughter's husband and their unborn child. In this story the father seeks revenge against his daughter's in-laws. The only thing that is able to placate his anger is the self-realization that despite all the hate he has for his enemies, his love for his daughter and unborn grandchild is stronger.

Peace and positive human development come from that place deep within us where true love and selfless giving flows. Rev. Moon's vision of a river of love that flows and connects humanity, breaking down barriers and bringing peace and positive development to the world is a vision that resonates across cultures and so is worthy of our full support.



King Letsie III of Lesotho

Sixty-nine years ago, the United Nations was born as a mechanism for global governance. In setting up this pinnacle organization with universal membership and equality of nations, the leadership of the world and their nations did so driven by the quest for peace, the end of all wars, striving for the development of nations, and the protection and promotion of human rights. At that time, the leaders of the world had the presence of mind to realize that despite the diversity of our opinions, sensitivities, cultures and beliefs, human dignity is a fundamental universal value and therefore central to the peaceful coexistence of nations. Human dignity resonates in all our actions and relationships, and all nations must respect it because it is a basic requirement for peace and human development and, indeed, the strongest weapon against intolerance, hatred and violence.

We in Lesotho do not just subscribe to the principles of the United Nations but also remain steadfastly convinced that the United Nations, with its

unique legitimacy, should be at the center of joint global governance.

No one can deny that the challenges that we face in the 21st century require a joint global governance system that ensures justice and fairness, in which international law is enforced equally and adjudicated independently. However, the central role of this international institution needs to be restored to its former magnificence and reinforced to reflect the contemporary realities. In this regard, the majority of countries who yearn for genuine peace and justice have rightly called for and continue to call for the reform of this important institution....

Global peace and security cannot be realized if a significant number of people on the globe still have to cope with the challenges of poverty and under-development, lack of access to education, quality health care and equal access to basic amenities.

Nearly fifteen years ago, world leaders met and adopted the agreement spelling out eight important goals (MDGs). The MDGs identify the core issues that drive socio-economic development and therefore pave the way for a peaceful world. The adoption of these goals injected some impetus into the development pace of different nations. However, as we approach the set target date for their full implementation, we realize with great concern that progress has been rather sluggish on some while it has been good on others. This, therefore, prescribes a fresh challenge to all nations to think about the post-2015 agenda.



Kay Rala Xanana Gusmão
Prime Minister, Timor-Leste

I congratulate the Universal Peace Federation for its faith and tenacity, particularly Mother Moon for her commitment and Father Moon for his legacy, in making sure that many im-

portant global issues continue to be on the agenda of so many international leaders that are here today. I believe the testimonies of the distinguished individuals in attendance will contribute to raising awareness about international concerns that affect humankind....

We want to contribute with our experiences, our perspectives and our clear desire to change the current world disorder, so that the primacy of the human person is put at the core of the political agenda of the global decision-makers.

Timor-Leste became independent on May 20, 2002, after twenty-four years of hard struggle. Being a country that had just emerged from a prolonged conflict with Indonesia, as well as conflict among ourselves, we opted for dialogue, tolerance and reconciliation.

Immediately after the end of the war, we started a difficult and lengthy process to achieve a true reconciliation within Timorese society. This process led to the establishment of a Commission of Truth, Mutual Acceptance and Reconciliation, where all the victims of repression could testify without fear.... Following this report, we believed we could go beyond our borders and, thanks to the goodwill of the Indonesian leaders, the two states established a Commission of Truth and Friendship.

For two years, a joint team worked hard to hear all the witnesses and the possible perpetrators of the violations of human rights. The final report was signed by the heads of state and government of both countries, putting an end to the painful past.

Both Timor-Leste and Indonesia wanted to clear the way for true and genuine reconciliation and tolerance amongst communities and people, rather than feed hatred and revenge that would only destroy the country and impede the efforts of the population to improve their living conditions.

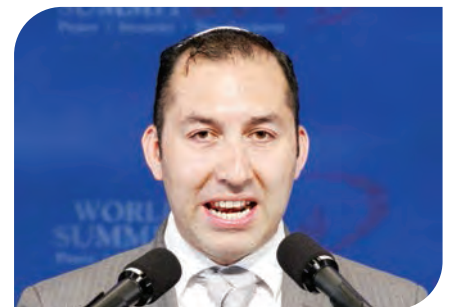
As a result of this forward-looking policy, Indonesia and Timor-Leste now enjoy a solid relationship between people and between states, based on cooperation, friendship and a collective vision for the future.

Today, Timor-Leste is a development success story, thanks to the determination of our people and the



An interfaith prayer session at the opening ceremony of the World Summit

support of our international friends. Timor-Leste has established a vibrant and free democracy, a tolerant and peaceful society, and the foundations for sustained economic growth and development.



Rabbi Richard Gamboa
General Secretary, Colombian Assembly of Religions and Spiritualities

Undoubtedly the work of the Colombian Assembly of Religions and Spiritualities has shown that religions can work together and unify their voices around values and common themes. This is a working forum at the national level. Furthermore, it has given a voice to hundreds of religious and spiritual leaders who had never been considered in ecumenical and interreligious dialogues. It is important to bring in indigenous spiritual leaders; nobody is rejected. We are so inclusive that the Colombian Communist Party is part of this council.... Even the general secretary of the party is a member, as we are very interested in promoting the dialogue between philosophical



Participants after having been appointed ambassadors for peace

communism and religions, especially with Christians, since there are historical wounds that must be healed in order to move towards a sustainable culture of peace.

The political and social impact we have generated is such that last week I received two letters, one sent by the Peace Delegation of Guerrillas of the FARC, and another sent by the Office of the High Commissioner for Peace of the Presidency of the Republic, where both sides expressed their willingness to end as soon as possible the armed conflict that we suffer and their desire to make peace a reality. We have unified our voices in a common cause, which is to support the peace process to end the armed conflict in Colombia.



Dr. William McComish
Dean Emeritus, St. Peter's Cathedral
and president, Geneva Spiritual Appeal, Switzerland

Is there a resurgence of religion? I am not sure; I think the world has always been a religious place. I think there is a resurgence of religious

identity as a political force. And this has been greatly increased by the different forms of fundamentalism, which we find in many different religious traditions.

Problems such as we saw in Northern Ireland are not really religious conflicts, but groups using religious terms, such as Protestant and Catholic, to identify themselves. Since then, more and more conflicts have been seen to have a religious element, in that religion serves as an identifier of a particular group. We can identify some fifty conflicts in which "religion" seems to be a factor.

I believe it is important that the United Nations deals very seriously with this, as a matter of urgency. There are people dying in Syria and Iraq this very day. There are people who are losing their homes and loved ones in Central Africa. I think this is never due to religion in itself but due to a manipulation of religious identity. We have seen demagogues build up fear of another cultural or ethnic group. There are political and economic forces that use religions and religious identity to divide people and conquer. That is the world we are living in and the enemy of good religion, of real religion; and of humanity.

I think the idea of a United Nations interreligious council is a wonderful idea. I think this vision of the Reverend Moon is a wonderful vision. But let us be realists; it is not necessarily going to be easy. The UN is an international organization of

nation-states. We run up against the problem that many refugees are refugees within their own countries and many problems to do with religion are local, not international.

There is also the problem of representation. There are not hundreds of organized religious groups; there are thousands. You can't have them all represented in an interreligious council in the United Nations. I think the best we could have would be a group of wise women and men who would nominate people to look at particular situations....

What would happen with groups who would not want to work with each other? Even in benevolent Geneva, you have liberals and conservatives. If you have a liberal engaged, a conservative won't come near you. In a UN interreligious council, what are you going to do about movements that are fundamentalist and fanatic? Are they going to want to have anything to do with it? Will you invite them and accept that they will not want to be there? Or will you try to set up some kind of dialogue?

What are the best practices? I think the best practice is prayer. In the Geneva we have learned with the Spiritual Appeal Association, a Muslim remains Muslim, a Protestant remains Protestant. We are all very different, but we have discovered that it is a wonderful experience to pray together. We believe God listens to the prayers of all people. And we are deeply enriched by the spiritual experiences of other people.

Setting up an interreligious council at the UN is extremely important. We should not underestimate the difficulties. What can we do in the meantime? I think it is important that there would be peace committees that bring together religious leaders in all countries. And not only where there are problems, but also in countries where there are no obvious problems. Because things change frequently and it is important, if something unpleasant happens, that the religious leaders know each other, trust each other, and will support each other.

As a Christian, I believe that God is not finished with us and that God wants us to live together. I believe that in our period in the history of the world it is important to regard intercommunal violence and violence where there is a religious element as an evil that has to be combatted by prayer, by love—not only by tolerance, but by recognizing the richness of the other person.



Dr. Anthony Mansour
Director, North American Academy of Ecumenists, Canada

Even today in the age of social media and its immense popularity on the Internet, faith organizations (churches, synagogues, mosques and temples) remain the largest social network in the world. Faith communities reach down to the local neighborhood, in every corner of the planet. When natural disasters hit a particular area, you will find faith organizations at work on the ground. You will find faith communities at work even in remote areas where no government agency dares to go. Many non-religious not-for-profit organizations will only stay in a natural disaster area in so long as the media is around. Their visibility is important for their fundraising and

for them to maintain their jobs.... Faith organizations, on the other hand, work in these areas because they are motivated by other factors: not visibility but compassion. Faith communities put into practice the Golden Rule: do unto others as you would like it done unto you. This social network of the faithful remains largely underutilized.

Interfaith dialogues cannot work if we are to discuss theology. This is like comparing apples and oranges.... Where diverse faith communities can work together is on social justice issues. Urgent issues such as poverty, responding to natural disasters, child exploitation, violence, malaria and the environment are among many social justice issues where inter- and intra-faith collaboration can be fruitful; a win-win combination for all. Different faith traditions have different theologies and teachings that compel their members to act, but the realization of the need to act is constant across all faith traditions. These are different paths leading to the same goal, to engage in social action.

Faith communities need to be more creative in finding ways to involve their youth in interfaith and intra-faith dialogues. Youth surely cannot dialogue around a theological subject (nor would they be interested in that), but they certainly can do projects with other youth from a different faith tradition. An example would be a project on the environment. Environment is a “hot” issue for youth in that they are already aware of the impact humankind has on this planet.

Youth can come together, for example, and clean a neighborhood park. In Montreal, we get 250-300 youth together on Victoria weekend to clean a park; the city of Montreal gives us bags, lends rakes, and gives T-shirts to every kid. The local media like it. Politicians and city councilors like it. The kids are from different faith communities: various Christian churches, mosques, Sikhs, Buddhists—it’s a little United Nations there. Kids can see the results. Getting together with one another is a form of dialogue. They have learned from each other and made friendships. All participants have the satisfaction of seeing the end result.

In today’s secular world, faith communities need to communicate clearly

to society that they always have been and continue to be a major contributor to society. So many churches, mosques, temples—local faith communities—are running soup kitchens, offering assistance to new immigrant families, visiting the elderly, and offering a variety of assistance in their local communities, all voluntarily, at no charge and with no financial burden to the public or to public funds. Do most of these neighborhood “helping hands” go unnoticed by the public? Are they often taken for granted? I would say yes.... Faith communities need to communicate the good that they are doing to the secular society; more public relations. Remember, bad press on one faith community is a loss for all faith communities. The gain of one is a gain for the others.



Anwarul Karim Chowdhury
Former Under-Secretary-General of the United Nations

One lesson that I have learned from this is that we should never forget that when women—half of world’s seven billion people—are marginalized, there is no chance for our world to attain sustainable peace in the real sense.

While women are often the first victims of armed conflict, they must also and always be recognized as key to the resolution of the conflict. It is my strong belief that unless women are engaged in advancing the culture of peace at equal levels with men, sustainable peace would continue to elude us.

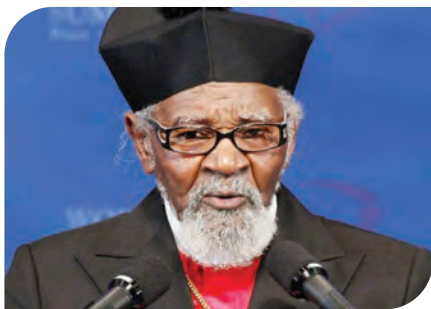
Without peace, development is impossible and without development, peace is not achievable, but without women, neither peace nor development is possible.

In recent times, we have seen new conflicts breaking out in different parts of the world.

Obviously, we have to find better ways to establish peace. We need to remember that in the hate and violence filled 20th Century, we have seen the power of non-violence in the sacrifices of Mohandas Gandhi and Martin Luther King, Jr. Forces of hatred and intolerance claimed their lives...but not their souls, not their ideals....

UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon asserted at the inaugural High Level Forum of the United Nations on The Culture of Peace in 2012 that "A key ingredient in building culture of peace is education. We are here to talk about how to create this culture of peace. I have a simple, one-word answer: education. Through education, we teach children not to hate. Through education, we raise leaders who act with wisdom and compassion. Through education, we establish a true, lasting culture of peace."

All educational institutions need to offer opportunities that prepare the students not only to live fulfilling lives but also to be responsible and productive citizens of the world. Indeed, this should be more appropriately called "education for global citizenship." Such learning cannot be achieved without well-intentioned, sustained, and systematic peace education that leads the way to the culture of peace.



Floyd Nelson
Presiding Bishop, International Bible Way Church, U.S.A.

In the story of David and Goliath, he didn't look at things the way others did. When David saw Goliath, he wasn't struck and paralyzed by fear. He saw an opportunity. He didn't see the giant from the same viewpoint the others had. This conference has made me look at things differently. The possibilities have to do

with how we view things. David had conviction. One thing I've learned is that when you have conviction about something you become unstoppable.

One of the things I learned from Rev. Moon is that he instilled in us that we live for the sake of others. If you don't do anything for someone, when you transition there is nothing you will be remembered for. This is the second anniversary of Rev. Moon's transition. He made it clear that religion is nothing if you don't have service in it. David looked at Goliath, and his motive was different from the others who looked at him. They saw a giant too big to hit; David saw a giant too big to miss....

I read that the Universal Peace Federation has done some fantastic things. I am pleased to be part of this. There is no job too big for a servant.



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I would also like to remember the great work done for World Peace by the late Dr. Moon and pray for his soul to rest in eternal peace. He left us two years ago and it is impressive that his wife, Mrs. Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon, has continued with the activities of the organization. Thank you, Dr. Moon, for inviting us here to participate at this World Summit. Thank you to you, your family and the members of UPF.

Peace among religions is a precondition for world peace. Although we may be different in many ways and even in the religions we practice, we must remember that we all belong to one human race....

You may be aware of what is happening in both Kenya and Nigeria—killing in the name of religion. The truth is, becoming violent is not a reli-

gious tradition. No religion causes terrorism acts. The President of Kenya, H.E. Uhuru Kenyatta, had this to say on 12 July, 2014 when he hosted Muslims for an Iftar dinner at Kakamega State Lodge, in Kenya. True cultural diplomacy was portrayed here. The President said:

"Nobody will be allowed to misuse religion to harm others. The government will not tolerate individuals misusing religion to propagate an evil agenda. The people who murder and maim others in the name of religion are criminals who should be dealt with firmly according to the law. In dealing with terror activities, the government is not in any way targeting Muslims."

The President emphasized that he will not abdicate his responsibility of ensuring stability which is key to development:

"The government will work for all Kenyans irrespective of their creed, tribal, or political affiliation. Terrorists are criminals and we have to treat them as such. We will show no mercy to those hiding under religion to cause havoc in the country. No true religion sanctions the killing of innocent people."

The president was supported by the majority leader in Parliament, Adan Duale, who is a Muslim himself, in calling on Muslim scholars to defend the true faith of Islam, saying the religion does not condone shedding of innocent blood.

I send a similar call to you all gathered here today....

Tolerance of each other's religious beliefs is nourished in collective responsibility, respect for our social dynamics and authority, looking out for each other, and sharing the ideals that are dear to us. Building on these paradigms, I believe that we can realize a better society across the globe.

Unless we walk out of this Summit with determined minds to contribute in our own unique way, as Nelson Mandela did, as UPF is doing by taking leadership in organizing these Summits to discuss peace and security in this world, we will remain prisoners of our own destiny. Cultural diplomacy remains the bridge towards our growth and we must embrace these ideals both from within and outside our religious standpoints. *✠*



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