

## A Declaration of Independence and Constitution

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What the Declaration of Independence and U.S. Constitution did for the United States, the Heavenly Constitution does for Cheon Il Guk. It tells the world the shape of this nation and why we, in the name of God, are creating it.

The Cheon Il Guk Constitution consists of a Preamble, The Family Pledge, eleven Chapters and an Addenda, 88 Articles in all.

In this post I will describe its structure, and how it resembles the founding documents of the United States.

The Preamble, Family Pledge and Chapter 1 parallel the Declaration of Independence. They set forth the philosophy of God and humankind that undergird the nation, the providence that led to its founding, and the pledge of its representatives.

Chapter 2 parallels the American Constitution's Bill of Rights. To its list of rights, it adds duties of citizens and standards appropriate to public officials, True Parents' family, and blessed couples.

There follows a description of the branches of government, which parallels the central text of the American Constitution. Six branches, or "*won*," implement the Principle model of governance based on the premise that the ideal world resembles "the structure and functions of a perfect individual."

In the Principle model, the individual has six functions embodied by specific parts of the body: **decision-making** (brain, the Supreme Council), **implementation** (stomach, the Executive), **legislation** (lungs, the Assembly), **jurisprudence** (heart, the Judiciary), **financial management** (four limbs and the liver, the Foundation), and **communication and education** (spinal cord and peripheral nervous system, the Office of Media and Communications).

The Constitution's Chapters 3 – 8 describe the mission, authority and procedures of each of the six *won*, and the means of qualification, or disqualification, for their leaders and / or members.

In Chapter 9 the Heavenly Constitution parallels the American federal system of self-governing regional and national units, each of which adapts the national model to local usage.

Chapters 10 and 11 present the provisions for election—and here we have a divergence—and amendment.

The Addenda outlines the path of transition from the present world, which "bears a likeness to the body of a sick or injured person," to the ideal world, in which people "will form one integrated and interdependent society in which they share all their joys and sorrows."

A revolution of heart led to this Heavenly Constitution. We will unpack it in our upcoming posts.

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(Reference: *Exposition of Divine Principle*, pp. 361-3.)

# CHEON IL GUK CONSTITUTION

## The Law of the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification To Actualize God's Peaceful Ideal World

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# CHEON IL GUK CONSTITUTION

## The Law of the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification To Actualize God’s Peaceful Ideal World

- The First Amendment: Some parts of this Constitution were amended on August 12 by the Heavenly Calendar in the second year of Cheon Il Guk (Sept 5, 2014 by the Solar Calendar).
- The Second Amendment: Some part of this Constitution were amended on May 25 by the Heavenly Calendar in the fourth year of Cheon Il Guk (June 29, 2016 by the Solar Calendar).

### PREAMBLE (前文)

The Unified Nation of Cosmic Peace (hereinafter referred to as “Cheon Il Guk”) is the world where the ideal of one family under God has been realized in which all human beings, both in the physical and spiritual worlds, live attending God as their Parent. In the beginning, while creating human beings and all things, God envisioned Cheon Il Guk, but due to the Fall of the first human ancestors, He could not accomplish His Will, and so He has been leading the providence of restoration while bearing a heart of pain and bitter sorrow.

After passing through the greatly prolonged providential history of restoration, God sent to this earth the revered couple of Sun Myung Moon and Hak Ja Han as the Savior, Messiah, Returning Lord and the True Parents of humankind. The revered couple of Sun Myung Moon and Hak Jan Han, who are the True Parents of Heaven, Earth and Humankind (hereinafter referred to as “the True Parents”), recovered the Word of God, which humankind had lost, and proclaimed it to the entire world. They fulfilled the ideal of all religions, and settled and bequeathed the true love, true life and true lineage of God eternally throughout the cosmos. This course of the True Parents is a treasure house of cosmic victory that they accomplished through unfathomable sacrificial indemnity and devotion. This course is the model for all humanity to follow.

On the basis of achieving the position of the eternal King and Queen of Peace of Cheon Il Guk by accomplishing ultimate unity and completing, fulfilling and concluding all their missions throughout the providence of restoration, the True Parents proclaimed Foundation Day, the beginning of the substantial Cheon Il Guk, on January 13 of the Heavenly Calendar in the founding year of Cheon Il Guk.

This Constitution has been enacted as the normative framework for the sake of achieving a universal and substantial daily life system, family system, national system, and world system of the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification (hereinafter referred to as “FFWPU”) that are able to bring about the settlement and completion of Cheon Il Guk and as the law, norm and guideline that will lead all citizens of Cheon Il Guk to accomplish the substantial Word that the True Parents have transmitted throughout their lives.

This Constitution pursues a peaceful world through ideal families who attend God and True Parents amidst the resplendent blossoming of the culture of the heart of true love that transcends the barriers of religion, national borders, race, gender, and culture and aims to foster the harmony of humankind.

Therefore, under the blessing of the True Parents, FFWPU declares this Cheon Il Guk Constitution before the cosmos and all humankind on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of the first month by Heavenly Calendar of the second year of Cheon Il Guk.

## **FAMILY PLEDGE**

1. Our family, the owner of Cheon Il Guk, pledges to seek our original homeland and build the Kingdom of God on earth and in heaven, the original ideal of creation, by centering on true love.
2. Our family, the owner of Cheon Il Guk, pledges to represent and become central to heaven and earth by attending the Heavenly Parent and True Parents; we pledge to perfect the dutiful family way of filial sons and daughters in our family, patriots in our nation, saints in the world, and divine sons and daughters in heaven and on earth, by centering on true love.
3. Our family, the owner of Cheon Il Guk, pledges to perfect the Four Great Realms of Heart, the Three Great Kingships and the Realm of the Royal Family, by centering on true love.
4. Our family, the owner of Cheon Il Guk, pledges to build the universal family encompassing heaven and earth, which is the Heavenly Parent's ideal of creation, and perfect the world of freedom, peace, unity and happiness, by centering on true love.
5. Our family, the owner of Cheon Il Guk, pledges to strive every day to advance the unification of the spirit world and the physical world as subject and object partners, by centering on true love.
6. Our family, the owner of Cheon Il Guk, pledges to become a family that moves heavenly fortune by embodying the Heavenly Parent and True Parents, and to perfect a family that conveys Heaven's blessing to our community, by centering on true love.
7. Our family, the owner of Cheon Il Guk, pledges through living for the sake of others, to perfect the world based on the culture of heart, which is rooted in the original lineage, by centering on true love.
8. Our family, the owner of Cheon Il Guk, pledges, having entered the Era of Cheon Il Guk, to achieve the ideal of God and human beings united in love through absolute faith, absolute love and absolute obedience, and to perfect the realm of liberation and complete freedom in the Kingdom of God on earth and in heaven, by centering on true love.

## **CHAPTER 1: GENERAL PROVISIONS**

### **Section 1: God**

#### **Article 1: God**

1. God is the Creator of the cosmos.
2. God, as the Heavenly Parent, is the original being of heart.
3. God is the Lord of the cosmos, who presides over the world of creation and carries out the providence through true love and the Word.

#### **Article 2: God and Human Beings**

1. As the incorporeal True Parent, God is in a parent-child relationship with human beings.
2. God desires that human beings fulfill the Three Great Blessings: the perfection of individual character, the perfection of the family, and the perfection of dominion over God's creation.
3. God desires that all human beings inherit God's true love, true life and true lineage, attain oneness in love with God, and become the substantial object partners of God.
4. God leads the providence of restoration in order to save human beings, who lost their originally created value.

#### **Article 3: God and Cheon Il Guk**

God establishes Cheon Il Guk through the True Parents and the citizens of Cheon Il Guk.

### **Section 2: The True Parents**

#### **Article 4: The True Parents**

1. True Parents are the ancestors of humankind as the perfected embodiments who have achieved oneness in heart, body, thought, core and harmony with God.
2. The True Parents have cosmic value and stature that are absolute, unique, unchanging and eternal.
3. The True Parents are carrying out the work of the rebirth, resurrection and eternal life of humankind through true love throughout the cosmos.



**Article 5: The True Parents and Cheon Il Guk**

The True Parents are the eternal King and Queen of Peace of Cheon Il Guk, having completed, fulfilled and concluded all aspects of their mission.

**Article 6: Authority Regarding the Administration of Cheon Il Guk**

1. The True Parents hold the final decision-making authority regarding the administration of Cheon Il Guk.
2. When necessary, the True Parents may delegate this administrative authority within a defined scope of authority.

**Article 7: Authority Regarding Blessed Marriage**

1. Only the True Parents shall have the authority to bestow the Marriage Blessing.
2. When necessary, the True Parents may delegate the authority to bestow the Marriage Blessing within a defined scope of authority.

**Section 3: Cheon Il Guk**

**Article 8: Cheon Il Guk**

1. Cheon Il Guk is the ideal world of the original creation that is centered on God and the True Parents, where freedom, peace, unity and happiness, have been realized.
2. Cheon Il Guk shall consist of sovereignty, citizens and territory as the basic components, which exist for the sake of a peaceful ideal world.
3. Cheon Il Guk shall be realized on the basis of the perfection of the ideal of blessed families.

**Article 9: The Fundamental Ideals**

Cheon Il Guk shall be based on the fundamental ideals of interdependence, mutual prosperity and universally shared values.

**Article 10: Sovereignty**

1. The sovereignty of Cheon Il Guk for the sake of a peaceful ideal world shall emanate from God and the True Parents.
2. The sovereignty of Cheon Il Guk for the sake of the peaceful ideal world shall be realized through the citizens of Cheon Il Guk.

### **Article 11: Territory**

The territory of Cheon Il Guk shall be the cosmos, including both the physical world and the spiritual world, where God's ideal of peace has been established.

### **Article 12: Duties**

Cheon Il Guk must establish and carry out policies that advance the well-being and rights of the citizens of Cheon Il Guk.

### **Article 13: The Sources of Laws**

The laws of Cheon Il Guk shall be based on the true love of God and the Words of the True Parents.

### **Article 14: The Basic Scriptures**

The Basic Scriptures of Cheon Il Guk shall be *Cheon Seong Gyeong*, *Cham Bumo Gyeong* and *Pyeong Hwa Gyeong*.

### **Article 15: Public Assets**

1. The citizens of Cheon Il Guk may voluntarily make donations or offerings for the providence of Cheon Il Guk.
2. The public assets of Cheon Il Guk are the tangible and intangible assets formed for the sake of the providence of God and the True Parents, and the tangible and intangible assets offered by the citizens of Cheon Il Guk.
3. Changes concerning rights regarding all public assets of Cheon Il Guk must comply with the laws and ordinances of the nation in which the applicable public asset is located, and those changes shall require the prior approval of the True Parents after the respective nation's National President and Regional President discuss and submit the matter to the Cheon Jeong Won, the Cheon Jae Won, and the Cheon Il Guk Supreme Council for review.

**Article 16: Official Language**

The official language of Cheon Il Guk shall be Korean, which is the language of God's homeland.

**Article 17: National Flag, National Anthem, National Bird, and National Flower**

Cheon Il Guk's national flag shall be the Flag of Cheon Il Guk, its national anthem shall be the Song of Cheon Il Guk, its national bird shall be the crane, and its national flowers shall be the rose and the lily.

**Article 18: The International Headquarters**

The International Headquarters of Cheon Il Guk shall be Cheon Jeong Gung in the Republic of Korea, which is God's homeland and hometown.

**CHAPTER 2: CITIZENS OF CHEON IL GUK**

**Section 1: Citizens of Cheon Il Guk**

**Article 19: Citizens of Cheon Il Guk**

1. Citizens of Cheon Il Guk shall be defined as people who attend God and the True Parents and follow the teachings of the True Parents.
2. Matters concerning the qualifications of a citizen of Cheon Il Guk shall be prescribed by law.

**Article 20: Rights**

1. Citizens of Cheon Il Guk shall be equal before the law and shall not be discriminated against based on considerations of gender, age, social status, disability, race, religion or nationality.
2. Citizens of Cheon Il Guk shall have the right to vote and to run for election in accordance with the law.
3. Citizens of Cheon Il Guk shall have the right to submit petitions to a relevant agency of Cheon Il Guk in accordance with the law.

4. Citizens of Cheon Il Guk shall have the right to receive a trial in accordance with the procedures prescribed by the Constitution and laws.
5. Citizens of Cheon Il Guk shall have the right to education for the purpose of perfecting the Three Great Blessings.
6. Citizens of Cheon Il Guk shall have the right to become public officials.
7. Citizens of Cheon Il Guk shall have the right to become Hoondok family leaders and Heavenly tribal messiahs.
8. For the sake of the settlement and completion of Cheon Il Guk, when necessary, freedoms of citizens of Cheon Il Guk shall not be neglected on the grounds that they are not enumerated in the Constitution.

#### **Article 21: Duties**

1. Citizens of Cheon Il Guk must preserve the pure lineage of Heaven (absolute sex).
2. Citizens of Cheon Il Guk must not violate the hearts and the human rights of others.
3. Citizens of Cheon Il Guk must not misappropriate public funds.
4. Citizens of Cheon Il Guk are to read, teach, practice, and disseminate the Words of the True Parents.
5. Citizens of Cheon Il Guk are to conduct activities as Hoondok family leaders and as Heavenly tribal messiahs for the sake of substantial settlement and completion of Cheon Il Guk.

#### **Article 22: Public Officials**

1. Public officials of Cheon Il Guk are to have faith, character and professionalism as people who are carrying out their public duties for the sake of substantially settling and completing Cheon Il Guk.
2. In circumstances where a public official of Cheon Il Guk cannot maintain the dignity of a public official of Cheon Il Guk or is unable to carry out his or her duties, that public official shall be disqualified.
3. Matters concerning the requisites, appointment or dismissal of public officials of Cheon Il Guk shall be prescribed by law.
4. When necessary, the True Parents may appoint or dismiss a public official for the sake of a special providence.

### **Article 23: Forfeiture and Recovery of Rights**

1. In circumstances where a citizen of Cheon Il Guk commits any one of the following acts, a portion or all of his or her rights as a citizen of Cheon Il Guk shall be limited:

- (1) An act of denying God and True Parents.
- (2) An act of denying the identity and ideals of Cheon Il Guk.
- (3) An act of denying the Cheon Il Guk Constitution.
- (4) An act that obstructs the substantial settlement and completion of Cheon Il Guk.

2. Matters concerning the limitation and recovery of the rights of a citizen of Cheon Il Guk shall be prescribed by law.

## **Section 2: The True Parents' Family and Blessed Families**

### **Article 24: The True Parents' Family**

1. The True Parents' family is the True Parents' direct descendants and their spouses.
2. The True Parents' family shall possess value based upon their relationship of absolute faith, absolute love and absolute obedience towards the True Parents.

### **Article 25: The Duties of the True Parents' Family**

1. The True Parents family are to lead lives of attendance for the sake of inheriting the tradition of True Parents and passing it on.
2. The True Parents' family are to have exemplary character and are to live lives of obedience to the Words of the True Parents.

### **Article 26: Blessed Families**

1. A Blessed family is a husband and wife, who were reborn and whose original sin was cleansed through the Blessed Marriage by the True Parents, the Savior and Messiah of humankind, and the direct descendants of that Blessed Couple.
2. Blessed families are constituent members of the universal family encompassing heaven and earth, centered on God and the True Parents.
3. Matters concerning such things as the qualifications of a blessed family, and the loss and restoration of those qualifications shall be prescribed by law.

### **Article 27: The Duties of Blessed Families**

1. Blessed families are to lead lives of attendance for the sake of inheriting the tradition of the True Parents and passing it on.
2. Blessed families are to have exemplary character and are to live lives of obedience to the Words of the True Parents.
3. Blessed families are to respect and protect the True Parents' family.

## **CHAPTER 3: THE CHEON IL GUK SUPREME COUNCIL**

### **Article 28: The Supreme Decision-Making Agency**

Cheon Il Guk shall set up the Cheon Il Guk Supreme Council as the supreme decision-making agency.

### **Article 29: Composition**

1. The Cheon Il Guk Supreme council shall be composed of thirteen (13) persons.
2. The constituent members shall be one (1) Chairperson, one (1) Vice Chairperson, and eleven (11) Appointed and Elected Members.

### **Article 30: Chairperson and Vice Chairperson**

1. The Chairperson shall be appointed by the True Parents from among the True Parents' family, and may concurrently hold the position of the International President of the Cheon Jeong Won.
2. The Vice Chairperson shall be appointed by the True Parents from among qualified candidates as prescribed by law, and shall vicariously execute the Chairperson's tasks in circumstances when the Chairperson is unavoidably unable to carry out his or her tasks or when there is a delegation of those duties by the Chairperson.
3. The persons who have the power of appointment shall be able to dismiss the Chairperson and the Vice Chairperson in accordance with the law.

### **Article 31: The Appointed Members and Elected Members**

1. The True Parents shall appoint the Appointed Members from among qualified candidates as prescribed by law.

2. The True Parents shall appoint the Elected Members from among people elected by the Cheon Il Guk Supreme Council.
3. The persons who have the power to appoint shall be able to dismiss the Appointed Members and Elected Members in accordance with the law.

**Article 32: Term of Office**

1. The term of office for the Chairperson shall be seven (7) years and he or she may be reappointed.
2. The terms of office of the Vice Chairperson and the Appointed Members and Elected Members shall each be four (4) years, and they may be reappointed, but they may not remain in office in excess of twelve (12) years.

**Article 33: Matters for Deliberation and Decision**

The Cheon Il Guk Supreme Council shall deliberate and decide upon each of the following matters:

- (1) Specific matters that the True Parents direct to the Cheon Il Guk Supreme Council.
- (2) Matters regarding the identity and ideals of Cheon Il Guk.
- (3) Matters regarding the rights, duties and faith of Cheon Il Guk citizens.
- (4) Matters concerning each Won.
- (5) Matters regarding amending the Cheon Il Guk Constitution.
- (6) Other matters prescribed by the Constitution and laws.

**Article 34: Method of Decision-Making**

1. As a general rule, the Cheon Il Guk Supreme Council shall make its decisions by unanimous consent of the enrolled members but when they are not able to achieve unanimous consent, they may decide by means of the approval of at least 10 of the 13 Members.
2. Other matters regarding the method of decision-making shall be prescribed by law.

**Article 35: The Enforcement and Administration of Decisions, and Other Matters**

1. Matters upon which the Cheon Il Guk Supreme Council has decided shall be enforced after receiving the approval of the True Parents.
2. In addition to that, other necessary matters, such as the administration of the Cheon Il Guk

Supreme Council, shall be prescribed by law.

**Article 36: Vicarious Execution of Authority**

In case of relinquishment of authority of the True Parents or incapacity of the True Parents, the Cheon Il Guk Supreme Council, centered on the Chairperson, shall vicariously execute the authority of the True Parents, as prescribed by the Constitution and laws.

**CHAPTER 4: THE CHEON JEONG WON**

**(The Cheon Il Guk Executive)**

**Section 1: The Cheon Jeong Won**

**Article 37: Executive Power**

The executive power of Cheon Il Guk shall be vested in the Cheon Jeong Won.

**Article 38: Administrative Agencies**

1. The Cheon Jeong Won shall establish and manage the necessary administrative agencies for the sake of the systematic and efficient execution of administrative affairs.
2. Matters related to the establishment and management of administrative agencies shall be prescribed by law.

**Article 39: Advisory Agencies**

1. The Cheon Jeong Won may establish advisory agencies as needed for the sake of carrying out its tasks.
2. Matters concerning the establishment and management of advisory agencies shall be prescribed by law.

**Article 40: Jurisdictional Tasks**

1. The Cheon Jeong Won shall establish and implement policies for the settlement and completion of Cheon Il Guk.
2. The Cheon Jeong Won is responsible for providential missions and the welfare of the



citizens of CIG.

## **Section 2: The International President and International Vice President(s)**

### **Article 41: The International President**

1. The International President, as the head of the Cheon Jeong Won, shall direct and supervise all administrative agencies, advisory agencies, and providential organizations in accordance with the law.
2. The True Parents shall appoint and dismiss the International President as prescribed by the Constitution and in accordance with the law.

### **Article 42: The International Vice President(s)**

1. As the deputy head of the Cheon Jeong Won, in circumstances where the International President is unable to carry out his or her tasks or delegates those tasks to the International Vice President, he or she shall execute those tasks.
2. The True Parents shall appoint and dismiss the International Vice President in accordance with the Constitution and law.
3. The duties and authority of the International Vice President(s) shall be prescribed by law.

### **Article 43: Term of Office**

1. The term of office for the International President shall be seven (7) years and he or she may be reappointed.
2. The term of office of the International Vice President shall each be four (4) years and he or she may be reappointed. However, they may not remain in office in excess of twelve (12) years.

## **Section 3: Providential Organizations**

### **Article 44: Providential Organizations**

1. The Cheon Jeong Won shall manage necessary providential organizations for the sake of the substantial settlement and completion of Cheon Il Guk.
2. Matters concerning such things as the establishment, purpose, function, structure and

management of the providential organizations shall be prescribed by law.

**Article 45: The Heads of Providential Organizations**

1. The True Parents shall appoint the heads of providential organizations based on the recommendation of the Cheon Il Guk Supreme Council from among qualified candidates as prescribed by law.
2. Those who have the power of appointment may dismiss the heads of providential organizations in accordance with the law.

**Article 46: Term of Office for the Heads of Providential Organizations**

The term of office for the heads of providential organizations shall be four (4) years, and they may be reappointed. However, they may not remain in office in excess of twelve (12) years.

**CHAPTER 5: THE CHEON EUI WON**  
**(THE CHEON IL GUK ASSEMBLY)**

**Article 47: Legislative Power**

The legislative power of Cheon Il Guk shall be vested in the Cheon Eui Won.

**Article 48: Composition**

1. The Cheon Eui Won shall be composed of one (1) Chairperson, Vice Chairpersons and the Elected Members.
2. The number of Cheon Eui Won members shall be prescribed by law, but the number shall not exceed 120, including the Chairperson and the Vice Chairpersons.

**Article 49: Chairperson and Vice Chairperson**

1. The True Parents shall appoint the Chairperson and vice chairpersons from among qualified candidates in accordance with the law.
2. Those with the power to appoint may dismiss the Chairperson and Vice Chairpersons in accordance with the law.

**Article 50: The Elected Members**

The method of election and the qualifications of the Elected Members shall be prescribed by law.

**Article 51: Term of Office**

1. The term of office for the Chairperson and Vice Chairpersons shall be four (4) years, and they may be reappointed. However, they may not remain in office in excess of twelve (12) years.
2. The term of office for the Elected Members shall be (4) years and they may be reappointed.

**Article 52: Regular Sessions and Special Sessions**

1. Sessions of the Cheon Eui Won shall be divided into regular and special sessions and shall be convened by the Chairperson.
2. A regular session shall be convened at least once each year.
3. A special session of the Cheon Eui Won shall be convened in the following instances:
  - (1) In the case of a request by the True Parents.
  - (2) In the case of a request by the Cheon Il Guk Supreme Council.
  - (3) In the case of a request by at least fifty percent of the current members of the Cheon Eui Won.

**Article 53: Quorum**

The attendance of at least fifty percent of the enrolled members is required in order to convene a session of the Cheon Eui Won, and the approval of at least two-thirds of the elected members in attendance is required to make a binding decision.

**Article 54: Submission and Confirmation of Legislative Proposals**

1. Members of the Cheon Eui Won and the Cheon Jeong Won may submit legislative proposals.
2. Legislative proposals passed in the Cheon Eui Won shall become confirmed upon being approved by the True Parents.

**Article 55: Deliberation and Decision on Budget Proposals and Project Proposals**

1. The Cheon Eui Won shall deliberate and decide on budget proposals and project proposals for the Cheon Il Guk Supreme Council, the Cheon Jeong Won, the Cheon Eui Won, the Cheon Beob Won, the Cheon Jae Won, and the Cheon Gong Won, which have been discussed, adjusted and submitted by the Cheon Jeong Won and the Cheon Jae Won.
2. Budget proposals and project proposals that have been passed by the Cheon Eui Won shall be confirmed after the decision of the Cheon Il Guk Supreme Council and then the approval of the True Parents.

#### **Article 56: Power of Investigation**

1. The Cheon Eui Won may investigate specific matters concerning the Cheon Jeong Won, the Cheon Beob Won, the Cheon Jae Won, and the Cheon Gong Won, and may require the submission of documents directly related thereto, the appearance of witnesses, or the furnishing of statements.
2. Necessary matters, such as procedures concerning investigations, shall be prescribed by law.

#### **Article 57: Examination of Qualifications and Disciplinary Action**

1. The Cheon Eui Won may examine the qualifications of its members and may take disciplinary action regarding its members.
2. Matters concerning examination of qualifications and disciplinary action regarding members shall be prescribed by law.

#### **Article 58: Power of Impeachment**

1. In circumstances where a public official appointed by the True Parents or by the Cheon Il Guk Supreme Council has violated the provisions of the Constitution or of a law while carrying out his or her official duties, the Cheon Eui Won may impeach that public official.
2. The method and procedures for impeachment shall be prescribed by law.

## **CHAPTER 6: THE CHEON BEOB WON**

### **(THE CHEON IL GUK COURT)**

**Article 59: Judicial Power**

The judicial power of Cheon Il Guk shall be vested in the Cheon Beob Won.

**Article 60: Composition**

The Cheon Beob Won shall consist of one (1) Chairperson and eight (8) Members including Vice Chairpersons.

**Article 61: The Chairperson, Vice Chairperson and Members**

1. The True Parents shall appoint the Chairperson and Vice Chairpersons from among qualified candidates as prescribed by law.
2. The True Parents shall appoint the Members based on the recommendation of the Cheon Il Guk Supreme Council from among qualified candidates as prescribed by law.
3. Those who have the power to appoint power may dismiss the Chairperson, Vice Chairpersons and Members as prescribed by law.

**Article 62: Term of Office**

The terms of office of the Chairperson, Vice Chairpersons, and Members shall each be four (4) years and they may be reappointed. However, they may not remain in office in excess of twelve (12) years.

**Article 63: Jurisdictional Tasks**

1. The Cheon Beob Won shall adjudicate all disputes involving the Constitution and the laws.
2. The Chairperson, Vice Chairpersons and the Members shall adjudicate independently according to their conscience based on God’s true love, the True Parents’ teachings, the Constitution, and the laws.
3. Other matters of adjudication and procedures concerning lawsuits shall be prescribed by law.

**CHAPTER 7: THE CHEON JAE WON**  
**(THE CHEON IL GUK FOUNDATION)**

**Article 64: Fiscal Power**

The fiscal power of Cheon Il Guk shall be vested in the Cheon Jae Won.

**Article 65: Composition**

The Cheon Jae Won shall consist of one (1) Chairperson and eight (8) Members including Vice Chairpersons.

**Article 66: The Chairperson, Vice Chairpersons and Members**

1. The True Parents shall appoint the Chairperson and Vice Chairpersons from among qualified candidates as prescribed by law.
2. The True Parents shall appoint the Members based on the recommendation of the Cheon Il Guk Supreme Council from among qualified candidates as prescribed by law.
3. Those who have the power to appoint may dismiss the Chairperson, Vice Chairpersons and Members in accordance with the law.

**Article 67: Terms of Office**

The terms of office of the Chairperson, Vice Chairpersons, and Members shall each be four (4) years and they may be reappointed. However, they may not remain in office in excess of twelve (12) years.

**Article 68: Jurisdictional Tasks**

1. The Cheon Jae Won shall financially support the management of all organizations of Cheon Il Guk.
2. The Cheon Jae Won may engage in for-profit or not for-profit activities utilizing public assets of Cheon Il Guk.
3. The Cheon Jae Won shall manage and utilize the public assets of Cheon Il Guk with approval of the Cheon Il Guk Supreme Council.
4. The Cheon Jae Won must obtain True Parents' approval before disposing of any public asset of Cheon Il Guk.

**CHAPTER 8: THE CHEON GONG WON**

**(CHEON IL GUK OFFICE OF MEDIA AND COMMUNICATIONS)**

**Article 69: Media Authority**

For the sake of the substantial settlement and completion of Cheon Il Guk, the authority concerning the collection of public opinion, news reports, and public relations shall be vested in the Cheon Gong Won.

**Article 70: Composition**

The Cheon Gong Won shall consist of one (1) Chairperson and eight (8) Members including Vice Chairpersons.

**Article 71: The Chairperson, Vice Chairperson and Members**

1. The True Parents shall appoint the Chairperson and Vice Chairpersons from among qualified candidates as prescribed by law.
2. The True Parents shall appoint the Members based on the recommendation of the Cheon Il Guk Supreme Council from among qualified candidates as prescribed by law.
3. Those who have the power to appoint may dismiss the Chairperson, Vice Chairpersons and members in accordance with the law.

**Article 72: Terms of Office**

The terms of office of the Chairperson, Vice Chairpersons and Members shall each be four (4) years and they may be reappointed. However, they may not remain in office in excess of twelve (12) years.

**Article 73: Jurisdictional Tasks**

1. The Cheon Gong Won shall take charge of activities such as news reports, public relations, and education for the citizens of Cheon Il Guk.
2. The Cheon Gong Won shall collect public opinion and convey it through the Cheon Il Guk media to the Cheon Jeong Won, the Cheon Eui Won, the Cheon Beob Won, and the Cheon Jae Won and to the citizens of Cheon Il Guk.
3. The Cheon Gong Won may categorize the collected public opinion and submit it to the Cheon Jeong Won, the Cheon Eui Won, the Cheon Beob Won, or the Cheon Jae Won.

## **CHAPTER 9: SELF-GOVERNANCE OF AREA UNITS**

### **Section 1: Self-Governance of Regional Units**

#### **Article 74: Regional Presidents**

1. The True Parents shall appoint Regional Presidents based on the recommendation of the International President from among qualified candidates as prescribed by law.
2. Those who have the power of appointment may dismiss the Regional Presidents in accordance with the law.

#### **Article 75: Term of Office**

The term of office of the Regional Presidents shall be four (4) years, and they may be reappointed. However, they may not remain in office in excess of twelve (12) years.

#### **Article 76: Responsibilities**

1. The Regional President shall coordinate and support the work among the national units belonging to their region for the sake of the settlement and completion of Cheon Il Guk.
2. The Regional Presidents must report to the Cheon Jeong Won on matters regarding the overall work of the region.

#### **Article 77: Composition and Management of Organizations**

Matters related to the composition and management of organizations required for the self-governance of regional units shall be prescribed by law.

### **Section 2: Self-Governance of National Units**

#### **Article 78: National Messiahs**

1. The True Parents shall appoint National Messiahs from among qualified candidates in accordance with the law.
2. Those who have the power of appointment may dismiss a National Messiah in accordance with the law.



3. As advisors to the National Presidents, National Messiahs shall provide advice or respond to inquiries concerning self-governance of national units.

**Article 79: National Leaders**

National Leaders shall be appointed or dismissed in accordance with the laws within the national unit and in consultation with the Regional President, the International President and the Cheon Il Guk Supreme Council, and with the final approval of the True Parents.

**Article 80: Term of Office**

The terms of office of National Leaders shall be four (4) years, unless decided differently in that national unit, and they may be reappointed. However, they may not remain in office in excess of twelve (12) years.

**Article 81: Headquarters**

1. The headquarters of a national unit shall be responsible for all work of that national unit for the settlement and completion of Cheon Il Guk.
2. The headquarters of each national unit shall establish and manage a heavenly tribal messiah office for the Heavenly tribal messiah activities.

**Article 82: Organization and Management**

1. If necessary, for the self-governance of a national unit, relevant organs paralleling to the Cheon Il Guk Supreme Council, Cheon Jeong Won, Cheon Eui Won, Cheon Beob Won, Cheon Jae Won, and Cheon Gong Won, may be established and operated.
2. Matters pertaining to the establishment and management of organs necessary for the self-governance of the national units shall be prescribed by law.

**CHAPTER 10: ELECTIONS**

**Article 83: Elections**

1. All Cheon Il Guk elections shall be based on the principles of selection by lot among recommended candidates who have been chosen through popular, equal, direct and secret elections.
2. Any election in which less than one-third of the total eligible electorate participated shall

be considered invalid.

3. All other necessary matters concerning elections shall be prescribed by law.

#### **Article 84: Election Commissions**

1. An Election Commission shall be established for the purpose of the fair management of elections, which manifests the will of God and the citizens of Cheon Il Guk.

2. All necessary matters concerning the composition and jurisdictional tasks of Election Commissions shall be prescribed by law.

## **CHAPTER 11: AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION**

#### **Article 85: Proposals for Amendments**

A proposal to amend the Constitution may be put forth by a decision of the Cheon Il Guk Supreme Council, or by at least fifty percent of the enrolled members of the Cheon Eui Won.

#### **Article 86: Public Notice of Proposed Amendments**

The Cheon Il Guk Supreme Council must give public notice of a proposed amendment to the Constitution for a period of at least thirty (30) days

#### **Article 87: Decision and Finalization of Proposed Amendments**

1. The Cheon Eui Won must decide within ninety (90) of the public notice of the proposed amendments.

2. The decision on a proposed amendment to the Constitution shall require the approval of at least two-thirds of the enrolled members of the Cheon Eui Won, and the decision of the Cheon Il Guk Supreme Council.

3. A proposed amendment to the Constitution decided by the Cheon Eui Won and the Cheon Il Guk Supreme Council shall be confirmed upon receiving the True Parents' approval.

#### **Article 88: Amendments According to the True Parents' Will**

Based on the first clause of Article 6 of the Constitution, according to the Will of the True Parents, in circumstances of providential necessity the Cheon Il Guk Supreme Council may decide on amendments to the Constitution.

## **ADDENDA**

### **Article 1: Effective Date**

This Constitution became effective on June 4 by the Heavenly Calendar in the fourth year of Cheon Il Guk (July 7, 2016 by the Solar Calendar).

### **Article 2: Effectiveness of Existing Regulations, Etc.**

Existing regulations, articles of incorporation, and rules, etc. that were already in effect at the time the Constitution came into effect shall remain effective as long as they are not contrary to this Constitution.

### **Article 3: Interim Measures Concerning Systems**

The systems in place at the time this Constitution takes effect shall be supplemented as follows:

- (1) The systems shall contribute to the establishment of Cheon Il Guk based on Hoondok home group activities, by improving the system centering on pastors and by activating the heavenly tribal messiah system.
- (2) The district and local churches shall combine the function of worship and the function of a center of heart culture that is for the sake of the local community.

### **Article 4: Interim Measures Concerning Organizations**

1. At the time that this Constitution goes into effect, if any Won or organization of Cheon Il Guk is unable to carry out its jurisdictional tasks due to unavoidable circumstances, organizations or departments, which have been entrusted by the True Parents with the corresponding tasks, shall vicariously carry out those tasks.
2. The vicarious execution in accordance with Section 1 shall end when the organizations of Cheon Il Guk have become able to carry out their jurisdictional tasks.

**Article 5: Original Text**

The original text of this Constitution shall be the Korean text and in circumstances where there are interpretive discrepancies the original text shall be followed.

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