

True Father's Seonghwa Anniversary, The Holy Ground Pilgrimage, and Completion of the International Peace Education Center in Las Vegas

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It has been some time since our national community has felt the family spirit of moving toward a common goal, and this summer, with so many exciting opportunities ahead, we can recharge and regroup as one family again. Inspired by True Parents' life works, the following programs and projects combine our timeless vision with new and exciting steps forward.

The Holy Ground Pilgrimage



In June, we will embark on a nationwide tour, visiting the Holy Grounds that True Father established in the United States in 1965. This trip is not only to revisit history but also to revive it by taking a journey together as one family. Visit the Pilgrimage and Revival Tour to learn more and participate.

True Father's Seonghwa Anniversary



The second anniversary of True Father's Seonghwa is coming up this August. As we work hard toward our goals for the momentous year of 2020, we reflect on the life of True Father, celebrate how far we've come, and renew our resolve to achieving the ultimate vision of True Parents.

Completion of the International Peace Education Center in Las Vegas



One of True Father's visions was to build a peace education center in Las Vegas that would be accessible to world leaders and youth, and key groups of players with the potential to touch the whole world. Construction is already well under way and expected to be complete in August. When finished, this will be a flagship facility, hosting major workshops and meetings where world leaders can be inspired by the worldview of the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification (FFWPU) and its associated organizations. Visit the International Peace Education Center to learn more about and participate in this project.



Creating a new atmosphere in the United States begins with the investment of heart, body, spirit and mind, so that we can harness our potential and manifest our vision to build a culture of heart, one community at a time. Take a look at these summer happenings and see where you can find inspiration, community and time to join in.

International Peace Education Center



The Big Picture

In the final years of his life True Father initiated a project in Las Vegas aimed at offering a new vision for peace and human development to world leaders. He sometimes called this vision the “Shining City” project because he hoped it would change the reputation of Las Vegas from “Sin City” to a city of educational enlightenment.

He proposed the realization of a major educational institution where world leaders would be inspired by the worldview of Family Federation and its associated organizations while enjoying the region’s natural wonders such as the Grand Canyon as well as monumental achievements of human ingenuity such as Hoover Dam and Las Vegas itself.



Where We Need Your Help

True Father was filled with the vision to make Las Vegas known as a center of God’s love and truth, not as it is now—a city catering to the physical and selfish desires of human beings. In 2011, he personally directed the purchase of the International Peace Education Center site.

When purchased, the site was a 135,400 square-foot warehouse at 6590 Bermuda Road situated on six acres of land near McCarran International Airport. True Father guided the architects to create a monument in the style and tradition of the Cheong Jeong Gung palace in Korea.

The steel framework is already complete and the roof, framing, and exterior will soon be finished. We are now working hard to complete the project.

Our goal is to raise \$5 million and finish construction for in time for a grand opening ceremony in August. All contributors will be listed on the “Giving Tree Wall,” which will be housed in the International Peace Education Center. Your name will also appear on the opening ceremonies program and on our virtual “Giving Tree Wall” on our website. But most importantly, for your contribution, you will receive our eternal gratitude and a sense of ownership of what can and will become one of the most influential buildings in the country.



Grand Opening Ceremony: Fall 2014

When complete, this will be our church’s flagship facility in the United States, as well as an educational, workshop, training and education center for the world. With the steel framework and exterior almost finished we need your help with completing the interior. Here are the various components the facility will feature:



Convention Center - A large digital sign in the lobby



Digital Museum - A showcase of True Father's life as a peace-loving global citizen



Restaurant and café - Serving both attendees and locals



Educational Center - A meeting space with 1,200-person capacity



Hotel Rooms Temporary rooms for guests attending conventions or conferences at the International Peace Education Center



The impact of the International Peace Education Center

Though Las Vegas is often viewed as “Sin City,” this city is precious to God because it has the potential to become a thriving center for families seeking entertainment and the riches of ecological wonders nearby.

Las Vegas has changed its vocation from that of a simple vacation getaway to the world’s most popular convention and event venue; every year the city hosts over 21,000 conventions and events. Major corporations hold expos and trade fairs there to show off their newest products, and more than 40 million visitors stop in Las Vegas annually.

True Father saw this as an ideal environment to bring leaders of the developing world for a chance to study the Family Federation and the Universal Peace Federation’s world vision and mingle with people who have the heart to share the prosperity and technology of America with those who have the greatest needs.

How wonderful would it be if Las Vegas was known not as a city where people go to grab money for themselves, but as a place where finance could be harvested for great works such as peace education.



Other Ways You Can Help

PRAYER. Never underestimate the power of prayer!

SHARE. Please share as much as possible, whether it be on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Emails, or word of mouth!

Thank you all so much for listening to our hearts and partnering with us on this amazing project.