



Statement re. Sanctuary and Trademark Issue

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Dear Family,

We are just over two weeks away from the 3rd Anniversary of True Father's Seonghwa, on Sunday, August 30, 2015. Our brothers and sisters all around the world are preparing themselves seriously in prayer, study, witnessing and in many other ways, following True Mother's guidance and example. We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who is making sincere offerings of donations and other conditions in support of this very important providential event. We encourage all Unificationists who love True Parents to join in the official Seonghwa Anniversary observances, details of which are available from your local church and on the FFWPU website.

However, even during this time of preparation, we are saddened by the recent conduct and communications of the Sanctuary Church of Newfoundland, PA, making it clear that they will not participate in FFWPU observances, but will instead independently hold their own marriage rededication ceremony on the same day. As we did back in April, FFWPU is again making it clear that this self-styled blessing ceremony is not recognized as the Holy Marriage Blessing of True Parents. Only the True Parents have the authority to bestow the Holy Blessing and to approve others to do so.

In fact the tone of the recent series of Sanctuary sermons posted on YouTube has been so egregious that FFWPU felt compelled to take action, and in fact YouTube has now removed some Sanctuary videos that displayed the Unification Symbol. We took this action because Sanctuary Church and its leaders continue to criticize and attack True Mother, challenging her authority and position as True Parent, and thus causing dismay and distress in our Unification family at large. Sanctuary's unauthorized use of the Unification Symbol, while at the same time holding themselves apart and separate from our Church community and continuously speaking against True Parents is misleading, confusing and wrong.

Let us all take the opportunity of this upcoming holy Seonghwa anniversary to return together hand in hand in humility and repentance before God and True Parents. We all need to be united. When we work as one, we can and we will succeed.

God bless you and your families!

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