

7.1 Jeol and 7.8 Jeol Celebration - August 22, 2017

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Dear Pastors, Community Leaders, Brothers and Sisters,

On Tuesday, August 22, 2017, which is 7.1 by the lunar calendar of the 5th year of CIG, our Unification community will commemorate two of the eight major Holy Days: the 27th Declaration Day of God's Eternal Blessing (Chil II Jeol), and the 21st Declaration of the Realm of the Cosmic Sabbath for the Parents of Heaven and Earth (Chil Pal Jeol). International Office is encouraging all local communities to hold a prayer and pledge service, with an offering table, at 7 a.m. or at another time as decided locally.

In 1993, on the 3rd Declaration Day of God's Eternal Blessing, True Father said:

Due to the Fall, humankind lost God's three great blessings. In this course of restoration, before God's substance appeared, I had to proclaim that these were begun again. That is what Chil II Jeol is for. Hence, as we ended the year 1991 and entered 1992, I had to proclaim this. Foreseeing that this transitional point in history was upon us, I settled all the accounts in biblical history. I have definitively settled all accounts. The first words that God gave to human beings were the "three great blessings." Therefore, everything had to be cleared up in order to set the standard for God's Word to be given, and I had to stand in the position that was beyond the standard of everyone's past investments. Only on that foundation could I announce the Completed Testament Age along with the declaration about the True Parents. In other words, God's purpose in leading the providence with all kinds of programs thus far was only to see this time. (Cheon Seong Gyeong, Book 11, Chapter 5, Section 1, Number 48)

For further reading on Chil II Jeol and how it relates to our Tribal Messiahship, see also Chambumo Gyeong, Book 12, Chapter 2, Section 2.

The Chil Pal Jeol declaration was made on the foundation of completing the blessing of 3.6 million couples, and thus fulfilling the goal of 1997 ahead of schedule. True Parents then declared that God was finally able to take his "Cosmic Sabbath", and that God's eternal resting place can be in the hearts and homes of every blessed family. For further reading on Chil Pal Jeol, please see Cheon Seong Gyeong, Book 11 chapter 5, Section 1, from Number 52, and in Chambumo Gyeong, Book 12, Chapter 3, Section 2, Number 7.

Please see the attached banner and still store to support your local celebrations, and please remember to send us pictures and reports from your local celebrations. As we continue to prepare for the 5th anniversary of True Father's Seonghwa, and support the Clergy conference in Korea, let us go forward with the spirit of unity and victory to fulfill Vision 2020 in America.

May God bless you and your families,

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