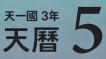


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CELEBRATING 50 YEARS OF THE UNIFICATION MOVEMENT IN EUROPE



### Vienna Celebrates Fifty Years of European Mission Work

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ast August, second-generation members in Austria organized a magnificent celebration for the forty-ninth anniversary of the movement's founding there. On that occasion, members decided to offer sincere conditions throughout the year ahead to return joy and glory to True Parents on the fiftieth anniversary and to prepare for new opportunities.

This past Foundation Day, True Mother said that we would attend True Parents in Vienna, Austria, on May 10, for the fiftieth anniversary of European missionary outreach, that she would send the international president to represent True Parents at conferences in Frankfurt and London and would bring the Little Angels as a gift. In truth, I could not help questioning why True Mother had decided not to have the main event in Germany, Europe's center, but in Austria, a country that has a population of little more than 8 million and that is not even a central providential nation.

However, as I prepared for the event, I could not help realizing that True Parents had chosen the perfect time and place for the fiftieth anniversary.

Before World War I, Austria had been the central nation for the Habsburg royal family for six hundred and thirty years. Originally, the Habsburgs, a devout Catholic family, had the mission of holding off Islamic forces. Their central European empire covered more land and held more people than England, France or Germany, until it collapsed in World War I. The basic structure for Europe in the nineteenth century, after Napoleon, was established two hundred years ago, this year, through the Congress of Vienna. From that time until World War I, Europe had a hundred years of peace.

On May 9, the day before the main event, on the seventieth anniversary of the end of World War II, two thousand five hundred people came to the Austria Center for a Little Angels celebration performance honoring the sixtieth anniversary of the Republic of Austria's independence and the seventieth anniversary of the Republic of Korea's independence. The four major allied powers occupied Austria as it did Germany following the war, which had devastated Austria. The cities of Berlin and Vienna were similarly divided, but based on the unity of its people, Austria used diplomatic means to persuade the United States, France, the United Kingdom and particularly the Soviet Union to restore Austria's independence in 1955.

Russia's intentions were to make Austria a neutral nation and an advanced base for collecting information on the Western world. The KGB had people in Austria, the only contact point between Eastern Europe and Western Europe during the cold war. Yet, from Austria, our members entered Eastern Europe as Heaven's spies and worked as underground missionaries in Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union. That was Mission Butterfly.

May 10, the day of the conference, was Mother's Day in Austria. Over two thousand five hundred European blessed members packed the Austria Center and vociferously welcomed True Mother, who came as the mother of humankind. She came to visit the blessed members to proclaim, "The two thousand years of Christian history centered on Europe occurred in order to attend True Parents. However, the blessed members must reveal the truth to the people of the world, because they do not yet know True Parents. From now on, with today as the starting point, this region will begin a new cultural revolution."

On the same day, at the founding of the European Cranes Club, True Mother said to four hundred secondgeneration members, "as pure water that came into existence for the first time in six thousand years, you must become future leaders that know your origin and fulfill your duty." The next day, at the Vienna UN Headquarters, she proclaimed that the UN must take the lead, for only by attending God and True Parents will humankind become one family and achieve world peace.

How can all of this be coincidence? As we feel in detail how unworthy we are to know True Parents' will, which is based on experience and knowledge of Heaven's amazing providence, we have once again come to realize that uniting with True Parents through absolute faith, absolute love, and absolute obedience is the only path for us to be perfected. From now on, all Europe's blessed families will carry the torch of a new cultural revolution, which True Parents have passed to us and complete the mission of tribal messiahs by telling all humankind about True Parents.

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### Cheon II Guk Is the Ideal Heavenly Kingdom's Reign of Eternal Peace

True Father gave this speech at the Cheon Jeong Gung Entrance Ceremony and Coronation of the True Parents, the King and Queen of Peace in Heaven and on Earth, on June 13, 2006, at Cheon Jeong Gung.

steemed leaders of all nations in the world, honored guests of Heaven who have gathered from every corner of the earth to celebrate this treasured historic and providential day, and people of the spirit world and physical world who are being reborn as citizens of Cheon II Guk:

In the name of all human beings in the spirit world and physical world, numbering more than three hundred billion souls, I offer boundless gratitude and glory to God, the Creator of all things, the eternal True Parent of humankind, and great king of the cosmos.

#### The Cheon II Guk path

I ask you to raise your voices high in praise of the victory of the True Parents of Heaven and Earth, the King and Queen of Peace in heaven and on earth. They have personally completed the entire course of restoration through indemnity in order to save all human beings, who as descendants of the Fall would otherwise be eternally destined to wander in evil and suffering, ever sliding down the path to hell.

You stand today in the venue of a tremendous event in the history of God's providence. This event is unprecedented and will never be repeated. It is the day when the King of Peace finally ascends in glory. Please recognize that although they may not be visible to you thousands, tens of thousands of good ancestors of blessed families have come here. They are above your heads now, joining with you in celebration of this awesome moment. All nature is rejoicing, and heaven and earth resound with choruses of Hallelujah! If you truly understood the infinite value of this day, you would not be able to sit still.



You would go throughout the world singing hymns of joy and dancing in ecstasy.

Do you know the significance of January 13, 2001? It was the day of the Enthronement Ceremony for the Kingship of God. For countless years, Heaven had been waiting for that event in eager anticipation. It was the greatest and most exalted celebration humanity had ever witnessed. On that day, Rev. Moon, who had been anointed as the True Parent of all humankind and had traveled a path of indescribable suffering and pain until he gained the final victory, offered his entire foundation to Heaven.

For tens of thousands of years, God had endured an existence full of lamentation and grief, even as he conducted his providence with a parental heart. When that enthronement ceremony was offered to him, it marked the moment of his long-awaited liberation and inner freedom. On that providential day, we declared to all heaven and earth that we would attend God as the vertical True Parent and great King of Heaven and Earth, that we would unfurl and raise high the banner of Cheon II Guk and that the new sovereignty of Heaven had begun.

I will declare, on this thirteenth day of June in the sixth year of Cheon II Guk, the fundamental duties and mission that every citizen of Cheon II Guk must understand and live by as he or she follows the way of Heaven. First, as God is the vertical True Parent and you are true children of God, you will establish the realm of three generations in your family, perfect the four great realms of heart and attend God on the vertical axis for eternity.

Further, you will inscribe on your heart the need to uphold the King of Peace, who is the horizontal True Parent, in heaven and on earth, and live with absolute obedience on the horizontal axis for eternity as a citizen of Cheon II Guk. You will make living for the sake of others, which is the practice of true love, the standard for your life. You will establish a true family and raise true children who are sinless and pure, thus protecting God's lineage and bequeathing it intact from generation to generation.

Second, no matter what the situation, you will live with your mind and body united as one. In my case as well, from the day I first determined to follow Heaven's path, I resolved to keep this as my motto: Before you desire to have dominion over the universe, you must first gain dominion over yourself.

God has given you a conscience as your guide in accomplishing this objective. Your conscience knows everything about you. It has complete knowledge of every action and step you take; it even knows your thoughts. Your conscience knows all these things about you before your teacher or pastor knows. It knows them before your parents know. It knows them even better than God knows. So if you place your conscience in God's position over your life and go the way of absolute obedience, of "high noon" settlement, whereby your life casts no shadows, it is certain that you will establish a realm of resonance between your mind and body and perfect their unity.

#### **Cross-cultural marriage**

Third, the unification of the spirit world has been completed. The issue now is the people living on earth, in their physical bodies. They struggle in agony in the midst of sin and suffering, yet they are your brothers and sisters. Your third mission is to educate them and bring them home as people of Cheon II Guk.

You need to educate everyone to understand that all human beings without exception are descended from the Fall and that they have to change their blood lineage through receiving the Holy Marriage Blessing from the True Parents. You need to continue the work of engrafting people onto the true olive tree, by having them participate in the grace of intercultural marriage, until the day when all human beings, numbering more than three hundred billion souls, are restored to God's lineage.

Fourth, you are created to spend about ten months in your mother's womb, about one hundred years on earth breathing air, and then all eternity in the spirit world. You need to understand that just as proper preparation in the womb is required for a healthy life after birth, you need to devote your earthly life to preparing yourself for the next stage of life in the spirit world. Never forget that in every time and place, and no matter what you are doing, your ancestors in the spirit world are with you. Be ever mindful to live in harmony with the spirit world. Communicate in prayer with the heavenly world with sincerity and dedication, so that you may become perfected in your spirit self while you are living on earth.

Fifth, your talents and abilities are required for the management and governance of Cheon II Guk. Now, therefore, cut away and cast off your mask of selfish individualism. It is just a remnant of the era before the coming of heaven. In order to belong to Heaven, you have to change ownership by participating in the Ceremony of Returning Ownership, offering everything you own to God and then receiving it back from God.

In addition, all citizens of Cheon II Guk will provide funds for the wellbeing and peace of humanity, by taxation and by voluntary contributions. They will demonstrate the model of offering the first three-tenths of their income for public purposes. This cannot be an imposed tax; it has to be a gift that citizens offer willingly to Heaven with joyful hearts.

#### Cheon II Guk citizens' lives

Sixth, beloved citizens of Cheon II Guk, in the era after the coming of heaven it is possible to recover the ideal world of creation that was lost as a result of the Fall. God created everything in the universe as our natural environment; all things are absolutely needed for human prosperity. Human beings and nature are meant to share a realm of mutual resonance, with men and women as the subject partners of love and nature as the object partner thriving under our management and beautified by our creativity. We can no longer ignore or accept actions that destroy nature and pollute the environment.

As citizens of Cheon II Guk, please exercise wisdom to protect and love nature. Return to nature and enjoy a life of liberation and complete inner freedom. To love nature is to love God and humanity. When human life resonates with nature, human character can blossom in perfection. The flowers of a true culture of heart, a true artistic world, will bloom. It will be the garden of Eden, the original ideal world where God, human beings and all creation live in complete harmony and express their original nature.

If you practice such true love in your daily life, how can God do anything but bestow great blessings upon you? You will live for all eternity in blessing and happiness.

Seventh, the era after the coming of heaven that God and True Parents have opened is a time of dramatic change. As registered citizens of Cheon Il Guk, you have the mission to make this era blossom and bear fruit in blessing and glory. Therefore, please become Heaven's emissaries, fulfilling the dual missions of the peace kingdom police force and peace kingdom corps. Serve humanity under the banner of the Universal Peace Federation, which is working to establish the position of the Abel UN. Worthy countrymen and women, if not you, who will nurture and protect the blessed families and this blessed planet Earth that God has given us?

Please become true princes and princesses who live in attendance to God as your vertical True Parent, for he is the Peace King of the multitudes. Let us build the everlasting peace kingdom by attending the King of Peace in Heaven and on Earth and fulfilling the dutiful family way of filial sons or daughters, patriots, saints, and divine sons or daughters.

Beloved people of Cheon Il Guk, I hope you truly will celebrate and enjoy this precious and holy day. Brush off your cares and worries and celebrate this day in joy while attending your Heavenly Father and True Parents with all your heart. The sincerity and dedication expressed by each of you brings even more glory to this day. The beautiful mountains, streams, trees and flowers here in the vicinity of Cheongpyeong Lake are showering their blessings upon you as you prepare to embark on your ambitious journeys. Your descendants, too, will take pride that you participated in this long-awaited day, and they will honor and praise you forever. I pray that the abundant grace and blessings of God in heaven may be upon you and your families. Thank you. 76

*This is the eleventh speech in book ten of* Pyeong Hwa Gyeong.



## **Reveal True Parents to Europe and the World**

True Mother delivered this message to members that had traveled to Vienna, Austria, to welcome her to Europe. She spoke these words on May 10 at the main event at the Austria Center celebrating fifty years of missionary outreach in Europe.

eloved blessed family members, leaders who have gathered here from across Europe, ladies and gentlemen:

My warm greetings to all of you members that have gathered here from around the world to commemorate this time today. I came here today with a fluttering heart—with the heart a parent experiences when visiting a daughter after sending her off to marriage fifty years earlier, the heart felt when visiting a son that had left home.

Heaven's providential history was one of sadness and suffering. In the beginning, God began his creation and created the first human beings to realize his great dream. He also bestowed responsibility on the first humans. Yet, they went off track and could not be achieve God's great dream.

The beginning and end of our Almighty God are the same. Hence, he cannot leave a failure alone. For this reason, Heaven worked for the long period of six thousand years as expressed in the Bible to enlighten people. How sad and excruciating was that course? It took four thousand years to find and establish a people within the fallen world. Why was it so hard? That was because they were unaware of the fact that all mistakes must be indemnified.

God sent the Messiah through the Israelites. Many religions have ex-

isted, but only Jesus explained the relationship between Heaven and human beings to be that of father and child. He said he was God's only begotten son, born with no ties to the fallen world. A miracle-like providence would have unfolded in front of fallen humanity; yet, what happened? He was crucified. He died on the cross. After this, the Christian providential history took two thousand years. Though there are many Christians, they are unaware of God's providence. Christianity, which began through the descent of the Holy Spirit in Mark's upper room, unfolded for two thousand years. Whenever I visit Europe, my heart is always heavy. Christianity and Christian culture

bloomed centered on Europe. Though it faced many difficulties, it is through Europe that Christianity expanded its foundation; nevertheless, what has happened?

I will use an example from the Bible. The people within the fallen world are described as wild olive trees and these wild olive trees desire to become cultivated olive trees. An interesting point is that for the tree to function normally, it must grow roots for the long period of fifteen years. When you go to Israel or elsewhere in the Middle East, you will find many olive trees that are older than two thousand years. The Middle East is a barren land. Hence, it takes fifteen years for an olive tree to endure the climate and deeply sink its roots.

Please contemplate this. Providential history does not stop. It does not wait for the right time either. It keeps moving ahead. That is why it took the long period of six thousand years. We have passed the Old Testament Age and the New Testament Age. What age are we living in today? We are living in the Completed Testament Age, in which we attend True Parents and live their teachings. What is happening to the Completed Testament Age? It is developing into Cheon II Guk.

We must reveal the truth. For the wild olive trees in the fallen world to become cultivated olive trees, they must meet the true owners. The true owners are none other than the True Parents. You must change your bloodline through True Parents. You must be newly born and resurrected. In other words, you must receive the blessing. That is why you must achieve blessed families, true families.

When we observe European culture, there are many stories similar to those of the Unification Church. Christian culture, which began empty-handed, has led the past twothousand years. What did Jesus say he would do upon his advent? He said he would hold the marriage supper of the Lamb. In other words, it meant that he would emerge as the True Parents to save fallen humanity. Unfortunately, Christian culture still dwells within the New Testament Age. We are quite ahead of them.

The history of missionary work in Europe now covers fifty years. If we compare that to one lifetime, we have lived more than half our life. Now what are we to do? You were able to grow deep roots in this land during the past fifty years. No force can get rid of you anymore. The roots you have grown will remain strong until the day you achieve the hope of Heaven and of humankind. Blessed families! Why have we gathered here today? We must get away from a monotonous life, in which tomorrow is the same as yesterday. We must reveal the truth. You must awaken European Christians, who are unaware that the returning Messiah, who is to come amidst the Christian cultural sphere, has emerged as the True Parents and that for fifty years they have accomplished amazing things.

As of today, a new cultural revolution will arise on this continent. I sincerely hope that you become proud Unification Church blessed families that fulfill their responsibilities and hasten the day that all people become one family that attends our Heavenly Parent and True Parents. Do you agree? It took two thousand years for the Christian culture, which arose centered on Europe, to establish its foundation on the global level. As we reflect again on the past fifty years, how should the Unification Church civilization move in this era after the coming of Heaven? Are you confident?

Please remember that you must continue to grow roots that are big and wide and go deep until you breathe your last. Now that we do not have much time left until 2020, I came with the heart that I will graft the Christian cultural sphere—which has endured the past two thousand years with a heart desperate to meet the returning Messiah as their last ray of hope-to True Parents' true love. I am establishing Cheonji Seonhak Won for this purpose. What then should you all do? You must reveal to all people of the world, who are living amidst ignorance and clinging to the past, that blessed families of the Unification Church are beacons and can bear the fruit of hope for the future.

Please fulfill each of your tribal responsibilities and rapidly expand your environment to the tribe, ethnic group, nation and world. I conclude my message with the sincere hope that you become blessed family members that can be remembered for eternity as those that invested their all throughout their lives and that you all can become proud true ancestors.  $\mathcal{F}$ 







## **Your Root Is Different**

am glad to see you. You are the first ones to be born as pure water in six thousand years. Do you realize that? Because of that, isn't your blessing simple? Your parents had to go through the providence of restoration so their blessings were quite complicated, but that's not true of you. Do you understand that? You should be grateful for it.

The world is not normal. The desire of the wild olive tree is to become a true olive tree, but a wild olive tree cannot become a true olive tree on its own. The owner must come and engraft it. This is reality. The wild olive tree must deny itself and be engrafted onto the true olive tree, this is the marriage blessing. Do you understand that?

Human history has been under Satan's authority until now. That's why True Parents have opened a new world. How grateful are you? How hard must it have been? It took six thousand years. If we look at the real history of humankind it actually took longer. This is just the providential history recorded in the Bible-six thousand years-think about that. For you to focus for one or two years is difficult. Isn't it? How hard must it have been for God? God invested his whole heart in creating human beings, expecting that the next day would be the day that all his hopes and dreams had come true. Yet what happened? The first humans shattered God's

hope. God gave them responsibility for a great blessing, but they failed to fulfill their responsibility. God said, Wait. I will bless the two of you when the time is right. Until then, your responsibility is to have absolute obedience, to share one heart, one body and one mind-set with me. If they had fulfilled their responsibility, all would have been well. So why did they become so ambitious before the time was right?

I named this club the Cranes Club. The crane is the national bird of Cheon II Guk, but everyone should look to the crane's life as a role model. The crane is the longest living creature in the Orient and receives the most love. Chinese people often talk

*True Mother gave this speech at the launching of the Cranes Club in Europe, at the Austria Center in Vienna on May 10.* 



- True Mother greets the Cranes Club members
  Mother waded into the audience to get closer to
- the young people that had come to see her 3 A group photograph after the event

about dragons but a dragon is an imaginary creature. As you know, the crane is without greed. Sparrows will keep eating even though they are full. Perhaps that is why they are not very big. Yet the crane will always only eat 70 percent of what it can eat, which is why it can fly so high and live so long. You need to become like the crane. Greed is bad in all forms. That is why we emphasize living for the benefit of others.

Many religions around the world talk about love. Nevertheless, no one has taught how to practice this and how to live it. True Parents perfected, completed, and finalized God's providence of restoration for first time in six thousand years. You are the pure water made through True Parents. If you go where the water is muddy, you have to purify it. You have to purify it with your pure water wherever you go.

I am saying your root is different. Original root! Original root! Your root is different. If you live life practicing True Parents' teachings, what will happen to the environment around you? It will become cleaner, spread



wider, and in the end the clan will become one, the tribe will become one and the whole world will become one.

History will show the value and importance of you and your parents, who live in the same era as True Parents. Hence, you have a lot to learn. I began this European tour to meet you and to train good leaders that can bear fruit. It would be wonderful if you were all able to be in that position, not only be for True Parents' sake but for your tribe and your country.

Europe has an especially good culture within the Christian providence but lacks purpose. There is no purpose. The start was unclear so they did not know why the Messiah should return nor why the returning Lord should hold the marriage supper of the Lamb. Christians do not understand. Nobody knew that the true owner, true God, Heavenly Parent, is our parent and owner. True parents taught us that.

The best position to be in to create one world is to situate yourselves where you can closely receive True Parents' tradition. God is our parent, and if True Parents are the True Parents, you have to know True Parents' teachings. That is how the world can become one.

I visited Switzerland before coming here. We could not climb the highest mountain there, but I climbed one that was over three thousand meters tall and prayed deeply. There, we met a person who welcomed us because we are Asian and who began to talk with our group. He said he could speak foreign languages, including some Korean. He mentioned that he likes Korean because it is easy to learn. That is true. Many languages do not have a written form. People can speak these languages, but they have no alphabet. In some countries, people are using hangul as their alphabet. [In October 2013, the Londonbased Economist magazine reported, "Cia-Cia, an ethnic minority in Indonesia, has adopted hangul to record its Malayo-Polynesian language."] Hangul is the ideal; it is scientific and can represent any sound.

No Western alphabet is able to render sounds similar to the sounds of animals, but hangul can express them accurately. God prepared this tribe through providential history for a long time in order to send True Parents. You cannot refute this, can you?

Is there anyone who attended the Little Angels performance yesterday or today? Aren't those children pretty? They have ballet in the West, and True Father founded the Universal Ballet Company, but Eastern dance, Korean dance, has something deep. It tells a story. The more you learn about Korean culture, the more you would say, Wow! Heavenly Parent could not help finding this country called Korea.

Learning comes quickly at your age; if you commit yourselves, it is quick. Many students at Sun Moon University received Wonmo scholarships. They have only been studying Korean for eight months, but they wrote me beautiful letters that overwhelmed me with tears. Think about it. You can do that. Can't you? They were such beautiful letters!

Many second-generation members from around the world have come to study in Korea. What do you think will happen when they spread out across the world in a year or two? Don't you all think that the environment within our second generation is narrow? Even if we do nothing we will flourish. We will grow because we have ample nutrition. We know the start and the finish, and we know what the eternal world will be like after living here on earth.

It is not easy to live for more than a hundred years on earth. How old do you think I am? How old am I? I am much older than seventy. How old are you? You look at most around forty years old. Are there any brothers or sisters in their forties here? Anyone? Europe is a bit behind. If you think about Hyo Jin, he would already be over fifty. Many in our second generation are over fifty. What do you think the world will be like in fifty years? We will have to change a bit, won't we?

I was in the middle of talking about cranes. White-naped cranes fly over the Himalayas. The Himalayas are over eight thousand meters high. How can such a small bird do that? Going over four thousand meters is hard, but they fly over eight thousand meters to prepare for winter. The white-naped crane is one type of crane. Do you know that monarch butterflies only weigh .5 grams? Without a compass, they fly over five thousand kilometers from southern Canada to Mexico to breed and reproduce. Think about it, who taught them how to do that? They did not learn to fly that distance from their parents. How do they know to fly back to their home? They are so small, not even three centimeters. Even with such small bodies, they follow God's principle of creation. Only human beings erred.

After six thousand years, you are the first to be born without any connection to Satan. Therefore, you have to be different from others. Don't be influenced by the secular world. You must become clear water that purifies the world. In order to do that, you have to know your original root. In relation to True Parents, you must be filial and loyal like Hyo Jin. In order to follow that path you must study hard, make great effort and develop expertise so you can create our culture.

Your parents are over sixty or seventy years old now. You are our only hope for the future. Would it work for "hope" to wander around instead of becoming like a lighthouse? Small creatures know their path so clearly; you must be better than the monarch butterfly or the white-naped crane. You can learn many things from nature. The natural world that God created did not fall. You must not break the laws of nature.

You have a lot to do starting now. Natural disasters are occurring all around the world now. Recently a volcano erupted in Chile. In Nepal, many casualties occurred. We have a large church building there, near the capital where the 7.8 earthquake occurred. Fortunately, all our church members were out at a park for a Blessing Ceremony. Not one person died. Not one was even injured.

This is how God loves us. The Philippines and Japan were like that. Our church buildings and our church members were unharmed, except for one pastor who died in the Philippines. He had gone to check on the church building when a hurricane suddenly came. That happened while he was fulfilling his responsibility.

Do you know about Mission Butterfly? Many people sacrificed them-



At the founding of the European Cranes Club

selves, but that was necessary indemnity to purify the fallen world. Yes, we have grown these past fifty years. We have planted deep roots, haven't we? So, you healthy and bright young people need to unite with your parents and take responsibility for True Parents' and our Heavenly Parent's will.

To True Parents, the world's seven billion people are our children. We are True Parents. I know that you cannot understand some things happening in the True Family. They are children born of True Parents but they also have responsibility, as did Adam and Eve. They are responsible for their own growing process. They have to unite with True Parents. If they cannot do that, they will have failed their responsibility. Tradition centers on True Parents, so before I am their physical parent, I am the True Parent of the world's seven billion people. Isn't that right? I follow the way of the Principle, because I am the True Parent. I am not partial to even my own family. You have to understand that.

True Parents never existed in history. Your responsibility is to become a filial son or daughter of True Parents. I prepared this place because I want to embrace all of you as my filial sons and daughters.

(It is hard for you to understand, but because I am over seventy years old, standing too long hurts my



knees.) I hope you become a light for the world. When I look at you, I hope that all the world's people, whether they be in the first or second generation, follow your bright light and become people of Cheon II Guk who are part of True Parents' providence.

In the 1950s and 1960s, we had no foundation [members]. Do you know what True Father said at that time? He likes mountains of course, but he likes the ocean more. Father suffered a lot in Busan in the early days and did a lot of historic work there. Whenever he went by the ports (and they were especially big in Busan and so many large boats came in) he would say to the members, Wait and see; the day is not far off when people from all around the world will come here to see the True Parents. Try to imagine it.

I am building the Cheon Ji Seon Hak Won in order to fulfill that desire. It will have the most advanced architecture and a cutting-edge design. People will forever come and enjoy it; they will be able to see it exactly as it is for the next one thousand or even two thousand years. I will use this masterpiece to introduce True Parents to the world.

That is possible in Korean culture. How? Paintings need restoration as time goes by. However, Korea has *na jeon chil gi* [a jewelry box]. They paint it various colors, lacquer it and inlay mother of pearl. The lacquer is permanent, lasting a long time. Only Asian cultures have it; only Korea and Japan, but it started in Korea. If we build a masterpiece of that type, many artists and anyone curious will come one by one to see it. I am making a place that people cannot help visiting.

I want you to help me. Please, develop your talents and expertise. Protect your purity. Grow up healthy and beautiful. Become the beautiful fruit of our unification culture. If you do these things, I will feel so happy to have come and spoken to you. Heavenly Parent has been suffering for six thousand years, wandering around after having lost his children; I am carrying that inside me. I want you to comfort me. Will you do that? [Yes]

Therefore, I will reemphasize that you have to center on your elder brothers Hyo Jin and Heung Jin. Heung Jin went to the spiritual world first. He was the son that went on adventures at such a young age to protect Father during the cold war. The security guards at East Garden know this story. He was the one that tried more than anyone else did to protect his parents.

During the cold war, a critical moment arose when Korea could have become a communist country. At that time, Father organized the National Victory over Communism Rally to Express Indignation. The last venue was in Jeolla Province, Korea. Many members that were praying for the event told Father, It is dangerous! The communists have a plan. Please avoid going to that speech, Father.

However, was Father one to compromise with the world? No, he was not. I will tell you a secret about Father: Whenever he gave a speech, he pinned his necktie like this. On that day, I gave him a diamond necktie pin to wear, and he lost it.

Yet, I do not think Satan was satisfied with a diamond necktie pin. At that moment, in America, Heung Jin was in a car accident. He had the steering wheel so he could have been fine, but he was thinking about the other second-generation members riding with him, so he turned the wheel the other way. In that single moment, his action killed himself and saved his brothers. Do you understand that?

That is why he is working in the spiritual world as the heavenly commander-in-chief. You have two elder brothers to be proud of. They could not do everything while on earth. You must be healthy and take on responsibility for all the areas they could not accomplish while alive. You must be a light for the world. You will do that, won't you? [Yes.] Can I trust you? [Yes.]

What were you the first of to be born as in six thousand years? Pure water. Pure water cannot become muddy water. To prevent your becoming dirty water, you must keep flowing. By "flowing," I mean, "keep developing."

Of course, take care of your health, including that of your mind and of your faith. Take care of all aspects. You can do that, can't you? [Yes.] That's weak. You can do that, can't you? [Yes!] Okay, I will trust you. Should I stop speaking now? [No.]

I have an appointment with some older members this evening, the ones that participated in Mission Butterfly and some others who did world mission work. I told them to come so I can treat them to dinner. I am feeling rather tired with such a full schedule today. Nevertheless, you would like it if I spoke more, wouldn't you? [Laughter] Ah! The more I look at your faces the more my heart goes soft. I will sing for you. [Applause]  $\phi$ 

## Let Us Bring the World Back to God



True Mother shared hoondokhae with more than four hundred members on the morning of May 11, the day after the event that celebrated half a century of outreach in Europe, at the hotel in which that event had taken place. European members greeted her with sustained applause. This was her message on that day.

id you enjoy this morning's hoondokhae? True Father loved nature. He particularly loved the sea. In order to resolve the food crisis that humanity may face in the future, he invested a lot of time into sea-related efforts. We will present the Seonhak Peace Prize on the third anniversary of True Father's ascension. Please continue to study and research in the future because you must enlighten humanity. A crisis is drawing near on earth.

I climbed several high mountains in the Alps and even explored an ice cave. This ice cave had actually been melting since the days of the Roman Empire. It was quite dumbfounding. This phenomenon is not happening only in the Alps. Alaska is going through the same situation. The ice is melting while the sea level keeps rising. Increasingly, human beings will face threats to their survival. The earth is being destroyed because of bad human habits; this must be stopped. We must stop it. The earth must be saved. We must enlighten people to return to nature.

Our Heavenly Parent created the heavens and the earth, dreaming of loving humanity. Can we let earth be destroyed when we have not even been able to bring it back into God's bosom? We cannot do that. Hence, those who become aware of this first. must educate others so that such a thing does not happen. You must attend True Parents. Neither presentday laws nor systems can solve this. Just as I mentioned yesterday, we must carry out a movement to attend and serve God, the true owner. You must attend True Parents. Only through this path can humanity and the earth's ecosystem survive. The True Grandchildren as well as you probably know this: Do you remember the Disney movie, "Finding Nemo"? True Father watched many videos on coral reefs and would reflect on how the sea could be saved. Today, the coral reefs in the sea are all being destroyed due to human ignorance. Many have died and only a few survive. If coral reefs are destroyed, some fish species cannot survive. In other words, man's survival is also effected. Do you understand?

Let us look at Europe today. Each country is competing against one another. Racial conflict is a problem. Religious people fight one another; they kill and destroy one another. What will you do about this? The result is clear if you just allow it to happen. There is no future. Right? Will you just stand idle and watch this happening? You must inform everyone in the world that True Parents have come. You should tell them, Brothers, we should not fight among ourselves. Let us all become one under our True Parents' shade.

This path alone can save the nation and the whole of Europe. The entire world will be able to live together in harmony. These days, no matter what situation you may be in, you can use different kinds of methods. We live in an age where everyone connecting in a second through the internet is possible. Those who are old enough but do not have much power to move, can do it through the internet. Because of their love for humanity, True Parents worked hard beginning from the very bottom to realize a future free of misery and a secure and happy world. Now that Satan's worldwide realm has been restored through indemnity, the doors have opened wide to the realization of a peaceful world but this depends on the capacity and the responsibility of those who know and attend God. Only when everyone joins in this effort can we live. We should all live together. Will you do that? I believe it will not be possible to conclude this event unless I sing. That is a fun but sometimes difficult tradition.76



- 1 A cake to mark the success of the event
- 2 Two of True Mother's daughters-in-law sang
- 3 Peter Zoehrer, national leader of FFWPU Austria
- 4 Dieter Schmidt, national leader of FFWPU Germany
- **5** European members that came to welcome Mother



### The UN at Seventy: Toward a Resolution of Tensions on the Korean Peninsula



True Mother gave this speech on the afternoon of May 11 at the Vienna International Center, on the seventh floor of the UN Office at Vienna, Austria.



adies and gentlemen: I send my warm greetings to you all. It has been seventy years since Korea's independence, seventy years since the establishment of the United Nations and seventy years since the end of the Second World War. All these dates are no mere coincidence. If we see them as results of Heaven's providence, we can also say that the efforts of the United Nations during the seventy years after its founding did not result in a world of harmony and freedom only. We must know the truth: There is a limit to human thought and action. Man is also part of the creation.

This implies that there is a creator. Hence, you must know the absolute God. What was God's ideal for his creation? Why didn't that ideal come about? Though the number of member nations in the United Nations has increased to 193 today, the United Nations has not been able to guide all member nations in one direction.

From this standpoint, it is necessary that we know what is true. A movement to attend God, in particular, must take place in the United Nations. Within the creation, God is the parent of mankind. No matter how many siblings there may be, they can all become one if they attend and serve the parents. We must be able to find such a path. The purpose of the two-thousand-year Christian history was to welcome the returning Lord in the Last Days. Who is the returning Messiah? The returning Messiah is the one who is to become the True Parents. God wanted to become the True Parents through the first human ancestors after the Creation. Once that had happened, the world would have naturally become one large family under God. Can war exist in such a world? What about religious conflict or disputes over territory between nations? Hence, the problems that are arising around the world and afflicting pain today will all be resolved if

we attend parents at the center. Moreover, I believe that the United Nations should take the lead in letting the whole world know this truth. The problems of the Korean Peninsula, Asian issues and every conceivable problem in the world can be solved. We should all participate in this endeavor toward one world. We, humanity, should no longer wander in providential history, but should work toward realizing a world where we can all live sincerely and according to our original nature, for eternity.

Even though our earthly lives cannot surpass a hundred years, our lives in the spiritual world are eternal. Our God is an absolute, eternal and unchanging being. Will you reject the course to become God's sons and daughters? I sincerely hope everyone becomes God's child. My desire is that you all take the lead not only in resolving the Korean re-unification problem but also in bringing peace to the world. 70



Top: True Mother brought the Little Angels to Europe as a means of bestowing grace upon our members and all the people of Europe. Bottom: True Mother seated between Thomas Walsh, president of UPF international and Peter Haider, president of UPF Austria in the hall where she spoke that day

# Connecting to Our Origin and Moving Forward



rue Mother gave a lot of thought to her decision to come to Europe. She told me that this historic tour has two main objectives or goals. First, she wants to express eternal gratitude to our brothers and sisters who have sacrificed and worked sincerely to carry forward Heaven's providence. Secondly, she wants to chart a course for us to fulfill and encompass the full spectrum of true love for all humankind and to establish God's kingdom of Cheon II Guk substantially.

#### Europe and the providence

In Divine Principle, so much of the history known as the last four hundred years of preparation for True Parents, took place here in Europe, with the Reformation, the Renaissance, the Enlightenment, the rise of modern democracy, free market economics and the scientific revolution. Even the vision for the United Nations has roots in Europe.

True Parents have always loved and invested their heart and soul, and resources, in the development of our movement in Europe. They fully understood Europe's providential role, as well as its painful history. They wanted so much for Europe to help God's providence and usher in an era of peace centered on True Parents. As such, the nations of Europe are called to embrace each other, and the entire world, as one family under God. What a glorious, yet difficult task.

What I say to you today has value only if it is linked with the universal truth of our Heavenly Parent and our True Parents. Therefore, I hope

*This is an edited transcript of the keynote address delivered by the FFWPU international president in London, UK , and Frankfurt, Germany, during the European leg of True Mother's recent tour.* 



through this speech you may be encouraged and inspired to study and delve more deeply into the true word and the sacred blessing that our Heavenly Parent has tried tirelessly for millennia to convey to all humankind.

The gift of truth comes alive only to those who, like divers searching for pearls, are willing to dive down to the depths of the ocean to retrieve them, and it is only fully manifested when we share that truth with others. This gracious gift opens the way to true love and goodness. We should treasure these gifts and share them with others, just as our Heavenly Parent and True Parents continually share them with us.

#### The origin

In order to map our path to a glorious future we must follow the steps and inherit the wisdom of those who have gone before. In this way, we come to know where we should be headed.

We must know our true origin. From those deep roots, we can start to grow and progress even further on our own path and journey. But no matter what step, pace, style, or skill you may have individually, there is only one way to walk, one foot in front of the other. But even this act of taking our first wobbly step does not come automatically.

For example, when you took your first step as an infant, who was there to hold, buffer, urge, praise, and teach you to do so? It was your parents, your mother and father. If we trace human history back to its origin we find God. If we truly understand Principle, we know that God is our heavenly parent, the perfect union of masculine and feminine energy from where all life began.

Our Heavenly Parent created



everything out of a heart of love and a desire to have a perfect object partner, a perfected man and woman, the True Parents. Once the position of True Parents is established it is possible to build a True Family, and ultimately one family under God.

True Parents have shown us the way out of the darkness. We have been nurtured and guided on the path of restoration, and engrafted to the true olive tree. We have been given the light of truth and a road has been cleared and paved for us, so that we can be liberated from the long history of human suffering.

In True Mother's recent speech she gives guidance about where we are on the growth chart that shows our spiritual and professional development. She counsels us about how we should train ourselves in order to achieve Cheon II Guk.

The first point True Mother highlights is the significance of our "original mind." This is our conscience. This is the heavenly GPS system to guide us out of darkness. It is the divine light and direct link to our Heavenly Parent's heart. As True Mother said, "We must find our original mind by ourselves." We have the responsibility to listen to that inner light and voice and take action to get in shape and compete on a worldwide scale.

I know that I have not lived a perfect life and that I have moments of doubt and struggle, but as I have seen True Parents go their course, the voice inside screams at me to help them, to ease their burden, to not sit by and watch or add to their suffering. This is why no matter how inadequate I am, or how inadequate you may feel yourselves to be, we, as filial sons and daughters, must serve, care for and bring victory for our True Parents. We have been given the gift of true love,  Jack Corley, president of FFWPU in the UK
 Mr. Keith Best, CEO of the Medical Foundation for the Care of Victims of Torture, who gave a congratulatory address at the event at which Sun Jin Moon spoke in London on May 16.

life and lineage. If we do not honor these blessings, we are not qualified to be eternal sons and daughters of True Parents.

When I recently read True Father's words on conscience, from his speech "True Family and I," I was moved to tears. He outlines the path we must take as filial sons and daughters. Here is an excerpt:

If you study yourself, you will notice that your conscience knows everything about you. Your conscience is closer to you than are your own parents. It desires to possess eternal love and to be embraced eternally in God's bosom. When we marry, we separate from our earthly parents, but not from our conscience. The conscience exists with us prior to our birth on earth. It loves us, and its mission is to transform us into eternal sons and daughters of God. In this sense, the conscience does not need a teacher....Until today, we did not know that the mission of the conscience is to convert us into unblemished, true sons and daughters of God....The role of the conscience for a man is the same as that of a compass for a ship....The conscience's ambition demands the maximum amount of love. It wishes to possess the Absolute Being.

When we realize the eternal true love and infinite hopes our Heavenly Parent has for us, how can we not listen to our heavenly inner voice to guide us? Many times in life, we become lost or confused by the noise or distractions that lead us away from our original mind. People complain about the many challenges swirling around them. This brings further dis-



In Sup Park, international vice-president of FFWPU; his wife, Sun Jin Moon, international president of FFWPU, and Prof. Yeon Ah Moon, president of WFWP International cut a fiftieth anniversary cake.

illusionment and sometimes despair. Yet, as True Parents have shown us, our guide is always there. We just need to listen and follow that glowing path of true love. Had we fulfilled our responsibility we would not be where we are today. If we look at the history of our movement, I am sorry to say, there are many times when we did not fulfill our portion of responsibility. This is why we always need the help of the word to train and hone our ability to listen to and to obey our true conscience.

#### The present time

As you know, True Mother appointed me as the international president of FFWPU.... I could not say no to True Mother. For too long, I have witnessed her lonely, silent and suffering course over many years. I cannot simply withdraw. I know I have to become a person who can stand and help carry our True Parents' burden. I have seen the burden she must carry on a daily basis, especially since True Father's ascension. I only want to serve our True Mother. Perhaps that is my only qualification for this mission.

Even though we are going through a time in our movement when there are voices of confusion and discord, we must not lose sight of our center which resides in True Parents, in the word, and in our own consciences. They serve as our compass so that we can navigate with an even hand, even while sailing on stormy seas.

After thousands of years of providential history, marked by countless setbacks, True Parents have reestablished the center point. Let us never let go of that center. Only by learning from True Parents' words and emulating their example can we become true filial sons and daughters. True Parents are eternal and they have completed everything, restoring the position lost at the time of Adam and Eve. However it is our responsibility as filial sons and daughters to honor True Parents' legacy and to practice and perfect true love for our tribes and future generations. That is our responsibility and path, to restore a world of true brotherly and sisterly peace for all humankind and for creation.

Then as true filial sons and daughters of True Parents, more than any other people on earth, we should know our eternal center, our birthplace, and our true origin. It is only because of the complete unity of True Father and True Mother, as True Parents, that we can be blessed with true love, life, and lineage. However, this center is only secure if we, as filial sons and daughters, honor and share it with others.

Human history diverged from the ideal path, and as a result, we are all suffering under the weight of the Fall, unable to pull ourselves out of this swamp. If we look around us, we still see war, suffering and division. Can



Members that came to the event in the United Kingdom join Sun Jin nim and her entourage in the ballroom of the Royal National Hotel to celebrate fifty years of effort to bring salvation to Europe following Sun Jin Moon's address.

we just remain inactive and point at others for not fulfilling their portion of responsibility? No. We must emulate True Parents' example, practice living for the sake of others, unify the realms of Cain and Abel, and carry forth the providence until we are victorious! We can only be victorious if we become one family under our Heavenly Parent and True Parents. That is our path, the truth of vision 2020, and the heart of Cheon Il Guk. We must reflect on this point, and study hard to honor our holy genealogy revealed in the Chambumo Gyeong. We must grow each day and study in earnest about our divine roots and origin.

True Mother, remains steadfast and true to her responsibilities as our True Mother, as the remaining True Parent on earth. She is not simply the mother of fourteen children. She has never seen herself that way. She is the True Mother for seven billion people, the sons and daughters of our Heavenly Parent, all separated from their true origin and root.

It has been my constant prayer and hope, since True Father's seonghwa, that the True Family and all blessed central families could unite as one family to love and support our True Mother, during her most trying times, especially after she was no longer able to live together, side by side, with our True Father on this earthly plane. For the past three years I have attended True Mother. Not a day goes by in



which she is not loving, praying, offering devotion, and reaching for a connection with our True Father. Indeed, that connection between them is eternal and unbreakable.

I will do my best to serve our True Father and True Mother, and I will continue to pray and hope you can all join us as one united family. They are the one and only origin of all humankind. True Father has given us the truth, the word, and he has lit the light for all of us to come out of the darkness. Yet, we also know that for fifty-two years he did not do this alone. Can any of us be sons and daughters without a mother? Think about that deeply and rationally.

All of human history has been incomplete without a True Mother. True Mother has shown us the way of absolute faith, love and obedience. She has made it possible for true love to be manifested substantially in our lives. She is the only woman who became absolutely one with our True Father. Together, as the true son and daughter of our Heavenly Parent, they completed and fulfilled heaven's will on the earth for eternity. We must emulate and honor that legacy with absolute faith, love and obedience.

I stand before you today with a feeling of deep gratitude and appreciation for our True Mother. She has lived her entire life with a clear vertical attendance to our Heavenly Parent. Her responsiveness to Heavenly Parent's providential will has been the constant thread that runs throughout her life. Prior to meeting our True Father, True Mother was nurtured and protected by heaven. Daemo nim raised True Mother as the only begotten daughter of God, not simply as her physical daughter. Daemo nim had received guidance from Heaven telling her that True Mother was to be the bride of the messiah.

Heaven protected our True Mother during the perilous period of Japanese occupation and the rise of North Korean communism, culminating in the Korean War. So many times, she could have been killed or prevented from going forward, but she remained under Heaven's protection. Then, miracle of miracles, she met True Father. Think about it. True Mother was just a young girl of seventeen. How could she possibly have had the external wisdom and maturity to enter into this relationship at such a young age? Knowing True Father's position, we cannot begin to imagine that his blessing with True Mother was some accident. Rather, she is our miracle. Heavenly destiny and vertical duty had guided True Mother.

From 1960, True Mother lived day and night with True Father, for over fifty-two years. Just imagine True Mother's situation, in attending True Father without any break over fiftytwo years. What an amazing accomplishment! What an unprecedented victory! None of us—no child, no member, no other being living on earth—can claim this victory.

When I asked True Mother how she survived and gracefully endured her history of indemnity, she said that in her heart and in her soul she always knew her mission; it wasn't taught to her by any elder. She knew her inner voice. It was Heavenly Parent's voice and she completely followed it no matter what. She is the only being remaining on earth who has completed the absolute path and shown the way of absolute faith, true love and obedience.

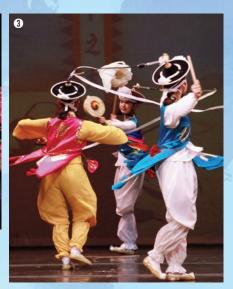
While writing this speech I came to understand more deeply that I am in the presence of a woman who has divinely mastered her mind-body relationship and fully developed her conscience. She bases every decision on her true love for our Heavenly Parent, our True Father and the seven billion children on the earth. I am always in awe of our True Mother.

Neither Heavenly Parent nor True Father could fulfill the providence of True Parents without True Mother fulfilling her own portion of responsibility. Heavenly Parent has been waiting for the true couple, the True Parents, for all time. If you look at history, you see that it is riddled with the suffering of women and children. In all religions and civilizations, women have been paying indemnity for the Fall. All the imbalance of the human fam-





1,2,3 Little Angels enthrall the audience.4 European leaders, join Sun Jin Moon, Park In Sup and others for a commemorative photograph.





ily—the wars, the genocide, the greed and suffering—is because there was only one side to the coin being continuously flipped. There was no level playing field. It was, rather, a rigged game, the Archangel's game. Likewise, children have too often been orphaned, abandoned, murdered and forgotten.

Brothers and sisters, let us also continually strive to build a community that embodies the true love ideal that we have been taught. Let us be known throughout the world as "the live for the sake of others community," the community that radiates joy, love, warmth, character, virtue, care for others, and wisdom, all of which derive from our True Parents.

#### My offering

What I hope to offer during my term of service, as international president, is to expand the foundation of our movement worldwide so that many more millions of the world's people come to know and love our True Parents. In order to accomplish this, however, we each need to grow internally and externally, renewing our faith and expanding our capacities. We need to practice "absolute faith, absolute love, and absolute obedience," just as we pledge each time we recite kajong maengsae, our family pledge. In addition, we should practice karma or jeongseong, our sincere devotion and conditions, not only to move the heart of heaven but to unite our mind and body so that we can impact and transform the world. These exercises are part of our 5 percent portion of responsibility.

These practices are not burdens. They are our dharma. They empower us to fulfill our responsibilities on our path of restoration. They usher in opportunities that open our eyes, on the way to fulfilling the glorious vision of our True Parents. In August, we will honor the closing of the third year since True Father's passing. This will be a very important occasion. We honor True Father, and at the same time we unhesitatingly move forward centering on and absolutely attending our True Mother. That is how we honor his legacy. Let us work together to fulfill True Parents' vision.

We are richly blessed. We have our Heavenly Parent and our True Parents leading the way, and unconditionally loving us and raising us. For this reason, we have the power to change the world. Let us pledge, therefore, our devotion and energies to fulfill the hope of all the ages, a world of universal peace, balance, true love and prosperity.

I pledge my service to our Heavenly Parent, to True Parents, and to each of you. Let us work together to advance the true victorious providence and complete our mission of Vision 2020 and Cheon II Guk. May our Heavenly Parent bless each precious family member here today, and throughout the world! 70

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### PHOTOGRAPHS TRUE MOTHER'S ACTIVITIES

### TRUE MOTHER IN EUROPE: A PRESS INTERVIEW

True Mother traveled through Austria, Germany, the Czech Republic, Belgium and France to study museums in her quest to perfect the design and concepts of the Cheonji Sun Hak Won. This is a translation of the interview portion of a short article that appeared in the June issue of the Monthly JoongAng, a book-length magazine and internet publication associated with the JoonAng Ilbo (Central News) newspaper.

#### I hear that you are in the middle of a world tour. How is your health?

I am very tired (laughs). However, some members traveled for thirty-two hours to listen to my message, so I cannot help feeling energized when I think of them. Being able to fulfill a true family and teach about true love is so meaningful.

### Events will take place in Austria, Germany and England. Is there a particular reason for your attendance at the Austrian event?

I have returned to Austria for the first time in nineteen years. Rev. Sun Myung Moon began evangelism in Europe in 1965. At the time, Eastern Europe was under communist rule, and there was no religious freedom, so all of our evangelism was carried out underground. At that time, Austria was a neutral state, so Austria played the role of witnessing advancement. After our event in Austria, we are flying to the United States.

#### I saw that many second-generation Unificationist youth attended the event.

I hear that many young people joined the European church recently. They are actively working together with our second-generation members in many fields.

### While Rev. Sun Myung Moon focused mainly on peace movements, you have concentrated more on church growth. Could you explain your reasoning behind this decision?

I would like to finish all of [Rev. Moon's] work. However, there is an order of priority that needs to be followed. I decided that the most important thing for this world, in which conflict begets conflict, was the spread of the true family. The completion of the family is crucial. My mission is to expand the teachings of the providence of restoration, which professes the fulfillment of the true family through the blessing of True Parents.

#### What is the purpose of your focus on fostering young talent and the establishment of the Sunhak Peace Prize?

I think of the seven billion people of the world as my own children. I want to guide them. I plan to do my utmost to save all of humankind and create a peaceful world through the fostering of leaders and projects such as the Sunhak Peace Prize.

#### You were invited to visit North Korea. Do you have any plans to visit in the future?

Nothing is impossible for me, in order to live for the sake of the nation and the world. However, I am waiting to get the timing right. If it is for the sake of peace and unification between North Korea and South Korea, I would like to visit North Korea. I hope to give you some good news regarding the matter shortly.



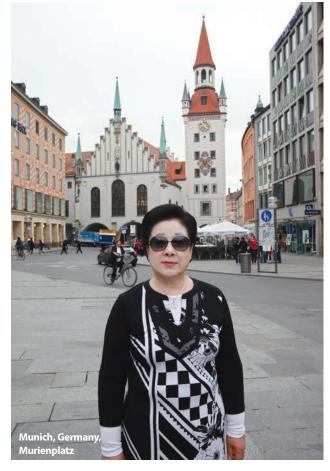
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The Brandenburg Gate, where True Parents' eldest son Hyo Jin Moon had led protestors in an effort to bring an end to communist rule in Eastern Europe









True Mother and her entourage visit the Eiffel Tower in Paris, France





### We Must Be the Standard

ow that I look at all of your faces, I am so happy to see you today. Have you been well? Have you been healthy?... Seventy years have already passed since the liberation of Koreathe nation that is truly central to God's providence-at the end of the Second World War. Furthermore, this is the seventieth anniversary of the founding of the United Nations. In addition, people all over the world are celebrating the seventieth anniversary of the end of the Second World War. However, what has changed?

Particularly, this time in Europe when I met elder members, truly I was very grateful but also very inspired. On several occasions, I felt that they are very precious, because for a half-century they have lived their lives for True Parents. I felt that. We are different, aren't we? Regarding Heaven's providence, we are at the center of it. Please think about that. According to the Bible, humanity is six thousand years old. In the process of history, so many things have gone wrong. Truly, things went out of orbit because of the fall of human beings. Humanity is fallen, and in order to save humanity the providence of restoration has taken six thousand biblical years. God is almighty and all-powerful, isn't he? God had a dream and an ideal when he created human beings. In light of that, why is it that his first children, Adam and Eve, in whom he had invested everything in creating themour earliest human ancestors-did not follow God's commandment and

live according to it? It's an issue of responsibility. In one instance, in one moment, a history of tremendous sorrow, tremendous suffering, tremendous pain began, because of one fallen act.

#### **Our steadfast God**

Heaven remained constant and always strove to educate and save humanity. That is why Jesus came as the only son of God, though it took four thousand biblical years for him to come. God had prepared the ideology of the chosen people. God had raised the chosen people. It required four thousand biblical years, but God kept his promise: he sent his begotten son, the Messiah, to earth. Nevertheless, what happened to the Messiah on earth? The chosen people did not ac-

This was True Mother's May 23 message to members in the United States at hoondokhae in East Garden. They also celebrated the success of True Mother's tour of Europe, where she had gone in honor of fifty years of outreach efforts.





Soon after True Mother arrived at East Garden, a celebration of her success in Europe took place.
 True Mother speaking during hoondokhae in East Garden, in New York State, north of New York City

cept the Messiah and they persecuted him. What was the outcome? Jesus was crucified. He died on the cross. Even Mary did not fulfill her responsibility. Even the great priest, John the Baptist, the Archangel Lucifer, and Joseph, did not fulfill their responsibilities. Even the Jewish people did not fulfill their responsibilities.

Even though Jesus went to the cross, he promised he would come again. This was the beginning of Christianity's two-thousand-year history. Jesus was born in a manger and that is how (through the Holy Spirit) that history began. In the Bible, we do not have only what Jesus said; on the contrary, only a very few words from Jesus are in the Bible. When we look at the two-thousand-year history of Christianity, we see it went through many upheavals, ups and downs, and now Christianity is all over the world. Even communism and democracy, are outcomes of the Christian cultural sphere. The reason for that is that it is time to welcome the Messiah on his second coming.

The Israelites two thousand years ago were meant to welcome the Messiah and to then create a nation. This was during the time of the Roman Empire, which was the Cain world. It was powerful. Rome was the center of the world at that time. I have seen the ruins in Rome; Roman ruins exist in the Alps. That is how powerful the Roman Empire was. By comparison, the nation of Israel was tiny. Their wish was to welcome the Messiah and then to use the foundation of the Roman Empire to realize one world centered on the Roman Empire.

#### Blaze a path for others

I can summarize my message today in one sentence: For two thousand vears, Christianity has established a culture, but we need to build something even greater. We need to move forward, we need to be better. We need to be more constant but also to look more long term. When we look at even one architectural masterpiece built within the Christian cultural sphere, we must feel a jolt of urgency and ask ourselves how we are going to educate those in future generations, how we are going to testify about True Parents and how we are going to lead future generations to love True Parents. The world has yet to accept the True Parents, who have been trying to sow the seed of true love. They have practiced true love, they have tried very hard to embrace all of humanity and save all of humanity as their own children. The True Parents have given all of humanity the path to eternity. This is how the True Parents have opened the gate to eternal life: through the True Parents.

So how can all of the world's people and those in future generations say, Thank you, True Parents? Those in future generations have reasons to lament having been born in the future, instead of as one of you, their ancestors, who lived in True Parents' time. They may say, If I had lived together with True Parents, I would have done better than my ancestors did, I would have sacrificed myself more, I would have brought greater achievements to my True Parents.

Let us inspire the future generations.... Please awaken, everyone. Do you understand? From now on, you need to be different. I said the same thing in Europe. We have already passed fifty years. From tomorrow, you need to be different. No, you cannot do the same things; you cannot commit the same acts as you did yesterday. If only in one area, you need to lead your lives differently from today, if only in one thing. Please lead lives in which you fulfill your responsibilities as blessed members. Do you understand me? This time in Europe, even externally, I received a lot of support. Europe has fifty nations, and America has fifty states. Everyone, truly, if you genuinely put your hearts into it, you could restore half of all the fifty states in the United States. Yes, or no? Will you do that? [Yes!] 7



## You Must Make Korea Whole Again

Members came from all parts of the US East Coast to be with True Mother

ow is the season when green leaves emerge. I sincerely pray that the dreams that you blessed families all have can come true in the way that vegetation grows. The three years since True Father's ascension can be seen as a tremendously long time or as a short period depending on how you look at it. Providential history has brought about miracle-like results that have enabled us to surpass fifty years of mission history.

Within one world, there must also

be one language centered on parents. What language do True Parents use? You must study.

I was able to meet members in Europe up close during the events commemorating fifty years of mission work there. The East European bloc was communist and under the rule of the Soviet Union during the cold war, making it quite difficult to enter in order to begin mission work. Fortunately, going through Austria was a way into the communist bloc. Many European members, particularly

those from Germany and Austria, worked on the front line of the mission field then. I was able to meet members that survived Mission Butterfly, an undertaking that only missionaries knew of. I became keenly aware of how difficult, dumbfounding and bitter God's providential history of re-creation was as I thought of that providential history.

For an olive tree's roots to grow takes fifteen years. However, once an olive tree has rooted itself and adjusted to the environment, its lifespan

This is the message True Mother gave to a large crowd at the Manhattan Center in New York City on May 24. Before True Mother spoke, the audience listened to live performances by some of True Parents' grandchildren, the Family Church of New York City band and the Generation Peace Academy choir.



Though it was not yet the exact day, East Coast members took the opportunity to commemorate the thousand-day anniversary with True Mother.

can surpass two thousand years. Today, we can still find trees that existed in Jesus' time. In the same way, European members, centered on Austria, faced all sorts of difficulties for the past fifty years and yet we see that they have grown roots, confidently and deeply. A tree that has roots that take fifty years to grow is more likely to survive any kind of natural disaster than a tree that has roots that take fifteen years to grow. Listening to the testimonies of older members, meeting them and the second- and thirdgeneration members that are their "fruit," I felt that hope exists in Europe at this point as it says farewell to the past fifty years and sets off on a new fifty years. For this reason, I emphasized the need to change our lives for the future, so that today and tomorrow are different from yesterday.

This year marks seventy years since Korea's liberation, seventy years since the United Nations' establishment and sixty years since Austria's independence, as a neutral state. From the view of principled and providential numbers, all these numbers correspond well with one another and with the speaking tour schedule.

#### Use your fortune for others

While thinking of the United States, I

contemplated what I should convey to members during my visit. Europe and the United States are in a restored Cain–Abel relationship. What did Jacob do when he returned to his hometown after going through his twenty-one-year course? He offered his entire fortune to his older brother. America now needs to grow a bit bigger. The work of Heaven's providence brought the United States into existence to help humanity welcome the returning Lord.

Heaven went through a painful four thousand years to send the Messiah through the people of Israel in order to save fallen humanity. Yet, what was the result? He died on the cross. They could not fulfill their responsibilities. What kind of indemnity did the people that had failed to fulfill their responsibilities pay? You know well what the indemnity was.

The two thousand year-history of Christianity was a history that lost its center. This is why Christian history and culture went through a raggedy course. For this reason, Puritans immigrated to the Americas in the seventeenth century, in search of freedom of religion, the freedom to attend God freely without being tied to any system. Through the Puritans, the United States received blessings.



You did not receive the blessing so that you would live well as individuals. You did so to welcome the True Parents, who are God's hope and humanity's hope. This was God's dream and the dream that fallen humanity has cherished. However, the way has not been smooth. God conducted providential history by working through the central figures he set up. What happened when someone failed to fulfill his responsibilities because of a small mistake? In terms of the development of providential history, those that did not fulfill their responsibilities could not enter the providence again. Consequentially, what has happened to the United States, which True Parents forgave and bestowed blessings on? Did the United States attend True Parents? It incarcerated True Parents instead. Is a child that sends his parents to prison a devoted child or not?

#### Make Korea whole again

The lives of blessed members today, specifically the older blessed members, have passed a half century. This implies that the remainder of your lives on earth has naturally shortened. Our blessed members must be able to fulfill their responsibilities not only on the family level, but also on the tribal



FFWPU International President Moon introduces True Mother at the Manhattan Center in New York.
 Shin Yuh nim, Hyo-jin nim's daughter singing at the memorial.
 The lead singer of Hyo Jin Nim's Band, which performed after the main event.

level, ethnic group level and national level. Heaven established the United States as a nation similar in power to the Roman Empire of two thousand years ago, for God's sake and for True Parents' sake. Yet, what has happened? It is falling behind everywhere. Long ago, they said that all roads led to Rome and that the sun never set on the British Empire. The roads leading to the United States are nondiscriminatory. Blessed families! You should not let go of True Parents. Do you understand?

Hence, for the United States to become a nation that has fulfilled its responsibilities in the world, it must establish Korea throughout the peninsula. The United States carries the responsibility of leading the establishment of Korea, God's homeland, as a whole nation. A center is essential in realizing one world, a world that God and all of humankind have hoped for. America's responsibility is to attend True Parents at the center, and make effort while working toward unity.

I spoke with great confidence when I was in Europe and at the United Nations this time. The United Nations has worked hard to realize global peace and did many other things over the past seventy years; yet, the result is that they have pushed to the edge of a cliff. In my message to the United Nations, I said that it should become an organization that reveals the truth, that we should attend God, our true owner and that this endeavor should begin from the United Nations. Only by doing that can humanity, which is like a tangled skein, have a center and follow the direction of that center, completely unravelling in the process. Hence, we can become one world. To fulfill your responsibilities in relation to this as blessed members, can you allow a person in your neighborhood, nation or world not know about True Parents? No? You must let others know about True Parents.

Those in the Christian cultural realm have waited for the returning Messiah for two thousand years. They have a great culture but one that has no substance. Theirs is a culture that is like an empty shell. Therefore, to realize world peace and one family centered on God while living in the same age as True Parents, you need to do your best, fulfill your responsibilities as tribal messiahs.

#### Bringing hope to orphans

The one-thousand-day anniversary of True Father's ascension is approaching. Won't you go to the spiritual world someday? Your lives in the spiritual world will depend on how you acted, how you lived and whether you practiced true love lived for others—on earth. This means that nothing is greater than letting others know of True Parents. Seven billion people are orphans. What is wrong with letting orphans know who their parents are? This gives them hope. Therefore, your positions in the eternal world will be decided by your actions—whether you fulfilled your responsibilities and how widely you expanded hope in others. To think that you want to have comfortable physical lives, a span that is quite short and not longer than a hundred years, just because you are suffering fatigue is not correct.

You should become one with Europe. The same applies between North America and South America. We need to liberate those in the Christian cultural realm as quickly as possible. Think of how unfortunate they are. For two thousand years, though Christians went through many hardships in their own way, they only became empty kernels of grain.

You must let others know the truth. You must guide them to realize that only this truth—the True Parents truth—is their hope and the way for them to attain a glorious and blessed position in the future. To realize global peace and one family centered on God, while living in the same age as True Parents, you need to do your best. You can do this by fulfilling your responsibilities. You need to fulfill your tribal messiah responsibilities. With serious resolve, the United States should now make a new start for the sake of the next fifty years. Those who agree, please show your consent to live in a way in which you leap forward in life with each day being different from the one before.  $\overline{p}$ 

### Offering the International Peace Education Center to Heaven



ur Heavenly Parent, you created heaven and earth for your great dream and you thought of and hoped for the birth of our human ancestors. Yet, due to the Fall, we feel deeply the sadness of your ordeal, how you had no other choice but to carry out the providence of restoration through indemnity, a providence you did not wish to see.

However, you never changed. You continued the providence of restoration for human beings and finally sent your only begotten son, Jesus Christ, after four thousand years; but due to the people and leaders that could not accept their responsibilities, Jesus ascended leaving the words, I will come again. How much pain you have felt! On the basis of the two thousand years of providential history, you brought about the birth of True Parents on earth.

Moreover, Christianity's last responsibility, to accept and attend True Parents in the United States, went unfulfilled. Yet, as the True Parent, you are in a position where you have to embrace all of humanity. You, therefore, established your great dream here in Las Vegas, creating this Peace Palace in order to educate and embrace your children from around the world. We have not had a day when we could fully attend and serve you because of the inadequacy of our leaders. Please forgive us for our undutiful attitude. Father, I sincerely pray that you can directly work through this institution in your search for all of humanity, whom you have hoped, for so long, to find. Father, I am sorry.

However, I fervently pray that you please remember these people who are trying their best to honor your wish and substantiate your work. As we dedicate this great building to you today, please bless it so that it becomes a place where many children in this nation and from around the world can come to truly realize that our Heavenly Parent and True Parents are living and working together and so that it becomes a place where your hopes are realized. Please oversee everything. I pray this in the name of True Parents. Aju. *7* 

This is True Mother's prayer from the Grand Opening and Sanctification of the International Peace Education Center on May 28, in Las Vegas, Nevada, in the US. Also present from the True Family were Sun Jin Moon, FFWPU international president; In Sup Park, FFWPU international vice-president; Kwon Jin Moon and his wife Hwa Yun Chun and Prof. Yeon Ah Moon and her children. Fittingly, church elders, all well versed in our church teachings as well as some seven-day workshop participants that are not yet members and were seeing True Mother for the first time also took part in the festive opening of this landmark international educational facility on that day.



## Bring Victory in God's Providential Work

e are very happy to offer this commemorative service in Las Vegas marking a thousand days since True Father's ascension in attendance of our Heavenly Parent. Blessed families around the world that are remembering this moment, are you happy?

When we move into a new home, we need a lot of time to adjust to it. Only then can we say, Ah, this is my new home! and truly feel it in our minds and bodies. Today, as we offer this commemorative service, have you thought about how much our Heavenly Parent and True Father have awaited and prepared for this moment?

Truly, our Heavenly Parent, who has worked until now for the providential history of restoration through indemnity, has been lonely. God, who has to be the omniscient and omnipotent king of kings, has been lonely. Why is that? He lost his beloved children. Can there be a king without citizens?

#### Liberate your ancestors and humanity As we commemorate a thousand days since True Father's ascension, remember that you must liberate your ancestors in the spirit world. True Father spoke of this. What did he mean when he said to liberate 210 generations of your ancestors? The spirit world has formed during the long, long period of six thousand years since the Fall, as indicated in the Bible. Your ancestors there have no connection to God. They do not know God's will.

However, do you that have received the blessing from True Parents understand the providence? You must liberate and bless your ancestors and change them into good spirits. You and all tribal messiahs must take on this responsibility today. Therefore, you must expand the environmental realm of the spiritual world. This means that our Heavenly Parent's and True Parents' people must increase. By fulfilling your responsibility, you who are on earth will be able to carry out Father's providential work more enthusiastically around the world.

Seven billion people do not know True Parents' or God's will. Shouldn't we open the way to life and the way to hope to them? Increasingly, it is like this all around the world. Natural disasters! The earthquake in Nepal was a huge tragedy. Is America safe? It is the same here. There are many natural disasters. How are we going to settle this? If you live selfishly, concerned about your life alone, do you think you will live comfortably in the spirit world?

God created heaven and earth with a great dream and wished to become

This was True Mother's message in Las Vegas, Nevada, in the southwestern United States, on May 30, at the One-Thousandth-Day Memorial Celebration of True Father's Ascension.

the true parent through human beings. However, Adam and Eve shattered that dream. Our history attached to the Fall has lasted six thousand years. Yet, because the beginning and the end must be the same, God could not abandon us. God's history of salvation and of the restoration of human beings has been such a sorrowful one. You do not know how hard it was to find and establish one person in a position to take responsibility.

God spent a long tortuous history of four thousand years to establish the individual, family, tribe and people and said he would send the Messiah through the Jewish people. However, what happened? The existence of the Messiah never came to light. As he was dying on the cross, he said he would come again. What did he say he would do when he came again? He said he would hold the marriage supper of the Lamb. This means that he would marry. If he is to be married, doesn't he need a partner?

Therefore, you must know clearly that the two-thousand-year Christian history was the providential history to find the only begotten daughter of God. You know this through the Divine Principle, but if the person, tribe or people do not take responsibility when he uses them, he will not use them again. We know this well through the Bible. We also know that people or groups absolutely must go through the process of indemnity. God spent a long time preparing the Korean peninsula in the East.

Through the European continent and Great Britain centered on Italy, the two thousand-year Christian history brought the Christian culture to blossom in places. One of these is the continent of North America. In light of that, what should you do in order for this continent to take responsibility? You must live your lives not thinking of yourselves but living for the sake of the whole. That is why Heaven blessed this nation. Yet it is not going in this direction.

#### **True Father sacrificed himself**

When this happened, True Father shed blood, sweat and tears for over forty years in order to establish America as a nation that can take responsibility. In front of your parents, you are children. Yet, how much have you lived as filial sons or daughters? You must reflect deeply and repent. Providential history was centered on the North American continent, moved to the Pacific sphere civilization and then to Asia. God chose an island nation, Japan, as the Eve nation and established the Korean peninsula as the homeland of faith, God's homeland. The history of God's providence has been painful.

How many people know God's providence in this year when we have the seventieth anniversary of the end of World War II, of the liberation of Korea, and of the founding of the UN? The founding of the UN resulted from God's providential history to save True Father, the only begotten son of God. That was the time when Father worked for the providence in North Korea. For that, the Communist Party sent him to prison. In prison at Hungnam, at the point when he was to have been executed the next day, UN soldiers liberated him.

Right after World War II, both the vast countries of China and the Soviet Union were communist. If God had not worked through America, representing the democratic world alone, the UN would not have been able to dispatch soldiers from sixteen countries to fight in the Korean War. If True Father had not completed and concluded the providential work, God would not have regained his complete freedom.

Because of Father's need to complete the providential work, God stopped the Soviet delegate from vetoing the motion and sixteen UN nations were able to take part in the Korean War.

I do not want to talk about political things. However, I hope that America will take responsibility until the end. You must take responsibility for this. God will be victorious in his providence. Thus, the blessed families throughout world must ride the central mainstream and go confidently out to the world.

Hope for the future of the earth, the future of humankind, comes only through True Parents. Since the Fall, numerous people have been born and numerous countries formed, but do they perceive of America as the leader? Do they listen to the UN? From their perspective, you are brother nations. Hence, you must take care that in the center, True Parents are the only path to solving all the practical, difficult problems.

Moreover, when America fulfills all its responsibilities as the eldest son in light of the providence, the united world—the world of one family that human beings hope for and God desires—will be achieved. Can you be determined and resolve to become those that will together pull this day closer? Today, in this moment, as True Father is looking upon you with a joyful heart, I ask you to take responsibility and strive to the fullest to achieve one world centered on our Heavenly Parent without fail.  $\tilde{\varphi}$ 





The FFWPU international president made introductory remarks before True Mother spoke.
 True Mother presented awards to many early members of our movement.

## The Legacy of a Filial Son

### By Douglas Dong Moon Joo

specially, when I notice various instances of internal confusion in our church today, I feel that now, more than ever before, is the time for us to review our eldest brother Hyo Jin nim's life and learn from him the right way to move forward. In this sense, for me to share a few words today is a great honor.

Although Hyo Jin nim is our True Parents' eldest son, he had very few chances to attend True Parents and receive True Parents' care directly, because they had to visit numerous places throughout the world while under all kinds of persecution in the early days of our church. Nevertheless, Hyo Jin nim had a great understanding of the value of True Parents' sacrificial lives and of their providential vision, even under difficult or challenging circumstances. The subject matter Hyo Jin nim paid most attention to throughout his life were True Parents, true love, eternal love, repentance and reflection, determination to do God's will, love toward our church members, and the protection and education of young people. He always worried about any harm coming to True Parents or his brothers or sisters in the True Family, or blessed

members, rather than any difficulties he might face personally.

He always emphasized "us" rather than "me," and spoke about how we should not expect only to receive love but also had to make effort to give love. He always encouraged members of the church, especially children in the True Family, to unite. He constantly tried to forgive and embrace his siblings with his big mind. Eventually, all the brothers and sisters of the True Family showed that they understood their eldest brother's desire and were united during the time of Hyo Jin nim's seunghwa. He was a leader who had strong faith, a chivalrous spirit and magnanimity.

He knew better than most people did about media's social influence, especially over young people. Therefore, in order to protect young people from the secular media, he established studios in New York City, Seoul and Tokyo and produced performing arts of various types on healthy themes such as filial piety, love, reflection and determination.

He especially expressed his sincere filial piety, spirit and love toward his parents through poems, music, prayer and sermons. Ultimately, he created over ten thousand beautiful musical compositions over the course of his life. His sermons, given January 1, 2006–March 9, 2008 at the Belvedere Training Center, are in two volumes titled Eternal Love. His fifty-two impressive poems, including the ones on fifteen topics True Father had given him, are in a collection under the title, A Man Who Is Gaining Victory.

Though Hyo Jin nim is now in the spiritual world, he is surely helping True Father's providence and is offering his utmost filial piety and loyalty to True Father there. Since Father is still working so hard for True Parents' providential mission in the spirit world, definitely he needs help from his great eldest son and others as well.

As you may already know, True Parents gained victory by Father not only fulfilling the authority of eldest son-ship, parent-ship and kingship but also by declaring God's kingship in the physical world. Now Father has gone to the spirit world and is working so hard there, day and night, to restore subjectivity over the spirit world (as reflected in Family Pledge number five) while True Mother is also working hard to complete the objective position in the physical world.





Accordingly, through True Father and True Mother, the spiritual world and physical world have restored the original order of their subject-object relationship (like the mind-body relationship) and ultimately will become the complete substantial object world to God. Therefore, as you know, it became possible after Father went to the spirit world to celebrate Foundation Day for the first time since God created the whole universe. That is why I am sure that the son whose name indicates "filial piety" is still assisting Father in the closest place in the spirit world.

#### Setting a providential milestone

How could Hyo Jin nim become the first-born son who offered filial piety and loyalty to True Parents with his best heart?

I will give a couple of examples, which formed a decisive foundation for filial piety and loyalty and showed extraordinary effort toward and thoughtful guidance of Hyo Jin nim by Father when they were both here in the physical world. When Father went to prison in Danbury, Hyo Jin nim was nearly twenty-two years old. In those days, one of the issues that concerned Father most was his providential successor. Yet, how could Father raise his successor in an environment where he had no freedom at all? Father used special educational methods with Hyo Jin nim, which not many people know about yet, so I will try to share them with you today.

In mid-January 1985, I visited Father in Danbury. He directed me to



finish my mission with PWPA in Korea, where I had worked for over ten years, and come to the United States right away to publish a new gigantic magazine, You and I. (The name was later changed to World & I).

When I came back to New York and greeted True Mother near the end of January, she gave me fifteen poems Hyo Jin nim had written in the previous year. She explained that whenever Hyo Jin nim visited Father in Danbury, Father gave him a topic for a poem. Hyo Jin nim completed each poem within about thirty minutes. Father, who was well aware of his son's poetic talent, called Hyo Jin nim to come to the prison soon after he was imprisoned in Danbury. Whenever Hyo Jin nim visited his father, Father wrote a subject for a poem and gave it to him as homework.

This happened fifteen times between the end of July and September 9, 1984. The fifteen topics were:

- A man who is gaining victory
- A flower of heaven and earth that I respect—Your dream and Father's ideal
- A spring day will be dancing alone
- Even the high and big world will welcome and respond to me—I want to become higher by myself!
- The flower and the fragrance are from the root of one mind
- I will fight and move forward
- A flower of hope that was found by counting on my fingers
- Let's live righteously

- I will move forward by looking front and back
- Cry and smile, and determine again
- Awake from the dream now
- I will run powerfully on the open field
- Let's go over the hill
- Endeavor and achievement
- Oh! Now I begin to study

All the topics were primarily to stimulate a motivation for the future, self-determination, a definite promise, pursuit of an ideal and of a vision. I am sorry I could not translate even one of Hyo Jin nim's poems responding to these topics, which were so impressive in their composition and usage of precise and diversified language of heart, which expressed a warm heart of filial piety and firm determination. Ultimately, fulfilling these tasks provided a unique form of momentum to unite with Father.

Another event may also have contributed to a great turning point in Hyo Jin nim's life. Ye Jin nim, True Parents' oldest child, led an overnight prayer at East Garden beginning on May 17, 1984, the date Father reported to the prison. I learned that Hyo Jin nim also started a forty-day overnight prayer condition on January 12, 1985, at the holy ground at East Garden. I attended that prayer meeting from February 18, just three days before it ended.

Hyo Jin nim's prayer each night was so meaningful and full of determination that one might have thought it was Father praying. Hyo Jin nim prayed with a tearful heart and united fully with God and True Parents. Because I was so impressed by Hyo Jin nim's prayers, I took the opportunity to interview him right after the condition ended. When I asked him what the most difficult part during the forty days of overnight prayer was, he said that he did not want to leave the holy ground after the prayer time ended, because he had so many mysterious experiences while exerting his best effort to unite fully with God during prayer.

#### His public roles in leadership

Hyo Jin nim ultimately fulfilled mother-son cooperation by offering overnight prayers, including those forty days of overnight prayers in very cold winter weather with great support from True Mother. This established a foundation of heart in which Hyo Jin nim could completely unite with Father and Mother.

Hyo Jin nim was already leading blessed second-generation members as the president of World CARP and as the representative of all blessed second-generation members worldwide at the time that Father sent him, in the middle of 1985, to Korea and Japan to lead a forty-day workshop for blessed members of our second generation. At last, on the morning of August 16, 1985, at East Garden, a Holy Water Ceremony occurred and the birthright of the first-born was given to Hyo Jin nim, True Parents'

first-born son. This Holy Water Ceremony established a condition for the restoration of Adam's family to sinless status, without the reversal (which became the pattern) between the oldest son and the second son. Therefore, True Parents' family restored the original relationship between Cain and Abel as eldest son and second son. Furthermore, this symbolized a significant providential condition of unity in the proper, original order between True Children and blessed couples as well as their children, and blessed families and mankind. These successful conditions established the original firstson-second-son relational pattern, which made it possible for True Parents' position to settle.











- 1 1986 Hyo Jin nim speaking at the third CARP Assembly
- 2 1987 in Berlin during a CARP rally, Hyo Jin nim speaking at the Berlin Wall
- **3** December 26, 1992, Hyo Jin nim looking at a birthday card

4 Supporting True Mother during a speaking tour

5 With his wife Yeon Ah nim, his sister Yeon Jin nim and True Mother in Africa

True Parents' eldest son, Hyo Jin nim, overcame all persecution and temptation even though he was surrounded by seven billion of the world's people, whom we consider descendants of the fallen Archangel. Furthermore, he was not able to be with True Parents all the time from the time he was young. Please compare this situation with the story that our human ancestors, Adam and Eve, fell through the temptation from the presence of one archangel in the garden of Eden.

In the end, he gained victory with his affectionate love toward True Parents and with his sacrificial life for True Family members. That is why Father wrote, in calligraphic writing, right after the Hyo Jin nim's seunghwa on March 17, 2008, the following: "The lord who will open a gate into the heavenly kingdom, as a son of loyalty and filial piety in the garden that opens the way to the deep, wide and high realms of heaven." Moreover, on October 12, 2008, Father mentioned, "The blood of True Parents' son protects you and opens the way to the heavenly fulfillment of our responsibility.... Hyo Jin nim's sacrifice was a condition to protect the blessed, central families."

I am sure that True Family members as well as all Unification Church members feel sad since we lost Hyo Jin nim in the physical world; yet, we were able to have a new standard through Hyo Jin nim that helps True Family members and Unification



Church members unite with True Parents.

Today, I think it is meaningful that we celebrate the seventh anniversary of Hyo Jin nim's seunghwa here in the Washington DC Family Church, because Hyo Jin nim has completed his role as the permanent eldest son, at least on the family level, while America's providential role has been defined as the eldest-son nation in the worldwide providence. We should think of Hyo Jin nim more than ever before and inherit the tradition he showed to all of us.  $\phi$ 

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# The Hummingbird Project

# By Maria Pammer

This article is an extract from an upcoming revised version of Mission Butterfly, which tells the story of Unificationist missionaries, code named "butterflies," who risked imprisonment or death by entering then communist nations in Europe to witness clandestinely. Meanwhile, "hummingbirds," worked in Western Europe educating the public on the grave dangers of the godless ideology that undergirded oppressive communist regimes.

n 1976 our members in Vienna established the magazine Integral as a platform for ideological debate. The magazine focused on the conflict between communism and democracy in all fields of society and world politics. They organized VOC lectures, which contained many aspects of the head-wing ideology later propagated by True Father. In the mid-seventies, this was a unique viewpoint, which even many of our church members did not understand well. During twenty-one or forty-day workshops, Peter Koch (Austrian national leader) started to select potential candidates to work against communism. The selected candidates took missions as either a "butterfly" or "hummingbird." I had been selected to work as missionary to Ukraine.

### **Hummingbird Project aims**

Hummingbirds were to search for good people that had emigrated from communist countries to Western Europe. The hummingbird team introduced them to the Divine Principle and trained them as lecturers. With the dissolution of the communist regimes, these lecturers were to return to their respective homelands and teach their fellow citizens, who would better understand and accept our teachings if delivered by native speakers in their mother tongue.

Elites among the immigrants were to help our movement fill the ideological vacuum that would emerge after the abolition of communism. By spreading our teachings, they could prevent their nations from repeating the mistakes of the Western societies.

The hummingbirds had the important task of forming a protective shield for the butterfly missionaries. Whereas the butterflies worked secretly and underground, the hummingbirds would attract public attention and be the focus of communist agents and other enemies of our VOC activities. Since the 1970s, the influence of the liberal and leftist media in Western Europe was overwhelming. To counterbalance this, our magazine tried to spread a view uniting left wing and right wing philosophy. In the summer of 1978, our team went to sell the magazine in Munich, where many refugees from communist countries were living. We diligently sold Integral in pubs, from door-to-door, on the university campus and in front of metro stations.

My favorite place was in front of the University of Munich and the National Library where I sold many copies and felt strong guidance from good spirits. One day I met a Ukrainian man who was greatly inspired by our ideology. Ivo was enthusiastic about our counterproposal to Marxism, which Dr. Sang-hun Lee had developed and our brother Herbert Giller had extended and refined.

Ivo inspired us to found the club "Contemporary Questions Study



Integral harmonized left- and right-wing thinking.



The author, (right) meeting a contact in a hotel in Austria in December 1985

Group." We held monthly conferences and public lectures. We published the newsletter "Dialogue" and networked with similar organizations like the Institute for Soviet Studies, founded by the dissident Michael Volensky who wrote the famous book The Nomenklatura.

In all my endeavors, I relied on protection by Heaven. I made many conditions such as a daily prayer march around the famous Octoberfest Meadow. On September 26, 1980, though, I felt a strong resistance to going there and stayed away. The next morning I heard on the radio the news of the Oktoberfest terror attack: At the main entrance where I used to march, a bomb had exploded killing thirteen and injuring 211 people.

### Remaining a hummingbird

I reflected about my own future and one day phoned Peter Koch. I had the feeling that I should not to go to Ukraine but stay in the West and work with the exiled. I remained with the "hummingbird" project. Thus, I was able to participate in the famous conference, The Fall of the Soviet Empire, in Geneva. When, in June 16, 1984, Peter Koch died unexpectedly, I stood at his grave and told him how sorry I was that I could not realize his vision better and that I would do my best to continue the project he had envisioned.

From 1982, I started to work with the other team members among refugees from East Europe and the Soviet Union that lived in the German speaking nations Austria, Germany and Switzerland. The next level of "hummingbird" activities was our establishment as a legal association;



The hummingbird group hosted Michael Voslensky author of Nomenklatura: The Soviet Ruling Class

thus, we founded Forum Ost (Forum East). I moved from Munich to Vienna and helped establish the central office there. On International Human Rights in 1984, the Forum Ost received legal recognition. Our team often met with Christa Segato, who led Mission Butterfly in order to coordinate the activities of butterflies and hummingbirds. To protect them in case we were questioned about them, we were not given any details concerning the identity and work of the butterfly missionaries.

We did many seven-day fasts, night vigils and intensive prayer conditions. We organized weekly book tables, VOC workshops, discussion evenings and similar outreach work, such as the publishing of the monthly magazine East West Perspective.

Until the end of communism, Forum Ost worked on different levels. We organized lectures and press conferences with well-known dissidents from communist countries. At central locations in Vienna, we organized





weekly book tables to inform the passers-by about human rights violations in communist countries. We carried out signature campaigns for the release of religious and political prisoners incarcerated in communist countries and called on our politicians to intervene on their behalf. We organized protests and put up posters, sometimes in cooperation with other NGOs. For example, on June 17, 1987, we joined hands with youth groups who built an effigy of the Berlin Wall in front of the State Opera House in Vienna. We wanted to commemorate the victims of June 17, 1953, when Soviet tanks crushed the people's uprising in East Germany. As a grammar school teacher, I used the opportunity to invite Professor Konrad Loew, a famous German critic of Marxism, to speak to the students.

Forum Ost also invested in relief actions like clothing collections for impoverished Poland. After the fall of the Iron Curtain Forum Ost was transformed into the Austrian branch of IRFF. Together with Professor Michael J. Higatsberger from Vienna University, we founded PWPA Austria in 1992. He attended many ICUS conferences and admired Rev. Moon above all for his 1985 prediction of the imminent collapse of the Soviet empire, when literally nobody dared to imagine such a thing would happen. To

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Peter Haider, president of UPF Austria; Walter Schwimmer, past secretary-general of the Council of Europe; Anwar S. Asimov, former Russian ambassador to the (OSCE) Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe; and Prof. Anis Bajrektarevic, head of IFIMES Vienna

# **Shadows from the Past**

Russia–Europe dialogue continued in Austria

n the summer of 1961, soldiers began erecting a concrete wall (in places, merely a barbwire fence) along the border between East Germany and West Germany. The communist East German government built it on the pretext of protecting its citizens from an influx of West German fascists; whereas, it actually served more as a prison wall preventing East Germans from crossing into freedom in West Germany.

The eventual destruction of that wall began on November 9, 1989, when the East German government announced that all its borders were now open. What ensued seems no less of an event than when the wall of Jericho "fell down flat" as a result of the Israelites obeying Joshua's command, "Shout for the Lord has given you the city." As tens of thousands of East Germans surged across the border, Germany seemed on the cusp of reunification. Yet, some nearly insurmountable obstacles remained.

Young people may find it hard to believe, but those nations that had encountered Germany in World War II—a war that cost 50 million lives—at first feared what might result from German reunification. A January 1990 poll showed that overall approval of unification was just 61 percent in France, 60 in the US, 45 in Britain and a mere 41 in Poland. (Today, Germany is Poland's closest ally and key trading partner.) More favorable opinions of German unification soon developed in these nations, but the poll did not cover opinions in the nation that mattered most—the nation that controlled 380,000 Soviet troops stationed on East German soil—Russia.

One reason NATO came into existence was as an international military union to protect Europe from the USSR. The Union of Soviet Socialist Republics had begun to unravel, but Russia as the controlling power of the union was still militarily powerful and Russia's interests had to be considered.

Thus, on the last day of January 1990, Mr. Hans-Dietrich Genscher, then West German foreign minister, announced that after unification "no expansion of NATO territory eastward" would occur. Genscher's plan was later discussed at a meeting with Russian President Gorbachev, Russian Foreign Minister Shevardnadze; and the US equivalent of a foreign minister, James Baker. When Gorbachev stated that NATO expansion was unacceptable, Baker responded by saying, "We agree with that." Reportedly, transcripts of meetings with Russian officials show other instances of verbal assurances, but no treaty was signed that guaranteed NATO would not expand eastward, toward Moscow. NATO has indeed expanded

and tensions are high in Europe as a result.

In this context, UPF has held a series of conferences. The first "Peace and Security in a Multicultural Society" was in Moscow in April 2012. "Europe and Russia—Partners in a Globalized World" was in Vienna in October 2012. "Eurasia and Europe: Cooperation in the Field of Culture Of Peace and Human Development" was in Paris in December 2013. "Europe– Eurasia: Dialogue for Peace" took place in Chisinau, Moldova.

### The most recent conference

A discussion on a "Strategic Imperative Discharge: EU–Russia," a collaborative initiative by UPF-Austria and the International Research Institute of the Middle East and the Balkans (IFIMES) attracted a hundred and twenty people. UPF is working to contribute to dialogue among Europeans, particularly in the European Union, Russia and Eurasia.

Peter Haider, president of UPF Austria, welcomed the guests and reminded the audience that Russia and Europe, being geographical neighbors, have developed deep ties through interaction over many centuries. He suggested we look at the recent disagreements in relation to the Ukraine crisis as a challenge to restart a spirit of showing interest in each other based on a relationship of trust.



### A provocative introduction

Prof. Anis Bajrektarevic, IFIMES Vienna, who deserves credit for organizing the speakers and formulating the topics, introduced the topic with the following statements:

The lonely superpower (US) vs. the Bear in the permafrost (Russia), with the world's last cosmopolite (the EU) in between... Is the ongoing calamity at the eastern flank of the EU a conflict, recalibration, imperialism in a hurry, exaggerated anti-Russian xenophobia or confrontational nostalgic scream? Just twenty years ago, the distance between Moscow and NATO troops in Central Europe (for example, Berlin) was over 1,600 km. Today, troops are only 120 km from St. Petersburg. Is this time to sleep or to worry? "Russia no longer represents anything that appeals to anyone other than ethnic Russians; and as a result, the geopolitical troubles it can cause will remain on Europe's periphery, without touching the continent's core" was the line of argumentation recently used by Richard N. Haass, president of the US Council of Foreign Relations. Is it really so? Does any intellectually appealing call originate from Russia, a lonely champion of antifascism and pan-Slavism? For the EU, Ukraine (though important) is an item of the Neighborhood Policy. For the US, it is a geopolitical pivot. For Russia, it is all this, plus emotional attachment. Without Ukraine, how much is Russia Christian and European? Is the EU a subject or a hostage (like Ukraine) of the mega-geopolitical

drama whose main play is in the Asia-Pacific theater? What is the objective here, the final goal-score? Is it territorial gain, or an altered style of play adding a new emotional charge to international relations? What is a road map, an exit, a future perspective? Is it relaxation or escalation? Are we dealing with hegemony, hege-money or a global (post-dollar) honeymoon?

### The view from Moscow

Mr. Anwar S. Azimov, former Russian ambassador to the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) and currently ambassador-atlarge in the Russian Federation's Ministry of Foreign Affairs, gave detailed insight into developments in the relationship between the EU and Russia from a Russian perspective. He asserted that EU and Russia cannot possibly live without each other; thus, establishing common space is a cardinal strategic task. Russia and EU are natural allies, besides strategic partners. This is indeed true, as more than 50 percent of Russia's trade occurs with the EU.

He could not avoid turning his focus to the Ukrainian crisis to give an account of Russia's views on the issue. Russia, he said, was never against Ukraine joining the EU but was against this leading to harm coming to Russia's economic and defense interests. Russia, he said, is simply a mediator in the conflict; one that sympathizes with the people of southeast Ukraine. As for Crimea, the referendum and the acquisition that followed were just a matter of historical justice.

He made special reference to the counter-productivity of the Western

sanctions on Russia and exerted the willingness of his country to participate generously in a funding scheme for the reconstruction of post-conflict Ukraine. Finally, he praised the balanced efforts of OSCE officials, who played a crucial and objective role in monitoring the peace process; a role that the EU was not and still is not ready to play.

### A counter-narrative

Dr. Walter Schwimmer, former secretary general of the Council of Europe, set a different tone to the debate. He quoted from the Declaration of Minsk of February 12, 2015 by the presidents of Russia, Ukraine, France and Germany: "Leaders remain committed to the vision of a joint humanitarian and economic space from the Atlantic to the Pacific based upon full respect for international law and the OSCE principles." He declared at the beginning of his speech that that although his personal vision has always been that Russia become a part of Europe, he believes that Russia has yet to complete its post-communist dictatorship transformation.

He illustrated the fact that Russia, beyond strategic and geopolitical ideas, is an indispensable part of European culture and identity. Hence, when he made the provocative and pioneering hypothesis of Russia applying for EU membership, he argued that the EU would have no grounds to reject it.

Following the lively discussion, the panelist and guest enjoyed a buffet, which included Russian food.  $\mathcal{P}$ 

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# Laying the Cornerstone

# An interview of the FFWPU national leader of Burundi, Africa

Edwin Plekhanov coordinated TPmagazine interviews with many African national leaders while they were in Korea for a forty-day workshop. This interview is of Rev. Plekhanov himself. Burundi is a nation undergoing chaos since the announcement that the president would exceed constitutional limits in seeking a third term. Burundi was embroiled in the tribal conflict between Tutsis and Hutus that erupted in neighboring Rwanda in 1994 and caused an astonishing loss of lives.

# How does your day begin?

begins with hoondokhae, of course. We still do hoondokhae at 5:00 am, because some student center members

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have to leave for school by 7:00. We wake up 4:30, because they have to prepare themselves. Our hoondokhae is for an hour. We read *Cheon Seong Gyeong* or Divine Principle. Sometimes, I give some internal guidance, especially Wednesday morning. On Friday mornings, we have Divine Principle practice.

At 7:00, the students go out and one brother goes to work. I stay in the center for people who might come to learn Divine Principle. Around 10:00, I stand on the street immediately, because the center is right on the street—and I witness to people there. This is how we start our morning.

# How is our church progressing in Burundi?

When I was appointed, in December 2011, I did not find any members there. We started with the first member, then came three, then four, five and then we had seven members. In 2012, we sent seven members to the blessing. In 2013, we sent only three members to the blessing. In 2014,

which means, yesterday, for Blessing 2015, we sent twenty-one members.

# What obstacles do you face?

The main obstacle we have is facilities. For now, we do not have a center, but in an area called Kamenge, we rent a four-bedroom house. One bedroom for the brothers, one for the sisters, one we use as an office and one is where the national leader stays. The sitting room we use as the chapel, where we conduct our Sunday service, morning service and any church related meeting.

Our members are very young; most of them are still students, so the national leader is responsible to pay for the center. Support does not come from any headquarters. We are independent, which means we do it by ourselves.

The rent is US \$300. Some way, every month, I have to get that money. At the same time, I have to take care of my two kids. I am a widow, so I have to take care of all the issues-my kids' school fees and all of this. In 2014, we almost went bankrupt because for nine months we couldn't pay the rent. We are trying. We hope that one day we will have members that can start contributing. Otherwise, I was told, "Anyway, if it is not working, report to us and go." We are trying to look at this in a very positive way. Someone might read this and be a bit supportive, come in as a partner in the Burundi providence. We have many difficulties, but we have a lot of potentiality.

# Wasn't President Nkurenziza deeply connected with UPF in the past?

President Nkurenziza is the ninth [and current] president of the Republic of Burundi. I would not say "deeply"; it was a kind of win–win… He also wanted something from UPF. He attended, I think, two of our conferences. We promised to build a big peace center, which we started but didn't finish, about 120 kilometers from the capital. So, we even have a case now with the government of Burundi because we didn't finish this. They are seizing the place. From this, they became a bit reluctant to continue dealing with us.

We have been working with the eighth president of Burundi, Domitien Ndayizeye. He participated in three of our events, here in Korea in 2012, 2013 and 2014. He and his wife participated in the Blessing Ceremony in 2013 as a normal blessed couple—they drank the holy wine, did the indemnity stick and they went through the five steps of the blessing—the three-day ceremony... everything correctly. They do all that a blessed couple is supposed to do because he said that he wants to be like Father.

We wish to work with him, but how can we? We need to have a presence in Burundi; facilities are very important. For example, he said that he wants to attend Sunday service but we cannot receive him in our place, because it is not equal to him. We can do better than we have done until now if we have proper facilities and clear support.



# Does Burundi suffer aftereffects of the Tutsi–Hutu clashes?

Of course. That problem is still there. I would not say that the problem in Burundi is like the one in Rwanda. In Burundi, people can speak about their ethnicity, about their background, but the problem is still there. It is pronounced, of course, but it is not as dangerous. The elections will start in May 2015. The current president wants to run again but the constitution does not allow this. The country went through 1993–1996, a period when many people went to the spiritual world and now are trying to get revenge for themselves. This upcoming election could cause the problem to arise again in Burundi.

That's why at the present moment we are not working with UPF in Burundi. We wanted first to work with the Unification Church, to set a clear base, a strong foundation with internal members before we start, this year, 2015, to go a little bit on their street by meeting some of the highest VIPs, to try to see if we can find more John the Baptists. To have people that can speak on our behalf.

# What are other hopeful signs that you see?

One hopeful sign is the youth. We

need projects that engage the youth. Burundi is very small and lacks infrastructure. One hope would be, for example, to build a school that can provide a good, moral education, something like a civic education that would help the country. If we set up a school that teaches the Divine Principle and Father's thoughts, this could be a basis to move.

One of our targets would be the middle class. Some middle class people, around forty years old, finished their education at some university abroad and have come back. They are well educated and want to do something for the country. This school could embrace them. We could put them on our board and try to go, to move, with those people.

### Are you a native Burundian?

No. I'm not from Burundi. I am from Cameroon, where I was born. I worked a bit in Cote D'Ivoire. Then I was sent to the African headquarters where I worked for five years. After that, I was appointed national leader of Burundi.

# Would you be willing to talk a bit about your family?

Okay, thank you. I was blessed in 1992. I joined the Unification move-

ment in 1984, in Cameroon, in the north, the Islamic part of Cameroon. I moved from that place when I was blessed with a Rwandan, Mukakamana Sophie. We had two girls. The first one is Jinhee, Edwin Amelia, who is now thirteen. The younger one is Jinju Viktorya Edwin. She will turn eight years old in June.

Their mom was discovered to have breast cancer, while here in Cheongpyeong, she had surgery here but the cancer was in the fourth stage. We went back to Africa. I had to leave the African headquarters to take care of my wife. We went back to Rwanda, her country, because this was a little bit easier. We went to Rwanda on August 11, 2009 and on the 23 of December 2009, she was called back to heaven. She passed away at that time. I have been taking care of my kids since then. The small one was twentyone months old at that time. I have been taking care of them by myself in Rwanda. In the midst of all this, I was appointed national leader of Burundi.

# My goodness, you have a lot on your shoulders.

Of course, that's true, I do have a lot on my shoulders, but I have to carry on and make sure it works out well. $\overline{\varphi}$ 



The group in Miazaki following the same workshop (The photograph above is from Shinjuku.)

# The Key to Success as Heavenly Tribal Messiahs

By Shinozaki Yukio

The witnessing director of the Witnessing and Education Department in the Japanese headquarters explains here the main strategy for witnessing in Japan and other useful outreach methods he encountered on a recent tour to churches throughout Japan.

or the victory of Vision 2020, the Japanese Family Federation formed missionary teams, all over Japan like the one-worldcrusade teams organized by True Parents before. These, which Mother named Cheon II Guk Revival teams, began working in 2013.

Meanwhile, churches in each church district sought various effective witnessing methods. We did not have the explosive results that Heaven hoped for, but the Cheon Il Guk Revival Team member's hardships from morning to night, did not go to waste. On the foundation of their sincerity, in March 2014, the church made Bang Sang Il head of the Witnessing and Education Department, and the church took off in earnest from that time.

### The 2014 standard of success

On the first anniversary of Founda-

tion Day, as True Mother looked on, Sasaki Koichi, FFWPU national leader in Brazil, testified to Brazil's success with home groups, one-on-one lecturing and oikos. We invited him to Japan as well as Seo Seong Jong, then a special envoy to Costa Rica, who had achieved results through one-onone Divine Principle hoondok education. Through the education we received from them, we saw that the one-on-one witnessing method could bring about an explosion in our witnessing that could even determine Japan's destiny.

Just as Tokuno Eiji, FFWPU president in Japan, said, this is not simply a witnessing method but a witnessing and education philosophy to bring victory as heavenly tribal messiahs. In other words, it means we should return to the starting point of witnessing that Father led by risking his life and once again establish the tradition of witnessing where a spiritual parent takes responsibility for a spiritual child. This is the key point to bringing victory in heavenly tribal messiah activity.

Rev. Song Yong Cheon, president of our Blessed Family Association, said, "One-on-one witnessing is a godgiven blessing and is the only way to bring victory in Vision 2020 and is the key to realizing our slogan, 'happy families, a healthy church and a Unification movement that contributes to the nation and the world.""

However, even though we boast about the Divine Principle, True Parents and the blessing, not being able to speak out clearly about these factors has become a habit. After Foundation Day, True Mother said, "Your brothers and sisters are living in the same era as the True Parents but go to the spirit world without knowing them. Speak out boldly! Do not miss this opportunity."

Yet, this is not something that methodology will solve; it is an internal struggle with Satan to overcome fallen nature. Moreover, with the proof that the word has changed you, spiritual parents need to establish a tradition of nurturing not just their spiritual children but also their spiritual grandchildren. It is common that someone brings a person and someone else educates the person; very few members have actually had the experience of raising their own spiritual child. If you do not return to the starting point of witnessing and strengthen yourself, being successful in explosive witnessing or as a heavenly tribal messiah of blessed families is impossible. The essence of this form of witnessing is a struggle against habits and a cultural struggle. If you do not change, you cannot start anything.

# Setting an example

Meanwhile, Heaven responded to the motivation of the Matsudo church leader, Ozawa Hideyuki, and a Korean member, Mrs. Kang Kyeong Hee, and began guiding and working with that church. Rev. Ozawa started lecturing in front of Matsudo Train Station. He said, "I have been a leader for a long time but have not witnessed. This seven-year course is the last chance for me to display filial piety, so I'll offer my most sincere devotion." Mrs. Kang also took a stand in line with those sentiments. They spoke out loudly on the streets every day. They are proud of True Parents and longed for Mother, who has been working very hard since Father ascended. Gradually, other formerly hesitant members stood with their church leader on the streets. Whether in snow, rain or wind, they continued to do roadside lecturing for a year.

At first, leftists or Christians interfered with them. However, in the face of the church leader's determination and the unity of the members, Satan could no longer get in their way. An elderly woman who sold vegetables on the street nearby and a man that could hear the lecture from inside the building he owned responded to the lectures. The explanation about True Parents moved them to receive the blessing.

Moreover, in that year, more than a hundred and twenty people—exmembers, members' relatives, people troubled with life and others—returned to Heaven and are currently studying the word. The greatest change was in the church leader. Thus, his congregation changed and the church atmosphere changed. With momentum from the Matsudo church success, roadside lecturing is spreading across the whole nation.

Moreover, churches in which hap-

piness through witnessing expanded started hoondok home groups, and churches that started desperately doing hoondok of Divine Principle between parent and child, as a family or in their neighborhood gave testimonies.

# **Blessing outreach**

Concurrent with this, in 2014, President Song and President Tokuno said we have to make progress in holding Blessing Ceremonies, to create an atmosphere to host the True Parents of Heaven, Earth and Humankind Cosmic Blessing Ceremony in each church district in 2015. All the members in Niigata district united with their district leader and brought 127 couples, beyond the goal of a hundred couples, in April 2014. Seven church leaders in the Niigata district decided to continue to witness to bring people to the blessing for half a year.

Based on Niigata members' sincere condition of doing hoondokhae, they set up a Husband–Wife Department, for the restoration of husbands that have not become members. They emphasized one-on-one Divine Principle hoondok and witnessing to increase each member's ability. Through working in that way, they were victorious in a 430-couple Blessing Ceremony in November.

Elsewhere, Aoki Daichi, the leader (at the time) of Minami Chiba church district united with the Cheon Il Guk Revival Team and recruited members to write out Father's autobiography. A local church leader in his district visited the members' tribes. After many sincere conditions, they blessed 470 couples at the end of November. The number who participated in the 2014 Blessing Ceremonies, which indicated a rapid increase, was 19,842 couples (2,131 married couples and 17,711 widows or widowers with the spouse in the spirit world); this high a number of couples is unprecedented.

# The solution to Japan's crises

Rehearsal has now ended. As Unificationists, we need to correctly guide our husband, parents, siblings, tribe and friends to True Parents and restore them to God. One-on-one witnessing has to transform values, awareness and our hearts through the word. More than anything else, explosive witnessing is impossible if my family and I, who have learned the word and are overflowing with joy from its substance, do not light up our surroundings.

To date, 1,600 members have participated in the Cheongpyeong Heavenly Tribal Messiah Workshop for the Victory of Vision 2020, where they were repeatedly reminded that our fulfilling the heavenly tribal messiah mission was True Father's dying wish and their portion of responsibility as children. They are reconnecting their heart-to-heart True Parent–child relationship and beginning anew with determination to stake their lives and fulfill all their responsibilities.

At the second Foundation Day Cheon Il Guk Leaders Assembly, President Song presented Japan's "five crises" and everyone felt that there was no other solution than witnessing. For this solution, three members with field experience as pastors, Kitadani Masao, director of Middle-Aged Members; Sasaki Isei, director of Education; and I were deployed to the Witnessing and Education Department. Since April, our department has been on tour, holding the Headquarters' Witnessing Policy for the Victory of Vision 2020 and One-on-One Witnessing Workshop. At these workshops, many express the feeling that fair winds from heaven are blowing.

Among the thoughts the ministers we met on the tour shared was, "Through hearing the testimony of the Matsudo Church I realized that the ministers need to take the lead in witnessing and go out on the front line; that is the best way to break through. I repent. The leader has to change." A blessed wife said, "The path to successful witnessing is spirit and truth. I once again realized that it was not the means or measures, but the internal revival of the heart that matters."

This is a historic opportunity for the Japanese Family Federation to return to the original witnessing activities. Once again we will strengthen our internal stability beginning from happy families, explosive witnessing, having the whole nation united toward the victory of the heavenly tribal messiahs and show all of humanity our Heavenly Parent's glory.  $\mathcal{P}$ 

# Teamwork: Latin American Workshops in Argentina

# By Carlos Varga

Some time ago, the author submitted this article, which focuses on developing cross-border companionship among young people through summer workshops. In his country, summer spans December 21–March 21.



very year, for fifteen consecutive years, we have conducted international twenty-one-day or forty-day Divine Principle workshops in Argentina. Since 2001, when I became responsible for CARP, a staff of senior leaders, lecturers, volunteer blessed members and I have dedicated our summer season in the southern hemisphere to consolidating and strengthening understanding of the Divine Principle for new members and second-generation members from all over Latin America. Along with the heads of the different departments of our movement in Argentina, I, as a national leader since 2010, in cooperation with other national leaders on the continent, continue that tradition today.

This year, we conducted an international twenty-one-day Divine Principle seminar again, on a church property in the town of Cañuelas in Buenos Aires Province, a Catholic monastery that has witnessed (since we acquired it in 1993) many experiences of transformation and the renewal of thousands of young people. First- and second-generation Unificationists from Paraguay, Uruguay, Chile, Peru, Colombia, Venezuela, Bolivia, Japan and Argentina attended this January 3–23 twenty-one-day workshop, which had the theme "The path of the Principle is the path to true happiness."

True Parents' investment into our second-generation members and our central blessed families' efforts collectively point to profound hope being placed in our future generations. In order for us to substantiate that hope, we consider it important for our young people to understand and embody, as much as possible, the Divine Principle concepts and True Parents' teachings. Moreover, the young members' firm belief that through embodying these concepts, they and everyone else can achieve genuine happiness is vital.

The workshop was a comprehensive educational process in the Divine Principle, Unification Thought, True Parents' life courses and their teachings regarding a life of faith and spiritual growth, the blessing, family values, the path of a spiritual leader, the value of one-on-one witnessing and of having spiritual children. It included guidance for internal development of good character and of a heart that is willing to live for others' benefit.

In order to realize those objectives and to establish deep sibling-like bonds among young people throughout Latin America, we performed a number of activities, such as team challenges, sport competitions, artwork as well as Divine Principle lecture practice. As a way of sharing their hearts and leaving a legacy for younger generations, leaders and blessed members testified about experiences they had had in the course of living a public life or about how they had striven to establish a family centered on God.

One of the greatest satisfactions that these workshops provide is that many participants, of their own volition, seek to immerse themselves in deeper education programs afterward. Many workshop participants, after this experience, went on to training courses of one or two years duration that take place in Brazil and Argentina.

Remarkably, the collective experience over these twenty-one days was not only a revival for participants who feel the love and truth coming from our Heavenly Parent and True Parents but also was a revival for each of us on the staff, because we could also live through this experience, which was rich and rewarding for the soul.  $\mathcal{F}$ 

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# Major Activities Ongoing in Fiji

# By Santosh Neupane

he Republic of Fiji is an island nation with a total land area of 7,056 square miles (18,000 sq. km.) in the vast Pacific Ocean, surrounded by other island nations. It is about 1,600 miles (2,600 kilometers) northeast of New Zealand and about 1,700 miles (2,750 km) east of Australia. In 2020, Fiji will celebrate fifty years of independence from the United Kingdom. The Republic of Fiji comprises 332 islands; about 220 of these are uninhabited. Fiji's capital, Suva, is home to 175,000 people. Its overall population is a bit more than 900,000, and Fiji attracts half that number in tourists yearly.

# **Education of youth**

We selected four high schools in which we are conducting regular character education seminars. We hold student debates, essay contests on topics related to character education, which we are introducing through FFWPU. We have established in each of these schools a Character Education Prize, which schools present yearly on a day that they honor their students' achievements in various areas. This year, beginning in May we are introducing a program to teach the teachers in these schools.

For university-aged students, we have character education seminars in our Peace Embassy on a regular basis. As activities that supplement intellectual interaction with character education, we run service activities in the community. Recently we were inspired to establish the Pacific Island Student Association (PISA) based in Fiji. Fiji is an education hub for the island nations. Students from other island nations come to Fiji to further their education. One of the best universities in the South Pacific is in



Suva, three kilometers from our Peace Embassy.

I believe that PISA will develop into a good outreach program for Fiji; initially, we will involve students from other island nations in character development programs. Eventually, we will teach them the Divine Principle. Thus, PISA can be a good starting point for the expansion of our mission in island nations.

# **Empowerment of women**

We are holding seminars on family values and family law for women through Fiji's WFWP chapter. Recently, we have started a sewing machine donation program for needy Fijian women. We identify a needy person, go to her home as team and conduct a family values seminar for her family members. Women's Federation leaders give a small talk about the importance of saving money for the future. WFWP members bring prepared food from their homes on these occasions. Eating together helps create a good family-like atmosphere.

# **Preparation of societal leaders**

We have quarterly UPF programs in Fiji. In 2014, we had a seminar for ambassadors for peace and we conducted service activities in a home for the aged on World Family Day. In February 2015, we began the South Pacific Peace Initiative (SPPI) as a major UPF project. The title of program, Cultivating the Character of Peace through Education and Expanding in the South Pacific Region, attracted participants from seven island nations.

Rev. Greg Stone, secretary-general of UPF Oceania, gave presentations on UPF character education. Dr. Brij lal, a member of Fiji's parliament, gave presentations on similar subject matter from a perspective common among people in island nations. We will be doing four programs this year. The theme of our May 2015 program, on which leaders from various faiths will speak, is Extremism in Religion. Following that, we will hold an SPPI on the third anniversary of True Father's seonghwa and a final SPPI for the year in November.

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