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Family Federation for World Peace and Unification

National Prayer Condition to End 2013

Michael Balcomb
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Dear Families,

Another year is almost over – there are just three short weeks until we welcome the new year of 2014 (at least by the Gregorian Calendar!) At our regular leaders' meeting earlier today, Bishop Ki Hoon Kim suggested one very good use of we could all make of this time is to join together to offer a 21-Day period of national prayer, starting tomorrow December 10th up until the last day of the year, December 31st. I want to invite all our pastors and ministers, and all our members, to join us in that condition.

It's certainly been a complicated year. We've been blessed by God, our Heavenly Parent, in so many ways, and we want to thank Him. Yet, we've also continued to suffer from the loss (on earth) of our beloved True Father and the struggles that so many are facing in coming to terms with his legacy, and our part in it. We all pray for our True Mother as she moves on with the providence.

There are plenty of signs that the times are changing, if we know where to look. Just this weekend, Fumiko and I had the chance to visit New Jersey to participate in the opening of the new facility of the Elizabeth Family Church. It started as a church plant just eight months ago, meeting in the basement of Pastor Greg Agulan's home, and now they have a great place to worship and witness. There was such an exciting atmosphere, and Fumiko and I really felt that there was a lot of hope, and that we will see many more such communities established in 2014, on top of the new church plants/replants we've already seen in Atlanta, Chicago, and New England.

This coming Sunday, I have the privilege to be in Korea representing America at the last major event of 2013—a rally for 20,000+ at the World Peace Center in Chung Pyung. True Mother will speak, as will Ambassador Sam Zakhem representing our United States delegation, and other VIPs. We've also invited our 18 young men and women now studying Korean at Sun Moon University to come up and celebrate with us together. Just about the same time, we will have a 10th Anniversary event for MEPI in Jerusalem, and the True Family Values banquet in Chicago. Please pray for the safety and success of all these important programs.

Thank you!

Sincerely,

Dr. Michael Balcomb
President

ONE FAMILY UNDER GOD



Dear Families,

Points for National Prayer

Here are some suggested points and guidelines for prayer during the coming 21 days. Thank you to Bishop Kim and to Hiroshi and Hatsune Inose of Kodan for suggesting these—

Conditions:

1. Prayer for 21 minutes, or some other conditional number. It's better to pray at a set time each day, such as right after Hoon Dok Hae each morning, or at the same time each evening.
2. Keep a clear tradition of daily Hoon Dok Hae, even if you could not do it during the year. You can read from the Cheon Seong Gyeong, the Peace Messages, Divine Principle or from the other holy textbooks.

Purpose:

We want to offer the closing days of 2013 with dedication and a pure mind, centering ourselves on the development of True Mother's VISION 2020 project, and in absolute unity and love with God and True Parents.

Specific Points

3. Build God's homeland, through seeking the unity of Korea, Japan and America, and victory of the 43 nations.
(Please, don't forget to pray for the two nations that your community is responsible for.)
4. Understand God's desire for America in 2013, and beyond in 2014
 - Unite with True Mother's thought, heart, and vision of our role as the Elder Son Nation
 - Build a foundation of victory at home and generosity abroad, aiming to serve as a model for all nations of the world
 - Raise and educate new young pastors and ministers to lead our movement to 2020; and especially find those who are ready to answer Mother's call to study in Korea.
 - Bring about a spiritual revival, uniting with Father in heaven and Mother on earth.
5. Bring Victory in Witnessing and Church Growth
 - Have faith in the goal of doubling membership in 2014, increasing to 50,000 by 2016 and beyond 500,000 by 2020.
 - Recommit ourselves and our families to Father's direction to be new Tribal Messiahs and reach our family and relatives
 - Commit to join regular witnessing and outreach activities.
6. Give Generously: Tithe to build a healthy local church, and offer a National Tithe to save America