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When We Move Ahead with Faith, Things Will Happen!

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fter True Father's Holy Ascension, through the first Cheon II Guk seven-year Cosmic Canaan Course to firmly establish Cheon II Guk, True Mother worked hard and could finally proclaim the safe settlement of Cheon II Guk in 2020. Through that proclamation, she fulfilled her promise to True Father.

True Mother lives with a heart of desperation and urgency, as if searching for a needle in the midst of a sandstorm while unable to see an inch in front of her. Her life has been one of demonstrating filial piety toward Heavenly Parent, while freeing True Father and embracing the people of the world again and again—loving all humanity as her own children. All

her victories are made possible because of the earnest love and sincerity she has for Heavenly Parent.

To commemorate the ninth anniversary of True Father's Holy Ascension, she held more than thirty events beginning on August 21. The Cheon II Guk Commemorative Bowing Ceremony was also the inaugural ceremony to fully achieve the foundation of a heavenly unified Korea. True Mother resolved to bring about a heavenly unified Korea externally through the Headwing Ideology introduced in the September 12 Think Tank 2022 Rally of Hope, and internally through the True Family Movement, which was the focus of the October 10 Cheonbo Grand Festival. I am confident that these two pillars will lead to a Peace Summit on the Korean Peninsula and a rally of one million people to save the nation.

People all over the world have gone beyond calling True Mother the Mother of Peace and are now calling her the Mother of Unification. We can now absolutely realize a heavenly unified Korea if we move forward in attendance to True Mother. We can confidently profess this.

Going beyond mere conversation, I am sure we can now move ahead with a policy or agenda for all of Korea. I am convinced that a policy based on True Mother's teachings will take over the current situation and be a light, a beacon of hope, for the Republic of Korea.

Beloved honorable Cheon II Guk leaders and blessed families! I only want to say one more thing: If we believe in and attend True Mother, even the impossible will become possible. With that firm belief, I am moving ahead. True Mother said, "If you move in unity with me, we will absolutely bring about the safe settlement of a heavenly unified Korea and a heavenly unified world. We will bring them to bloom."

Do you remember the last paragraph in True Mother's memoir?

One hundred years ago, for the liberation of her homeland, my maternal grandmother waved the Korean flag that she had hidden in her bosom. Now, for the liberation of our global family's homeland, we must raise the Heavenly Parent flag that we have hidden in our bosom. Just like her, we must passionately live for God's kingdom, Cheon II Guk. Now, let us greet the rising sun with all our heart. Let us advance together into the bright, new, hopeful era of the settlement of God's kingdom, Cheon II Guk.

If we move with that earnest desire that True Mother holds in her heart, I am sure we will bring about a heavenly unified Korea by 2020 and a heavenly unified world by $2027! \, 7$

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True Parents' Philosophy of Life and Their Public Lives

rue Parents trod the model course that all people will have to take. More than anything, they demonstrated their philosophy of life, of true love centered on God. True Parents set the example that we should emulate in the age of Cheon II Guk.

Out of their love for God, they took on the course of restoration through indemnity. They did not avoid a life of suffering. True Parents had to pioneer that path, which no one had taken before, even going to the very bottom of hell. Even when they were in situations that others would have tried to avoid, True Parents practiced true love in order to liberate God and all people. Moreover, they even forgave and embraced their enemies who had wanted to kill them, and the incomparable suffering they endured moved even God's heart.

True Father gave and gave again. He invested completely and forgot about it. Even while undergoing forced labor at the Heungnam fertilizer plant, where starvation and the menace of death hovered constantly, he shared his meager rations, which were like life itself, with other inmates. He always shouldered the heaviest burdens and carried other people 's burdens on their behalf. True Mother, also, when she encountered members in difficult circumstances, always loved them and offered help. True Parents consistently gave away what was most precious to them; this has been their way of life.

My philosophy of life is to live for the sake of others. Wherever I go, I go there to live for the sake of others. And I totally invest with sincere devotion to create oneness. When I invest more than 100 percent, oneness comes. When people experience the love of heaven more intensely than the love of their parents or siblings, they are bound to leave the realm of Satan 's love and advance to the side of heaven.



In unity and love, True Parents carried out God's will on earth together; now, True Father in the spiritual world and True Mother on earth continue the work of restoration.

Whatever your actual stage of life, you can double the principled power you can draw on when you connect to the providential view of God 's process of re-creation. That way you can inherit everything with the authority of God 's sons and daughters. As God invested in creating, you need to invest to bring oneness.

Furthermore, anyone who receives should never cause any harm to the one who gave. As an expression of gratitude, you must always return more than you received. Then perpetual circular motion is possible, making a relationship between you and the great universe.

If you have two things, do not give the inferior one to your parents and keep the better one for yourself. After comparing, if you take the better one, you will descend following the tradition of the fallen world; however, if you take the lesser one, you will be elevated without fail.

Thus you need to love God first and then love your sons and daughters. If you do so, hell will disappear. The world where you give the better one to your parents and the next one to your children is filled with the hope for high-noon settlement. This should be the basis of your philosophy of life. The same principle applies to me. When I have something precious, I do not think of keeping it for myself. Instead, I first think of offering it to God and then of bequeathing it to future descendants.

I understand that you love me. I also love you. Yet my love for you is centered on God. I love you through His love. His love is for all humanity; it is not love that should dwell only within the Unification Church. Hence, in order to plant that love and spread it throughout the world, I cannot help but send you out to the world. The reason why I want you Unification Church members to go a sacrificial way is to make you people who can contribute to bearing the fruit of love that represents a global standard, and thereby be loved by all humanity as well as by God.

The goal of the Unification Church

is to create people who are loved by God and by humankind. You are not supposed to be loved and respected only within the Unification Church. That is why, rather than loving you only in the realm of the Unification Church, I want to love you in the realm of love of all humanity and God. That is the kind of teacher I am trying to be. Religions until now have not presented this viewpoint. To lead like this, I must become the example and substantiate my philosophy of life.

I do not like to wear a suit. Ordinarily, I do not wear a tie. Why is that? By not wearing suits and ties, I can save up to 10 percent of my household budget. I want to save that money. I am striving day and night to save countless people who are dying of starvation. The fact that a person with this philosophy exists on earth, even if I am the only such person, should be a hopeful sign for humanity living on earth. That is how I think. When I go to a hotel, the room is well set up and has a bathroom.



True Parents are messianic figures, investing themselves in efforts continually to save God's lost children. Rarely, they were able to be Lords of Creation, appreciating the beautiful world Heavenly Parent created.

There are a lot of towels in the bathroom, but if I use one it is always the smallest one. I never once used the largest, fluffy towel, the one the size of a rug. It is because I want to save the expense of laundering that towel. I think that saving even one penny will help people who are dying of starvation.

When I am in my house, I do not put on socks. Saving money on socks is an expression of my sincere desire to help people who do not have money to buy clothes. By investing my sincere heart like this, I am trying to pioneer the path to save people who live in misery. Truly, to live up to the name of True Parents is fearful. 5 Throughout the course of my life I have been thinking, "How do I become a person who is able to shed tears of a totally new kind, totally different from the tears of others, tears that no one has ever before shed in front of God? How do I become the man whom God feels sympathy for, the man whom God hopes for, the man who walks the path that human

beings should have originally gone?" My philosophy of life is that before I die I will shed tears of a new kind, tears that no one has ever been able to shed.

Some people die for the sake of other human beings, but if a person dies for the sake of God, God will never be able to forget that person even after the flow of thousands upon thousands of years. When I die, I must die in that position, having that content of heart. If I die while being whipped and vomiting blood for God, the pain and distress that God will feel and the tears of sorrow He will shed over me will be far greater than anything I suffered. Nevertheless, I want to survive and triumph over my suffering, in order that God will be able to come out of His painful circumstances. For this, I am willing to suffer more than anyone else in history. Up to the present day, this has been my lifetime wish and hope. I hope that many people in the world are going this path. But I have not yet found anyone

among them who has a heart with my kind of intensity.

Ours is a world of infinite potential for development. But when people live only for themselves, not knowing how to respect the people and things in their environment, they encounter a limit. The way to break through that limit is to first establish God as the center of our life and as our guide. Then we will be able to rise above the level where we are limited, and enter the world of infinite development. Otherwise, we will not be able to go beyond that limitation. Sometimes it seems that everything has reached its limit. With what are we going to live? It is with love. With love, we can create our own environment. If we do not love so as to create our own foundation in the environment, we will not find a place to settle. It is the path of self-destruction. It does not generate any energy. People in the surrounding environment will not like us, and we will have no energy to do anything about it. Hence, the people in our environment will gradually

withdraw and become distant. Even those who used to like us will come to dislike us. They should like us more, but they will find nothing to like about us. This will be because we have set up a self-centered boundary line.

People who say, "I am going to put myself first," who live on a self-centered level, cannot go over that hill and settle. They are unable to enter a space of mutuality in which they can make relationships and be welcomed by the universe. People are created to live in relationships, but when they are not aligned with the Principle they will come to nothing. I live with this philosophy of life. 7 Heavenly law protects the perfect object partner who has become one with the perfect subject partner. The ups and downs of history and human circumstances cannot alter this. Even people who use the sovereign power of the Republic of Korea cannot knock down the person who, as the perfect object partner, maintains vertical alignment with the perfect subject partner. They may use all the power at their disposal to strike him, but because heaven and earth firmly hold the root and trunk, they cannot knock him down. However mighty, those attackers will be broken. That is my philosophy of life. As long as we attend God while maintaining a vertical axis, the people who attack us will be the ones who end up coming to grief. When we attend God in this way, we become the pillar that represents the family, tribe, people, nation, world and cosmos. Heavenly fortune will protect that pillar, while the people who attack it will certainly be broken.

If I obtain money, I do not think of spending it on myself. I may be hungry, but I know there must be someone hungrier than I, and I want to set that money aside for him or her. So I endure my hunger for one hour, two hours, three hours, and on and on, thinking of someone else who may be hungry. When I finally find someone who is hungrier than I am, I give that person my food and pray for that individual to be blessed. When I see that person eating, I am eating with him or her in spirit. When I pray for someone to receive the blessing of being able to eat, I am partaking of that blessing with that person. The



True Parents love and cherish those who are following behind them, who have committed themselves to realizing God's original dream on earth.

person who lives for the sake of Cain inherits Cain 's blessings. Cain changes, but because I do not change, I am ascending continuously. The person who lives for the sake of the Will ascends higher than Mt. Everest. He or she puts down roots into a place deeper than the 10,000-meter depths of the Pacific Ocean.

Whenever Mother has things that she likes, she gives them away to family members. So when she has to go out, she often has no appropriate attire to wear because she gave away all her best clothes. She thinks that she should not be the only one to enjoy the things that she likes the most. There are three points about Mother for which I am grateful to God: First, she is insightful. Second, she is absolutely obedient for the sake of the will. Third, she does not think that her things belong to her but belong to the world. So without hesitation she wants to give them to others. In this respect, God does not need to be concerned. On the contrary, she is too giving, so much so

that I become concerned.

The fact that Mother was born with such a nature is an indication that she was destined to become True Mother. When I think about it, I am grateful that God sent such as blessing as her to my family, not only because she gave birth to so many children but also because of her many good qualities. So I am saying that you should not think of yourself first. To this day, I have not been indebted to anyone. Even when it comes to investing devotion, for instance in prayer, I am in no one 's debt. My philosophy is that I will not be indebted to others. I do not intend to live a comfortable life either. I am very careful about this, more than anyone. For the sake of the Will, I invest more than any member in the church, both in the quantity and quality of devotion. Because of that, I am not indebted to you. 🌾

The text is from Cham Bumo Gyeong from the beginning of chapter three until the end of paragraph ten.



The History of Modern Human Civilization and the Present Day from the Viewpoint of God's Providence

This was True Mother's message at the Think Tank 2022 Rally of Hope for a Heavenly Unified Korea on September 12.

listened intently, with sincere attention and gratitude, to the keynote addresses delivered by all the leaders longing for peace worldwide, particularly by the seven heads of state who attended Think Tank 2022.

To see the completion of the providence of God that is the hope of this age, you who have been chosen based on the history of God's work should know that God is fully present within the profound meaning of the work to bring about a world of peace and a heavenly unified Korea.

God, our Creator, is humankind's

Heavenly Parent. Today, we find ourselves in a situation where people, although they are Heavenly Parent's children, are unable to go to him. So, I would like to speak today on the subject of "The History of Modern Human Civilization and the Present Day from the Viewpoint of God's Providence."

After the Fall, Heaven invested great effort and two thousand years ago sent Jesus Christ through the people of Israel. He was the true ancestor of humankind. He was the Messiah. Unfortunately, however, Mary, who gave birth to him, the Jewish leaders and the people of Israel did not recognize the true lord. It was their responsibility to create an environment that would allow Jesus to take on the role of the True Parent. However, this could not be accomplished, so as Jesus went to the cross, he promised to that he would come again. He said he would return and hold the Marriage Supper of the Lamb.

Through the apostles and disciples of Jesus the Christian faith had its beginnings. They suffered indescribable persecution in their early years. Only after some three hundred years had passed, Christianity was formally recognized in Rome and began growing centered on the Italian Peninsula. It spread to Britain via continental Europe, and through Britain opened the era of Atlantic civilization. It then spread worldwide.

Christians, however, were unaware of Jesus' true nature and essence. Furthermore, they did not know what kind of being the Creator, God, was. Why is it that conflicts and wars arise between many countries within the Christian civilization?

The significance of the Korean people

At the end of the Second World War, division occurred on the Korean Peninsula between North and South Korea, between communism and democracy. However, God's providence could not be stopped. God sought to carry out his providence through the people of Israel. Sadly, they were unable to fulfill their responsibilities and ended up with indemnity remaining to be paid. God therefore had to select a country where his only begotten daughter could be born.

For two thousand years, God has protected and blessed the Korean people. The Korean people have always disliked war and revered Heaven above all else. Korea is also known as a nation in which people respect their parents and their ancestors. Even today, families of three generations live together harmoniously.

In 1945, our country was liberated. Yet in 1950 Korea was embroiled in civil war. Through the Korean people and on the Christian foundation, God's only begotten daughter was born in 1943.

How did sixteen UN member states step up to help a tiny country that the world was unaware of and protect democracy in that country? Clearly, this was not based on human power, but rather the result of God's protection.

Our Creator created the heavens and the earth and created our first ancestors, giving human beings a period in their lives during with they were to grow. Heavenly Parent's desire was to see people grow beautifully and healthily to perfect their characters and to attain that position in which he could fully bless them and live with them on earth.

The time to realize his dream finally arrived after six thousand years. A daughter was born to God, his only begotten child. She met the Lord and Messiah who had promised to return, and together, they emerged as the True Parents.

Now it is the Korean people that have this responsibility. Heaven wishes to embrace the world through this nation.

One example showing this is that a hundred years ago, when Korea was suffering the most, the Indian poet Rabindranath Tagore wrote of Korea [in "The Lamp of the East"], saying that on the day that lamp was once again lit, it would be for the illumination of the East. What does the lamp mean? It symbolizes truth. It is the truth that lights up the darkness. It is the true word. The Korean people were united by this truth ... In Osaka in 2019, notably, I announced the launch of the Pacific Peace Union. After that, many countries participated in this initiative. Notably, Prime Minister Samdech Hun Sen of Cambodia is actively participating, and this time, thanks to such support, the sign of the historic [Think Tank 2022] Asia-Pacific Secretariat has been put up.

We could not have achieved this with human effort alone. This is the work of God. As we near the final completion of God's providence, we are at the point at which True Parents have expanded their sphere of influence on earth and are opening the kingdom of heaven on earth directly, while attending our Heavenly Parent. Having said that, I would like to say that all people from Asian nations participating at this time are wonderful, righteous people that Heaven has prepared over a long period of time to help with the completion of the providence of this age.

The True Parents, as well as the Family Federation, lacked the support of the Christian sphere. Nevertheless, as the True Parents, we did our best. In the last six decades, through the True Family Movement, we have blessed numerous couples in some 190 countries. As the True Parents, it would take us a long time to accomplish this individually. However, when those who have received the Blessing from True Parents fulfill their responsibilities and missions all over the world, unpredictable and miraculous things happen.

Unfortunately, politics in this nation does not yet reflect Heavenly Parent's will. In the name of the True







Mother, the only begotten daughter, I restored seven nations, and on that foundation seven religious orders; I then restored a continent within a seven-year period beginning in 2013. It was from this position that I finally proclaimed the firm establishment of Cheon Il Guk. Cheon Il Guk is the nation in which all people of Heaven and Earth live as one family, the nation for which Heaven and all people have longed for. Unthinkable natural disasters and catastrophes are gripping the world today. These natural cataclysms caused by human ignorance are leading to the loss of many lives throughout the world. Moreover, the corona pandemic has been disrupting the harmony of the world for more than a year.

People who serve God

True Parents' sixty-year-course began in Korea and spread to the United States. The United States, notably, is the country that Heaven blessed over the course of four hundred years in order to prepare the environment for the Messiah at his Second Coming. However, the United States, which



- Dr. Yun was chairman of the Organizing Committee for the Think Tank 2022 Rally of Hope for the Realization of a Heavenly Unified Korea.
- Dr. Yun and Mrs. McDevitt, representing the 2,022 experts and other stakeholders in Think Tank 2022, offered the Resolution and Declaration for Reunification to True Mother.
- The event had begun with an interfaith water ceremony and the reading of a declaration to Heaven.
- True Mother struck a gong to launch the Korean Peninsula Peace Summit Organizing Committee, which will honor the 30th anniversary of True Parents' visit to North Korea and prepare for the realization of a heavenly unified Korea.



has not been certain about God's providence, also caused many problems.

Because we were the True Parents, and because we knew God wanted to establish America and embrace the world through her, we invested constant effort over forty years in the United States. And as a nation Heaven had blessed, the United States has continued to be blessed as the eldest son nation that can fulfill its responsibilities in front of the Heavenly Parent.

Now, unification on the Korean Peninsula will be achieved. The culture of the Heavenly Pacific Civilization, which started on the Korean Peninsula, is actively spreading via the Asian continent all throughout the world. Unlike the era of the Atlantic civilization in the past, righteous people, those in religious circles, and many other good people in the world are participating in the True Love, True Family Movement, emphasizing interdependence, mutual prosperity and universal values. I once more raise my hopes for this people.

We say that under a lamp there is darkness. Hence, I pray that the politicians of this country will not only look downward but that they will become politicians who look upward and receive and listen to Heaven's voice.

This is not a country that should emphasize human-centered thinking. This nation carries the responsibility of becoming a nation that serves God. Therefore, this nation should not simply stop at thinking about it but should have all its people become peace associates and true blessed couples who live and serve our Heavenly Parent and who ultimately become a people who fulfill all their duties and responsibilities as devoted children and loyal subjects. On this basis, I believe that we are in the age of the Asia-Pacific civilization, which will rapidly expand throughout the world.

We must not forget the efforts God has made. I pray that you will become a family of humankind transcending heaven and earth who live in service to God with hearts of gratitude in all situations. \mathcal{P}



Looking toward Cheon II Guk

These were True Mother's remarks at a special meeting with international itinerant workers and Cheoneuiwon staff members on September 17 at Cheon Jeong Gung.

Ithough there were many difficulties, you give me a lot of strength, and that is why I want to appeal to you again. Let's put aside the responsibilities you had in the past. Because this people, this country, must renew their attendance to God. His providence must be realized while the only begotten daughter, True Mother, is living on earth. I expect you as elder brothers to do your very best, centered on President Man-woong Cho, so that the citizens of this country will come to be embraced as citizens of Cheon II Guk. Will you do that? [Yes]

The lyrics of a song True Mother sang on Sept. 17 *Moon, moon, bright moon. Moon that Taebaek used to play with. One Cassia tree is engrafted over there, over there* on the moon. I will cut it down with a jade axe. I will trim it with a golden axe and I will build a house with a thatched roof where we shall dwell with God. P



BEAUTY AND HEART SHINE THROUGH THE PEACE FESTIVAL





Vou are Heaven's Gratitude

t the November 3 Peace Blessing Festival of Heavenly Parent's Holy Community, in the Cheongshim World Peace Center, Dr. Young-ho Yun, as secretary-general of the FFWPU International Headquarters, gave welcoming remarks in which expounded on the meaning of "gratitude."

"As I was preparing these opening remarks, I studied the origin of the term 'gratitude.' because 'You are Heaven's Tribute' [the theme of the third Peace Festival] means that Heaven is grateful for you. In English, 'Thanks,' is related to 'think.' [They are phonetically related as are 'song' and 'sing.'] So 'thank you' means 'I think about what you have done for me, and I remember what you have done for me.' That's where 'thank you' comes from. In Japanese, they say, 'arigato gozaimasu.' 'Gozaimasu' just makes it honorific. With 'arigato,' 'ari' means 'to live,' 'to exist.' 'Gato' here, is not the word that means 'cake;' here it means 'rare,' as in 'to be alive is rare.' So, in Japanese, 'arigato' implies 'You are so precious.' In Korean. we say 'kamsahamnida,' which originally comes from 'komapda' or 'komapsumida.' 'Komapsumida' is related to 'komahada,' which means 'to revere as a holy entity.' This is the meaning within 'kamsahamnida.' The terms 'gratitude,' and 'thank you,' are profound. Since we have heard the meaning, let us look at everyone participating today—the person next to you—and say, You are so precious; you are Heaven's tribute.... Beloved peace associates from around the world, in our daily lives, if you live with gratitude, you will enjoy richer, fuller lives."





Masters of Ceremonies

he MCs for the third Peace Festival were a senior blessed couple, Noh-hi Pak and his wife Lanyoung Moon, who received the Blessing among the 430-couple blessing group in 1968. Among various other posts over the years, Dr. Pak was chairman of the Tongil Foundation, the managing director of the Little Angels and executive director of the Korean Cultural Foundation. Dr. Moon was born in North Korea. She and her parents fled to South Korea when she was a young girl in 1950, at the outset of the Korean War. During the risky journey south by boat, her father went ashore to find food but did not return. Suspecting he had been captured by North Korean soldiers, his wife and daughter had to continue to South Korea without him.

Dr. Moon was for many years the chair of the Women's Federation for World Peace International. She was also a chair of the Korean Council for Reconciliation and Cooperation between South Korea and North Korea (KCRC). KCRC is an umbrella organization for various NGOs dedicated to Korean reunification. A branch of KCRC also exists in North Korea. In her capacity as the chair of KCRC in South Korea, Dr. Moon visited North Korea many times. As a couple Dr. Pak and Dr. Moon were national messiahs to Nicaragua and True Parents' emissaries to Europe.

As masters of ceremonies of the third Peace Festival, the couple smoothly combined their opening remarks. Dr. Moon began by saying, 'It is hard to believe that it has been nearly sixty



years since we first believed in True Parents, who have led the providence to build a beautiful and good ideal world; sixty years have passed since we decided to follow this path.' Dr. Pak followed, 'Though there were high, steep mountains, at every important crossroad on this sixty-year journey of life, we were fortunate to have been able to hear God's word when we were teenagers. When we were still naïve but full of dreams, we met Heavenly Parent and True Parents. That we could receive the Blessing from True Parents is the greatest benefit in our lives—a grace we would not exchange for anything and that we are extremely grateful for. I sincerely hope that the peace-loving peace associates here today can feel our joy, our heartwarming emotions and gratitude.

Dr. Moon then said, 'This is the third Peace Festival. Our family watched the other Peace Festivals from home through Peacelink and received deep grace. The themes of the first two Peace Festivals were 'You Are Heaven's Blessing' and 'You Are Heaven's Joy.' The theme today's Peace Festival is 'You Are Heaven's Tribute.'''

Dr. Pak added, "Today's Peace Festival is more than a celebration. There will be a Blessing Ceremony for all the peace-loving associates who chose to receive the blessing. Alongside the Peace Blessing Festival will be a Registration Ceremony of cheonbo couples, all of whom are treasures of heaven. We sincerely hope we can all offer gratitude to True Parents for the grace and the love that Heavenly Parent is giving us today. Please give a thunderous round of applause for True Parents' Third Peace Blessing Festival."

Shim Cheong and Chung Hyang

The first part of the festival was a theatrical performance. Korea has highly cherished and emphasized the value of filial piety, children's love and obedience toward their parents, as well as fidelity between husband and wife. Korean folktales often emphasize these qualities. Two of the most outstanding Korean folktales are "The Tale of Shim Cheong" and "The Tale of Chung Hyang." The "Tale of Shim Cheong" is about a pure young woman who threw herself into the sea as a sacrifice so that her blind father could regain his eyesight. Her filial piety allowed her to be resurrected. Her father experienced the restoration of his sight, and she became an empress.

In the "Tale of Chung Hyang," a young man, Mong-ryong Yi, sets his eyes on the most beautiful young woman in his village, Chung Hyang, and he falls in love with her. He visits her to tell her that he wishes to marry her but first he must leave to take a difficult government examination that will allow him, if he passes, to become a high government official. In Mong-ryong Yi's absence, a corrupt official takes



over as the village mayor. The mayor pursues Chung Hyang and tries to seduce her, but she fights him off. He has Chung Hyang arrested and confined to a cell, and then he ordered her to pay a fine. Having passed the examination, Mong-ryong returns and frees Chung Hyang.

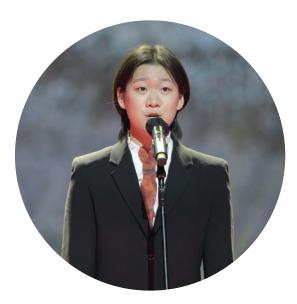
It cannot be easy to take two famous folk tales that everyone throughout the nation knows, and harmoniously blend them in a pleasing way. Yet, audience members around the globe were likely delighted by "Shim Cheon Hyojeong," a new story with similar elements as well as unique elements that set them apart from the source plays.

A Peace Performance and Blessings

o prepare the atmosphere for the Blessing Ceremony, Moon Shin-yeo, the daughter of Hyo Jin Moon and Yeon Ah Choi, sang "Going Home," which the MCs described as "a song that reflects our longing for our original hometown, the original world of peace."

Dr. Young-ho Yun and the Korean regional presidents and their spouses presided over the Blessing Ceremony on behalf of Heavenly Parent and True Parents. Peace associate couples took part in the ceremony from all five subregions of heavenly Korea as well as from countries across the world; through conferencing software, numerous churches filled with brides and grooms were visible. In addition to representative couples onstage, many couples from Korea and other nations were present in the Peace World Center.

Following the Holy Water Ceremony, for the recitation of the Blessing vows, a large video image of True Mother wearing a golden hanbok appeared at the back of the stage, toward which



all the couples were facing. As she does at each Blessing Ceremony, True Mother read the vows aloud and the couples responded. She then prayed for several minutes. The couples exchanged rings.

True Mother read the Proclamation of the Blessing: "We, in the name of True Parents, proclaim in front of all of heaven and earth that these virtuous men and women, couples, participating in this Hyojeong Cosmic Blessing Ceremony, officiated by the True Parents of Heaven, Earth and Humankind have officially received the Holy Blessing through the grace of Heavenly Parent and the True Parents of Heaven Earth and Humankind."

Dr. Pak then announced, "With this, the marriage blessing of the brides and grooms who participated in the third Peace Festival Peace Blessing Ceremony and the Registration Blessing of cheonbo couples has been established and proclaimed to all of heaven and earth." \mathcal{P}



Blessing Testimonies

The groom, Jeon-pal Choi, in a newly blessed couple expresses gratitude

am from the Methodist church. I was ordained as a pastor. Heaven Parent guided me to the Unification Church through a dream and after I listened to the Divine Principle, I learned that Heavenly Parent consists of heongsang and seongsang and that God is a God of true love, with an external form and an internal form and he is absolute, almighty and omnipotent. Until now I just knew that God was almighty and omnipotent, but he is also a God of tears, resentment and bitterness—all those things. He is a God of the heart and of true love. When I understood that he consisted of all those elements, I couldn't stop the tears from rolling down my face.

Even if we are Christians, everyone must go on his own course of salvation. When I Came to the Family Federation, I realized that way to salvation was not through the individual but through the family. The more I prayed, the more I understood that the only way for me to receive salvation was through the Blessing Ceremony. So my wife and I received

the Blessing directly from True Parents. We were so grateful to participate in that Blessing Ceremony. The way was then open for us to live with Heavenly Parents twenty-four hours a day. We were truly happy and truly grateful. My wife and I, to express our gratitude for having received the Blessing are taking on the responsibility of guiding Christians back to the Family Federation. We will invest all of our efforts into fulfilling this mission.



The groom, Monk Chow Wong, in a newly blessed couple expresses gratitude

am from Haenam [in South Jeolla Province] the Gyeongbo Temple. I am the only son and the only heir in a whole line in our family. In Buddhism, to have a proper and good world, we must first become proper and good people ourselves. The individual spirit is important. The individual must be whole and upright. Based on this principle, I completely immersed myself in the training of my body and mind. Through that, I could question what was wholesome, what was right, what was wrong.

Through this I came to understand clearly that I could complete training of my internal self and that my training in the Buddhist field was completed and that the next step was to find my other half, not only to concentrate on my own religion, which is Buddhism, but also to connect with other religions and with the world, to communicate with one another, to become one. I realized that I had to play the role of connecting people in this way.



With that heart, I came to meet Rev. Sun Myung Moon. I came to learn about the work he was doing, and I came to believe that the work he was doing is work that we all have to do. As a person who knows what is right, through my training, I have felt a clear calling—I need to work with him. So for the past twenty or so years, though inadequate, I have participated in various activities whenever in the future opportunities arise for me to contribute toward this cause, I will invest myself completely to make sure that this cause is fulfilled.

I believe that the way of the family is not only for us, but it is the only way that will lead us to happiness and to a wholesome, right world. I am completely certain about this. Some time ago, I was able to meet a partner that I thought was my complete other half. I am deeply grateful to Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon for bestowing on us the Blessing. Through that sacred blessing, as a true member of the Family Federation, until the day we bring about one family under God, Cheon II Guk, until we bring about a heavenly unified Korea, I will continue advancing on and on. *To*





The Importance of Cheonbo Families

This was True Mother's message at the Grand Cheonbo Festival Celebrating the Ninth Anniversary of the Holy Ascension of Sun Myung Moon, the True Parent of Heaven, Earth and Humankind on November 10.

s today a happy day for you? Is it a day you are grateful for? God, our Creator, created all things in pairs, and he then created a man and a woman to become our first ancestors. He saw that they were good. Still, despite God's blessings, the first ancestors fell and created an evil world instead of a good one.

For six thousand long years, God, the Creator, our Heavenly Parent, had to live through so many days of sorrow and suffering, waiting eagerly for the appearance of the victorious ancestors—that is, the True Parents, who would be able to fulfill his ideal for the creation. How difficult indeed was that course, for the Old Testament tells us in much detail that Heavenly Parent had to go through four thousand years of anguish and anxiety as the consequence of Heavenly Parent being dependent on whether the central figures he had set up fulfilled their responsibilities or not—before he was able to send his only begotten son, Jesus Christ.

A crucial opportunity lost

What would have happened if, at the time of his advent, the people had created an environment in which Jesus Christ, God's only begotten son, had attained the position of the True Parent? In fact, they were unable to do that. Jesus went to the cross yet promised to return and hold the marriage supper of the Lamb. After that, the Christian faith emerged, but today's Christians do not know Jesus' true nature.

Furthermore, they are unable to explain about God the Creator, our Heavenly Parent. The Creator cannot entertain the possibility of failure. Once he has begun something, he must realize his will. Finally, in 1943, through the Korean people, he was able to bring about the birth of his only begotten daughter. This in turn led to the advent of the True Parents in 1960.

Christianity, however, was unable to provide the right environment, so True Parents had to begin from the bottommost level, with individuals. True Parents have the responsibility of giving rebirth to and resurrecting fallen human beings, giving them new life as God's children. For this reason, we began holding Blessing Ceremonies in 1960. Over sixty years, many blessed couples have been established throughout the world. Even so, to create the environment in which Heavenly Parent's dream can be fulfilled, True Parents must show that they have achieved it.

In 2013, True Parents proclaimed Foundation Day and the founding year of Cheon II Guk. After that, True Mother, the only begotten daughter, traveled the world with a heart of life-or-death determination and achieved the actual restoration of seven nations, seven denominations and a continent, on the foundation of which she proclaimed the firm establishment of Cheon II Guk.

Cheon II Guk! Since Cheon II Guk has been established, it should be overflowing with Cheon II Guk citizens. For this, the registration of cheonbo families—blessed families that have fulfilled their responsibilities—is necessary. That is why I began this undertaking. Today, that more than five thousand couples have been registered as cheonbo families means you have achieved the feat of quintupling the number of cheonbo families in one year.

Your responsibilities do not end there, however. Cheonbo families are the cheonbo flowers that will never wither or change. In particular, the responsibility of Korean cheonbo families is to place Korea in the position in which it can claim to have fulfilled its responsibilities as our Heavenly Parent's homeland. To bring that about, the effort and devotions you offer must move Heaven, open the eyes of the Korean people and pave the way for them to become a people that hear Heaven's voice and receive Heaven's blessings.

Moving toward 2027

I have already said that the age of the Asia-Pacific Civilization has now dawned with the Korean Peninsula at its center. When Asia unifies, when you, the cheonbo flowers—blessed families registered as cheonbo spread throughout the world and when all the beautiful, shining cheonbo flowers in the seven continents and in all nations come into full bloom—on that day, when we on earth celebrate the sixtieth Heavenly Parent's Day in 2027, all blessed families registered as cheonbo around the world will gather in attendance of our Heavenly Parent, together with True Mother, the only begotten daughter, in this nation.

We will sing songs and have a festival to offer gratitude and respect to our Heavenly Parent. May every one of you become families that realize this day without fail and thereby become prominent and noble cheonbo families in the era of Cheon II Guk, of whom everyone can be proud. I also pray that as cheonbo families, those most beloved by our Heavenly Parent, you will all shine brilliantly forevermore as beautiful cheonbo flowers. I pronounce this benediction in the name of True Parents. $\tilde{\varphi}$



Below: True Mother delivering this address during the Grand Cheonbo Festival on October 10. Above: True Mother joined the choir in singing the final song, "Ko-mapso," meaning "Thank You."

THE HISTORIC GRAND CHEONBO FESTIVAL

he November 10 Grand Cheonbo Festival, held in commemoration of the ninth anniversary of the Holy Ascension of Sun Myung Moon, the True Parent of Heaven, Earth and Humankind, took place at the Cheongshim World Peace Center.

Dr. Yun, director-general of the FFWPU International Headquarters, came to the stage as the master of ceremonies and welcomed everyone to the festival at which faithful members would be inducted as cheonbo couples, treasures of heaven. Each couple had witnessed to and blessed at least 430 couples. Dr. Yun explained that the Cheonbo Festival was taking place on the fiftieth day since we had begun commemorating the ninth anniversary of True Father's ascension.

He explained, "Through their love and grace, true Parents liberated our Heavenly Parent, brought salvation to humanity and firmly established the cosmic nation of peace and unity, which is the eternal world of peace, thereby realizing Heavenly Parent's ideal.

"As we all witnessed, after the shock of True Father's Holy Ascension, True Mother gathered the Unification Movement, which had been experiencing confusion and despair, and in front of True Father's body, she promised, 'I will realize the firm settlement of Cheon II Guk during my lifetime.' With firm determination she declared, 'We will advance without ceasing.'" Members then rose from their seats to sing the Cheon II Guk Anthem, "The budding rose of love will bloom with new tidings of hope. May the world live in new freedom, earth and heaven rejoice!.."





An appeal for peace

he Peace Invocation Ceremony is the Interfaith Water Ceremony and the Declaration to Heaven together. The Interfaith Water Ceremony was carried out in four parts, with seven religious leaders each from the heavenly United States, heavenly Japan, heavenly Africa and finally heavenly Korea. Altogether, these twenty-eight leaders represented ACLC, Pentecostals, Roman Catholics, Islam, Hinduism, Buddhism, Shintoism, Judaism, Confucianism, Daejonggyo (an ancient Korean religion), Daehan Cheon-rikyo (a new religion in Korea founded in 1838) and Heavenly Parents' Holy Community.

One religious leader from each of the regions then joined Rev. Ki-seong Lee, chair of the Cheoneuiwon-Korea and president of the Cheonshimwon, in conducting the Holy Water Ceremony. After they combined the waters, symbolizing the unity and oneness of people of all faiths, Rev. Lee read the Declaration to Heaven, thereby concluding the Peace Invocation Ceremony.

Special Hyojeong Performances

he special performances began with a sand-art presentation, with various depictions of True Parents and other providential references, ending with the Cheon II Guk symbol surrounded by stars.

The prelude to the entertainment featured a choir of local Unificationists and graceful dancers. In the opening scene, several dancers dressed mostly in white depict flowers, along with a lone dancer in yellow, who seems to represent the Korean people.

The stage in the World Peace Center is remarkably sophisticated. Depicted as the backdrop is the night sky and then mountains and a waterfall. This scene gives way to a meteor shower. More dancers in white come on stage as the background scene continues to display views of the beauty of nature. The dancers seem content as they all exit the stage.

They are replaced by numerous dancers in dark clothing that dance in an agitated way as smoky mist rises around them; there is a clear sense of turmoil. Behind them is depicted the aftermath of what might have been a Korean War battle, which left buildings ruined and attracted vultures. Eerily, letters formed of fire spell out HATE. What follows that at the back of the stage is an image of people trapped behind barbed wire. Billowing smoke replaces that image as the dancers in dark clothing depart the stage.

Tanshimga

his phase of the performance had the theme, "Hardship." Two black-and-white photographs of True Parents appear, arms outstretched, offering the Blessing Prayer early in their ministry when they were investing all their effort to build a foundation for future victories.

The choir, with the orchestra and dancers adding heart and emphasis—began singing the hauntingly plaintive "Tanshimga," [My heart is Burning,] which begins "Although my body perishes and yet one thousand times dies, my bones becoming ashes, even my soul vanishes—still all my love and all my heart, unchanging, remain with you. My everlasting loyalty, unchanging remains with you."

As they sing, we see images of True Father in a prison uniform, and ones of True Mother weeping and drying her eyes with a handkerchief on the day True Father began his incarceration in Danbury prison. These are followed by more photos of Father in prison and one of True Mother kissing True Father on the forehead as he lay in his casket. We then see the photograph of Heung Jin Moon (November 23, 1966– January 2, 1984) that was used at his funeral after he ascended because of a car accident.

Blessing of Glory

he dancers return to the stage as the scenes behind them show breathtaking images of nature's beauty. The dancers are smiling as the background becomes beautifully abstract. More dancers join them, and all seem to express hope for the future in a world in which True Parents' salvific work is progressing.

The second theme of the performance was "Victory," and the song used to express it was "Blessing of Glory," the first verse of which is "Now the light of glory arises like the sun that shines on high; Now awaken into freedom, O revive, you spirits O revive! Wake the moun-



tains and the valleys; bring alive the springs of the earth. Light the world forever with the light of your rebirth."

The segment opens with an aerial shot of Seoul's Olympic Stadium, during a Blessing Ceremony including thousands of couples and segues to a different Blessing Ceremony at the same huge venue. Then back in the World Peace Center, we see Conductor David Eaton leading the Hyo Jeong Youth Orchestra. Behind them are projected views of True Parents posing with happy members in various parts of the world.

Song of a Pioneer

he next portion of the event had the theme "Gratitude." The song that coincided with the theme was not a holy song but a Korean folk song, "Song of a Pioneer," the lyrics of which were adapted to reflect FFWPU history. "I was born and joined the Unification Movement in this land. Almost sixty years of flowers blooming and snow falling... What have I achieved? What do I wish for? To be buried in Cheon II Guk after I die would be an honor."

The illustrations were of early members, at meetings, at church services, a few times with Father, but mostly on their own carrying out their mission to awaken the Korean nation to recognize the advent of the Messiah. Fittingly, an aged professional singer and four elder members, Jeong-ro Yun, Man-ung Cho, Yang Huh and Hwa-beom Lee sang together.



Welcoming True Mother

he final song is one that True Mother is fond of and sometimes sings at church gatherings. The theme of this portion of the event was "Glory." Amidst the rousing song, True Mother appeared on stage accompanied by her daughters in law Yeon Ah Moon and Hoon Sook Moon. Dr. Yun explained, "True Mother has come to personally bestow the grace and blessing of becoming cheonbo families."

After she was seated and everyone had bowed, Dr. Yun and Wonju Jeong McDevitt, chief of True Parents' Secretariat, presented the Cheonbo Holy Register—the list of the 5,404 cheonbo couples from seven regional groups across the world—to True Mother. From Korea were 1,743 couples, from Japan, 2,226 couples, from the United States, 310 couples, from Africa, 298 couples, from Europe, 336 couples, from



Latin America, 269 couples and from Asia Pacific 222 couples.

Bestowing Cheonbo Holy Items

n behalf of True Parents, Yeon Ah Moon and Hoon Sook Moon then began bestowing on cheonbo couples the holy items—a plaque recognizing their registration as cheonbo couples and a long silk shawl, which they are to wear around their neck over their distinctive cheonbo "holy robe." The shawl symbolizes their qualification as cheonbo families who have fulfilled Heavenly Parent's and True Parents' will.

Yeon Ah Moon and Hoon Sook Moon presented the holy items to a group of Korean cheonbo couples and then pastors throughout Korea were instructed to present the holy items to their local cheonbo couples. Via the Internet, True Mother and all others in the World Peace Center watched as the holy items were bestowed on a representative group of cheonbo couples in Japan by their regional president, Sang-il Bang at the same time as a group representing Japan receive the holy items from the True Family members in Korea. After the holy items had been distributed to the group of recipients in Japan and to the group representing Japan in the World Peace Center the two groups, wearing their shawls and holding their plaques, posed with True Mother for a joint group photograph. This pattern continued for the other nations with cheonbo couples.

After all the cheonbo holy items had been distributed representatives of the seven regional groups presented gifts to True Mother. Following this True Mother spoke.

The wording on the plaque

Practicing a life of faith rooted in hyojeong (filial heart) that comes from absolute faith, absolute love, and absolute obedience inherited from the True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind, the couple here named has completed the Heavenly Tribal Messiah mission; moreover, they have taken the lead in building Heavenly Parent's and True Parents' ideal of the kingdom of God on earth and in heaven. This plaque is therefore awarded to this couple as an inducted Cheonbo Blessed Couple for fulfilling the mission of citizens of Cheon II Guk.

9.5 in the 9th year of Cheon II Guk (November 10, 2021) (Signed) The True Parents of Heaven, Earth and Humankind

Recognizing incredible investment

fter the holy items had been distributed to all the regional groups in the World Peace Center and in the nations, Dr. Dr. Yun also advised, "For those cheonbo couples who can only participate in the ceremony from their homes because of the COVID pandemic, I would like to ask you to raise your cheonbo plaques toward True Parents' photograph as if you are offering it, bow, and then face each other to place the cheonbo shawl over each other.

"I would like to give thanks once again to the True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind for giving us, through this precious Cheonbo Ceremony, the "cheonbo plaque" and the "cheonbo shawl," which symbolize, respectively, "Heavenly Parent's treasure" and the "cheonbo family." 76



Expressions of gratitude

Imboni Dr. Uzwi-Lezwe Radebe, founder of the Revelation Spiritual Home, and his wife Mapula Radebe received cheonbo status.

G eloved True Mother, the mother of peace, the only begotten daughter, beloved cheonbo families around the world, beloved Yun Young-ho, my brother:

First, I would like to salute Father Moon's ascension to Heaven. We do not mourn his passing but celebrate his ascension to heaven. Thanks be to the Creator and our Heavenly Parent, because today is a special day. Today, our family is recognized as a cheonbo family, which means a "treasure of heaven."

"I am grateful to True Mother, the only begotten daughter, for giving us this special blessing and grace. I'm also grateful for my brother Dr. Yun Young-ho. Together we are working to realize the heavenly continent of Africa and together we will work to realize the heavenly, united world.

"Today's Cheonbo Festival is special. More than 5,500 families worldwide have been recognized as treasures of heaven. We are honored and privileged that True Mother especially recognizes my couple. Last year, True Mother asked, "How long has Heavenly Parent waited for this day?" Yes, we have also waited for this day.

"This year, in May, True Mother also spoke about a song that she sang at the age of fifteen about a place she had dreamed about. The song was about yearning for one's hometown. No place on earth do I love more sincerely than the state where I was born. We know that the Korea is still divided, but True Mother is leading an incredible providence to realize peaceful reunification. Also, Africa will be True Mother's hometown. We will work hard with my brother, Dr. Yun, to realize a heavenly united world. We will multiply cheonbo families worldwide. Together we will realize one cosmic family of humanity under the Heavenly Parent. Thank you once again, True Mother. Kamsahamnida. Saranghamnida."

Archbishop Johannes Ndanga, founder of the Apostolic Christian Churches of Zimbabwe, and his wife, Judith Ndanga, received cheonbo status.

Reloved True Mother, the mother of peace, mother of unification, only begotten daughter; beloved fellow cheonbo families who were registered today as treasures of heaven:

First of all, I would like to thank True Mother for giving our family the grace of being able to registered as cheonbo, becoming treasures of heaven. The "treasure of heaven" reference is the greatest blessing. For me and for my wife, this blessing is particularly meaningful, because in 2020, I fell sick. At that time, True Mother and Dr. Young-ho Yun heard about my condition and they immediately helped me. They saved my life. As a result, today I could receive this tremendous grace of our being a cheonbo family. I pledge that our family will do its best to expand the cheonbo blessing to all members throughout Africa. Working together as one with Dr. Yun, we will realize a heavenly, unified world. I would like to congratulate Dr. Radebe, my brother for leading the way for us together. Already we are proclaiming the gospel of True Parents worldwide. Aju!

Dr. Yun expressed appreciation for the speeches of the two African leaders, especially for their use of Korean terms. He went on to say, "In January 2018, True Mother proclaimed 'Shining Africa,' and with Prophet Radebe, we had 200,000 people receive the blessing; it was broadcast on television as well, so that all of Africa could participate. Rain poured, but it was successful.

We had heard that Archbishop Ndanga was in critical condition. True Mother instructed me to go to Zimbabwe. We transferred him to the capital city, where he could be treated. Rev. Ndanga regained his health and he is testifying about True Parents in his country. We are seeing the work of God happening. I believe that all that was due to Mother's love and blessing. We just heard his message of gratitude and I believe it expresses what we are feeling in our hearts, too." \mathcal{P}

A True Peace magazine staff member contributed this article.



The Way Forward to a World of True Peace

True Mother delivered this address on October 24 at the Cheon II Guk Victory Celebration to Commemorate the Events Marking the Ninth Anniversary of the Holy Ascension of Sun Myung Moon, the True Parent of Heaven, Earth and Humankind, which took place at the Cheongshim World Peace Center and online.



y dear leaders and blessed families sharing this moment together in various parts of the world!

This is indeed a happy day. We know how much Heavenly Parent has waited for this first step toward life in the kingdom of heaven on earth, where Heavenly Parent's dream has been realized, the dream of all people living together with True Parents and attending Heavenly Parent's embodiment on earth. To bring about that day when our Heavenly Parent can begin living on earth, Heaven, thankfully, blessed the Korean Peninsula to become True Parents' birthplace. However, in light of today's reality, we can see that the Korean people have not yet awakened.

The desire of True Parents was for the Korean nation, blessed by Heaven, to become a unified nation that attends Heaven, and for Korea and its people to be able to speak proudly to the world about how people should live in attendance to Heaven. With that hope in mind, True Parents have striven until this day in an unimaginable environment, holding on to Heaven and investing all their devotion and effort, as True Parents, in the situation in which Christianity has not been able to fulfill its responsibility of making sure that America and Japan had no recourse but to unite. We cannot imagine how hard God had to work to create this environment, an environment in which we can, for the first time ever, contemplate tomorrow with hope

Now that the age of the Asia-Pacific Civilization has been initiated, True Parents' efforts, which have moved even heaven and earth, are now seeking a way through which various nations in the world can take the path to a world of true peace together with True Parents. As we listened to the report of the visit to Cambodia by the director-general of the international headquarters, we came to deeply realize that Heaven has been preparing for this day.

National-level leaders from various faiths have resolved to uphold True Parents' teachings and work together to forge a path to a world of peace. They are pooling their abilities and wisdom to create a world wherein all people live together as one peaceful family, which is our Heavenly Parent's dream. We know that no words can describe how much Heaven has had to strive to cultivate such true leaders and righteous people that can take the lead on this path.

This is reality: Heaven cannot wait any longer. The blessed families of the Unification Community, especially the blessed families of Korea, have a great portion of responsibility. To take the first step toward transforming Korea into a nation that attends Heaven, what you need to do over the coming six months is to believe in Heaven and unite with True Mother, the only begotten daughter, and fulfill your responsibilities. On the day you accomplish this, Heaven will be together with us, and it will be the day on which our dream, and our Heavenly Parent's dream, is made real. I ask you to please be mindful of this and do your very best. 🌾



THIS VICTORY IS A CALL TO ACTION ON KOREAN UNITY



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hose of us who are old enough to have seen True Father in person and to have experienced his dynamic personality, his loving heart and his willingness to take on gigantic tasks—such as winning the world back for Heavenly Parent—were blessed to have called him "Father" and to know that he saw us as sons or daughters. Those who were born more recently or who joined Heavenly Parent's Holy Community more recently, will have encountered True Father through video recordings, books of his sermons and stories told by elder members. With prayer and jeongseong, surely, you too, can develop a deep relationship with Mother and Father.

The Victory Celebration to Commemorate the Ninth Anniversary of the Holy Ascension of Sun Myung Moon, the True Parent of Heaven, Earth and Humankind took place at the World Peace Center on Sunday, October 24, in Korea. The curtains on the World Peace Center's stage opened and with a trumpet clarion, UPA cadets, in their blue uniforms marched off the stage and down a walkway, some bearing Cheon II Guk flags, others bearing the flags of various nations, as if to say, the whole world honors True Father.

The master of ceremonies, Dr. Young-ho Yun, director-general of the FFWPU International Headquarters, walked in from backstage and took his place before the podium. He greeted blessed families and Cheon II Guk leaders around the world as well as peace associates.





r. Yun looked at his in-stadium audience-men, women, some coupleslooking at him from their homes, through a total of 147 individual screens. Dr. Yun said to those watching from a distance, "When I see you—and because this is online I can see so many people—I see members around the world who yearn to meet Mother, and I can see that we are one family under God...."

In speaking about this victory celebration, Dr. Yun remarked, "Mother said the celebration of the ninth anniversary has been successful, so this should be a special Cheon II Guk Victory Celebration. From August 21, more than thirty events took place, and they were all successful." He mentioned, too, that "now is the time to move toward peace on the Korean Peninsula." This topic was also on his mind.

Dr. Yun went on to say that "True Mother has worked tirelessly. Mother decreed that this will be a special victory celebration. Mother was not simply congratulating everyone. She said, "The homeland of the providence should rise. We should put our lives on the line and dedicate ourselves to realizing Father's long-cherished wish, which is peaceful reunification on the Korean Peninsula. We all have the desire to realize this. That is why today's victory celebration is to congratulate True Parents on the success of the events commemorating the ninth anniversary of True Father's Holy Ascension, but it will also be a time to launch the next three- to six-month course for the realization of a heavenly unified Korea."



A life of attendance and faith

Notice of a grand victory. She indicated that although many events took place during this point, this is not the end. We will be involved in more events in the coming months.

Mrs. McDevitt listed some of the events held over the previous three months: Peace Road, the Think Tank 2022 Forum, the Peace Forum for the Realization of a Heavenly Unified Korea, the Rallies of Hope, which will also take place in Korea's subregions and the Cheonbo Grand Festival. Soon, we will hold the 2021 Summit on Peace on the Korean Peninsula, in which we hope both North Koreans and South Koreans will participate.

"In particular, the Pledge Service to celebrate True Father's ascension was the starting point of the celebrations," she said, "and the Think Tank Rally of Hope marked a new start, a new beginning in the history of our movement. During the Cheonbo Festival, members of Heavenly Parent's Holy Community were registered as cheonbo families worldwide. We believe this is the greatest gift that True Mother can offer to Heavenly Parent and to True Father. Wouldn't you agree?" In response, Mrs. McDevitt received a round of applause for True Mother's unwavering devotion to Heavenly Parent and True Father.

Looking ahead

ext year, 2022, will mark the tenth anniversary of True Father's Holy Ascension. As Mrs. McDevitt explained, the events (and likely all the prayer, conditions, sweat and effort that went into successfully having them) were held so that next year, no one will be in mourning; it will be a pure celebration of True Father's ascension into heaven. "Until True Parents' Holy Birthday Celebration, we are going to go through a half-year course for the realization of a heavenly unified Korea," she emphasized.

"Next year the focus will be on securing the homeland of the providence, and the Korean Peninsula is to become a truly heavenly, unified Korea. Today's victory celebration is not just a celebration, not just a gathering; it is another call to action. It is the launch of the second phase of events taking us into 2022."

True Father in heaven, True Mother on earth

o many things have changed since True Father ascended. Mother has emerged as a messianic figure in her own right. She seems to have a magnetic quality that draws people toward her, especially religious people. What internal quality drew Sheikh Mansour Diouf, head of the Murid Brotherhood, a Sufi organization; Archbishop Johannes Ndanga, president of the Apostolic Christian Council of Zimbabwe, and Prophet Samuel Radebe, the founder of the Revelation Spiritual Home in Johannesburg, South Africa and three other countries to go on a pilgrimage to meet True Mother in Upstate New York? It's True Parents' love. With Father in heaven and True Mother on earth, their love will gradually fill the whole universe. 🌾

A True Peace magazine staff member contributed this article.





Hyojeong Ideology: A Matter of the Heart

There have been five Peace Forums, which are focused on Korean reunification—August 21, September 3, 17 and 25 and November 15. They feature speeches by our elder Korean brothers who have long worked on Korean reunification. One of the main figures is Dr. Jin, who has developed, in great detail, a "heavenly unified Korea Theory. Please see Peacelink and YouTube for the full-length videos.

By Sung-bae Jin

ext, we will deal with the "The South–South conflict within South Korea and the Cultural Revolution." The general discussion of the last Peace Forum was approached from two perspectives: idealism and materialism, which are the ideological roots of the inter-Korean conflict, namely, from the perspective of spirit and material, or sung-sang and hyung-sang.

The rational principles of idealism and materialism are clear and simple. These principles turn out to be the framework upon which we can work out the complex problems between the two Koreas. Then, as was briefly touched upon last week, the fundamental solution to the confrontation between these two systems can be found in the heart and in the matters related to the heart, or shimjeong.

As we discussed earlier, neither side between the two Koreas has the ideology nor the ability to solve the difficulties in any matter related to the fundamental issues of inter-Korean conflict—history, national ideology, human liberation, peace talks and the inter-Korean conflict.

The root cause of the inter-Korean conflict is a struggle of philosophy vs. philosophy, ideology vs. ideology, as well as concept and set of values. But what on earth is this thing called "shimjeong" that claims to cover and solve just about all the problems facing the two Koreas? It can do so, because mind can relate to matter and they can unite together when heart or shimjeong is the center. That principle is an unchanging truth, and practical problems between the two Koreas can only be solved through such a principle. The sentiment expressed here is well expressed in the life of Rev. Sun Myung Moon and Hak Ja Han, who advocate Godism. The life of the two spouses is the life of the heart itself, and the life of the two spouses can be called a "matter of the heart." As such, the concept of shimjeong and a matter of the heart are one and the same.

Now from here on, I'll briefly summarize what we studied last time, and address two additional topics that were not covered last time. The key to resolving the extreme conflict between the idealist philosophy of liberal democracy and the materialist philosophy of socialism can be found nowhere else but in shimjeong and in matters of the heart. You who have gathered here are listening to the only alternative for the peaceful unification of North Korea and South Korea, which cannot be heard on any other YouTube channel; in that sense you are happy and lucky people to be sure!

After the last inter-Korean summit in Pyeongchang and the first and second North Korea-U.S. talks in Singapore and Hanoi ended in failure, U.S. Secretary of State Pompeo confided that "North Korea's denuclearization ended as an opponent who was not willing to take even the first step." Then on June 16 of last year, the North's bombing of the North–South Joint Liaison Center at the Kaesong Industrial Complex brought the peace talks to a fruitless close. The reason is simple. It is because the concepts of denuclearization on the two sides are completely different. While U.S. denuclearization stipulates North Korea's complete nuclear disarmament, North Korea expects the U.S. to withdraw all strategic

nuclear weapons from the Korean Peninsula. How could the talks be successful? Moreover, while conducting the talks, North Korea was developing nuclear weapons to a level that they now threaten the West Coast of the United States. Why are they continuing in this way?

Genuine peace

Peace cannot blossom from the communist philosophy of struggle, beating the hammer of the alienation of workers and calling for class revolution. Therefore, their version of peace allows no choice but to spread the character of disguised pacifism. On the opposing side we have relativism, namely relative pacifism.

Whereas the peace that originates from God is true peace, namely peace essentialism. This peace comes from the heart of God. A prime example of peace essentialism, engaging the realm of shimjeong, is the peace movement of Rev. Sun Myung Moon and Dr. Hak Ja Han. The story of how this unfolded is well described in Kim Jinmyung's novel "Prophecy." Their worldwide peace movement became a decisive factor in the collapse of the communist Soviet Union



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Beginning with the fourth forum, those that attended could receive a certificate of participation.

system, and the story behind it is interesting.

As was later confirmed by the CIA, in November 1987, Gorbachev dispatched 25 Red Army members to the U.S. to assassinate Reverend Moon. However, their plan was thwarted by a fortuitous police checkup, and subsequently the Moon-Gorbachev talks were held at the Media Conference in Moscow in April 1990. After accepting Dr. Moon's proposal, Gorbachev opened religious freedom in the Soviet Union, and in following, over a two-year period, Rev. Moon equipped 20,000 to 30,000 Soviet youth with hope, the ideology and the will to overthrow the Soviet system. Their revolution triggered the collapse of the Soviet Union.

At that time, with President Gorbachev's full consent, the two leaders agreed to take initiative and educate 3,000 people with the ideas of Reverend Moon. After the collapse of the Soviet Union system, Gorbachev visited Governor Moon's home in Hannam-dong, and the two Titans embraced each other in a heartwarming reunion.

So who was it who brought communism to its knees? There are of course many factors, such as Reaganomics and the Star Wars Strategic Defense Initiative, but above all, it must be stated that God destroyed communism. At the forefront of that crucial providence, the Moon couple stood tall, and following in their footsteps the global peace essentialism movement was fully mobilized.

The ideology of hyojeong urges that, based on concretely experiencing God's love, we pursue ethics in our human relationships whereby we love and empathize with all our brothers and sisters of the human race. Hyojeong combines vertical filial piety, loving God, and horizontal filial, piety loving our neighbor. The Bible passage that highlights the hyojeong concept reads, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, mind, and soul, and love your neighbor as yourself!"

Democracy in its original sense is a system that exalts innate human rights such as individual freedom, equality, life and property, whereas socialism is a system that holds labor, a material value, as the essence of human beings. But when liberal democracy relinquishes freedom through greed, and socialism breeds endless hatred through violent revolution, neither side can achieve human emancipation. Only through shimjeong and events that engage the heart can we achieve true human emancipation in the two systems of democracy and communism. This is because true freedom, above all, is freedom of the heart, freedom of conscience and freedom to manifest one's character. Freedom based solely on individual desires inevitably leads to indulgence that infringes upon others' rights and freedoms.

Socialism

And the same goes for the socialist concept of equality. Equal distribution, the ideal of socialism, is nothing but fiction and illusion. The reason the socialist society that advocated the value of equality has transformed into the most distorted society of inequality is because it distorted the concept of equality into sheerly resultant equality. Equality in its original sense means equality as an object value before God. Accordingly, true equality is equality of heart, equality of personality and equality of satisfaction. Hyojeong is the only ideology capable of leading liberal democracy and socialism in the right direction.

After liberation and the Korean War, Korea achieved the Miracle on

the Han River and became a G11 country, the envy of the world. However, in the meantime, numerous conflicts have arisen and reached a dangerous level, such as the North–North conflict, the labor conflict, the ideological conflict, and the South–South conflict and the ideological conflict between conservatives and progressives.

In 1980, Marxism-Leninism was removed from the North Korean constitution and the Juche idea was changed to the Leader's Line Only Ideology. As a flag point of the change, the pro-North forces differentiated into the Marxist People's Democracy (PD) faction and the North Korean-centered National Liberation (NL) faction. The two sides fought fiercely to gain the upper hand. The struggle ended with an overwhelming victory for the NL Pro-Leader faction. What further ignited their fervor was the cultural revolution of Neomarxism, which caused hot young blood to pound at that time, with such ideological figures as Gramsci, an Italian Marxist; Marcuse and Habermas [a German-America and a German Marxist]. Instead of by a political revolution confronting capitalism, they seek to turn bourgeois democratic society upside-down through a cultural revolution. Cultural Marxism raises the banner of sexual liberation and the Eros civilization a la Herbert Marcuse.

The True Family movement and absolute sex

The shield against their cultural revolution is the absolute sex and true family movement, as well as Godism's shimjeong movement. With a perfectly good Anti-Discrimination Law already in place, the progressives want to add the word "inclusive" to the National Assembly Law, which means including gays and lesbians as officially sanctioned family forms. In addition to healthy, solid families, they want to give sanction to more diverse families. The ghost of Marx is sweeping the Korean Peninsula, trying to destroy the beautiful home of the Korean national tradition.

Life, lineage and sex are one: this is the ultimate truth. Chastity is the standard of public righteousness. Seeing that the image of God is embodied in a single family as a couple, there is nothing more important than understanding gender properly and maintaining the correct order of nature.

Today's theme is "The Historical Meaning of the Korean People." This topic addresses the question, "In the North–South showdown, which side upholds historical orthodoxy?"

The South's capitalist system is founded on freedom, i.e. sung-sang (spiritual) values, in contrast to the North's socialist system, based on material equality; that is, tangible values.

Which side can claim historical authenticity? Communism in the North upholds a class struggle pursuing the material value of labor, while South Korea takes pride in a history of overcoming difficulties, having endured more than 930 crises and survived. The class struggle or historical dialectic is the material view of history that finally culminated in the communist revolution, and its error is in its historical determinism.

The 38th Parallel (DMZ) where the North and South face off is the point of not simply a military confrontation but of a confrontation between good and evil values, between communism and democracy, between ideology and materialism and between theism and atheism.

The remedy

The concept that can take on this polarization is heart-centered Godism. Godism is a movement to return to the roots of our nation, the idea of Gyeongcheon-"Revere Heaven." The God of the Korean people is the god of the three gods in unity-the gods Hwanyin, Hwanung and Hwangeom; these three emblems are one and stand for one God. Then Dangun is the man who was born of the union of Hwanung of heaven and Woongnyeo of earth. The ideology of Heavenly Unified Korea is a universal ideology that should be based on national orthodoxy, and it should be an ideology that will lead to a future unified Korea. That is the philosophy of love Heaven, love mankind, and love your nation. This founding philosophy is a universal ideology that will contribute to world peace. Thus the founding philosophy of the Heavenly Unified Korea is interdependence, mutual prosperity and universally shared values all centered on God.

Next we look at the "The seed of commonality--one God, one religion." This topic raises the same spirit as the outcry of our country's Saemaeul Independence Movement in both North and South. To realize this, the unity of religion and religious people is required, so it will be treated in a single independent chapter.

What is religion? Religion is a cultural entity that has never departed from human reality. From birth to death human beings are surrounded by religious offerings and rituals. The history of the world has seen twenty-one religious civilizations coalesce into four major religious groups now. The world religions are classified into monotheistic religions such as Judaism, Christianity and Islam, and religions that refer to the fundamental principles of the universe called Brahman (the abiding Godhead), the law of *Ri* (propriety), or doe (the Way) in Buddhism, Confucianism, and Taoism. The history of formal religion runs from the ninth century BC to the second century BC, when the higher religions such as Judaism, Hinduism, Buddhism, and Taoism appeared, and Islam appeared in the sixth century. Today there are 2.3 billion Christians, 31.2 percent of the world's total population, 1.8 billion Muslims, 24.1 percent Hindus, 1.1 billion 15.1 percent; Buddhists, 500 million 6.9 percent; and 16 percent, minus 1.2 billion with no religious affiliation, so the absolute majority are religious. According to the modern secularization trend, Marx's prophecy was wrong.

Religion has positive and negative aspects. Violence is all too often associated with religion. The eighth Crusade to recapture Jerusalem, lasting two hundred years from 1096 was the most brutal war in world history. The Roman Catholic Pope Urbanus II issued a Holy Edict, "Not I, but the Lord Jesus Christ commands you to fight the heathen. Even if you lose your life, your sins will be fully forgiven."

Examples of the negative side of religion include the Northern Ireland conflict between British Protestants and Irish Catholics, the eighty-year French Huguenot War of Dutch Independence, Germany's thirty-year War, the four recent "powder kegs in the Middle East" between Israel and Palestine, the Bosnian and Serbs, Pakistan and Indian conflicts over Kashmir, the ethnic wars following the breakup of Yugoslavia, the Islamic Sunni and Shia war, the bloodshed in Central and South America for more than three hundred years of Spanish conquest, the collusion of Catholicism and Marxism with Liberation Theology. All this violence, in short, came from the aggrandizement of believers in orthodox doctrine and proselytism.

Jesus was executed under Judaic law, the Scribes and Pharisees, and the orthodox doctrine. The same with Muhammad, who was persecuted as a collaborator and driven out of the east of the Quresh, and of Sakyamuni Buddha, who was reviled, ridiculed, and proscribed. So to what degree of infernality will religious anger and hatred go?

Thus, there is no other way but to return to the nature of religion, to recover the original spirit of all religions, to go back to the scriptural spirit of each of the great faiths. Human history began with religious offerings and religious experiences. Birth itself has always been associated with religious rites appealing to God. No matter how much people deny God, they cannot deny the sense of relying on some absolute thing.

Marx's atheistic ideas also refer to religion as an opium, yet they themselves have a fundamentally religious character. Berdyaev holds that Marxism should be viewed as an atheistic religious phenomenon. Marxism has a schematic analogous to the fall, consummation, last days, and salvation like Christianity. His theory follows the schematic of alienation, apocalyptic revolution, judgment and salvation. Nietzsche's proclamation of the death of God likewise leads to a messianic longawaited "superhuman" and a religion called $\overline{"}$ spiritual regression."

Descartes wondered, "Why can't humans leave religion behind and just live? All I need is to think." Thus, the proposition that I shall be a strictly material being, along with Newton's scientific reason, abdicated the medieval God and opened the age of Man. Is man just a material bumpkin?

I do know that I have a material aspect, like the animals, but I also know there is something deeper I long for. Reason, sensibility, and will are a stream of rivers and winds that flow through our consciousness. Our consciousness is a consciousness that has a bundle of orientations regarding what we perceive and constantly striving towards the essential. The source of that consciousness is "longing of the heart." And the final terminus of the human flow of mind, its orientation, is 'the ultimate being, the God. Human emotional motivation has an ultimate interest towards ultimate existence. That is the conscious orientation of man, and when he fulfills his purpose, he feels joy and happiness. In this way, man is a countryman who constantly thinks, feels, and desires, and the ultimate destination of his interest is to become the ultimate countryman or "True Man." Therefore, man is essentially a religious human being, as we have seen before, God is the true parent of mankind, and He is one God.

God is not a particular religious or doctrinal god, but the ultimate cause, the ultimate reality, guiding people through the conscience of mankind. And it is a centripetal point that can unite all mankind beyond borders, races, and religions. And because God is one, religion is one. Some religions claim a personable God, others a nonpersonal truth, but the ultimate reality that all religions seek is one-one Heavenly Parent. This is because the starting point of all religions comes from one God. The purpose of religion is for all mankind under one God to become a family, as brothers and sisters. That is why religion must naturally be one.

In the next chapter 6, we will look at "Conflict and Overcoming North and South ideology."

In fact, human rights such as

freedom, life, and property rights in liberal democracy are originally granted by God. Similarly, the equality advocated by socialism stems from the natural value of the object before God. And freedom can only be true freedom when it is based on heart (shimjeong), and equality can only be true equality when it is based on shimjeong. Therefore, democracy, which sets forth freedom, and socialism, which sets forth equality, can find their justification when they are both based on the idea of Gyeongcheon (revering Heaven), or Godism.

We should know that when liberal democracy and socialism lose the ideological basis of Godism, they falter from their root. First, democracy is a system "for the people, by the people, of the people', and socialism is a system for the people, by the people, and of the people. If liberal democracy results in a struggle of all who come from the abuse of personal freedom, socialism emphasizes class warfare and revolution and foments hatred.

The most basic of democracy is the electoral system and the democratic caucus system. However, these rational systems were tainted by excessive competitive elections, the failure of delegated representatives to represent, and the monopoly of power by the majority party.

As an alternative, the concept of mutual prosperity centered on God aims to exclude excessive competition and realize elective and integrative politics in which everyone wins, the legitimate allocation of power of the fraternal party, and, further, an organic unity politics in which parliament, government, and citizens are united as a family. The ideal of interdependence and mutual prosperity presents the model for solving the conflicts and conflicts that is linked to both the individual of liberal democracy and the class of socialism. As such, coexistence, co-prosperity, and co-righteousness centering on God is the politics of brotherhood democracy, centering on parents, by the brothers, and for the brothers. \overline{p}

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Hometown Heavenly Tribal Messiahs

By Yun-hyeong Lee



y wife, Ok-hyun Park, and I attend the Gimjae Church in the Cheonbok Area in Korea's sub-region 4. I joined the church in 1967 and was blessed among the 1,800 couples in 1975. We have two sons and a daughter. All of our children are blessed through True Parents' grace. As True Parents' directed, we carried out activities for the restoration of the tribe and the realization of forty-three families.

My hometown is Buryang Village in Gimje City in North Jeolla Province. I decided to focus on restoring my hometown. First, we carried out activities to hoist the Unification Church flag in the town hall of each village in the area. Then, we invited the villagers and the heads of local organizations to a heavenly tribal messiah hometown feast. We have since held the hometown feast annually. In order to restore my hometown with love, we distributed True Parents' teachings to the people of Buryang Village and brought them to various rallies, leading them to Blessing Ceremonies.

My wife and I hold regular monthly meetings for restoring our brothers and sisters. Ten brothers joined and we have regular monthly meetings to raise membership fees. We use the funds to do religious training in Japan and hold workshops. One time, we went for a three-day workshop in Geomundo. During the retreat, my sister had a spiritual experience. She received a spiritual healing fire that cured a disease she'd had for a long time. Now, all ten of the brothers have been blessed. They are living lives of faith and attending church services.

To restore my Gyeongju Lee clan, I joined its genealogical association. I blessed my close relatives and expanded the base of activities while I served as president of the group for four years. Now, it is difficult for anyone to come to church due to the coronavirus. We are constantly visiting close relatives' homes and sharing with them news of and guidance from True Parents.

Interreligious activities

True Mother wishes and hopes for the restoration of Christianity. To aid in that happening, we hold monthly meetings with Christian elders. We selected some Protestant pastors and Catholic priests and sent them to Japan for workshops on peace and unification. Around that time, we held hoondokhae and prayer meetings with religious leaders. Christian elders still prayed in the name of Jesus, while we prayed in the name of True Parents, wishing for the day when we can pray in our own names. Still we offered jeongseong together with them. We are now visiting the homes of Christian elders and priests and trying to restore them completely.

We hold Blessing Ceremonies for peace ambassadors. We have blessed more than 90 percent of the peace ambassadors in Gimjae City and hold regular monthly meetings. Before Corona, more than twenty peace ambassadors attended our church service once a month. Attending church worship service is now difficult, so we are holding our services online. When the church is able to freely hold face-to-face worship, we are preparing with the pastors to hold a monthly peace worship service.

Heavenly Tribal Messiah Blessing Ceremony

All these activities came to fruition when, through heavenly tribal messiah activities, we could bless 430 couples. Our 430-couple Blessing Ceremony took place on November 12, 2016. My ten brothers and sisters were in attendance, and five of my wife's brothers and sisters attended and received the Blessing. Five of our spiritual children also did. We received a plaque of honor as heavenly tribal messiahs from the current head of the Gyeongju Lee clan. We are now in the position of tribal chiefs.

On November 10, 2020, with the grace of the True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind, we were blessed as a cheonbo family and registered as cheonbo citizens. We are now carrying out activities for the realization of forty-three cheonbo families, so that the 430 families we blessed can fully settle in the church and take root as core members.

Beloved True Mother, the only begotten daughter and substantial Holy Spirit! We have received the blessing of becoming a cheonbo family. In the age where we as children have a big responsibility, we will do our best, without fail, with love, laughter, and prayer to accomplish forty-three core families. We earnestly pray and proclaim this before God and all mankind, and we will live lives that depict what a cheonbo family, a treasure of heaven, is. $\tilde{\not}$

Our Road to Becoming a Cheonbo Family

By Seung-hee Ko



am a deaconess in our Ulsan church. I have brought hope to forty-three families that have come to know True Parents' teachings, and I have helped them to experience joy through our church culture. Since 2006, for almost sixteen years, I have been working as the director of the city of Ulsan's UPF Women's Bureau. Along with that I have been managing the World Peace Women's Forum, the Sansuwon Patriotic Association, the Peace Ambassadors' Council and the National Coalition for Inter-Korean Reunification. I try to advise some of the heads of our other organizations and I try my best to connect members to our pastors.

I have contact with many people through these various organizations. I succeeded in the heavenly tribal messiah mission, connecting 430 families. My husband Elder Hyo-yun Ahn, served as a church leader and has much experience in explaining our beliefs to people from all walks of life; he contributed much to my success. Naturally, we are working hard to guide these forty-three families to become full-time members.

Other church work continues

Recently, due to the coronavirus, activities have been hampered as social distancing reached level three. Despite these difficulties, we try to set an example as a cheonbo family. We must meet in smaller groups, consistently wear masks and follow all guidelines set by the government, but the mission goes on.

We are always conscious of that fact that as a senior family, we must set a good example and work together to help younger families to succeed as heavenly tribal messiahs and to become cheonbo families. In addition, we are continuing activities such as distributing True Mother's autobiography, conducting signature campaigns against the Comprehensive Anti-Discrimination Act and having people sign membership forms in Peace Aewon, which is good entry-level group for people who love peace. It is a very good way to begin a relationship with our Abelminded fellow citizens.

Women seem especially active in Ulsan as peace ambassadors and as members of the World Peace Women's Forum. The forum, which is led by Chairman Young-hee Park, has seventy members who each pay regular dues. We hold monthly meetings and are energetically engaged in volunteer activities and educational projects.

While the Women's Federation is an internal organization centered on the church, the World Peace Women's Forum is an external organization centered on the general public. We are also expanding our base by closely working with women's cooperatives. Ulsan has around thirty such organizations, which emphasize sisterhood, cooperation and equality. Through various activities, the Women's Forum is building an environment in which it is easy for us to access prominent citizens.

Be persistent

So, I took advantage of the fact that I am serving as the director of all the women's affairs at UPF, and as a peace ambassador who is active in the Sansuwon Mountain Hiking Club and the Women's Forum. I am managing members by participating in internal and external events—through affiliated groups and providential organizations.

To successfully reach my 430 couples as a heavenly tribal messiah, I began by having thirty guests attend a blessing seminar for two days in Yeosu. They heard a Divine Principle lecture, a blessing lecture, and then attended the Blessing Ceremony. Since that time, we continue to send hoondok messages through KakaoTalk to all the couples to keep them up to date.

As a strategy to nurture these blessed Abel-like members and guide them to church service, we are conducting various volunteer activities, meetings on unity, and having picnics together. In addition, we work with members of external volunteer groups that have received the blessing. I keep contacting all those who participated in the Divine Principle education and seminars, but who have not yet been blessed. In addition, we are continuing to hold open worship services and hoondok meetings, as well as volunteer activities through providential organizations.

On November 10, 2020, through the great grace of the True Parents of Heaven, Earth and Humankind, our family could be registered and became a cheonbo family. We will become one with True Mother, who is the substantial Holy Spirit. As a family registered as cheonbo, we will work to expand our activities among our neighbors, tribes and country for the settlement of a heavenly unified Korea. As cheonbo citizens we will create heaven on earth where we can all be free. $\frac{7}{2}$

Oh! I Experienced Heaven

By Soon-ja Seo

y life has always been rough. I was always wandering with nowhere to rest my mind. At the suggestion of my oldest son, who was then in high school, I agreed to meet a young pastor after three days of wondering if I should. He was a young man who had just graduated from a theological seminary. Like a person possessed, he started teaching me the Divine Principle with all his mightfrom the Creation to the Second Cominghe lectured me for seven hours. It was 180 degrees different from all that I had heard from other religions, and I thought, Wow...! I had to go through so much trouble to encounter these revelations! As if I had gained the whole world, I was impressed by the Divine Principle and fell in love with the Unification Church.

As I witnessed with all my passion and the heart to relieve the sorrow of Heavenly Parent and True Parents, who are simply lonely, about twenty young people joined and the church grew day by day. Since then, the spiritual children I witnessed to have grown and are now active in various fields. For example, three are pastors and church officials, one is a provincial councilor, three are CEOs and two are teachers.

As I realized that Heaven is always with me and with my family, I did my best, and I received many witnessing awards. I received deep grace from Heaven, such as an Owner Award, a scarf, a coffee cup, a golden cloth with a lock of True Parents' hair, certificates of commendation, certificates of appointment, and recently first prize in the testimony award section at the Hyojeong Culture Contest.

I was additionally grateful to be able to do this with my family. As for my own children, three of them received the Blessing in the 30,000-couple Blessing Ceremony and 360,000-couple Blessing Ceremony. I have ten grandchildren, who are in our second generation. Among the generations of my Heavenly Tribal Messiah spiritual children, more than thirty blessed families are living in Japan and conducting a religious life. Among my blessed children, seven were registered as Cheonbo families, as I was.

Every morning, I take a picture of a hoondokhae section in Cheon Seong Gyeong and send it to my spiritual children. They reply with gratitude. The Hyojeong Testimony I gave during the Hyojeong Culture Contest also touched their hearts. Some of my spiritual children contacted me saying that they felt the providence of this time is to follow True Mother, the only begotten daughter.

In the shoes of a servant

I moved to Giheung twenty years ago and did a lot of volunteer work from my apartment. I also worked with a women's group president, the student council president at a senior citizen's university, a choir for old people and an alumni president. I volunteered to serve food with my Japanese daughter-in-law to senior citizens, who were representatives of the Giheung Multicultural Love Federation. My body was like that of a servant; I devoted myself in the lowest of position with a parental heart.

I was misunderstood, but after serving for more than ten years with True Parents' true loving spirit, people were moved and righteous people appeared, whose hearts I had touched. I was connected with 230 senior leaders, university presidents and branch presidents in Giheung Borough.

Giheung Church leads the way

A person in charge of the HJ Cheonwon Complex and his wife were the first to be proclaimed a Cheonbo couple. The second were elders. Twenty-eight other couples, out of thirty-six families in the Giheung Church, worked very hard with the church leader to be able to be claim the third place. As a result, six families received a miracle-like gift from heaven, and were registered as heavenly treasures.

In order to make forty-three core families a reality, we continued to build relationships with cooperative leaders. We appointed, as ambassadors for peace, thirty people with various backgrounds, including former school principals, professors, police chiefs, hospital administrators, CEOs and public officials. We gave them True Mother's autobiography, and introduced them to True Parents' peace activities. Until recently, we met and had meals together. Now we communicate through phone calls and text messages. In particular, the branch chairperson of Giheung Ward, who is a professor at the Korea Sports University, respects True Parents and actively participates in our activities. This person is like a younger sibling to me and recently attended the Women's Federation Forum with an incumbent city council member and participated in the peace seminar in Muchangpo.

In the future, as a Cheonbo family, we will do our best to serve Heavenly Parent and True Parents with a heart of filial piety, attend True Mother, the only begotten daughter, and do our best for the settlement of Cheon II Guk and a heavenly unified Korea. $\tilde{\gamma}$

The Holiness of the Witnessing Process

By Oldair Lima de Almeida



anulbumo nim, Chambumo nim, anyong hashiminika! Distinguished leaders and blessed families, I want to thank Heavenly Parent and True Parents for the opportunity to be part of this providence to establish Cheon II Guk and to participate in one hundred days of special activities. My name is Oldair Lima and I am the husband in a cheonbo couple and for me, witnessing always has been a holy activity.

Jeongseong for forty-three friends

When we began the one-hundred-day testimony period on February 24, 2021, my wife and I started this period by making a list of forty-three names of potential spiritual children. On the list that we put together, many of the people were people that we have nurtured a friendship with throughout our lives. With the list of names, we set many jeongseong conditions and invested a lot of prayer for the people on the list. When I was praying, I always thought about the heart of Heavenly Parent, who has been searching for his children.

Education

Following True Mother's direction passed through the continental leaders, we started education for the forty-three couples, making an investment of devotion and being perseverant in prayer. We began the education by delivering truth through videos via WhatsApp conferences online and in person to each of the guests. When the Divine Principle education was over, we taught about True Parents' lives and work, how to live a life of faith (traditions, attending sermons and tithing), as well as the value of the Blessing.

We are now continuing the process of education teaching them one-on-one, sharing hoondokhae with them and reading True Parents' speeches. Every time I conduct one-on-one study of the Divine Principle with the spiritual children, I see the power of the words of the Divine Principle having an effect in the lives of the guests, and how powerful it is. At the same time, I feel that I am also receiving the same benefit.

Now my wife and I are providing continued care through phone calls, visits and through Home Group practice and Home Church sermons. In these activities, guests are loved and can experience an environment with other members. In Home Group meetings, we sing, pray, share the word and play together. This is like a spiritual embrace for everyone, and consequently the atmosphere and ambience becomes increasingly more heavenly.

With these meetings, transformation comes as each member reflects on his or her life, discovers what he or she needs to change, and sets weekly goals to change. With this, they feel that after encountering the Divine Principle and True Parents, transformation has come into their lives.

Go beyond teaching

I feel that the care after we share the Divine Principle is fundamental. Some precautions we should take in front of a guest are to be a model, an example to new guests. To teach the new guests through our own attitude and behavior. To always be careful when taking care of new spiritual children, because new members are sensitive, so we must educate by setting the example.

After we complete the Divine Principle study with the guests, we give them a certificate and they sign the membership form. This adds value and contributes greatly to their process of affirming themselves as members. Next, we provide education on how to conduct one's life of faith, through which we emphasize the importance of participating in worship services and tithing. Finally everyone is led to participate in the sermon and to tithe.

Another very powerful point was bringing them to participate in the local church social activities together. We took them to help in the collection of food and in the distribution of food baskets. Additionally, through participating in prayer campaigns and witnessing, they increase the will to do more and feel closer to us.

One more thing that has a great impact on the spiritual child is visiting them. During this period we meet with the spiritual children, and on these occasions we invest a lot in education, care and love for them. At that point, we are already encouraging them to witness to their own spiritual children. Today all our spiritual children appear grateful to have received our witnessing efforts and to have encountered the Divine Principle and True Parents. My wife and I now have forty-seven spiritual children and thirty-seven spiritual grandchildren. I feel grateful to Heavenly Parent and True Parents for the opportunity to be a part of this providential witnessing activity at this time. \mathcal{P}

Guiding Spiritual Children

By Yutaka Ogawa and his wife Keiko



am grateful that I can take this time to reflect and report on the work of realizing the goal of connecting with forty-three core families. We run a small shop, and we use the shop to witness to people too. During the providence of the special training for 160,000 Japanese women, True Father spoke directly to me. "Keiko Chang," he said, "You have to work so hard that heaven and earth can remember your name! Everyone should work like that." These words of his have remained in my heart, and from that time on, I became intensely focused on evangelism.

After returning to Japan, I wanted to make our region heaven on earth! That thought motivated me to start witnessing. I was also filled with joy at the thought of attending True Parents on earth. When I took part in a North Korean tour in 2002, my family visited my father's birthplace, which made me feel even more determined.

I was doing heavenly tribal messiah activities to become a tribal messiah. Finding and creating forty-three core families only came into reality thanks to my determination. In 2014, we resolved in front of our regional chair to succeed as heavenly tribal messiahs. We then started activities to successfully accomplish what we had pledged to do.

Our path to victory

In order to succeed, we created a relationship of trust with each and every couple and guided them towards the Blessing Ceremony. We were conscious of our responsibilities and determined not to give up until the end. We proceeded by investing much love into activities and expressing much love to everyone we met.

One of our spiritual children received the blessing but had no desire to lead his parents to the blessing. So we continued building a trusting relationship with him. We worked to relieve issues and the frustrations and pain in which his parents had raised him. We guided him until he had a heart of gratitude toward his parents and he then led them to the blessing.

Another spiritual child came to the store to ask about work and talked about his family issues. In his mind, he felt that he would surely meet righteous people connected to God's providence in our shop. After coming three or four times, he accepted True Parents, received the blessing the following year and is also working to raise forty-three core families.

I have continued interacting with my spiritual children from twenty years ago for all this time. These are couples who married and families whom we witnessed to in Korea. I use the Line app to communicate with them. We are constantly interacting and working with the Japanese church and conducting hoondokhae and family counseling.

We also have many spiritual children in the Philippines to whom we provide support. When possible, we visit them. We worked to establish the church training center and to maintain an area for growing crops.

In order to do our tribal messiah activities successfully, we work in eight groups almost every day offering devotions centered on a trinity as taught by Professor Gil of the Cyber Leader School, which is centered on education that True Mother provided to Cheonbo families.

Now, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we use our phones and apps to conduct prayers and hoondokhae. Those who take part share feelings and thoughts, and we discuss ways to solve certain family problems. Every week, we hold a Friday service, watch a message from our pastor, share our impressions of the message and offer a prayer of gratitude. Parents and children hold hands during prayer. Every Saturday, we hold Korean language classes for children to learn Cheon-il Guk language. Once a month, we have a dinner party with the pastor and his wife. We all bring our own dishes and share a meal together.

Under our pastor's advice, we made a new start by dividing the area into three-zones. With the purity and devotion of those trinities, we hold our district meeting once a week. Together we share family problems that tie us down, and we become one in this new system; everyone's experience is increasing and our activities are expanding.

Last year, after we received the grace of being registered as victorious Cheonbo families, with our spiritual children's support, we were able to accomplish the ancestor blessing up to the 430th generation, for which we offered our gratitude. As spiritual parents, the sense of gratitude has no end. $\tilde{\gamma}$

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Our Winding Course Toward Cheonbo Status

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am grateful to Heavenly Parent and True Parents, whom I love. My husband, Yutaka, and I are from the 6,500-couple blessing group. We have three children. My husband and I retired in November 2005. Since then, we have been consciously working on the tribal messiah mission. We witnessed to married couples, educated all of our spiritual children and connected them to the church.

I cannot forget that before True Father's Seonghwa, I was able to report to True Father that we had completed the liberation and blessing of 210 generations of ancestors. After True Father's Seonghwa, True Mother, who was left alone, stood at the forefront and resolved to move forward without ceasing, so we decided we must help advance the vision 2020 providence.

Some years ago, my husband had a dream that True Mother called us to come to Cheon Jeong Gung. In 2013, when True Mother visited Japan, I was able to testify to her. The dream became a reality. In 2018, I realized I had to work desperately to liberate and bless my ancestors up to the forty-third generation, both horizontally and vertically. I desperately hoped to do this, so I prayed to God, "I absolutely want to succeed."

With only two years until 2020, I became so impatient inside and prayed desperately, imploring God, "Please help me meet central people that can move big groups!" At that time, news came that we could join the Cambodian providence and do our tribal messiah work abroad. We were happily surprised and realized that Heaven had heard our prayers. I went through the formalities immediately and went to Cambodia.

We were registered as heavenly treasures, as a cheonbo family, in November 2020, having restored four hundred and thirty families. We were the first cheonbo family in the Fukushima church. In our hearts, we held True Mother's determination to restore one-third of humankind. That year, the church implemented a course for pastors across the country to raise forty-three core families. With that as our platform, we took up the goal of realizing forty-three core families for a second time for a couple among our spiritual children. We had faith that we could advance properly if we understood the True Parents' viewpoint, so we asked the church staff for lectures and also agreed to give lectures.

Succeeding together

We later realized that if we didn't accomplish the liberation of the ancestors up to the forty-third generation by the Cheonbo Great Works in May, we wouldn't qualify to register a second cheonbo couple this year. So we held a ceremony to change our plan and restarted our efforts toward the 2022 goal. On the night of July 20, an official message circulated with a deadline for reporting the liberation of forty-three generations of ancestors, so we helped some of our spiritual children who had finished liberating their ancestors to prepare the report. Together we reaffirmed our determination to be cheonbo families—treasures of heaven, at this time.

Our heart moved our spiritual children, and in order to be on time, we kept working together, screening every family and working as one team. As a result, we raised a total of forty-three families for various couples. My husband and I were able to bring and register thirty-one families who will become Cheonbo families on November 10, 2021.

When the official memo had come, on July 20, changing the direction of our efforts from helping a second family to achieve Cheonbo, to helping all those who were close to becoming Cheonbo, my husband dreamed of Mother. In his dream, several people were in front of True Mother. My husband saw that Mother was kindly giving or sharing something. Later, I imagined it was a dream our spiritual children achieving Cheonbo status.

We will continue to move forward with a resolution to restore one-third of Fukushima's 650,000 citizens and to realize Heavenly Parent's and True Parents' dream of creating one human family under God. \mathcal{P}



The International Association for Peace and Economic Development

he Universal Peace Federation and its co-founder Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon launched IAED at World Summit 2020 in Seoul Korea as one six entities known as primary associations. The Summit attracted over five thousand delegates who convened under the theme, Interdependence, Mutual Prosperity and Universally Shared Values. Guided by the founders' vision that we are "one family under God" attendees at the IAED Conference signed an Inaugural Resolution that read in part:

We affirm our belief that business leaders have the opportunity and responsibility to work in collaboration with other sectors of society to make the world a better place, addressing its most





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significant challenges, and promoting world peace, long-term mutual prosperity and truly sustainable development.

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By providing access to leading-edge thought leadership, educational programs, shared resources and business tools to entrepreneurs and business leaders who are striving to not only build successful businesses but to also make a difference in people's lives, leaving a legacy of good.

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Peace is essential to economic development. War is a force of destruction that obliterates infrastructure—buildings, roads, airports, water and food supplies. Primarily, war takes the lives of fathers and mothers, sons and daughters. The covid-19 pandemic is similar in that regard. It has not affected structures or water supply but it has taken people and it has ruined businesses. A year ago, national economies the world over were in great decline. Economic recovery seemed distant or unlikely to succeed. Well-trained economists the world over have exerted much effort to pull the world back from the brink of economic destruction. Some nations are still suffering but much optimism exists that the world economy will bounce back. In the present environment the International Association for Peace and Economic Development is a precious organization and a benefit to humankind. \mathcal{P}

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