

## Greeting for the Anniversary of HSA-UWC

Ki Hoon Kim and Michael Balcomb May 1, 2015

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Sixty-one years ago today, our True Father, together with a handful of close disciples, first raised the sign of the Holy Spirit Association for the Unification of World Christianity for the first time. That momentous event in God's providence did not take place in one of the great cathedrals of Christendom, as perhaps it should have. Instead, the small group of believers gathered outside a very modest house in a very unremarkable Seoul neighborhood. Korea itself was barely beginning to recover from the devastation of the Korean War, which had ended in armistice less than ten months earlier.

In his autobiography As a Peace Loving Global Citizen, True Father reflected on the ironies of those days:

People in the neighborhood laughed at our sign. They made fun of us, asking what kind of world unification we dreamt of in that tiny little house that 'you have to crawl to get into.' They didn't try to find out why we had chosen that name. They simply looked at us as if we were crazy.

Some of us may also have entertained similar doubts at one time or another, but here we are in 2015, and we are still moving on. True Mother has made it abundantly clear that we cannot miss a step, but must advance together in faith and conviction in the love and grace of our Heavenly Parent. We are secure in the knowledge that His providential Will does not change. In the words of the prophet which still resound over the millennia, our God declares "I have spoken, and I will bring it to pass. I have purposed, and I will do it." (Is. 46:11)

This new month of May is going to be very exciting. Spring is here at last and the flowers and the blossoms are out, the birds are singing, a gentle breeze is blowing and...True Mother is coming back home to the USA!

For the next three weeks, let's pray for True Mother as she travels in Europe. After her arrival in Vienna, Austria, she will meet with over a thousand European members for a family reunion. Some of our most senior missionary and pioneer families will be honored there for their long service. True Mother will also speak publicly at the United Nations Headquarters offices in Vienna. Additional events are planned in Berlin, Paris and London. Finally, on the weekend of May 23 and May 24 we will have a chance to welcome True Mother for a victory celebration in New York, and again the following weekend in Las Vegas.

Our FFWPU USA media team is following True Mother's speaking tour every step of the way and we plan to bring you the latest news and photos as they happen. Stay tuned for the latest exciting updates as True Mother brings the love of our Heavenly Parent and True Parents to our European family.

God Bless you and your families,

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