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Honoring Investment and Great Contribution

By Ki Hoon Kim



When I heard of Dr. Bo Hi Pak's ascension, I thought of his life spent testifying to True Parents I remember him as a courageous, heavenly general who attended True Parents as they paved the way for the providence of restoration in America. I give thanks to Dr. Pak for his investment and relentless work ethic over a great period of time.

All the American members firmly believe that Dr. Pak will continue working with True Father in the spiritual world to ensure the victorious completion of the providence, which True Mother is now guiding as she ceaselessly invests and offers devotions for the providence of Cheon Il Guk.

We all know something about the path forged by Dr. Pak for the providence in the United States. To mention all his accomplishments is not easy. He did so much, and—as a parent, father, and teacher—he loved all the American members who walked shoulder to shoulder with him on his course. Together with the members, he testified about the core teachings of True Parents and developed the providence in America. As one of the very first missionaries to the United States, as one who both witnessed and took positions such as chairman of The Washington Times, he invested his heart and soul on the front line of the U.S. providence alongside True Parents every single day.

Dr. Pak, thank you so much for all you have done!

May you always be with True Parents, and just as you stood with us, becoming the center of many heart-moving testimonies, please guide us and continue to take the lead in True Parents' providence, even from the spiritual world.

We would like to take this time, through this Seonghwa ceremony being conducted in Washington, D.C., New York and Las Vegas at the same time as Korea, to reflect and reminisce on your work, and to offer our prayers and blessings as you ascend to the heavenly realm. All our churches across the United States will join us in prayer this coming Sunday.

Dr. Pak, you invested your extraordinary efforts without reserve.

All members will remember you and will join the Victorious course of True Parents that you walked.

I sincerely pray that you will now be reunited eternally with your dearly departed wife amid the blessings and grace of Heavenly Parent and True Parents. *TP*

The above is a letter written by Dr. Ki Hoon Kim, Vice President of Family Federation for World Peace and Unification International and chairman of the North American Region on the occasion of the ascension of Dr. Bo Hi Pak. Rev. Richard Buessing read it aloud at seonghwa ceremony.

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God's Hope for Humanity Part 3

Father gave this speech on October 20, 1973, at Lisner Auditorium, George Washington University in Washington, DC, during a twenty-one city speaking tour of the United States, one of several U. S. tours in 1973 and 1974.



September 18, 1974, New York City
Madison Square Garden Rally



Father speaking at a Forgive, Love and Unite Rally in 1974, when members were fasting and praying for US political figures. Then US church president Neil Solonen was praying for then US President Nixon.

Let us look at an illustration. Suppose there is a great artist. If he works at random without feeling, he cannot create anything worthwhile. To create the masterpiece of his lifetime, the artist must put all of his heart and soul into his creation. That is the only way for him to come up with a great work of art. If an artist works in this way, his art becomes his life. God is the greatest of all artists. When He created His masterpieces, man and woman, He poured His heart into the process. He poured His soul into it. He poured all of His wisdom and all of His energy into it.

God wished only to exist for Adam and Eve, and all mankind. He saved not a single ounce of energy when He created them. In this way, humankind has become the life of God. God set the pattern for the universe. In the ideal existence we live for others. The subject exists for the object, and the object exists for the subject. God's definition of goodness is total giving, total service, and absolute unselfishness. We are to live our lives for others. You live for others and others live for you. God lives for man and man lives for God. The husband lives for his wife and the wife lives for her husband. This is goodness. Here unity, harmony, and prosperity abound.

Would you, as a man, be disturbed if I said that you were created for a woman? Perhaps some of you are proud of your masculinity and would not want to hear this. But this is the principle of God's creation, and you must not be sorry to hear these words. Man lives his life for his partner, not for himself. Let us assume that one of you ladies is a beauty queen. No matter how beautiful you are, your beauty is not for your own gratification; it is for the delight of men. We are created to live for each other. This is the very reason for our existence; we exist for others, for an object, for a counterpart. This is the principle for all human relationships in our society. Parents exist for their children, and children exist for their parents. Then both parents and children, when they give unselfishly, become united in a circular motion. This circling motion is the motion of unity. When you give and take, the give and take action creates a circular motion. Circular motion alone can be eternal, because there you will find no end. Therefore, all of God's creation is based on a pattern of circular movement, since He created for eternity. Even our faces are round, although there is one central vertical line. Our eyeballs are round, and there are upper and lower lips, which make up a round mouth.

The sun is round, the moon, the earth, and all heavenly bodies are round. They are each rotating on their own axes and revolving around others. Everything in this universe has complementary give and take action between subject and object. Give and take action occurs between arteries and veins, and so the blood circulates through the body. Human sickness is the state where the balance of give and take action is broken, and normal circulating motion is stopped. Without having this give and take action between subject and object, without abiding by this principle, nothing endures for eternity. All existence that is based upon God's principle is a good existence.

The origin of wickedness

Then, what is evil? Evil is the emergence of selfishness into this world. God's principle of unselfish giving was twisted into an ungodly principle of selfish taking. The ungodly position of desiring to be served, rather than to serve, was thereby established. The origin of evil is Satan. He was in the position to serve God, but instead he posed as another god and subjugated man for his own benefit. God is the absolute positive force in this universe. Then Satan posed as another positive force. Two positives



The Day of Hope Banquet on, May 7, 1974, in Tokyo's Imperial Hotel, attracted 1,700 guests, among them Finance Minister Fukuda (later, 1976–78, prime minister) who had arrived from another event. Behind Takeo Fukuda, is Osami Kuboki, twenty-seven-year president of HSAUWC-Japan.

naturally repel each other. Satan is a fallen archangel. He left his position as a faithful servant to God and man, and he challenged and competed with God. His motivation was selfishness. Out of his selfishness comes the origin of evil and sin. What happened is this: Eve fell from her position as God's first daughter, becoming the first victim of Satan and transforming herself into a creature of selfishness. Together Eve and Satan then successfully brought Adam into their selfish world. Through this tragic event, God was isolated by man in the garden of Eden. Human history started on the wrong footing, without God. The foundation for the evil history of man was laid, and Satan was established as the ruler of this world. Selfishness came into being at the beginning of history, and now our world is rampant with killing, lying, and stealing. All of these actions in the evil world are motivated by selfishness. Evil subjugated others for its own benefit, while good sacrifices itself for the benefit of others.

Since the fall of man, God's work has been the restoration of original goodness. God wants to destroy the world of evil and recreate the world of goodness. We have lost our health. We have become sick people. The salvation of God is, therefore, the restoration of man to a healthy state

once again. God sowed the seed of goodness, but before He could gather its fruit, Satan invaded with his evil seed and harvested his evil fruit. For this reason, God must sow the seed of goodness once again. To do this job God needs certain tools. The religions of the world have served as these tools for God. Throughout history, good religions have taught God's way of life, centered upon sacrificial love and duty. Thus Christianity may be considered the most advanced and progressive religion because it teaches this sacrificial love and duty in supreme form.

Jesus came as a savior, but his teaching was, "The Son of man came not to be served but to serve." (Matt. 20:28) Jesus taught that the greatest love in this universe is to give one's life for his enemy. The teaching of the Bible is contrary to the common rule of our worldly society. It is exactly the opposite of the way of this self-centered world. The Bible teaches complete giving and total sacrifice. "He who finds his life will lose it, and he who loses his life for my sake will find it." (Matt. 10:39) It seems almost foolish to think seriously about living this way in man's evil society. However, once you know God's principle, you discover that there is actually no wisdom greater than this. You reap as you sow.

Jesus Christ's teachings were hitting the very core of this fundamental truth. The more you give the more you receive. God rewards total giving with total love, and total sacrifice with total life. Giving creates room for God's love to enter. The more room and the greater the vacuum created by your giving, the faster the flow of God's love will fill you.

To be treated well you must first treat others well. You reap as you sow. Sow evil to reap evil; sow goodness to reap goodness. Your concern should be how to give, and how to give well. As for the return to you, you must trust in God. He will take care of it.

Those who serve reap blessings

Let us take an illustration of a good man and a bad man. Let us say there is one man who has ten friends. Day in and day out this man is unselfishly serving his ten friends. People cannot help but love this man. He can become the very best friend to ten people. Then his influence will spread to the relatives and friends of those first ten people. By giving and serving unselfishly this man becomes prosperous. He is a center of harmony and unity because he lives God's principle. Unselfishness brings prosperity. Here is a good man. But suppose, on the contrary, this man said to his friends, "You ten, bring everything to me; you

are here to serve me.” If he spoke this way to his friends three times, everyone would end all connection with him. They would want to have nothing at all to do with him. So he would be left all alone. Isn’t that true, even in our society? It is universally true. A self-centered doctrine, a self-centered philosophy, a self-centered way of life will fling you head over heels down the tragic road of self-destruction. However, if you live your life in service to others, you will find prosperity. It may seem that such a route would lead you to ruin, but it will not. The only reason it may not always bring prosperity to you is because you do not give to the very end. In the middle you suddenly become skeptical. You change your heart or pity yourself, and so you shrink from God’s law of total giving. A good result never materializes. Total giving is the way of prosperity, because it is the way of God.

If any individual sacrifices himself for another individual, he becomes a hero to others. If one family is sacrificial for the well-being of another family, then that family becomes a heroic family among all families. Peoples and nations who sacrifice themselves for the benefit of others become champions of nations. A man who gives his life for his parents is a pious son. A man who gives his life for his king is a loyal subject. And a man who gives his life for all mankind is a saint.

Jesus Christ proclaimed this very truth you are hearing tonight. He strove for the fulfillment of God’s truth on earth. He came not to satisfy his nation’s selfish purpose, but to achieve salvation for the entire world.

God intended the chosen people of Israel to serve as the prepared instrument of the Messiah for his mission of world salvation. The people of Israel did not know this. They conceived of the coming Messiah as an invincible military conqueror who would restore the political empire of King David for the glory of the Jews. How wrong they were!

God’s purpose is not the salvation of any particular man, church, or nation. God’s purpose is to save the whole world. Therefore, the true church would give itself as a sacrifice for the benefit of the world. Yes, true Christians must be willing to sacrifice



The gracious Pak Bo-hi and Ki-sook Yoon Pak greet True Mother. This photograph appears to have been taken around the time that True Father gave the speech you are reading.

their own lives for the salvation of the world and all mankind. However, Christian teachings today are self-centered.

Christians are seeking their own personal salvation. Christians are crying out for “my salvation” and “my heaven.” This is contrary to God’s truth and contrary to God’s ideal. We must steadfastly give, love, sacrifice, and live for the sake of others.

We must all work for the ideal way of life. I exist for my family, my family exists for our society, our society exists for our nation, our nation exists for the world, the world exists for God, and God exists for you and me, for all mankind. In this great circle of give and take there is harmony, there is unity, and there is an eternal process of increasing prosperity. Furthermore, since in this circuit all existence will fulfill its purpose of creation, there is abundant and profound joy. This is the kingdom of heaven, in which feelings of happiness overflow.

In this world, selfishness ruins everything. Selfishness in the family causes disharmony, which then erupts into bitterness and strife. Everyone wants to be served, instead of serving others. Wives tell their husbands what to do and then seek to be served. Husbands want to be served by their

wives. Parents expect service from their children, and the children take their parents for granted. This is demonstrated in our families, in our societies, and in our nations.

In this world today, nations exist solely for their own national interests.

They plot, connive, cheat, and lie. They destroy other nations for their own national benefit. Is there even one nation on earth, which pledges to God, “God, you may use this nation as your sacrifice and as your altar, if that is the way you can save the world”? Tell me, where is such a nation? Where? It is a recognized fact that when America demonstrated the spirit of service and sacrificial duty in the world and went out of her way to help others in their need, when America gave lives, money, and a helping hand, she enjoyed a golden age. But now America has a selfish attitude. Its domestic problems today are very difficult. America’s situation is chaotic. Today there are greater divisions, more corruption, and graver problems choking this land. I am not criticizing any people or nation. I am merely proclaiming the heavenly truth that all mankind is seeking. 

The two earlier excerpts of this speech appeared in our November and December 2018 issues.



Prayer to Begin a Year of Great Significance

True Mother delivered this New Year Benediction at the National Prayer to Open the Era of a Unified, Heavenly Korea on January 1 at the Cheongshim Peace World Center

Most high and noble Heavenly Parent!

bow in front of you in infinite gratitude, within the infinite grace of the sixth year of Cheon Il Guk.

The new year, the year of the pig, which we are welcoming, marks the one hundredth anniversary of the day, in March 1919, that Christian proponents of democracy and students shouted in front of the world for Korean independence, and this brings us closer to the unification of this nation.

Though many righteous people and pioneers sincerely longed for the independence of this nation throughout its history, their devotion and efforts could not prevent the division of Korea into North Korea and South Korea. And we have come to the point where we see that neither political, religious nor human effort alone can undo this division. In particular, today, this people, whom you have from long ago embraced and raised until now to bring about the completion of the providence, must know the truth of that history. Korea's unification, which we so yearn for, cannot take place through human efforts alone. The true unification of Korea can only take place under circumstances in which we attend God, our Heavenly Parent, the Creator, the owner of the universe, and in which we have received the blessing from True Parents.

I sincerely pray that humankind today will come to realize that the only way to establish a world without war or conflict that all people have sought to achieve, and the only way to bring down all man-made barriers, including religious, cultural, and racial barriers, is through you, God, the universe's true owner and our Creator, and that without welcoming the perfected True Parents, who have come to realize your wish and dream, in this fallen world, people cannot become your sons or daughters. Based on the past, which you have shown us, please enable this nation to understand that only when Korea is unified and fulfills its responsibilities as a people blessed by Heaven and becomes a heavenly unified Korea

that attends Heavenly Parent will this nation have a future and have hope.

With only a year left until 2020—the year in relation to which the twenty thousand blessed families here today made their commitment to Heaven—I sincerely pray that this nation becomes a central nation in front of the world and one that fulfills its responsibilities as a people who know who the true owner is, and as a blessed people, are citizens of Cheon Il Guk. I offer you my sincere gratitude for the infinite love and grace you have shown this people, remaining with them amid numerous hardships and difficulties. This people now needs to know. This people must become a people that longs for the time of the completion of the providence.

Two thousand years ago, you sent Jesus Christ through the people of Israel, whom you had raised for four thousand years. The people of Israel, however, did not know Jesus' essence, and thus they paved the way for his tragic crucifixion. What happened to this people? They dispersed and lived without a country for two thousand years. World War II saw the massacre of six million. We all know of the history of indemnity they had to go through. This consequence befalls a people that fails to welcome the True Parents of humankind, whom Heaven prepared to send through investing much effort over time.

Heaven chose the Korean people and prepared to send God's only daughter, who would complete the providence. Despite the hardships they were going through, this nation continued to hold on to you, our God in heaven. You know the pain of a people without a nation. At a time when democracy in South Korea stood helpless as the Korean War raged, we saw a miracle from God in the sending of the UN Forces and in the protection of our democracy. Just as you gave all people a period of growth in accordance with your principles of creation, you protected me, your only daughter, until I

reached adulthood. As a result, in 1960, we could take our positions as the True Parents.

Without the Christian foundation to support us, True Parents had to start from the very bottom. And I thank you sincerely for your work and for the infinite protection that you provided us during the ensuing fifty years until we could establish a foundation across the world. Since your will must be accomplished without fail, to this day, the True Parents, who have borne that responsibility, have invested their utmost effort for that.

As we will usher in the final year of the Chinese sixty-year calendar cycle and prepare to begin a new cycle with the year of the rat in 2020, this nation must accept Heaven's blessing, become a nation that fulfills its responsibilities and a nation of whom Heavenly Parent can proudly say, Truly, this is my homeland where my beloved sons and daughters live.

This being a nation that Heavenly Parent is to work through and a nation that is to become Heaven's homeland, all the blessed families that have gathered here today should completely invest themselves in educating its people so that our country can stand strong as God's homeland in front of the world, as God desires. When all people in this nation, without exception, receive the blessing, Heavenly Parent can wholly embrace our country, so what will there be to worry about? I sincerely pray that all blessed families become proud blessed families of the Unificationist community that through this nation can show the world the realization of the dream of one great family under Heavenly Parent, a dream that this nation and the world have longed to see come true. O Heavenly Parent! Though this nation remains inadequate in front of your tremendous and infinite grace, I pray and proclaim in front of you, Heavenly Parent, and in front of this nation and world, that Korea will do its best to accomplish your dream without fail. 



Seize the Moment

True Mother gave this speech on January 7 at the Special Assembly of Korean Leaders to Open the Era to Establish Firmly the Heavenly Unified Korea and the Inaugural Meeting of the 2019 World Summit Organizing Committee in Korea on January 7 at Cheon Jeong Gung.

There will not always be time. This is the final time to fulfill the providence. Do not become leaders who let this moment pass. To accomplish this, all organizations need to become one, to achieve unity.

How can there be several divisions if the goal is the same? These people must unite and demonstrate that unity through their deeds.

All of you have to humble yourselves. You must be humble. All you

need to do is unite with True Parents, become one in heart, one in desire and one in behavior. For six thousand years, there has been a lack of filial piety toward our Heavenly Parent; therefore, at this time, we must fulfill our Heavenly Parent's dream.

True Parents have shown you everything. You can already see how things should be done. So, all of your achievements offered in the last moments of this year will be for the establishment of Cheon Il Guk, a new

era! When everyone aligns here with the Republic of Korea as the central nation of the world, how much will the people of this country—who have been under the darkness at the foot of a lamp—thank you in tears? They will have to repent for not having cooperated with the heavenly providence before now. It is time to bring them to repentance. It should be this year. Do you understand? That's why we must unite. Do you have the confidence to do this? I bless you! 





Do Something to Help Bring About a United, Godly Korea

True Mother delivered this speech at the 2019 Special Meeting with the HJ Magnolia-Korea Foundation on Tuesday, January 8 at Cheon Jeong Gung

The business area will have to produce and be successful, right? For that point on, those involved in business must achieve unity, all together and regardless of rank or position.

A leader, as a leader, needs to be magnanimous and understanding. If you are a leader, you must lead your staff so that everyone can grow and progress.

No perfect leader exists who possesses all the requisite skills. You

often hear those in society say, "Study for life" and "Learn from children." You have to behave with that attitude in mind. People should not first think of themselves, nor think of their own benefits: Let's unite! Let's produce results that can cheer everyone up! That is the strongest force we have.

Am I not making efforts to help Africa and Asia? In any case, we must fulfill the dream of *Hanul Bumo* nim [God]. We have to make sure that God

can fulfill what he originally desired to achieve, to embrace all humanity and be able to say to them, You are my children.

What I'm telling you is that companies should be involved. Be the best in your assigned area. Be an example to the world, in every respect, as a providential homeland, as God's homeland, as the homeland of the True Parents. Be an HJ Magnolia Foundation capable of contributing to a unified heavenly Korea! ㄸ



Prayer to Begin the New Year





- ① True Mother spoke for twenty minutes after the midnight prayer.
- ② President Song of the National Association for Unification of the Koreans and President Choi of WFWP-Korea presented flowers to True Mother
- ③ Hoonsook Moon, Yeon Ah Moon and regional presidents during the prayer
- ④ True Mother with True Family members and leaders with holy candles
- ⑤ After speaking, True Mother struck a gong and the yearly motto was revealed.
- ⑥ Yeon Ah Moon attending True Mother as she lights the origin holy candle
- ⑦ Chief of Staff Wonju McDevitt read hoondokhae; Secretary General Young-ho Yun gave a special presentation; President Gi-seong Lee was the MC of the first part; Man-ung Cho, president of the Elder Pastors Association prayed; Jin-tae Ju, leader, Sub-region 1 was the MC of the second part; Bo-gun Won, leader, Sub-region 2 leading his region's 2019 pledge; In-yeong Song, leader, Subregion 3 pledging; Yeong-bae Pak, leader, Subregion 5 pledging
- ⑧ All present did a chanyang session and then prayed for forty minutes.
- ⑨ Model members of families or of society received Hyo Jeong Awards.



Having Hostility to Evil

This is an excerpt from the third volume of Rev. Yohan Lee's book set Faith and Life, published in 1977. Readers can gauge from it the dynamic faith he carried throughout his long life.

By Yohan Lee



In the Divine Principle, it says that one reason God hardened Pharaoh's heart was to unite the hearts of the Israelites with God by showing God's sovereignty and power to them: It was a good opportunity for them to meet the living God. Another purpose was to subjugate Pharaoh. When leaving bad sovereignty, we should have hostility and maintain it until we reach the goal. However, the Israelites forgot their hostility and complained. Thinking about severe persecution under bad sovereignty, they should have been thankful for their situation even when they felt hungry or encountered difficulties. If they had a strong hostility towards evil, they would not have complained.

When Korea was under Japanese government control, thousands of Korean soldiers froze to death in the snow in Manchuria in the war against Japan for the independence of Korea. They felt determined not to return to their home country unless the nation became independent. No matter how cold they felt, they fought for their nation at the cost of their lives with strong patriotic hearts and hostility toward the enemy. They were genuine patriots. Therefore, the span of life as a faithful person depends on how strongly we have hostility against the enemy. We can compare that hostility to the power of a battery, which indicates



Yohan Lee and his wife, Shim-hui Won, on the occasion of Rev. Lee's one hundredth birthday (as Koreans reckon age) on September 27, 2014. He was born in Shincheon County, North P'yong-an Province, in what is today North Korea.

how far a person can continue on the path as a faithful person.

Therefore, having hostility becomes the most important thing for us. However hard our sufferings are, we must not lose that hostility. If we lose that, we will suffer much from our surroundings. Many people dropped away from the track of the faithful because they placed priority on their own situation (their hunger, thirstiness, etc.) rather than on faith. Those people did not know how bitter spiritual hardships were. The Israel people with the status of slaves suffered persecution and experienced deeply the bitterness of spiritual hardships. God tried to form this in the hearts of the Israelites by showing them the ten plagues.

Revenge against Satan

We also suffered seriously from the contradiction of life, before meeting the family. I guess that many young people who joined the Unification Church had tried to commit suicide. In Korea, many people experienced resurrection through the Divine Principle; they found God more pitiful than they were and determined to liberate God from resentment. You also took the same way, didn't you? I think some of you here had the experience of an attempted suicide. You once tried to commit suicide, however, you found out the only way to reverse history was by the Divine Principle. This made you thirst for revenge against Satan and gave you

energy to reach the goal. If this were not true, you could never accept the Principle. Let's use Peter as an example. Because he didn't have strong hostility, he pleased himself observing the miracles. He expected to become a high official or foreign minister by following his master, Jesus. He was concerned only with his own benefit. This type of person cannot take the way of faith—absolutely not. We should get angry toward the circumstances of the fallen world.

After gaining faith, your parents and relatives and especially Satan, who will take any chance to invade you, pay careful attention to you. They may say, He brags about the Unification Church. Let's see what happens in the future...

Going through these struggles, how can we think about our own benefit? Unless we win over all the races and nations and the whole world completely, we must not feel relaxed. Never! Therefore, hostility for us is a source of energy to attain the goal. If the Israelites had had hostility, they would not have longed for the life of Egypt, even facing starvation. When they became hungry, they yearned for the comfortable life in Egypt, remembering, Today is the birthday of my friend. Though we were slaves, we used to bake bread or eat something nice on a birthday. ☞

The text has been edited for inclusion in True Peace magazine.

A Milestone in a Faithful Life

This is the combined two parts of an interview, conducted in April 2015 of Rev. Yohan Lee of the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification, the first FFWPU minister in Korea to reach a hundred years of age.



Rev. Lee became True Father's first male disciple in 1952 and was the Unification Church's first pioneer church leader, in Busan and in Daegu.

Family Federation for World Peace and Unification (also known as the Unification Church) established by Rev. Sun Myung Moon (1920–2012) in 1954 is marking its sixty-first anniversary this year. FFWPU is known as the only religion that has taken root globally in such a short period of time. This year, for the first time in FFWPU history, an FFWPU minister turned a hundred years old. He is Rev. Yohan Lee. He was the first president of the Unification Divinity School (predecessor of Sun Moon University). He raised many ministers including chairman of UPF Dr. Chang-shik Yang, president of Sun Moon University, Dr. Sun-jo Hwang and regional chairman of UPF-Asia Dr. Chung-shik Yong. He remains on active duty on the front line of outreach work

as an international itinerant missionary. He was the first male member to join the Unification Church, in 1952, and was the only member with a theological background at that time. When Rev. Moon wrote the Original Principle [Wolli Wonbon], he appointed Rev. Lee as the supervising editor.

Despite using an artificial cardiac pacemaker, his complexion and his memory skills are comparable with people in their forties or fifties. He answered the reporter's questions by precisely reading the reporter's intentions. Even today, he visits up to fifteen churches around Korea each month and provides consultations to church members. Last October, when he was ninety-nine years old, he traveled by plane to Taiwan as an international itinerant worker. The reporter visited Rev. Lee's affiliated church, the FFWPU Family Church in the Yatap Ward of the Bundang Borough of the City of Seongnam to interview him on topics such as FFWPU's ideological weight, religious and family issues, North Korean affairs and the future of humanity.

Please tell me your motives for joining FFWPU.

I was studying at a divinity school in Tokyo but they kicked me out for refusing to visit shrines. After returning to Korea in 1945, I worked as an evangelist around the coast of Hamgyŏng Province [Today in North Korea]. It was around this time that I heard about Rev. Sun Myung Moon. From 1940 to the 1950s, the concept of the Second Advent occurring in Korea was spreading rapidly through Korean society, and Rev. Moon was one of those spoken about. Since I believed that the Christ would come on the clouds, for me to accept this concept was not easy. However, one day, I dreamed of Rev. Moon. In this dream, a woman came up and intro-

duced him to me as the Messiah. Before disappearing, she said, "Three days from now, you will see a double rainbow in the sky. If you do, you must believe that what I said was true." I was shocked when I actually saw a double rainbow in the sky and I immediately headed for Busan to see Rev. Moon. I was overwhelmed by the way he stared at me when we first met.

What was your impression of Rev. Moon, and what attracted you the most?

First of all, Rev. Moon has special insight and reads peoples' family backgrounds at first sight. I have studied theology, but many theologians do not know the relevant ties between the Old Testament and the New Testament. Many praise the New Testament, but treat the Old Testament as mere "morally good stories." Professor Junta Watanabe, who taught me at divinity school, was a famous biblicalist who specialized in the Old Testament but he said, "The Old Testament is not the Bible." This is a major contradiction. It cleared my head when I heard Rev. Moon explain the history of God's providence to restore humanity by connecting the New Testament and the Old Testament.

What accomplishment of Rev. Moon's is special?

He determined the relationship between God and humanity to be a "parent-child relationship" and recovered that relationship for the first time in history. When the Christians were claiming to go to heaven after death, he fought alone to eliminate evil on earth and to create a good world to fulfill the providence of restoration. Only recently have I heard some Protestant ministers making a claim similar to that of Rev. Moon. I'm sure Rev. Moon's accomplishments will become even clearer as time goes by.

What was most challenging in your life of faith?

Prior to the establishment of the Unification Church (FFWPU), we had to go witnessing without any names or signs. I could not answer when I was asked which sect I was from. The Unification Church was established in 1954, but none of the ministers or missionaries had theological backgrounds back then. We faced many difficulties because we went out witnessing with our incentive alone to tell the "new word" without even knowing what the Book of Matthew was.

Have you ever doubted Rev. Moon's mission, or rebelled against him?

At no time did I doubt him, because he always knew what I would ask before I asked it and gave me immense answers. We

had some conflicts of ideas. These were when he told the headquarters to fund the construction of local churches, and when he proposed to construct an air gun factory. I claimed that in order for a church to develop, it must be built by gaining assistance from the local people, and I insisted that it was of far more urgency to build a divinity school than to build an air gun factory, but he would not listen. I never thought of violating what he said because he had great foresight. I believe financial ability was absolutely necessary for him to carry on the history of the providence of restoration, but since he knew the people in the world would not support him, he forged ahead with building a financial foundation. In this area, Japan has played a meritorious role.

People nowadays tend to turn away from religions. Where do you think the problem lies, in the religions or in the individual believers?

I think the problem lies in religions. Ministers have failed in nurturing people in spirit and in truth. We could not change people through religious rituals alone. They cannot nurture people because they themselves are not spiritual. A minister must be able to inspire the believers. To do so, he must become a slave of love and serve them. I am sorry to see churches cool down and fall into a mere form of culture.

How could we enhance the flag of religion again?

We must imprint anew God's existence in people's heart. God could not help but support people unconditionally. He helps when people admire him and plead with him. If you do not have the heart to admire him, he cannot support you. Secondly, we must clearly explain the existence of the world after death (the spiritual world). The Divine Principle explains the physical world as "the shadow of the incorporeal world (the world after death)." I'm sure people will develop cameras that are capable of capturing the spirit world when technology develops in the future. Lastly, in order for religions to survive, they must be reborn as a place to nurture filial piety and spirituality. Rev. Moon taught the nature of filial piety in a revolutionary way. Filial piety starts, not when children return it to their parents, but when parents dedicate it to their children. It is not easy for parents to show courtesy to their children and there may be times when parents must ask their children's understanding for areas they are lacking in, but we must re-create the culture of filial piety within our family. ㄹ

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- ❶ The floral treatment transformed the stage at Cheon Bok Gung, where Rev. Yohan Lee's Seonghwa Ceremony took place. During his service, many learned for the first time that Dr. Pak had ascended that morning.
- ❷ Rev. Gi-seong Lee and his wife lit a candle to begin the Seonghwa Ceremony for Dr. Pak, whose life True Mother encapsulated in the words, "the loyal son who helped firmly establish the era of the heavenly unified Korea."
- ❸ A floral tribute by committee chairmen and family members
- ❹ Dr. Young-ho Yun was MC; Mrs. Wonju McDevitt read hoondokhae; Pastor Man-ung Cho gave the invocation prayer; Yong-cheon Song reported on Rev. Lee's life and achievements; Rev. Gi-seong Lee gave the Seonghwa Memorial Address; Rev. Chang-shik Yang and Rev. Chung-shik Yong both delivered eulogies.
- ❺ "The loyal son who helped open the era to establish firmly the heavenly, unified Korea" was how True Mother described the life of Rev. Lee.
- ❻ The lowering of the casket
- ❼ Preparation included holy or sentimental items being placed atop the casket
- ❽ The Wonjeon Address



Beloved Mentor!

By Wonju Chong McDevitt



The boundless love, prayer and concern of Dr. Bo Hi Pak are the reasons behind the fact that I have come this far. I met Dr. Pak forty-four years ago in New York. On that occasion, he asked me to help him care for the True Parents and so my public life began.

Dr. Pak explained each task to me in detail, one by one, teaching me thoroughly, someone as young as I was, how to become someone working on the world level. For all of this, I am always very grateful. He emphasized to me that we should attend the True Parents well until the last day of our lives and showed me by his example how I should serve True Parents. I remember how he also prayed for them, spending nights in vigils, in tears. Then, when he sent me to East Garden to care for True Parents, Dr. Pak told me again that I should care for them until the last day of my life. Whenever he saw me by chance somewhere, he was very happy to see me and treated me as if he were my biological father. He was proud of me and praised me. Even when dealing with someone as young as I was, he ex-

pressed feelings of respect and encouragement.

Another thing I would like to share is that nineteen years ago, on January 12, 2000, my mother left for the spiritual world, on the same date that Dr. Bo Hi Pak ascended. On the occasion of my mother's Seonghwa Ceremony, Dr. Pak, of his own free will, said to me, "I will give a farewell speech," so he is very dear to me and I will never be able to forget the day of his ascension.

This morning, when I greeted True Mother before coming to the ceremony, True Mother shared with me that at the age of seventeen [as Koreans reckon age], on the evening of the Holy Wedding day, everyone had gathered in Seoul's Cheongpa Ward church [Cheongpa-dong], celebrating in the wooden-floored hall there and Father asked her to sing. When she stood up and began to sing she saw in the front row a handsome young man, kneeling, breaking into tears, which continued until she finished singing. Being intrigued about who he was, she learned his name and always remembered him, as they were the first three syllables of a name she would remember in the Unified Family, Bo Hi Pak. After telling me that anecdote, she asked me to read here, this morning, the prayer that True Mother gave for the year that has recently begun, so that Dr. Pak has that prayer in his ears and has a comfortable way to enter heaven. She also asked him to join True Father by placing himself at the forefront of the providential work that True Mother is leading on earth. So when I now read True Mother's prayer, I want to ask you to close your eyes and feel as if she were here praying personally. 

Mrs. McDevitt is the chief of staff of True Mother's Secretariat.

A Tribute to Dr. Bo Hi Pak

By Thomas Ward

In the years of the CAUSA providence, True Father frequently gathered and spoke to the leaders he had asked to work with Dr. Bo Pak in the United States. One day Father shared with us about the importance of Dr. Pak's role. He explained to those of us then in leadership positions that he thought of Dr. Pak "every single minute of the day." Yes, that is correct: "Every single minute of the day."

On his part, Dr. Pak had long understood that True Parents relied on him. Following a speech he delivered in Belvedere in July 1977, Dr. Pak prayed, "with the word 'Aboji' on our lips every minute. Father, we want to speak Aboji as the final word...." With loyal devotion, Dr. Pak lived an exemplary life as an extension of True Parents and as a bridge between them and everyone he met.

Having been an early missionary to the United States, having raised his children here, Dr. Pak's relationship with America was special. He loved and understood what made America special and he so much wanted to connect America to God's providence and to True Parents' work. America was the first mission country that Dr. Pak embraced and he and his wife Ki-sook Yoon Pak worked desperately to allow Americans and eventually the citizens of many countries to discover the same liberating experience with True Parents that he had discovered when he first met them in 1957.

Building a Base with Conservative Christians

Dr. Pak had a special love for evangelical Christians; he had been a strong Christian prior to joining our church. He loved and admired the

American evangelist Billy Graham. He knew the importance that Christianity had for the providence; he wanted to provide Christians every chance to recognize the "day or hour no one knows" (Matthew 24:36), and join the returning Lord and his bride.

Before meeting Dr. Pak, I had considered efforts to reach such people hopeless and unwarranted. These Christians were the very people who had condemned us, who had stood up, pounded their Bibles and disrupted True Father's speeches on the twenty-one-city tour, the thirty-two-city tour and even at Madison Square Garden.

CAUSA began its work in Latin America but I discovered that long before traveling to Latin America in 1980, Dr. Pak had already established a foundation for future work in Washington, DC. This base began with his work with the US military during and after the Korean War and it grew when he came to the United States in 1961 as Assistant Military Attaché at the Korean Embassy in Washington.

Dr. Pak retired from the Korean military in 1964 and was soon after appointed as a Unificationist missionary to the United States. In addition to his church work, Dr. Pak developed a broader network of conservative friends and allies through the Korean Cultural and Freedom Foundation that he founded in 1965 in Washington, DC, with True Parents' support. This foundation sponsored the Little Angels, Radio Free Asia, and the Children's Relief Fund. Dr. Pak built friendships and strong relations with a number of American leaders beginning in those early years of the American providence. He also served as Father's interpreter during



True Parents praying at 401 Fifth Avenue, the Tiffany Building, in New York City at the dedication of CAUSA, an anti-communist organization that would have a profound influence and galvanize the Unification Church. Across from True Parents is Dr. Pak and Mrs. Pak. At far-left is Dr. Thomas Ward.

Father's many speaking tours beginning in the early 1970s.

Dr. Pak also worked with the Freedom Leadership Foundation. He rose to national prominence in the late 1970s during the Korea hearings overseen by Donald Fraser, a US congressman. Dr. Pak took advantage of what was clearly a "witch hunt," to catch the attention and win the support of top American conservative leaders. Beginning then and later through the American Freedom Coalition, Dr. Pak maintained close ties with Gary Jarmin, Bob Grant and Christian Voice, an advocacy group. He engaged and built genuine friendships with political leaders such as Richard Ichord, a Missouri congressman, and Robert Wilson, a California congressman, and with public intellectuals such as *National Review* editor William Rusher, Colombian scholar-diplomat José María Chaves and *Newsweek* senior editor and later *Washington Times* editor-in-chief, Arnaud de Borchgrave.

As the Reagan presidency took root, Dr. Pak arranged the first CAUSA USA seminar. It took place in Jamaica in February 1983. Once CAUSA USA began, a tidal wave of support came from conservative Americans. People like General David Woellner, Lynn Bouchey, Terry Dolan, Warren Richardson, Don Sills, Cleon Skousen, Jerry Falwell and others grew to trust and find ways to work with Dr. Pak and Reverend and Mrs. Moon.

Conservative Christians appreciated America's founding values and her mission as a defender of freedom. Yet, these same Christians were at worst

inclined to condemn and at best to keep their distance from Reverend Moon. They had been led astray by the mainstream media's fanning the flames of panic and disdain toward him.

In the case of other religions and causes, the media did not report on a religion by highlighting one unfortunate incident, or by pointing to the wrongdoings of a subset within the group. Even when the press did so, they usually took pains to make it clear that such wrongdoings were an exception and not the rule for the religion in question.

In reporting on Reverend Moon and the Unification Church, the press engaged in caustic charades and mischaracterizations. Horror stories of brainwashing and deception became the defining identity of the church. Instead of exploring whether or not the lives of the American followers of Reverend Moon had taken a turn toward the better because of his teachings, the press, time and again, relied on the testimonies of disaffected members who had spent a year or two or even a few months in our church. The media made such people the virtual "spokespersons" for the church and portrayed them as "experts."

I was born and raised in a Roman Catholic family. I was an altar boy and, as a Boy Scout, was awarded the Ad Altare Dei medal, reserved for boy scouts who are members of the Roman Catholic faith. I had an uncle on my mother's side who was a Catholic priest. I had an aunt on my father's side who was a Catholic nun. My younger brother spent



Dr. Pak enjoying fellowship with a group of Christian leaders.

nine years in a Capuchin seminary. I did nine years of elementary and junior high school study in Catholic schools. I attended and graduated with high honors from the University of Notre Dame, the most famous American Catholic University. I did doctoral studies at the Catholic University of Paris and at De La Salle University, a respected Catholic University in the Philippines. Yet I have never presented myself as an “expert” on Roman Catholicism nor would the American press view me as such. In the case of the Unification Church, however, the American press and the major American television networks shamefully set a low bar in defining what they meant by “expert.”

Because of the American mainstream media’s handling of the Unification Church, Reverend Moon—a man who could actually invigorate Christians’ convictions in the ideological struggle against communism and the ideological battle to defend the family and America’s founding values—came to be viewed even by many conservative Christians as a pariah. Instead of appreciating the many common truths that they, as Christians, and Reverend Moon shared, the media had led them to focus on what our differences were.

Through Dr. Bo Hi Pak’s efforts, that changed. His testimony after showing the film “The Truth is my Sword” at CAUSA seminars allowed many Christians to empathize with him and with Reverend and Mrs. Moon. I don’t know how many times, I saw proud Christians, black and white, humble themselves after attending a CAUSA seminar and

hearing Dr. Pak’s testimony on True Parents. I don’t know how many times I saw conservative white Christians weep after they heard Dr. Pak share and express how sorry they felt that Reverend Moon had gone to prison and that they had preached against him without knowing who he was.

Conditioned by my own negative, leftist life experience mindset prior to the church to see conservative Christians as our “enemies,” I would never have believed that Christians could navigate the gap between themselves and True Parents. I did not believe but Dr. Pak did. Dr. Pak not only believed that it was possible to reach Christian conservatives. He KNEW it and he bonded with them, so through him, we could learn to do so as well. Because of Dr. Pak, I came to respect Christians, to see the qualities that they had that I did not and recognize how much and why God and True Parents loved and cared for them so much.

Dr. Pak, True Parents and US members

I met and joined the Unification while I was a student at the University of Paris. I remember witnessing one day in early 1972 with another church member in Lyons, France. The member said that he doubted that even if we followed True Parents faithfully, we could ever hope to receive True Parents’ blessing. We were just too far away from what God needed. We feared God and True Parents more than we loved them.

Sometime in 1980, for the first time, I found myself riding in Dr. Pak’s car with him. The CAUSA providence was just beginning and I literally felt that I was in heaven. Dr. Pak had an amazing ability to radiate optimism and hope. He also served as a bridge to True Father and True Mother in a way that Americans could understand and appreciate. Through Dr. Pak, my fear of True Parents could be elevated to love.

Dr. Pak brought us close to True Parents, brought many Americans in front of True Parents, time and time again, and assured us of True Parents’ love for us. Dr. Pak shared testimonies about America, about the American people and about American church members so that Father and Mother could also find reasons to love us more. True Parents became real people for Americans and that bond continues to this day.

I don’t know if Saint Peter still guards the pearly gates. He will surely be inspired and learn from Dr. Bo Hi Pak. Thank you, Dr. Pak and Mrs. Ki Sook Yoon Pak, America owes you forever. *TP*

Thomas Ward served as the executive vice president of CAUSA International and considers himself blessed to have worked closely with Dr. Bo Hi Pak from 1980 to 1993.

Leading a Ballet Company into Battle

A glimpse into the heart of Dr. Bo Hi Pak

By Anne Inoue

We will miss Dr. Pak after all the support he gave us at Universal Ballet. He tried to attend every one of our performances. I don't mean one performance of every season or series. I mean every performance. If we had five performances of Giselle, he would come five times.

If we had eight performances of Swan Lake, he would come eight times. And after every performance, he would come to see us backstage and give us a pep talk.

He pushed the company to grow so much faster

than we thought was possible. In 1986, he told us to make a new Korean Ballet based on the Shim Chung legend for the Asian Games and then to upgrade it for the Olympics in 1988. And he wouldn't take "No" for an answer.

In 1991, when we prepared the plans and budgets for 1992, he said he would not bring the report and budget request to True Parents unless we rearranged it to add "Swan Lake." "Swan Lake" is the best-known work in the classical ballet repertory, and we were just a seven-year-old company way off in Korea, far from Europe and Russia

True Parents invited Dr. Pak and his wife Ki-sook Yoon Pak to celebrate his sixtieth birthday (August 18, 1990) with them during the Assembly of the World's Religions Conference in San Francisco.





Hoonsook nim, also known as Julia HJ Moon, is seated to her father's right; to the left of Mrs. Pak is Mrs. Anne Inoue, the writer. With Universal Ballet, being in part a patriotic effort to garner respect for the Republic of Korea, they took on big challenges and they worked exceedingly hard.

where the ballet experts and traditions can be found. We did not think we were ready for "Swan Lake." But he was adamant, Add "Swan Lake" or no budget for next season. So we rearranged everything and put "Swan Lake" in the schedule and in the budget, even though we were afraid it would look like "Duck Lake."

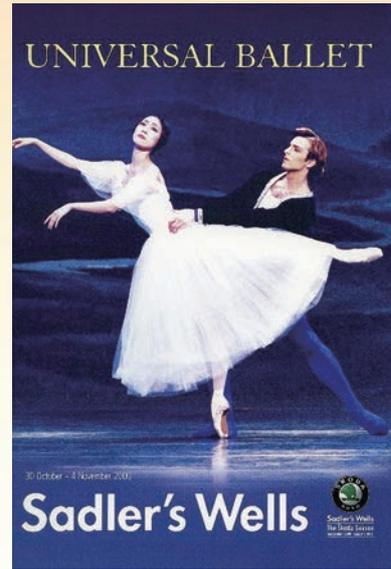
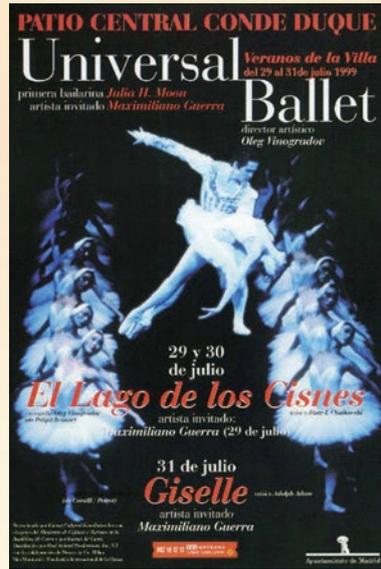
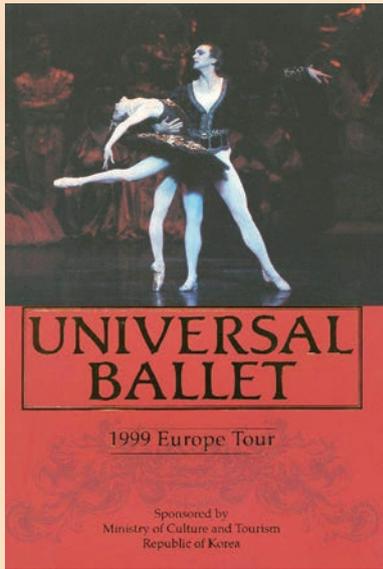
1992 came. We spent almost half the year learning new styles and techniques, and then finally the new choreography for "Swan Lake." Fortunately, the iron curtain had fallen in 1991, which meant we could invite top experts from Russia to help us

with this "mission impossible." November 1992 came, and we gave our premiere performances and we realized he was right. Somehow, we were ready. He knew we would be. But we hadn't really been ready to believe it.

Then he took us on tours all over the world to perform "Shim Chung" and "Swan Lake" in Japan (including twenty-two performances of "Swan Lake" in sixteen cities in thirty-two days in 1994), as well as in Taiwan, New York, London, Washington DC's Kennedy Center, and finally in more than forty countries, including Russia. Being on tour

Dr. Bo Hi Pak and his daughter, Julia HJ Moon, enjoying a taste of success during Universal Ballet's tour of Europe.





Historic posters of an organization that competes and shines in a strict professional environment and has done so for decades

with Dr. Pak was an unforgettable experience. He coached us to keep a battle-ready mentality when we were on tour, ready to solve any unexpected obstacle that might arise, so that none of them would harm the performances.

One day in Munich we were missing seventeen suitcases that had not made the flight the day before, containing dancers' performance shoes. We had to set up the whole stage, rehearse with a local orchestra and do a performance of "Swan Lake" the same evening, and the furnace at the hotel was broken, so there was no hot water for showers. But he kept us all calm and focused, and we found a solution for each of the challenges.

We will never forget those twenty-five years of tours we took with him. Thank you Dr. Pak! We

love you! We will never forget you!

The is an unofficial translation from Korean of Hoonsook nim's message to members following the ascension of her father, Dr. Bo Hi Pak: "Dad ascended this morning at 7:30. I pray that since he went to the heavenly realms during this time, a time of the providence more important and intense than any other, we can tell that he has gone to the spirit world following Yo Han Lee to attend True Father and to support True Mother as she leads us in the crucial work to open the Era to Firmly Establish the heavenly united Korea.

"Thank you very much for joining us to honor and support him; I ask that you also join us with your prayers." 







- ① The Little Angels pay tribute to Dr. Pak by singing songs he had composed.
- ② Dr. Young-ho Yun was MC; Rev. Eiji Tokuno gave the invocation; Rev. No-hi Pak spoke of his older brother's life and achievements; Mrs. Wonju McDevitt spoke of how Dr. Pak profoundly changed her life; Rev. Gi-seong Lee gave the Seonghwa Address; ex-speaker of the National Assembly, Sye-kyun Chung, and Rev. Sun-jo Hwang gave eulogies; Rev. Richard Buessing read Dr. Ki-hoon Kim's message
- ③ Rev. Gi-seong Lee and his wife light a candle to commence Dr. Pak's Seonghwa Ceremony
- ④ Julia HJ Moon among those offering a flower at her father's Seonghwa Ceremony
- ⑤ UPA cadets lower the casket carrying a much-loved Korean War veteran, upon whom True Mother bestowed the posthumous title, "The loyal son who helped firmly establish the era of heavenly unified Korea."
- ⑥ Director Julia HJ Moon shovels earth onto the boards covering her father's casket.
- ⑦ The Wonjeon Address
- ⑧ Director Moon speaks to those who had come to bid her father farewell.



Raise Future Leaders in Africa through Hyo Jeong Education

By Philbert Seka



Today with the heart of a True Parent, as True Mother, I have come to eradicate Africa's past pain and begin a new history for Africa. True Mother said on January 18, 2018, at the Africa Summit in Senegal in front of one thousand two hundred dignitaries.

Starting a new history has been the dream of all generations of Africans since slavery time. Our ancestors longed for freedom and peace. Pitifully, with a broken heart full of resentment, they left this world without seeing that dream come true. Due to that sorrowful situation, Africa experienced wars, hunger, poverty, sicknesses. In 1960, when True Parents' Holy Wedding took place, most African countries got their Independence from the European colonists. It was a glow of hope. But still, Africa continued to face difficulties. Its youth are completely disoriented.

Coming to Africa, True Mother, with the loving heart of True Parent, offered sincere devotions to liberate the sorrowful spirits of African ancestors.

Now, the liberated ancestors are working with their descendants as mentioned by True Mother in her prayer on Gorée Island to build a brighter future. To testify to that, in the same year, 2018, the providential work in Africa has reached a greater level. More tribal messiah activities have been conducted throughout the continent.

The lamp True Mother lit has brought about a spiritual revival in Africa. In all corners of the continent, True Mother's messages have moved prominent religious leaders, traditional rulers and political leaders. Moreover, the new generation is committed to embodying the hyo jeong culture as part of their education so that they can mature well as future leaders.

On January 20, 2018, True Mother invited me to join her breakfast meeting in Dakar with key world leaders of our movement after the Africa Summit. There, she explained the importance of educating young people: "We need to change and awaken the mentality of people. Since Europeans didn't educate Africans, people lack knowledge to do things on their own. We should not try to solve situations with money. We need to educate young people spiritually and intellectually, so that they can improve the economy. Someone who is educated is capable of anything. Make people healthy, not with money but through education. Africa is the continent of heart. We have so many materials to educate Africa." She said. She concluded by adding, "You need to do your best. Only by doing so, can Africa become Heavenly Africa." She then appointed me as president of Youth and Students for Peace in Heavenly Africa. I was so humbled and honored to receive such a great blessing from True Mother. I never imagined in my life that one day, I would be in front of our True Parents to experience this. To receive an appointment directly from True Parents is really something. But when I flashed back on all that True Mother had said, I realized how huge the responsibility of leading young people is. At the same time, I was full of hope because as True Mother had

said, if we are with her, there is no room for fear and we can accomplish everything.

A year has passed since this amazing experience. Following True Mother's instructions, we have managed to make a path where there is no road. We first organized teams of young people in the church centered on second-generation members and Carp members to focus on schools and communities in teaching Hyo Jeong Character Education. We organized regular training of trainers and set up clubs in pilot schools and communities to create a model that members can replicate at other sites.

In few months, the results went beyond our expectations. In some countries such as Cote d'Ivoire, Benin, D R Congo, Nigeria, Liberia, Zimbabwe, Senegal, Sao Tome and Principe, education policymakers want to own the Hyo Jeong Character Education and include it in school curricula.

During the Second Africa Summit in Cape Town, all the dignitaries from Africa nations who attended said they need peace but more precious for them is good education materials to teach their youth. According to them, YSP is the best channel to achieve that goal.

I'm confident that we can succeed and raise capable leaders among young people who will transform Africa with hyo jeong culture in the near future. I'm sincerely grateful to our True Mother for the opportunity given to live to my golden age when she is alive. So far, we have established YSP in thirty African nations and fifteen have done the inauguration already. I believe that YSP can make a difference in Africa. *PS*

The writer is the president of Youth and Students for Peace in Heavenly Africa.

The Value to Africa of Youth and Students for Peace

David Pilling, Africa editor for *Financial Times*, wrote last August, “Populations in Europe and the Americas have stopped growing. The population of Asia will peak at around five billion by 2050. For the next century, most of the increase in the world’s population will happen in Africa. The UN’s base case is that the number of Africans will double in thirty years to two billion and at least double again, to four billion, by the end of the century. If all those new people can find jobs and opportunities, global [economic] growth will gradually shift to Africa.”

Writing seven years ago about the African Development Bank in *The New African*, Stephen Williams warned, “Africa has the fastest-growing and most youthful population in the world. Over 40 percent are under the age of fifteen and 20 percent are between the ages of fifteen and twenty-four (the definition of youth). These statistics present a serious challenge. Can Africa seize the opportunities being presented, or do Africa’s youth constitute a ticking, demographic time-bomb?”

Similarly concerned is a prominent Nigerian senator, Ibrahim Mantu, who is prompting young people to acquire skills, to learn a trade, become a carpenter or an electrician, learn masonry or auto repair, improve their skills or increase their education in



order to avoid a dismal, impoverished future. Significantly, he is not just a senator and a former deputy president of the Nigerian Senate, he is the chairman of UPF Nigeria. He was among the important figures that attended the launching of Youth and Students for Peace in Abuja, Nigeria in 2017. More than five hundred people attended the launching, including members of FFWPU youth groups, the National Youth Council of Nigeria, Peace Corp-Nigeria, ambassadors for peace, Gbagyi Reform and Youth Empowerment, Abuja (an ethnic organization); Nigerian Police, Nigerian Security Civil Defense Corp, Federal Road Safety Corp, State Security Service, National Youth Service Corp, and local media.

These are vital times for Africa.

Some are calling the rapid population increase—especially the large component of youth as part of the population—a demographic dividend, like a financial bonus. So much depends on what young people make of themselves. True Mother’s creation of Youth and Students for Peace is great news for African nations. Chapters are multiplying, as Koreans tend to say, like mushrooms after a rainfall.

Some national chapter activities

In Côte d’Ivoire, in April last year, YSP led training of trainers programs in three cities, Abidjan, the commercial capital of the nation and home to about twenty percent of the nation’s people; Yamoussoukro, the nation’s administrative capital, and Grand Bassam, which was for a time the capital when Côte d’Ivoire was a French colony. They trained twelve primary or kindergarten teachers and administrators in the Family School, in Abidjan. Thirty-five underwent training in Yamoussoukro, including some principals. Collectively they have 1,400 students under their care. In Grand Bassam, they trained three hundred student teachers who will be dispersed to various public schools.

Côte d’Ivoire started with fourteen pilot schools. Eight regional education inspectors who work for the government’s Ministry of Education recognize the value of the educational material. The inspectors accepted the mission of establishing 120 pilot schools nationwide and of persuading the Ministry of Education to add Hyo Jeong Character Education to the national curriculum by next year.

YSP-Ghana with their local UPF chapter held a meeting of businesspeople, civic leaders, presidents of university student governments and members of the Disabled Association of Ghana on Sunday, August 12, to celebrate UN International Day of Youth. A key topic of discussion centered on the Guns-Down Africa 2020 Peace Campaign as well as a Peace Award Night.

Ms. Isis Christelle Gohi, first vice-president of YSP-Ghana, led the Youth Day commemoration. Tegha King, president of YSP Ghana, explained the intent of the Guns Down Africa campaign and added that because of Ghana’s national legacy, the nation was well suited as a mediator to



- ① Senator Ibrahim Mantu is second from the left;
- ② Some Nigerian youth became peace ambassadors
- ③ 529 people attended the YSP-Nigeria launch.
- ④ A young Ghanaian becomes an ambassador for peace.
- ⑤ The Guns-Down Africa 2020 Peace Campaign is supporting the African Union’s aim of silencing guns across Africa by next year.
- ⑥ Ghanaians march with Peace Road banners on the UN International Day of Peace
- ⑦ The East African Pure Love Club Camp with students from Rwanda and Uganda
- ⑧ They study Divine Principle and character education materials.

bring peace to Africa. He was perhaps alluding to Kwame Nkrumah (1909–1972) a political figure who led his nation out from under colonialism and was a key proponent of African unity and a founding member of the Organization of African Unity.

On December 7, YSP held the fourth annual East African Camp for high school students, eight from Rwanda and twenty-seven from Uganda. The Ugandans came from twenty different schools, which is fortunate, because one purpose of the camp was to establish school-based Pure Love Clubs in each nation of the East Africa subregion. The students learned their role in creating a peaceful culture. They listened to a talk on four types of love in a family, heard an introduction to the Divine Principle and received internal guidance. A musical on the dangers of HIV/AIDS moved them. 

A True Peace magazine staff member compiled this mainly from reports.

AN ACADEMY THAT TRAINS MESSIAHS

By Laurent Ladouce

The Heavenly Tribal Messiah Academy is a component of the FFWPU International Headquarters. Its director is Rev. Jin-hun Yong. Mr. Hyun-yong Cho, one of his assistants, agrees that the academy is both a think tank and a do-tank. "Tribal Messiahship started full scale in 2015, first in Asia and then in other areas. At some point, within our international headquarters, came a call for a structure that can provide education, guidance and inspiration and collect empirical data and testimonies. The HTM Academy was thus launched in October 2017." Members are encouraged to contact their regional HTM Academy. "We have branches in the seven regional groups, and some regions actually have several branch offices," Mr. Cho added.

Rev. Jin-hun Yong is traveling around the world; this is the do-tank aspect of the academy. "He gets out there, despite his language limitations, and inspires members all over the world that they can do it. He invests in both the spiritual and strategic aspects, including building and caring for his own tribe," said Julian Gray, who works in another department of the international headquarters. "The academy provides the theory, more precisely, the detailed theological background that tribal messiahs need to start and conduct their activities properly. It must empower blessed couples to believe that they can achieve the status of tribal messiahs."

"The HTM Academy educated us about the difference between traditional witnessing and tribal messiahship," commented Rev. Hajime Saito, special envoy to Cambodia, based in

Battambang. "Traditional witnessing means finding John-the-Baptist figures; we still need to do that, but through that we only restore the elder sonship. When you bless 430 couples, you restore parentship, which is much deeper. And when you have at least twelve heavenly tribal messiah victors, you start to believe in the restoration of kingship, or national restoration. We've long heard of this theory; it is now real."

Questions raised by tribal messiahship are both theoretical and practical. For example, Why should we do it? We may have a strong desire, motivated by our faith and the promptings of our original mind. But in some cases, the motivation is in conflict with other desires: I first want to focus on the unity between my spouse and me and in our family, or I should first liberate and bless my ancestors.

Mr. Cho said, "In Europe, blessed couples are sometimes discouraged by the heavy pressure. They are paralyzed and must be liberated. In Korea too, couples complain and voice their struggles, but they more naturally feel a connection with True Parents. Everywhere, people must be motivated."

Another question is, What for? National messiahship is crucial for the sake of restoring a nation. Twelve victors are a foundation to restore the nation. But suppose you live in a nation hostile toward FFWPU or one with few members or an unsupportive national leader.

Director Yong completed his 430 couples in Battambang. When he visited there for the second time, he was surprised to see dozens of young people living in the center, all of them children of recently blessed couples. "Director Yong had never seen this pattern elsewhere,"



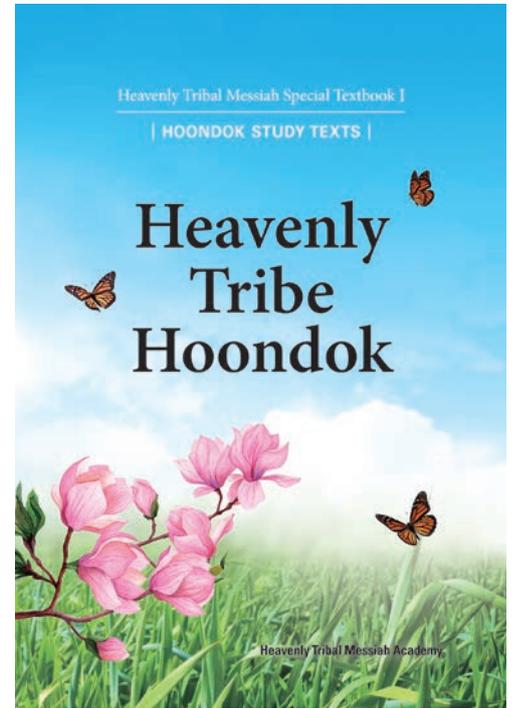
From left: Hajime Saito, special Cheon Il Guk envoy to Cambodia, Director Yong and two members of his tribe: The academy Rev. Yong directs seeks to marry practical ideas and heart.

Rev. Saito explained. He wants to advocate this pattern. We have to guide 430 couples to complete the forty-day separation and three-day ceremony, but then we should deeply invest in their children, who are much better educated and able to make a difference. Most of our 430 Cambodian couples are poor and could not study much; but almost all of their children completed high school or college in Battambang. If we guide their children to the matching and toward a happy family, they will realize all their dreams. Rev. Yong will stress this good practice, which he saw in Battambang.”

“Where” is also a theoretical and practical issue. Ideally, at the deepest level, we should be victorious messiahs in our hometowns, with our relatives. But many members feel that their hometown is the last place they’d succeed, so they do it elsewhere, even in another country. Right now, statistically, you are more likely to be a successful messiah in rural areas in a developing country than in Tokyo, Seoul or New York.

That is one of the areas in which HTM Academy is useful. Among the books it has published (see excerpts on pages 34–43), is one of testimonies, including some by blessed couples who were successful in secularized urban areas. Check with your region’s HTM Academy for the book collection or download the books by name from Amazon[dot]com to a Kindle app on any device free of charge.

Questions about methodology (how to do it?) are also both theoretical and empirical. Standardized and universal procedures should be adapted to the local situation. Information about good practices is helpful. Absolute faith does not mean absolute dogma. The HTM Academy



This book, produced by HTM Academy is hoondok material suitable for new members. It is part of a textbook series.

stimulates our curiosity and provides tools to make us more creative and to learn from others.

Even the timing is both theoretical and empirical. We know of the deadline and of the push to focus on, 2020. At the same time, the dedicated tribal messiah knows that it is not a short campaign, but a lifelong vocation that requires much follow-up.

Franco Famularo, FFWPU leader in Canada sees three roles for the HTM Academy: it provides education. It helps share testimonies and best practices and it should mobilize human and material resources to help global development.

Anne Inoue supervised the English translation and editing of the four-book Heavenly Tribal Messiah Collection, in collaboration with FFWPU-USA’s Publication Department and the FFWPU International Headquarters. “The hoondok reading passages gave me a good idea of how to approach maintaining my faith and teaching tribe members how to maintain their faith,” she said regarding *Heavenly Tribe Hoondok*. Moreover, “I was very inspired to read the twenty-five testimonies from different people to see their various approaches to outreach and caring for their tribe members.” Finally, she praises the materials on methodology. “I found a lot of information in volumes two and four about how to organize and run a mission center. After reading them, I felt that if I were dropped in a mission area and had to make everything new from scratch, those two books would be immensely helpful in knowing what to do.”

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THE DREAM IN WHICH I CAN BECOME PERFECT BY ENABLING MY PARTNER TO BECOME PERFECT

This is an excerpt from the first book of the four-book Heavenly Tribal Messiah Collection, which has the title What Is a Heavenly Tribal Messiah? As our understanding of this central mission matures, we can face the challenge of achieving it with greater confidence.

What does it mean to be an ideal family that resembles Heavenly Parent? It refers to the tradition of living for the sake of others and enabling the object partner to reach perfection, centering on Heavenly Parent's attributes, so that subject partner can reach perfection. In other words, the value and perfection of the husband does not lie with himself but with the wife. This is because he does not call himself "husband"; it is his wife who calls him that. There may be many women in the world, but the only one who calls you "husband" is your wife.

Likewise, the value of the wife does not lie with herself, but is created and perfected through the husband. Therefore, there is no perfection for the person in the family who simply says, Follow me. You must move according to the object partner who enables you to reach perfection. Only then can your position be recognized and you can take the path to perfection. In conclusion, the perfection of my value does not lie with me. It can be perfected only through my partner. Therefore, to become perfect, we must put effort into enabling our object partner to become perfect. Only then can our position be perfected.

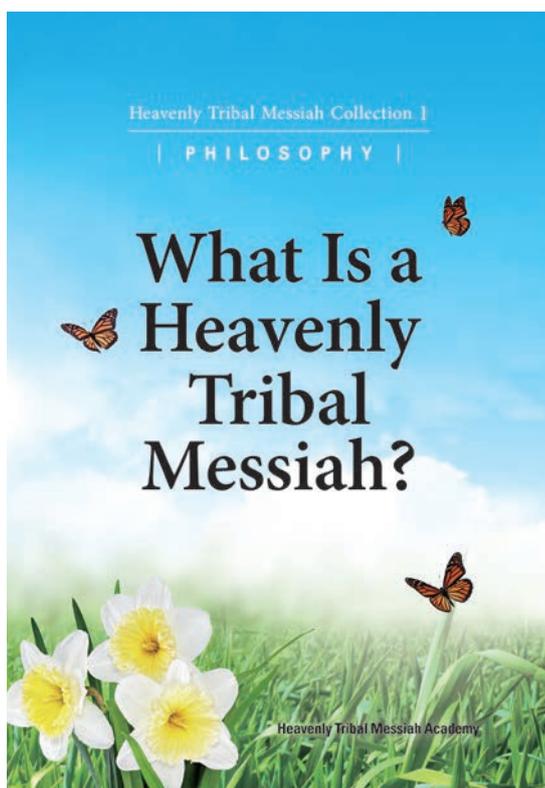
This also applies to the parent-child relationship. The parent cannot fulfill the position of parents on his or her own. It is created by the child. Even if you are a married couple, if you do not give birth to children, you have no

object partners to call you Mom and Dad. Then you cannot become parents. The value of mom and dad, the value of parents, does not lie with the parents but rather with the children who call them parents. That is why parents take the path of sacrifice, because it is only when the parents enable the child to become perfect that their position as parents can be fulfilled.

In our broader family

The same principle can be seen when the position of the master can be perfected only when the disciple acknowledges that position, and the position of the president of a country can be perfected only when the citizens acknowledge it. Therefore, we must take the path that the partner wants to take and the path of enabling our partner to become perfect in order for our position to be fulfilled. In the same way, why did Heavenly Parent create human beings? It was because he cannot become a parent without creating human beings as his children and enabling them to become perfect.

The conclusion is that our perfection does not lie with us. However, people in the world say, "If you help me and complete me, I will complete you." Satan, in the form of a serpent, used this method when he tempted Adam and Eve. "For God knows that when you eat the fruit of the tree of knowledge of good and evil, your eyes will be opened like Heavenly Parent. Eat it and then your eyes will be opened." Ultimately,



The Heavenly Tribal Messiah Collection is a deep exploration of a vital mission and the books in the collection are free of charge.

he tempted them to put his own benefit first. He tempted human beings to preserve his own position.

The original ideal world is a world where I can become perfected by enabling my partner to become perfect. It is a world where we are acknowledged and reach perfection by living for the sake of others. If we invest and sacrifice to try to enable our partner to become perfect, our position also can be perfected as our partner becomes perfect. For example, there may be parents who only graduated from elementary school, but if they invest and sacrifice to raise their child to be the president of the country, they can be recognized as the parents of the president, having the same value as the child who has reached perfection. From this perspective, why do we do heavenly tribal messiah activities?

Steps to realize a heavenly family

First: Only when our family completes the Cain tribe, can our family be perfected as a heavenly family. If there is no Cain tribe, our family cannot become perfect. This is because the path for Satan to enter would be wide. However, if the Cain tribe is restored, Satan cannot attack. This is because the Cain realm is the symbol of the lineage of the people who followed Satan. Therefore, the Abel tribe can be protected by the defensive barrier of the Cain realm. That is why the Abel tribe must love those in the Cain tribe until the very end,

guide them to take the path toward knowing Heavenly Parent and realizing the restoration of the authority of siblings (restoration of the authority of the eldest son).

Second is to perfect love. If we love many people and enable them to reach perfection, it may seem as if we took the path of investing and sacrificing for our partner, but at some point, we will receive recognition from many people and be in the position of parents and receive the right of inheritance. We will be born as heavenly tribal messiahs who resembles Heavenly Parent. Therefore, in the end, the completion of the restoration of the tribe is not a burden but a hopeful movement. It is the only path by which I perfect myself, by enabling my partner to reach perfection, and for my family to be perfected by taking the path of restoration of the tribe. It is the movement in which all humankind is building one family under the original parents. It is the movement in which we ascend as the parents of the tribe. Based on that foundation, the perfection of the people, nation and cosmos can be realized.

We have come to understand that the restoration of the tribe is the path for the perfection of my family. All blessed families of the Family Federation who have first received the calling of God's will and have participated in the blessing are blessed central families, centered on Heavenly Parent. In other words, the situation in which we can inherit the position of the unfallen Adam and Eve's family has been secured. Therefore, we must establish the model of an unfallen family and take the path that can be a model for others. The establishment of that model family cannot be realized when we try to perfect our family alone. Only when we form tribes of large numbers and try to enable them to be perfected, can our family be protected and be perfected. That is how our family can be perfected through our partner. Blessed family members should emulate the attributes of Heavenly Parent and fulfill the needs of the tribe, our spiritual children, practice true love and work on their shortcomings, what is lacking in them, so they can be more complete individuals. When that happens, the members of our tribe will acknowledge our family and say, Our heavenly tribal messiah is a model family centered on Heavenly Parent. That model can then be expanded and manifested as the tribal community, the masterpiece of our life. Through that, our family can find again the original model of the unfallen family of Adam and Eve, and the tribe members will come to have the name and the realm of authority of parents. *✠*

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BECOMING A HEAVENLY TRIBAL MESSIAH

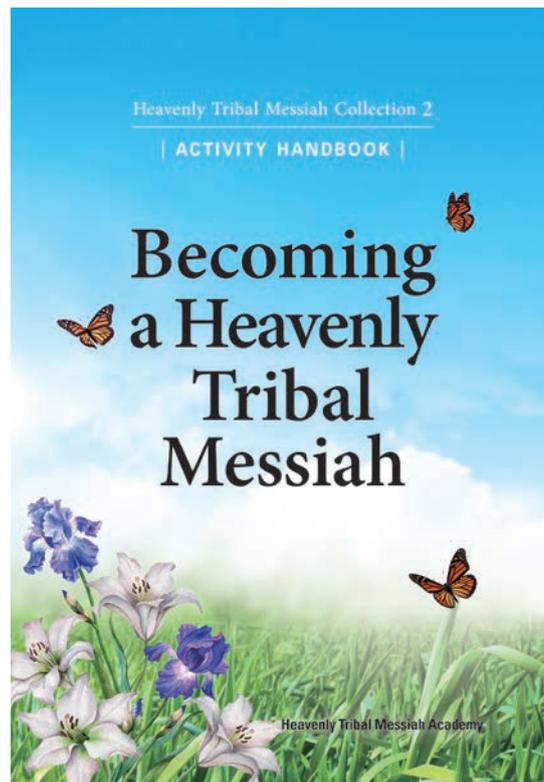
This is an excerpt from the second book of the four-book Heavenly Tribal Messiah Collection, which has the same title as this excerpt. HTM Academy, formed in 2017 produced the books and disseminated some copies to each region They are also available as Kindle books.

Originally, Adam and Eve should have grown to maturity, received the marriage blessing and formed a beautiful family. Humankind should have been built on that original family. Had Adam and Eve received the marriage blessing, Heavenly Parent, an incorporeal being, would have become one with them by residing within them. God's dream for creation was becoming a Creator with a physical form. God created the first ancestors, Adam and Eve, to multiply and give birth to future generations and have dominion over creation. Therefore, the second generation, Adam and Eve, and the third generation, grandchildren, would form Heavenly Parent's kingship on earth centering on the first generation, Heavenly Parent. The purpose of creation was to pass this tradition on eternally. Thus, blessed members should take Adam and Eve's position before the Fall, when they receive the blessing and build a family in which three generations—the grandparents, parents and grandchildren—live harmoniously. In other words, a family's three generations should become one. Within that family, parental love, conjugal love, siblings' love and children's love will achieve heart-to-heart unity and form a model of heaven.

Conjugal love is important

In the beginning, God hoped that Adam and Eve would mature and fulfill his ideal of becoming one with him. That is why the scriptures record that after he created Adam, God took a rib and created Eve, having seen that Adam was lonely. We must not infer that Adam had a higher position than Eve because God created him first. The point of this verse is to emphasize

that by taking a piece of Adam to create Eve, God created them from one body. Therefore, the love between a husband and wife should perfect both: an absolute subject partner creates an absolute object partner, and an absolute object partner creates an absolute subject partner. This is the order of creation. In other words, your wife is the only person out of all the women in the world who calls you her husband and accepts your value. Only when that woman



These books go far beyond numerical goals in describing this messianic mission.

accepts you as her husband can you perfect your position as a husband. Likewise, when a woman's husband accepts her as his wife, she perfects her position as a wife. Therefore, you need to align yourself with your spouse, because your spouse has the authority to perfect your position. Putting yourself at the center does not allow your spouse to perfect you. The one thing that only you can do is fulfill your spouse's needs and help your spouse grow. When your husband or wife rises toward perfection, you also can rise at the same rate. The wife's level of perfection is not up to her but is up to how much her husband helps her grow. Thus, two people can become the ideal couple that God has dreamed of when they concentrate on perfecting each other and fulfilling each other's needs.

Parental heart is important

Using a similar reasoning as that described above, the parents alone do not determine the parents' position but the children calling them their parents determine it. As a result, how much parents enable their children to grow to perfection is the basis for establishing the parents' value. Hence, even secular parents serve their children like slaves. Why is this? By enabling their children to reach perfection, they gain the title, "good parents." Their success as parents is evaluated in relation to their children's success. Therefore, God has carried out the history of human salvation because human beings, who are his children, need to call him their parent in order for him to perfect his position as a parent.

The realm of children's love

Children are in the position to become future parents themselves. Children who receive their parents' devoted love also return love with a filial heart. When they do their best to love their parents, their parents give them recognition. Therefore, the parents hand over their right as parents to the parents of the future world, their children. The children inherit the right to lineage, the right to inheritance; grown children inherit the right of equal status, which places them in a position equal to that of their parents and gives them the right to participate as equals with their parents. Thus, the perfection of children does not come about by them claiming it on their own; rather, being accepted by their parents establishes their position and value.

The realm of siblings' love

Adam and Eve committed the Fall and a conflict between Cain and Abel divided their family. Our original parent, God, hopes that the brothers will unite and return to their original parent. Thus, we need not only to unite our physical children but also to seek out their brothers in the lost Cain realm and unite them with our children as brothers. In other words, brothers need to live for one another's sake. An individual cannot create his own position, but when he takes the path to gaining recognition from his brother, the value of his individual position will be recognized and perfected. His value is determined when the brother can say, My brother is a true person.

You do not determine your own value. You achieve individual perfection through other people, not yourself. If this process were disrupted, the realms of heart,

between a husband and wife, parents to their children, children to their parents, and among siblings would be incomplete. Your family is the foundation to realize these four great realms of heart. One should expand and multiply the four great realms of heart that one learns in the family to one's tribe, society, nation and the world. In other words, the three great kingships and the four great realms of heart perfect the family of Adam and Eve to its state before the Fall. Before the Fall, Adam and Eve should have fulfilled the three great kingships and the four great realms of heart and become the royal family, God's direct lineage. Therefore, the ultimate purpose of the providence is to restore fallen humankind and build the royal family. Blessed families need to complete this mission. Centering on the families that Heavenly Parent established, in an effort to establish an absolute standard, he needed models for a grandfather, grandmother, father, mother, a couple and children. Korea, the nation of the chosen people, is oriented toward large extended families. Heavenly tribal messiahs should aim to leave behind a traditional history in which seven generations of Abel's tribe and Cain's tribe can live as one community.

An ideal family resembling Heavenly Parent

What is an ideal family that resembles Heavenly Parent? As mentioned above, it is a family that establishes the three great kingships and the four great realms of heart. True lineage, true love and true traditions comprise the mainstream in this family, which lives for others' sake by centering on Heavenly Parent's characteristics, for the perfection of the other and then the perfection of the self. In other words, the recognition and perfection of a husband's values come not from himself but from his wife. It is the same for the wife. In this way, the wife creates and perfects her husband's value. It is the same for the perfection of the wife's value. Therefore, no perfection comes to the family through someone who demands others to follow. You must move centering on those who perfect you. Then you will receive recognition and can take the path to perfection. Ultimately, the other person determines one's perfected value. Thus, to reach perfection, one should strive to perfect other people.

This law applies to parents and to children, because children are the ones who perfect the position of parents. Therefore, when parents perfect their children, they are taking the path of sacrifice to perfect the parents' position. From this point of view, why did God create human beings as his children? After creating them, God was to perfect them and become their parent. Therefore, why do we need to do heavenly tribal messiah activities? The perfection of your family can rise to the level of heavenly family perfection when you perfect Cain's tribe. If there is no Cain tribe, one cannot perfect one's family because Satan can invade. However, if the Cain realm is restored, those from it become a defense mechanism against Satan and protect the Abel tribe. Therefore, restoring one's tribe is not a burden but a hopeful movement. We all should have this wish. The whole of humankind is meant to form one family under the original parent. On that foundation, we can perfect a people, a nation and the cosmos. *TP*

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HEAVENLY PARENT AND TRUE PARENTS GAVE ME NEW LIFE

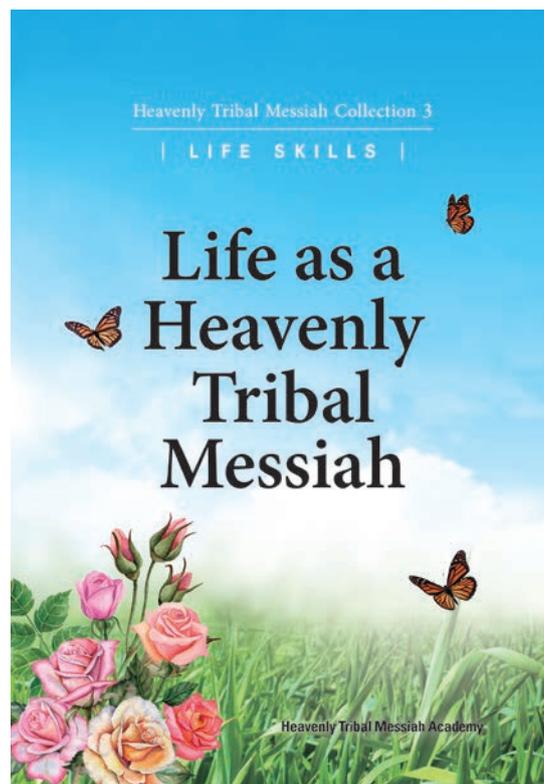
This is an excerpt from a book of personal testimonies, the third book of the four-book Heavenly Tribal Messiah Collection. HTM Academy, a group within the FFWPU International Headquarters with branches in each region, produced the books and disseminated copies through those branches.

By Lee Ker Shung

I joined the church on June 1, 1974, when I was a sophomore at Taiwan University, majoring in mathematics. I have followed True Parents and been on the path of faith for more than forty years, but I clearly remember this date because it was the day I was reborn through Heavenly Parent and True Parents with a life full of blessings.

I grew up in a Christian family. Every time I faced difficulties in my life of faith, my ancestors helped me; they would appear in my dreams and encourage me to stay in the church. God's ideal of creation attracted me. I believed that God has guided history throughout the course of restoration, and I simply believed that the heavenly kingdom would be built within three years. A month after I joined the church, I did forty days of pioneer witnessing with another brother. Six months later, I took time off from school and became a full-time member to raise funds and to witness. The foundation of heart I learned during this period has become a great motivation for me to carry on my life of faith with the firm belief that I can fulfill my providential missions. After three years of military service, I went back to school and continued my college studies. I became a CARP leader before graduating. Then I worked as a church leader, pioneering churches in the cities of Tainan and Kaohsiung.

My wife is Sui Chin Wu (Soo Gyeong-oh in Korean). She was born in North Chungcheong Province, Korea, in 1953. In 1972, she began her university studies in Taiwan and joined the



Once messiahship becomes a lifestyle we will see deep social change within are movement and the world.



A heavenly tribal messiah blessing in 2016 for couples witnessed to and cared for by the Lee Ker Shung and Sui Chin Wu family

church on April 17, 1974. We were matched in 1978 and blessed in 1982, in the six thousand couple blessing. We have two daughters. After the heavenly tribal messiah blessing by the Lee Ker Shung and Sui Chin Wu family (2016) I became Taiwan's national leader. Later I was the regional president of the Greater China Region, which I am now the regional vice president of. True Father mentioned that if there were twelve heavenly tribal messiahs in a nation, that nation would be changed and restored. These words inspired me. I wanted to restore Taiwan as God's nation, so I gave much thought to the issues I must overcome to fulfill this mission. I was determined that the way to give back the great love and blessing given to me by Heavenly Parent and True Parents was to return happiness and glory to them by fulfilling my mission as a heavenly tribal messiah.

Hardships led to blessings

When my wife was doing pioneer witnessing in the city of Kaohsiung, the government banned our church and prohibited us from practicing any religious activities. Not only was it difficult for us to go out witnessing, but the existence of our church itself was in crisis. We were in a situation in which the police could question or arrested us anytime, anywhere. However, my wife did not give up; she carried on with witnessing. One day, she entered a store while

fundraising on the street. A young girl was looking after the store; this was unusual for her, because she was not a full-time employee and she rarely looked after the store. Only by chance, she was in the store that day. My wife asked her to buy some of the pens she was selling. The girl had no reason to buy pens because they sold many pens in the store. My wife said, "If you cannot buy them, please come with me to study the Divine Principle." Later, my wife told me that even she did not know why she had said that. She felt that maybe the spirit world was urging her to. The girl came to study the Divine Principle regularly, but her parents were irate and often blocked her from coming to the church. They were strongly against Protestants and Catholics. When she finished the Divine Principle study course, we encouraged her to quit her job and become a full-time member. At first, she hesitated; she worried that her father would cause trouble or he might become so angry that he could even die of high-blood pressure. We told her that God would bless and protect him if she truly focused on God's providence. In the end, her angry father did everything to break off her relationship with the church, but she made up her mind and became a full-time member. She believed that God would protect her father and family. I realized some things through this event. First, although witnessing may not be

easy, around the corner are people whom God has prepared and hidden for you to find. Second, Heaven can work when the jeongseong offered by the witnessing person matches the situation of the person being witnessed to.

Find ways to meet righteous people

I joined a reading club in my village. When I had a chance to lead the group's activities, I suggested we read True Father's autobiography. At first, people were puzzled as to why I suggested this book, but after I introduced True Father's life course and we read the whole book, three people joined the church. I started giving those three people Divine Principle lectures after they signed the membership application. I hope to raise them to be regular members and sub-leaders of our home group activities.

In this way, I looked for things to do within my community, and these led to successful witnessing. Lately, we have focused on carrying out the Blessing Ceremony through the local communities called "li." On average, two thousand families live in one li. Each li has its own community center where people meet. I have been thinking for a long time that it would be great if we could gather people and hold Blessing Ceremonies at these centers. I started offering jeongseong to put this idea into practice. Through the people I met there, I began to organize and teach seminars on the blessing. When I introduced and explained the meaning and value of the blessing, all the participants without exception reacted positively to our slogan, "Let's become true families!" To educate and guide our guests through the subsequent stages—the Blessing Ceremony, the indemnity stick rite, the forty-day separation period and the three-day ceremony—it was necessary for us to organize our home groups and staff. Therefore, we established the following guidelines: 1. Cooperate with the li leaders to hold the Blessing Ceremony. 2. Create regular study courses for the blessing participants. 3. Guide them to accomplish the three-day ceremony. 4. Set up a home group meeting in each li community and hold ongoing seminars to educate guests. 5. Set up a leader in each home group to take care of the blessed couples.

I still am trying to organize my 430 families so that I can guide them effectively as their heavenly tribal messiah. Most of them live in different cities in seven districts. Forty of them have become blessed couples and attend the church as devout members. The rest of the families are those who need more Divine Principle education to become regular members.

In the beginning, I tried to teach all of them on my own, but it was difficult because there were too many of them. For me to meet each of them to teach them was hard; actually, there

are so many that it was impossible to meet them all, even if I invested myself 24/7 to doing only that. Therefore, I decided to select seven couples among my spiritual children who have leadership skills and fundamental faith, who live in the seven cities where the families in my tribe are living. I trained them to become home group leaders, so they could play an intermediary role in developing my tribe.

First, I appointed one of them as my successor, to help take care of the forty blessed families who are already church members. I then chose two of my spiritual children among those families to help me take care of the families in my tribe who were not members yet. One of them is Rev. Yang Chang Shin, who takes care of 193 blessed families in the Y-lan area. He has a background in ministry, and we cooperate with each other in developing and managing educational programs. The other one is Rev. Min Tai-si. He gives lectures to the blessed families in Y-lan County once or twice a month. I am planning to manage my heavenly tribal messiah activities in the following manner:

Two other leaders and I set up successors, working with seven more leaders who will directly manage my spiritual children, and at the next level outward, will work with local blessed families of my heavenly tribe.

The path of a parent and of a messiah

I always face financial issues as I carry out my heavenly tribal messiah activities. I have to provide and manage all the expenses on my own. We usually hold gatherings, study-meetings and services in my home. We also have a tradition of a participating family bringing one or two dishes to share with others. Of course, moving around to hold all these home group gatherings is not easy, but I cannot let small difficulties block my work. I strongly believe that Heavenly Parent, True Parents and good spirits are always helping me solve all my problems. Moreover, my irreplaceable, beloved spiritual children constantly give me the energy to move forward.

These days I ask myself, What does it mean to be a parent? I've learned that to understand and practice Heavenly Parent's love by creating a harmony of unconditional love toward my children in the Cain realm, just as I love my physical children, is a valuable path. I hope to set up an effective system to educate and organize all my tribe's families and help them fulfill their own mission as heavenly tribal messiahs through blessing 430 couples. 

At the time of writing, the author and his wife, Sui Chin Wu, had 445 blessed couples (spiritual children) forty-one of whom attend our church services.

THE PROCESS OF HTM ORGANIZATION MANAGEMENT

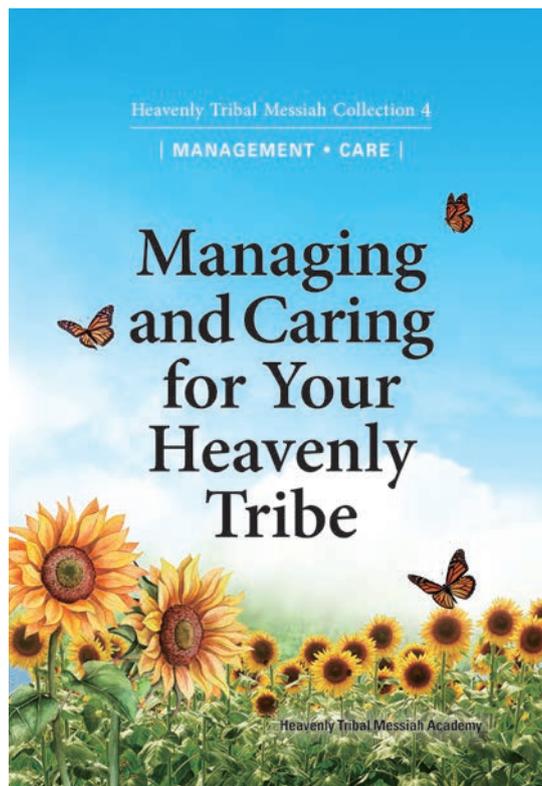
This is an excerpt from the fourth book of the four-book Heavenly Tribal Messiah Collection, which has the title Managing and Caring for Your Heavenly Tribe. HTM Academy, a group within the FFWPU International Headquarters produced the books and disseminated some copies to each region.

In this book, we have sought to summarize True Parents' teachings on how heavenly tribal messiahs can organize their tribes and facilitate rotation and revolution according to the order of creation.

1. Establishing an HTM coaching management organization

When the HTM organization expands, it will have a human organization comprising thousands or tens of thousands of people beyond 430 families initiated from three people. Moreover, leaders of Cheon Il Guk are running the organization. What do we need to do to run such a large organization? Experience of leading tens or hundreds of people will not be sufficient preparation. The HTM needs to be a leader of an organization that has hundreds, thousands or tens of thousands of members. In order to achieve this, we need to apply the organization composition and the management components of business conglomerates, which are managing big groups in the most advanced and exemplary manner. This requires coaching leadership.

The organization of Cheon Il Guk is different from



This book digs into structure and how organization can help facilitate an emotionally healthy and spiritually rich environment.

that of a general social organization. It must have true-love leadership that mutually cares and supports. It should be an organization of leaders, beyond a management organization. In other words, it should become a coaching-leader organization that hyo jeong leaders who lead rather than manage. For this purpose, members learn how to be leaders specifically in Leader School III. The family nurturing structure, in which the invisible spring of love flows, must run within the home group. It should appear as a one-on-one nurturing structure centered on the trinity as parents and siblings raise a child in a family.

(1) Establishing a nurturing, coaching leader

We need to train and support those who have the spiritual gifts of serving and teaching others and the heart of loving souls among members who

received coaching training according to the situations of HTM Leader School or hoondok family association. A trinity home group, the three-, twelve- thirty-six-person structures and the twelve-person hoondok family association must have at least one professional coach. Even if that person is not an expert, the person must receive training

so he or she can nurture and coach newcomers on a one-on-one basis, like a mother. In this regard, each spiritual parent needs to be a coach. One can acquire these attributes in Leader School III. The coach serves as a guide to help members have confidence in salvation and to settle well in the home group and hoondok family association. Moreover, the coach takes responsibility for helping members mature spiritually. When the coach does these jobs, people tend not to leave the hoondok family association. When a stranger attends a meeting, the person stays in the meeting and the coach helps the person to grow spiritually.

The principle of coaching is that we must nurture a new member one-on-one or in a small group such as the trinity. In the trinity, there are invisible roles, such as grandfather, parents, children. Therefore, you should not lead your home group hastily. The principle is to work thoroughly, one-on-one through the trinity. In doing so, it is possible to give customized training and form rapport successfully, owing to confidentiality. Therefore, it is possible to consult others and know their current struggles. Consequently, the trinity can heal and treat the new member well and increase the organization's growth. Because the early church established the spiritual parent structure and the trinity structure well, it was able to produce many good leaders, whom we can see now.

One-on-one caregivers help members see what kind of spiritual gifts they received from God through what is called the DISC assessment, which is based on psychological research that uncovers the behavior type of each person, helping people to draw their own profile in response to questions. A coach is assigned, according to the gifts identified by the assessment. When the caregiver builds his hoondok family association or HTM Leader School in stages of twelve, thirty-six, seventy-two and 120 people, he may perform an outstanding ministry, often better than other religious workers (including pastors, witnesses or staff members). They will be valuable workers joining the beautiful mission. They are the hands and feet of the heavenly tribal messiah. They are the spiritual leaders of the tribe for the rest of their lives. When 120 one-on-one caregivers are established, they become the driving force of FFWPU and achieve a remarkable revival as professional ministers. As the previously studied three-cycle home group and sixteen-week report-meeting program [not covered in these excerpts of the books] also connect to a coaching style, there will be a continuous opportunity for the leadership to serve others.

(2) Establishing core coaches for expansion

One-on-one coaching care has limitations. However, one-on-one coaching care is the most



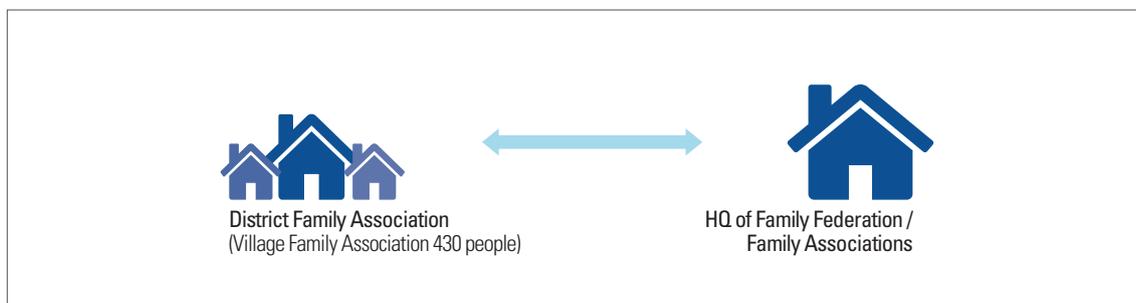
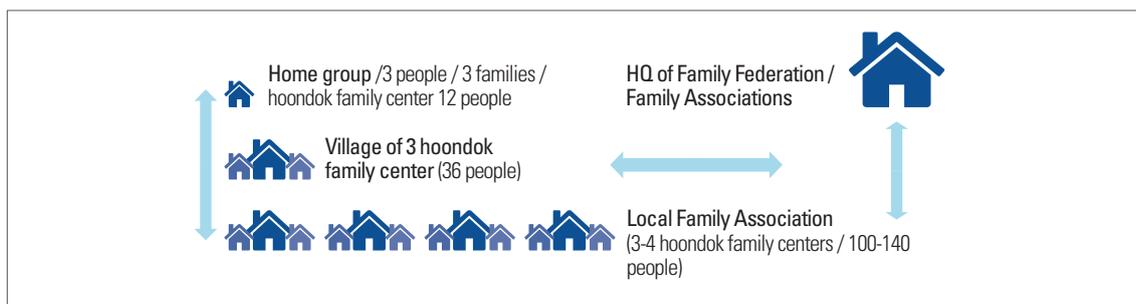
Starting from a trinity, 3 people, a trinity of 3 families (a home group) expands to a hoondok family center of 12 people.

powerful method because it can increase the spiritual maturity of a person in a customized way, according to the degree of faith of particular members. To do it at any time in a small hoondok family association (twelve to thirty-six people) is possible. However, it is difficult when a hoondok family association grows to over a hundred people. Therefore, one-on-one coaching care should be set up within a home group framework and the skills involved should be employed in healthy ways based on coaching techniques.

Caregivers should be able to reach the professional level. Generally, we recommended having at least one professional coaching leader in each twelve-person hoondok family association. Additionally, we can have excellent organization management if the organization is based on well-structured home group report meetings and other small groups. If home groups of fewer than twelve people expand by forming trinity relationships, making relationships, receiving community training as needed, its management organization will remain viable until it grows to over 430 people. This will be a successful system for a large group. At the time of the initial home-group report meeting, it already starts with three coaches centered on the heavenly tribal messiah, so the hoondok family association will make use of one to four coaches.

(3) Establishing a core coach for mid size groups

Several home groups become a hoondok family association and their union makes a mid-size home group. Then it will become a "village FFWPU" (city ward and block). These mid-size groups should offer community training and service opportunities for education and training, including various leader school programs to produce strong groups benefiting local organizations. Alternatively, a mid-size group can divide into districts. You might divide it into twelve districts, with districts one to six grouped as village one and districts seven to twelve grouped as village two. Each village will have a leader. In other words, training and educating will take place within the village units. Additionally, a mission declaration clarifying the mission and value of the village should emerge through the coaching training of core leaders of various groups, such as a blessing family group, a



young adults group, a male evangelistic group, a female evangelistic group, etc. The activities of the village shall agree with the vision of the village. FFWPU in a village is composed of twelve or more coaching staff members. It is desirable that these coaches become recognizable figures in society and the nation through the training and education of Leader School III. In South Korea, more than seventy Korean and Japanese missionaries currently hold coaching certificates given by recognized institutions. Reports state that for increasing a missionary's ability to attract and nurture people, earning a coaching certificate is more effective than experience in missionary activities.

(4) Establishing coaches for large groups

Home groups grow into hoondok family associations. Hoondok family associations become district (or village) level FFWPU. When these districts are established, other regions or villages create districts and they join in making a large group, which the association of hoondok family churches should approve.

For example, in the case of a parish, FFWPU, representing the villages of a region will be assembled to make up a parish. This organizational process is the procedure of becoming a large group, starting from home group pioneering. FFWPU chapters in villages come together to make a large group. A heavenly tribal messiah that has blessed 430 couples, is continually multiplying blessed families and leads other blessing activities will form the large group. When this occurs in each country, we will be able to see the process of the restoration of the country. As True Mother said, "The restoration of the country will be confirmed when twelve families are successful in

completing the heavenly tribal messiah mission with 430 families."

Currently the heavenly tribal messiah movement is established and active in many Asian countries. However, most of the work takes place far from our existing large groups, which are mainly located in the capital or city centers. Moreover, heavenly tribal messiahs are bringing victory and blessing small cities and towns in rural areas, not big cities. Therefore, in many situations, people receive the blessing first and education later. In this circumstance, the blessed families seriously require good organization, nurturing and education management structures. We must try hard to assign blessed families to trinities, bring them to a home group, assemble them as a hoondok family association, and create a parish by putting hoondok family associations together in a village. The coaching-leader organization is essential to lead this process successfully. The education of a coaching leader is accomplished by going through a process of experience and mastery while running the home group report meeting. In the 430-family heavenly tribal messiah organization, the ideal is to establish a coaching staff committee that can work with the coaching staff. The third term of the HTM Leader School will explain the coaching leader organization in detail.

So far, we have reviewed the process of a blessed family multiplication system that starts from the trinity home group and grows to a large group. This process follows the way True Parents worked to initiate and grow today's FFWPU. 

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