



Happy True Children's Day and Happy Foundation Day for the Unified Nation of Heaven and Earth

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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The very warmest of greetings on this 56th True Children's Day and 28th Foundation Day for the Unified Nation of Heaven and Earth. Thanks to all of you who have already sent photos, testimonies and reports of the many ceremonies celebrated around the country today.

We had a very special experience at East Garden, where we gathered for a National Celebration together with Dr. Ki Hoon Kim, and members of the New York and New Jersey communities.

From the very first moment we felt the powerful presence of True Parents in the place that was their home for so many years. Special thanks to Rev. Edner Pierre-Louis, New York District Pastor, the local church families and the East Garden Conference Center staff for working together to make a cheerful and beautiful program!

We were especially moved by the Hoon Dok Hae reading taken from the Cheon Seong Gyeong explaining about the great significance of True Children's Day:

“For fallen human beings, Children's Day is the greatest among the holy days. It is greater than Parents' Day because it is the day for the Parents to recover their authority. Satan had trampled on human history for six thousand years, but on Children's Day we chase him out and hold up the flag of victory...this day is not only for Unification Church members; it is a day for all the world to mark and celebrate forever and ever. Children's Day is indeed the most blessed day for fallen humankind”

In his congratulatory message, Dr. Ki Hoon Kim recalled the very first Foundation Day, declared by Father and Mother back in 1988 just after the conclusion of the Seoul Olympics. Father created trinities of Koreans, Japanese, and Americans (and other nations) and told us “Above all, you are brothers and sisters. You are citizens of God's Nation, which begins today. Never forget how important you are to God and his providence.”

Soon we will welcome True Mother back to the United States. Let's go forward with confidence and hope in the enduring love and grace brought to all of us by True Parents!

God bless you and your families,

Dr. Michael Balcomb
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