



Statement on Hyung Jin Nim's Ministries in Pennsylvania

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An earlier version of this statement was provided to District Pastors on October 7th. A copy was sent to Hyung Jin Nim and Yeon Ah Nim in advance. On request it is now being made it public to all members.

A number of pastors and members have asked Headquarters in recent weeks to make a statement about the private ministry of Hyung Jin Nim and Yeon Ah Nim out of their home in Pennsylvania, and in particular whether this ministry is “approved” by the American Church, or by True Mother.

True Mother told me in person that she is saddened by their decision to work apart from her. She really wants them to come back to Korea, and work with her and support her, just as they did every day for almost two years while True Father was alive. Hyung Jin Nim and Yeon Ah Nim’s decision to invest in a private ministry at this time is not appropriate, and neither is it the best use of their time and talent. More specifically, it is very different in scope and purpose to the original ministry, mission and position to which God and True Parents have called them.

Our unchanged and fundamental commitment at this time, in the physical presence of even one of the True Parents on earth, is to attend and to unite. Our movement, like early Christianity, is still in its early stages of growth, from a historical perspective. We cannot afford to be working on “opposite sides of the Jordan” as did Jesus and John the Baptist. We need to work as one if we are to realize the vision and promise of the coming Kingdom, Cheon Il Guk, as promised in the *Divine Principle*.

Our church position on this is therefore very clear. It is not helpful to True Parents for members to be making the journey up to Pennsylvania to join these services, however uplifting they may be. We should encourage all True Family to unite with True Parents’ direction, and we ourselves should all focus on the mainstream task that True Parents have charged us with in America, to build up one united movement and fulfill the 2020 vision.

Sincerely,

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