

Christmas with True Parents in Las Vegas!

Michael Balcomb October 31, 2014

Dear Families,

Christmas with True Parents!

We have just returned from celebrating the world-level service and tribal messiahship rally with True Mother, held in Korea last Sunday. Thanks to all of you who joined the program over the Internet, and especially to those who sent encouraging testimonies and insights about the service and True Mother's message. Dr. Ki Hoon Kim was also able to share brief tribal messiahship reports sent in by dozens of members at the international leaders' meeting the next day. You can review True Mother's message and read some of these testimonies at our website, <u>www.familyfed.org</u>.

You may have already heard the happy news that True Mother will be celebrating Christmas in the United States! There are three distinct programs scheduled for Las Vegas in late December, as follows:

The "Cranes Club" Kickoff Weekend

This is by registration only, and is primarily for 1st and 2nd-Generation college graduates and working professionals: 40 from Korea, 40 from Japan and 40 from the United States. True Mother is especially keen to encourage those who don't currently have an active relationship with the church to come and meet her in person. The "Cranes Club" is envisioned along the lines of the Lions Club, dedicated to philanthropy and public service. More information will be forthcoming shortly. Arrivals: December 19; departures very late December 21 or anytime December 22. There is an optional 3-4 day pilgrimage tour from December 22 to the Christmas Day available as well.

The 14-Day Witnessing Workshop

Also by registration only, a 14-day witnessing workshop initiated by True Mother is planned for 1st and 2nd Generation youth who can make a two-week commitment. The expected numbers are 30 from Korea, 30 from Japan and 30-40 from the United States. The starting date is also December 19 with departures on January 1 or 2. It is not yet fully clear whether the departure will be from Las Vegas or another city. This program will include a holy ground pilgrimage, lectures and testimony, and hands-on witnessing experiences.

True Mother's Christmas Party and Sunday Service

This is scheduled for Sunday, December 21 from 9 AM to 12 noon. Members from communities outside of Las Vegas who wish to attend should plan to arrive on the evening of December 20 or in the early morning of December 21. You should register first before making your own travel and accommodation arrangements.

<u>Registration information for all three events will be on our website early next week</u>. Space is very limited, so please act soon!

Thank you, and God Bless you and your families.

Dr. Michael Balcomb President