# WestRock Family News

Andrew Compton September 14, 2014

#### Motto of the year:

Let us become true owners of Cheon il Guk who practice true love in resemblance to our Creator, the Heavenly Parent!

## **Important Happenings Around the World**

• TRUE MOTHER: is in Korea (as far as I know)

#### SPECIAL DAYS FOR THE FAMILY FEDERATION WORLDWIDE:

Next Ahn Shi II is on Monday, September 22

#### HERE IN AMERICA:

American program to honor the 2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary of True Father's Seong Hwa will take place at the Manhattan Center on Saturday, September 20 at 10:30 am There will be a \$100 plate banguet lunch at 1 pm

Help with the offering of signatures from America, in repentance for True Father's prosecution and imprisonment. Go to

Recognition of Injustice and Apology

September 18 is a date for us all to remember – Madison Sq Garden and Washington Monument speaking events took place on this day

#### **IN NY District:**

We are conducting a series of local God's Hope for America Rallies throughout the NY District.

This past week we challenged the rain in Brooklyn (and won!).

Now we are preparing for a great event in Queens. It will take place on Sunday, Sept. 21 at 1:30 pm (come at 1:00 pm if you can). Location is at 83<sup>rd</sup> Street and Roosevelt Ave. To get there take the 7 Train and get off at 82<sup>nd</sup> Street (just one short block away). From there we will walk to the video library for a program at 3:00 pm

#### AND IN WESTROCK:

Divine Principle 1-Day workshop: Saturday, Oct. 4 at the White House, 9:30 am – 4:30 pm Divine Principle Study & Discussion: Mondays, 7:30 - 8:30pm at the White House.

## The Sermon this Week

This week, at Belvedere, Andrew Compton gave the sermon. Sorry, no video this time.

## **Pastor's Weekly Greeting**

Happy Autumn Everyone!

I am looking forward to celebrating and remembering our True Father – together with you and all of our brothers and sisters, this Saturday September 20<sup>th</sup> at the Manhattan Center. Be sure to be there (and if you do not have tickets – don't worry, they will let you in!). Doors will open at 9:45 am.

This past Sunday we had a beautiful Sunday service in the woods just south of Belvedere. We had great music (the Japanese choir sang better than angels!), a sermon that was not too long, and a great pot-luck lunch. And then there were games and activities for the kids and our youth.

If you missed the sermon, I spoke about why it is so difficult to find joy in the family. I went on to explain that,

and Mrs. Moon initiated, families can now be transformed. And, just as the transformational power of Jesus message lay in the ability of individuals to have faith in their forgiveness, the power of the Blessing lies in our faith that the Blessing ceremony does actually connect our family to God. And when we truly believe that we are connected to God – we can begin to discover the true joy of family life.

Finally – this weekend, let's participate in the memorial for True Father – AND THEN LETS WAKE UP THE NEXT DAY (Sunday) and MAKE TRUE FATHER REALLY REALLY HAPPY BY SHARING OUR FAITH WITH OTHERS! And one way to do that is to join us in Queens, Sunday at 1:00 pm for the God's Hope for America Rally. See the announcements for details.

God Bless You and your Family! Let's make it a great week! Andrew Compton

## **Blessing & Family Ministry**

Reminder: The Japanese version of the Family Matching Handbook is now available.

#### Parents Matching Convocation • Oct. 24~26 • UTS

- There will be a National Parents Matching Convocation (PMC) at UTS, New York on October 24~26. The PMC is a great opportunity for parents to understand the Matching Process, learn from those who have matched their children successfully, network with other parents, and consider possible matching candidates. All parents of teenagers 17 and older should try to attend to familiarize and educate themselves about the process and their role and begin developing a family plan for matching their children.
- **Registration Save Money by Registering Early!** To encourage prompt registration and facilitate planning and organization, participants can save money by registering early. You can pay directly online by credit card:
- EARLY BIRD Pay by October 10<sup>th</sup>: \$120/individual; \$200/couple; \$80 for each additional family member
- Pay after October 10<sup>th</sup>: \$150/individual; \$240/couple; \$90 for each additional family member

#### National Marriage Enrichment Webinar Thursday, Sept. 25 • 9pm (EST)

• This month's Marriage Enrichment Webinar will be presented by *Debby Gullery* on the topic *"Marriage as a Spiritual Practice*", and will discuss a practical approach to spiritual growth within marriage. Debby is an experienced Relationship Coach and educator for marriage and family relationships.

**Level 2 Blessing Workshop:** October 3-5, UTS. Mandatory for anyone desiring to become a matching candidate and enter into the matching process.

#### Four Part Parenting Series:

• Getting Through to Your Teenager!

Monday, September 27, White House, 7-9 pm, 548 South Broadway, Tarrytown, NY 10591. Cost: \$10 This program is open to guests! Flyers available soon.

#### • Parenting Your Young Adult Child / October 27, 7-9 pm

The next two programs in the series will be held in November **for members only** and will focus on preparing for and navigating through, **the matching process**.

For more information, to register for a national program, to access archived marriage enrichment webinars, and just to see what else is offered, check out the national Blessed Family Ministry website at bfm.familyfed.org. It is full of helpful information!

#### REMEMBER TO INVEST IN YOUR MARRIAGES AND FAMILIES!

## **Prayer Requests**

Emi Tachinaka will undergo surgery to remove a tumor this Friday, Sept 19 at Phelps Hospital.

Laura Nabetani is now at home - and doing better. Thank you all for your prayers!

Jiau-Lan Weinstein (she is in Taiwan – and her situation has grown worse)

Moses Kiely – 3 years old, grandson of Michael and Maria Kiely, diagnosed with leukemia

## **Testimonies/Reports**

If you have a testimony or report to share please send it to me.

Light Thought for the Day:

## **Special Communication**

Couples who have lived together for a long time have developed their own method of communication.

One day I heard my mother yell upstairs to my father, "What are you looking for in that closet?"

My father yelled down, "Nothing!"

My mother thought a moment, then replied, "Well, it's not in there. Look under the bed!"

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**Outreach** 

Special Memorial for our True Father: Saturday, Sept. 20 at the Manhattan Center Morning: (doors open 9:45 am) all members, friends, and guests are invited for the memorial. Afternoon (1 pm): lunch banquet, \$100 per seat. (to reserve a seat contact Pastor Compton)

ACLC Prayer Breakfast: Saturday, Sept 20 8:30 am, Mt Pisgah Baptist Church, 212 Tompkins Ave., Brooklyn. Speaker: Rev Dr Johnny Youngblood

**NY God's Hope for America Rally in Queens**: Sunday, Sept. 21 at 1:30 pm. Location: <u>corner of 83<sup>rd</sup> Street</u> and <u>Roosevelt ave.</u>

DP 1-Day Seminar at the White House: Sat. Oct 4

DP Monday night study at the White House: 7:30 pm

#### **Community**

**Dancing after Service**: Learn to dance, have fun, and get healthy! \$5 per family. Will start at 12 noon **Signatures for the apology campaign** for True Father's wrongful imprisonment are being collected. If you have not signed yet, please sign a petition after service.

**Donation Request to support True Father's 2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary Seong Hwa.** \$210 per family, \$120 per individual. Please help America make an offering we can be proud of.

Robert Schairer is starting a weekly Korean Study Small group. If you are interested contact Pastor Compton

<u>Prayer</u>

**Members are invited to come for prayer** – Sundays, 9:30 am at the Belvedere Holy Rock. On Tuesdays, 7 am, at the Central Park Holy Ground (call Rev Compton if you want a ride)

Laura Nabetani –(she is back home and doing much better)

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#### <u>Other</u>

#### STUDY OF FATHER'S WORDS IN KOREAN STUDY GROUP

1. Purpose: To help develop the ability to read, hear, speak and comprehend Father's words in the original language of Korean

2. Material: True Families: Gateway to Heaven (See accompanying sample)

3. Dates: Saturday mornings from September 13 to December 20<sup>th</sup> (in Korea); Friday evenings from Sept 12 to Dec 19 in USA.

4. Time: 8:00 am to 9:00 am (Korean time) Saturday mornings

5. Meeting Method: Skype group audio call

6. Group Leader: Robert Schairer (not fluent in Korean, just a student of the language who may or may not be a few steps ahead of the other participants) a) Current Employment: Visiting Professor at KAIST in Seoul, Korea teaching MBA students corporate law and securities law b) Educational Background: --Juris Doctor, cum laude, Brooklyn Law School --Master of International Affairs specializing in Int. Finance & Banking and East Asia, Columbia University School of Int. & Public Affairs --Bachelor of Arts, majoring in East Asian Studies, magna cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa, Columbia University School of General Studies c) Blessing: 6000 couple d) Relevant experience: -- leading study group for 5 years -- prepared initial translation from Korean to English for portions of the yet to be published Cham Bumo Gyeong and helped to edit and proofread portions of the English translation of the new Cheong Seong Gyeong and the Pyeong Hwa Gyeong

7. Study Group Size Limit: 6 people besides the group leader

8. Cost: Free, however a donation of whatever one can afford is suggested to be made to the church of one's choosing to be designated for use in supporting Korean language education for our  $2_{nd}$  and  $3_{rd}$  generation youth.

9. Study Material Format (See accompanying attachment): a) Paragraph from True Families: Gateway to Heaven with Chinese characters inserted in parentheses and grammatical patterns noted and numbered in bold print referring to grammar explanations in the grammar section end notes. b) Audio recording by a native Korean speaker reading the paragraph(s). c) Vocabulary section: definitions of words used in the paragraph in order of appearance and in some cases with links to an audio of native speaker pronunciation d) Chinese Character Section: Provides a definition of the Chinese character, the radicals that make it up and some explanation regarding the character. e) Grammar Section: Explanations of the various grammatical patterns, references to Korean grammar books and links to audio and pdf grammar lessons at Talk To Me In Korean, an on line Korean study website. f): Various Official English translations of the paragraph

10. Study Session Format: a) 1 to 2 paragraphs covered each session (See accompanying sample) b) Open with a representative prayer c) Listen to native speaker audio reading the paragraph d) Participants then take turns reading a sentence and then translating it into English followed by comments from the group leader and other participants e) When the paragraph is finished various official translations of the material are read followed by a discussion among the participants

11. To Sign Up please send an email to the group leader with your email address and skype id. Please don't sign up unless you are serious about participating and keep in mind the group is limited to 6.

Make it a Great Week!