

Biographies of Men Selected for National Council Released

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As previously announced, the following brothers were selected by the District Councils of the Unification Church USA to represent the 12 districts as a National Council of advisers to the president. The role of the council members will be to bring ideas, recommendations and guidance on policy innovation from the field to the president and to the national headquarters of the church.



District 1: Dan Fefferman

Dan joined the movement in 1968 in Berkeley, California. After graduating from the University of California at Berkeley with a degree in political science in 1971, he served as Secretary General of the Freedom Leadership Foundation in Washington, D.C. from 1971-1977 and edited the foundation's award-winning bi-weekly international-affairs newspaper, *The Rising Tide*.

In the late 1970s, Dan was state director of the Unification Church in Illinois and regional coordinator of Unification Church's (UC) Midwest region. In 1979, he was chosen by True Father to be an International One World Crusade (IOWC) leader together with Neil Salonen and Dr. Bill Bergman. From 1980-1982, Dan was a leader of the Collegiate Association for the Research of Principles (CARP) under Chong Goo ("Tiger") Park. In the mid-1980s, Dan earned his divinity diploma from the Unification Theological Seminary (UTS) and after graduating, served as regional coordinator for the UC's Pacific Southwest region. From 1987-1993, he was publications director for the American Freedom Coalition and in the mid-1990s, he served as the UC's national director of witnessing and education.

Since 1997, Dan has worked as executive director and president of the International Coalition for Religious Freedom (www.religiousfreedom.com). During this period, he was also an associate editor and major contributor to the *New World Encyclopedia* project. He also served as chairman of the New Hope Family Church Board of Elders.

He was Blessed to Susan Finnegan in the 1,800 couples Blessing in 1975. They live in Bowie, Maryland and have two daughters, one of whom, Kaeleigh Moffitt, currently serves as youth pastor and Sunday-service coordinator at the church in Maryland.



District 2: Tyler Hendricks

Tyler was raised Presbyterian in Oakland, California and had an interest in Eastern spiritual practice. He received his Bachelor of Science in math at the University of California, Davis (1970) and worked as a rock musician in the Bay Area until he moved into the Oakland church center on January 20, 1973.

Tyler spent three-and-a half years in California, New Hampshire, New York City and the mid- and deep south where he served in witnessing, fundraising and teaching. He studied religion at UTS (graduating, 1978) and Vanderbilt University (Masters, 1979, Ph.D. 1983). He did home church in London (1978), led an IOWC team in Edinburgh (1978), directed Ocean Church (1983), assisted the national director of CARP (1983-1984), directed the International Conferences for Clergy (1984) and Common Suffering Fellowship (1984-1985), co-directed the first Assembly of the World's Religions (1985), served the first Religious Youth Service (1986), founded the interfaith journal, *Dialogue and Alliance* (1986), coordinated the UC New England region (1987-88), served as vice-president and then president of the Unification Church USA (1989-2000), and as president of UTS (2000-2010). He also wrote the *True Family Values Ministry* curriculum, *Family, Church, Community, Kingdom*, and numerous sermons, essays and articles.

He presently serves in ministry and education with the HSA national office and as co-pastor of the UC church plant in Kingston, New York. He and his wife, Hyeyong, to whom he was Blessed on July 1, 1982, live in Red Hook, New York, and have five children and four grandchildren.



District 3: Hero Hernandez

Hero, 28, is the son of Yuri and Mark Hernandez, District Pastor of District 9. In 2002, Hero attended the Sun Moon University Korea Language Institute and in 2005, he served on Special Task Force (STF). That same year, he was Blessed in marriage to Sylvia Santelli. In 2012, he graduated from Montclair State University with a degree in finance, and has worked as a Charity Analyst Intern at the Better Business Bureau and as a Financial Planning and Strategy Intern at Southwest Airlines. His roles in the church

have included Director of Camp Lone Star in Texas, Youth Minister of Texas, President of CARP in the United States, and council member and secretary in District 3.



District 4: Justin Jin-Hung Fong

Justin was Blessed in Marriage in 2004 to Jinju Watanabe, and they now have three daughters. His roles in the UC include director of young-adult functions and retreats for the UC in Massachusetts; director within the Youth Federation USA; Young Adult Pastor for the Bridgeport UC; producer for Voice of Peace TV; graduate of STF; abstinence educator for inner-city youth; director with Service for Peace in Massachusetts and Washington, D.C.; Youth Coordinator for the UC in New York; and a band leader for the Pure Love Alliance.

Justin earned a Bachelor of Arts in International Political Economy at the University of Bridgeport and recently graduated from Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government. He has worked with the Department of Public Utilities and Electric Power Division in Boston, Massachusetts, as a financial analyst in the Department of Finance and Administration in Houston, Texas and as the assistant director in Communications and Public Affairs at the University of Bridgeport in Bridgeport, Connecticut.



District 5: Richard Sapp

Richard Sapp was born in Chicago, Illinois. On December 22, 1976, he and his wife, Barbara, were part of the 35-couple previously-married couples Blessing at the Belvedere residence in Tarrytown, N.Y. They have five children, three of whom are Blessed.

Richard's formal religious education was in the Lutheran Church where he was active in youth programs. He attended Newberry College, a Lutheran College in South Carolina, before serving in the U.S. Air Force as a medic for four years, including a tour of duty in Taiwan for 13 months. There, he relished the Asian experience and saw True Father when he Blessed the Holy Ground in Taiwan in 1965.

Richard met the UC on December 2, 1972 in Columbia, South Carolina after having completed his Master's degree in Urban and Regional Planning at Florida State University. He and his wife were employed by the State of South Carolina, Office of Planning as an environmental planner and a cartographer, respectively. Richard was the first member to join the church in South Carolina.

After True Father's Day-of-Hope tour to South Carolina in March, 1974, Richard was directed to Belvedere to attend the 100-day training program, and later that year became the coordinator of the Three-Day Workshop in Barrytown. In 1975, he was appointed the Operations Director of the prison ministry in Caldwell, New Jersey.

In 1976, for the God Bless America campaign that culminated at a rally June, 1st at Yankee Stadium in New York City, he headed up the public relations team, reaching out to the Fortune 500 companies in the Tri-State area. In July, 1976, he was directed by True Father to come to Gloucester, Massachusetts, to begin the Seafood business. He remained in the seafood mission for ten years, serving in leadership roles in Gloucester, Norfolk, Virginia, and Bayou La Batre, Alabama.

In August, 1991, Richard and his family moved to his hometown of Jacksonville, Florida, under Father's direction. From 1992 to 2006, he served as the Jacksonville city pastor with heavy emphasis on the American Clergy Leadership Conference (ACLC) activities. He was called to be Florida State leader for three years under Rev. Dae Hee Hong and Gary Chidester. In 2005, he was appointed International Director of Disaster Services for IRFF (International Relief Friendship Foundation) until 2011, guiding disaster-response efforts from Katrina in New Orleans, the earthquake in Haiti and to the tsunami in Japan. At the same time, he served as Universal Peace Federation (UPF) Director for District 5 under Jim Flynn and Jim Gavin. He also has served for the last six years on two local non-profit Boards as well as being active in the Jacksonville UC and operating a food ministry.



District 8: Ke Sung Anderson

Ke Sung was born on August 25, 1978 as the oldest son of three to Keith and Sung Sook Anderson (74 Blessed Couples, 1978). His mother, Sung Sook Cho has been the director of the Little Angels since 1995. Ke Sung spent the early part of his childhood in Seoul, Korea and moved to Minnesota in 1991, for seventh grade. He received a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology at Bethel University, a Baptist university in Minnesota. He was Blessed in 1997 to Sue Richardson.

Ke Sung is a regional sales manager for a medical company. His interests include establishing strong family bonds, taking responsibilities to take care of second-generation Unificationists, and being a "lifetime Unificationist." He enjoys spending time in nature and has a deep appreciation for animals and plants. A strong believer in exercise, he has also excelled in track and field during high school and college and has qualified to compete nationally.



District 9: Michael Hentrich

Michael has a long history of leadership experience in his 37 years in the UC. A graduate of UTS, he has distinguished himself as a respected educator of the Divine Principle for young and old. He worked as a financial advisor with American Express for 10 years and is, as a result, a good steward of district funds. He is respected by the Blessed Family members in Colorado, where he serves as State Pastor.



District 10: David Burgess

David joined the UC in Boulder, Colorado on September 12, 1977. After working with IOWC and CARP, he became leader of the University of Michigan center in Ann Arbor, Michigan and as a seven-day workshop lecturer at Ohio State University in Columbus, Ohio.

In 1982, David moved to Seattle, Washington as a CARP student at the University of Washington. He earned a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and a Bachelor of Arts in Comparative Literature, a Master's in Comparative Religion and a Ph.D. in Comparative Literature all -- at the University of Washington.

David then worked with the local District office, organizing CAUSA conferences and lecturing at district CAUSA conferences. In 2000, he became the District Director of the American Family Coalition (AFC) for the Northwest Region, a position that he held until 2008. In 2005, he was recruited as an editor of the *New World Encyclopedia*. He served as Literature and Politics editor from 2005 until 2009 under the project direction of Dr. Frank Kaufmann and Dr. Gordon Anderson, contributing more than 1,000 articles to the project. In addition, David worked part-time as a consultant for Shining Ocean (a seafood distribution company), assisting in regulatory affairs. In 2009, he accepted a position as the Director of New Product Development, and in 2011 became the Director of Food Safety, a position he currently holds.

David was blessed in marriage at Madison Square Garden in 1982 to Julie Myles, with whom he has two children, both of whom served a year on STF.



District 11: Mapolo Buessing

Mapolo's activities within the church include coordinating and organizing Sunday School, summer camps, youth ministry, young-adult ministry, and serving on STF. He received a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from Northeastern University and a Master's in Civil Engineering from Stanford University and has several years of professional experience in engineering. He was Blessed in Marriage in 2008.



District 12: Walter Frank

Walter joined the UC in 1976, the year he graduated from Mesa College, San Diego. He began Unificationist life on fundraising teams for the Los Angeles church, eventually becoming the Los Angeles fundraising commander. He then became a Two-Day Seminar Divine Principle lecturer, Seven-Day Lecturer and Director of the Camp Mozumdar Training Facility. He attended the Matching and Blessing Ceremony in 1982 with his wife Suyapa Frank, with whom he has five children, two of whom are Blessed.

In 1983, he became a successful Saeilo Sales-and- Production Manager in the Bay Area Saeilo office. In 1992, he moved with his family to San Diego, California and within two years, was chosen pastor of the church there. He has been bi-vocational ever since, as he is also the owner and founder of Pacific Era Machine Tool Products, a manufacturing technology company. In addition, he is involved in ACLC and is Secretary and an active minister with the San Diego County Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance (SDCIMA).

Walter is a journeyman carpenter and contractor working with wood, stone, and steel. He also has a Black Belt in both Shotokan and Shorin Ryu Karate.