

God's Hope for America Bus Tour - Day 38 – Refreshing Showers of Grace Divine

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On July 29, we got as close as we could to the original Nebraska Holy Ground, which is now located within a zoo in Lincoln. We had a short ceremony of song and prayer outside the zoo first thing in the morning, and then continued on to the next state.

A sunny morning turned into a rainy day as we drove West to Cheyenne, Wyoming, where we were met by just one local family, and a couple of others who came over from Denver. We learned that even one family can build a church, and it's fitting that the Wyoming family is called the Love family. Every time the word "love" came up in our song lyrics, it felt like we were singing for and about them. Dr. Balcomb reminded us, too, that when True Father came to the Holy Ground in 1965 there were only seven people there, and today there are 70. We could really appreciate the growth of God's Kingdom in Cheyenne.

The rain came down through the twin pine trees where we stood, as the Love family carried out the service with son, Matthew Love, as emcee, the father, George Love, offering a prayer, and mother, Maria Love, sharing her testimony.



Ambassador Sam Zakhem offers a heartfelt response and words of encouragement at the Denver Holy Ground.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TcAIRxIbrn4>

This international family has ties to Spain, Austria, USA, Japan, Brazil and France, so even though we were meeting just one family, it felt like we were meeting the world. Though one of our smallest and briefest gatherings, our time at the Wyoming Holy Ground was one of our deepest and most passionate in

prayer and song. We all moved in to touch the rock as we sang, and when we prayed under the pitter patter of the rain on our umbrellas, we were in tears as well.



The rain only got stronger when we arrived in Denver, Colorado, this time met by a very large community beneath the shelter of a huge tent. David Heppell prayed, “God, how precious this location is because it belongs to You.” We read True Father’s words on how a nation exists for the entire world, and we reflected on our responsibility as America, living for the world and for God.

Michael Hentrick prayed for our reclaiming of America for God and connecting to that vision. Then, Mr. Zachum shared a story of George Washington, who felt like he was tallest when he was on his knees, praying. Father Moon had that same spirit. Cynthia Hiromitsu called on us all to be united, not divided, before God, and Rev. Dr. Linda Lucero-Nishikawa shared about how much Father Moon loved America and the hopes he had for this nation. Sum Nguyen, a local Vietnamese leader, said, “Gathered here, your heart is so strong. Father Moon really wanted to create peace. There are too many problems in this world, but together we can do something.”