## Crusade for World Unity Staged in Boise, Idaho

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'Give Me That Old Time Religion' UNITY CRUSADERS, from left, Perry Cordill, Los Angeles; Denise Schneps, New York City; end Carl Hagen, Berkely, Calif., were among 25 young people of the Unification Church who held a "One World Crusade" roll)' in downtown, Boise Wednesday.

Harmony and unity between all people and nations through the unity of religion, science, politics, economics and culture was proposed on a downtown Boise street corner Wednesday by about 25 young people of the "One World Crusade."

They say that this period of history is the dawn of a New Age, that these are the latter days, that the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand and man can work together to restore the original ideal world. What's more, they believe it.

The youth are part of an international movement which promotes the unification of churches and encourages people with differing ideas to work together politically and scientifically as well.

They have been in Boise since Sunday and have held public lectures at the Unification Church Center, 715 North Ninth. A lecture will be given tonight, 7 p.m., room 304, Business Building, Boise State College. A weekend workshop is planned Friday and Sunday, 1: 30 pm, at the church center.

The crusaders for unity come from throughout the United States and have been traveling to major cities by bus, giving lectures, talking to the public -- including national, state and city officials -- as well as holding downtown rallies and news conferences.

Purpose of "One World Crusade" is to make known to the American public the Unification Principles, as the "only" ideology that can create unity of religion and offer man a fuller understanding of God, according to Miss Izilda E. Lima, Berkeley, Calif., public relations director for the bus team.

The ideology behind the Unification Church originated with Sun Myung Moon, a contemporary South Korean spiritual leader. He teaches that mankind has entered a New Age and that today for the first time in history, men has the scientific and technological ability to create an ideal world if humanity will only have the "cement" to bind man together as brothers. The Unification Principles, Moon believes, provides the depth and understanding to do this, not only in America, but throughout the world.

Briefly, the Unification Principles teach the pattern for harmonious families in the world, centered on God, as the building block for a harmonious society. "They give new direction in this age of turmoil and confusion, by showing the way to a world of harmony and peace, "Miss Lima, added.

Young people involved in the movement, some 1, 000 in the United States, have given up their jobs or their education for three-year missionary duty. They are financed through a home office in 'Washington, DC, where young people make and sell candles. The crusade is sponsored by the International Unification Church, which was founded by Moon in South Korea in 1954.

The movement emphasizes the importance of the family unit as exemplified by a mass wedding held in Seoul, Korea, in 1970. In the historically unprecedented event, couples representing ten nations were married in a single ceremony. In this manner, the Unification Church is building the foundation for the coming of the new Messiah, which it believes, will resemble a great homecoming in the Garden of Eden.