Global Leaders Honor 10th Anniversary of True Father's Seonghwa

Naokimi Ushiroda August 16, 2022



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"Father, I love you, I miss you," said True Mother in her remarks during a special program celebrating the 10th anniversary of True Father's Seonghwa. "These past 10 years have been a tremendous journey to realize the promise I made before you. From now on, please do not worry. We will, without fail, complete our responsibility."



True Mother was joined by many global leaders, organizations, and supporters who all honored the 2012 passing of her husband during the event, "Seonghwa Ceremony 10th Anniversary of the Holy Ascension of Sun Myung Moon, the True Parent of Heaven, Earth and Humankind," held near Seoul on Aug. 14. Some 86 floral tributes and messages were sent from world leaders for the 10th anniversary, including a large floral display from North Korea that required two men to carry it on stage. "Rev. Moon worked for

the sake of world peace ... and his achievements and legacy will be remembered for eons," read a condolence message sent from a North Korean peace institute on behalf of Chairman Kim Jong-un. "We would like to wish prosperity and success to the International Family Federation and UPF."



True Father was born in 1920 in what is now North Korea. From growing up in Japan-occupied Korea until his ascension at age 92, he lived his life with utmost passion and dedication to God and His providence to restore humanity and create a peaceful world. "Father Moon left a colossal legacy of peace of inestimable value in all aspects of human life," said H.E. Brigi Rafini, executive secretary of the Community of Sahel and Saharan States (CEN-SAD), which has 25 Member States and represents 650 million Africans. "Just like Father and Mother Moon, I invite us to enter and remain in history as peacemakers in the world."



The three-hour program, held at the HJ Global Arts Center, was emceed by Dr. Yoon Young-ho, director general of the Universal Peace Federation (UPF) International. True Parents co-founded UPF in 2005 as one of many peace-building ventures they pioneered worldwide. Former U.S. Secretary of State Mike Pompeo recounted the arrests, tortures, and imprisonments True Father endured during his life, including

the North Korean Hungnam death camp that was liberated by UN forces led by U.S. Gen. Douglas MacArthur. True Father survived this, and other severe hardships, "by faith and a loving God," said Mr. Pompeo.

In 1954, True Father established the Holy Spirit Association for the Unification of World Christianity (HSA-UWC) to call for "the unity of all Christianity and for each of us to love each other," said Mr. Pompeo. True Father also stood unwaveringly against God-denying ideologies, creating the successful Victory Over Communism (VOC) program and newspapers, including The Washington Times, as well as the anti-communist educational non-profit organization, CAUSA International.

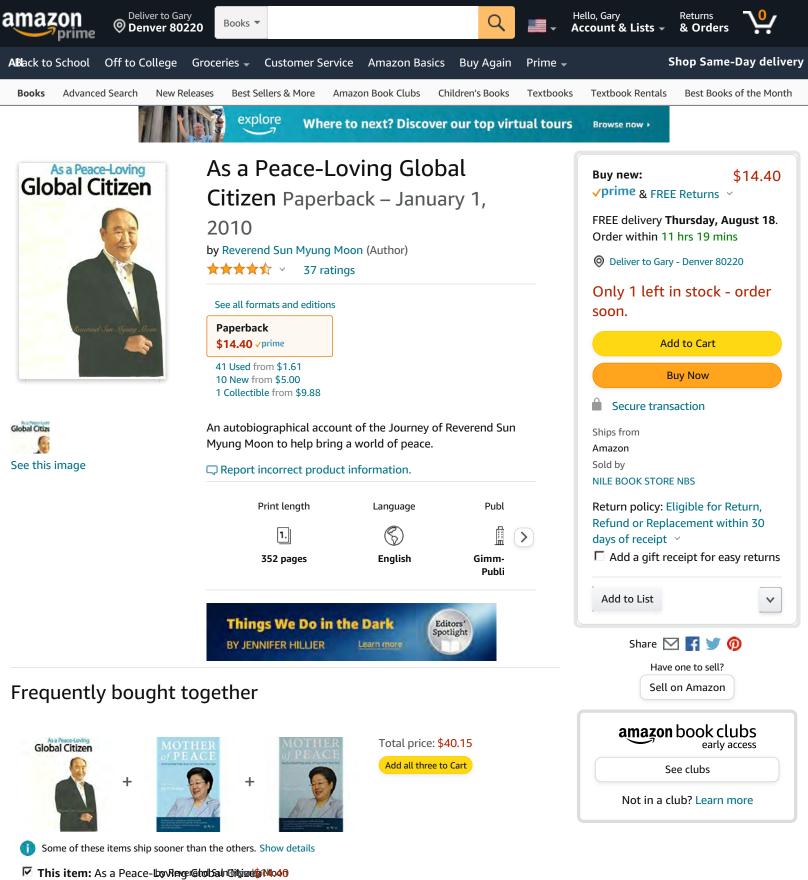


"Rev. Moon and his peace work impacted millions," said Cambodian Assemblyman Suos Yara, who delivered a message from Samdech Hun Sen, Prime Minister of the Royal Kingdom of Cambodia. Cambodian leaders are among those around the world working with UPF in its quest to bring peace on the Korean Peninsula through mutual prosperity, interdependence, and universal values.

The anniversary program recounted True Father's life through a combination of beautiful song and dance, videos, photos, and a live orchestra. Spotlights included True Father's 1932 Easter morning visitation from Jesus, who called him to carry forward the mission to build the Kingdom of God; the persecutions he endured when he started preaching; and his 1960 Holy Marriage to True Mother, which led them to share the Marriage Blessing with other couples around the world. The program also highlighted True Father's many speeches, campaigns, rallies, conferences, and visits held in different parts of the world, as well as his meetings with global leaders, including Soviet Premier Mikhail Gorbachev and North Korea Chairman Kim II-sung.

True Father deeply touched countless lives throughout the world, and continues to connect with many hearts through his legacy of peace and love for humanity and God. True Mother closed the program by offering the nearly 30,000 attendees silken-cloth bags filled with rice caramels, one of True Father's favorite sweets. "Let us move forward in hope," she said, "practice true love, be stewards of the Creation, and lead lives centered on God."

You can learn more about True Father's extraordinary life in his autobiography, "As a Peace-Loving Global Citizen," available <u>here</u>, and True Mother's memoir, "Mother of Peace: And God Shall Wipe Away All Tears from Their Eyes," available <u>here</u>.

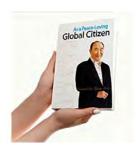


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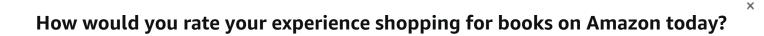
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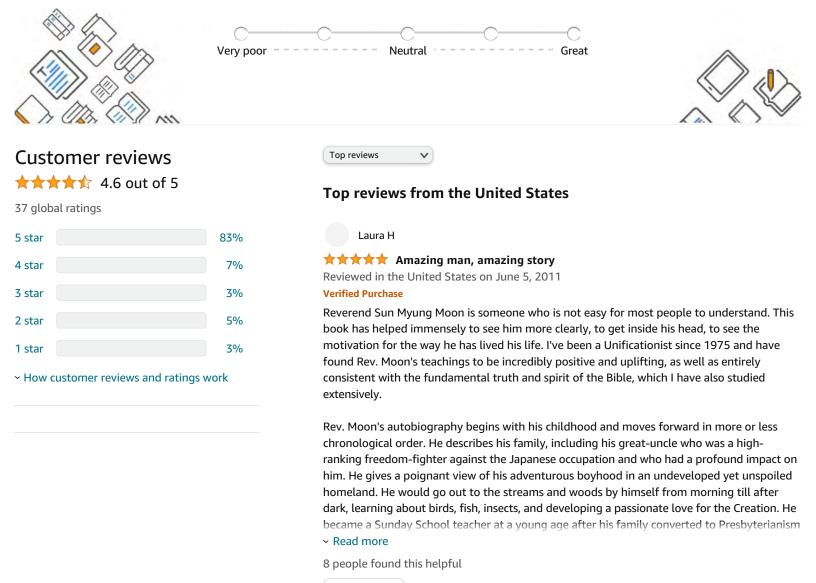
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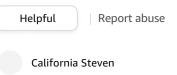
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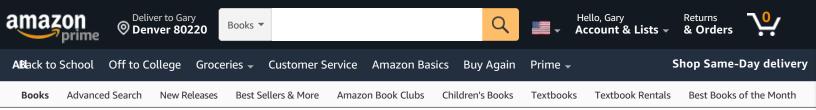
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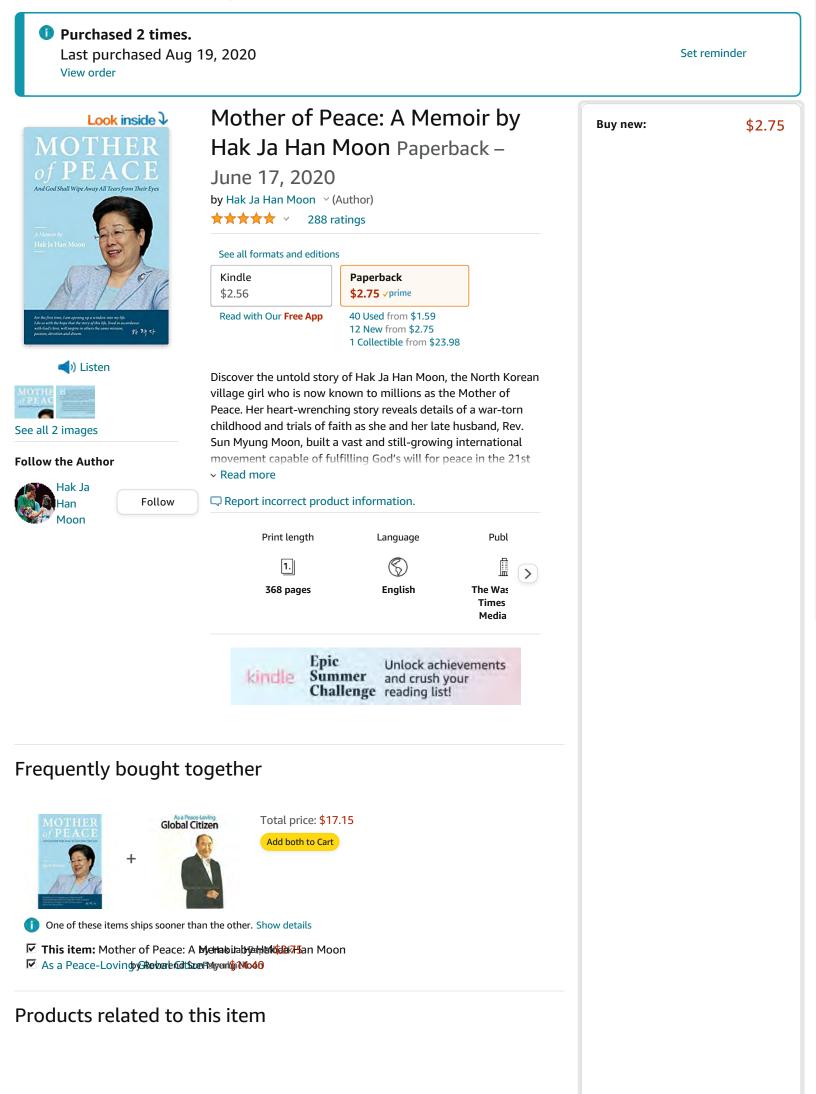
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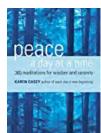




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This inspiring memoir reveals the Divine heart within our beloved True Mother, the only begotten Daughter, and describes her true love in building the Holy Community on earth. -- Dr. Luonne Abram Rouse, National Co-Chairman, ACLC & Minister Marie L. Rouse

Mother Moon is bringing God's message to the world, and works to help marriages and families survive during these troubled times, bringing all nations and religions together to achieve world peace. -- Hon. Dan Burton, U.S. House of Representatives, (1983-2013); International Co-Chairman, IAPP & Dr. Samia Burton, M.D.

Mother Moon's memoir is one of a life lived in total devotion to God and humanity. It comes at a time when our fragmented world is in dire need for a comprehensive view of world peace. This book is a must-read for all. -- H.E. Dr. Goodluck Jonathan, GCFR President, Nigeria (2009 -2015), Chair, International Summit Council for Peace (ISCP) Africa

Mother Moon's endless work for peace is an example to follow, especially her constant struggle for preserving the traditional family unit, teaching our children moral and spiritual values and putting God, love and peace at the center of our everyday life. -- Hon. Maria Fernanda Flores, First Lady, Nicaragua (1999-2002)

We politicians don't always succeed in fulfilling our commitments. Dr. Moon is not a politician; she is a private person. Thus, she could have chosen a very comfortable life; however, she chose to act. -- H.E. Dalia Itzik, President (2007), Israel

The book is a must read for all who are advocates for a peaceful world. It comes at a time when our fragmented world is in dire need for a comprehensive view of world peace. -- H.E. Dr. Goodluck Jonathan, GCFR President, Nigeria (2009-2015); Chairman, International Summit Council for Peace (ISCP) Africa

Dr. Moon's initiatives bring together all the actors of the international community and of social and family life around the ideals of peace, harmony and shared prosperity. She is truly recognized as the mother of peace. -- H.E. Brigi Rafini, Prime Minister and Head of the Government of Niger

During these extraordinary times when divisiveness, hate, and a climate of fear threaten global unity and international discourse, Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon is a beacon of hope to those who continue to believe that long-lasting peace is an attainable goal and not just a dream. -- H. E. Leni Robredo, Vice President of the Philippines

For many years, Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon has been motivated by a deep heart and wonderful impulse of generosity, and has dedicated much time and effort to contribute to peace and the welfare of humankind. She has a unique ability to care for people while also bringing comfort to others to build a community of love and solidarity. -- H.E. President Macky Sall, President of the Republic of Senegal

Unique to Dr. Moon's vision is her appreciation for the contribution of faith leaders and Godly principles as cornerstones in the foundations for peace. What has been most special in this work over the years is the intentional effort to bring heads of state and members of parliaments together with faith leaders and break through racial and cultural barriers to see the solutions that are possible. -- Hon. Matt Salmon, Vice President of Government Relations, Arizona State University; US House of Representatives (1995-2001 and 2013-2017)

Dr. Moon has been a role model for women around the globe as she has worked for world peace. Her dedication to re-establishing the family as the most important building block of strong and peaceful societies may be her most important and lasting legacy. -- Hon. Ellen Sauerbrey, former Assistant Secretary of US State Department's Bureau of Population, Refugees and Migration



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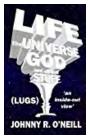
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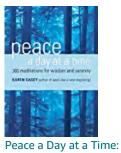


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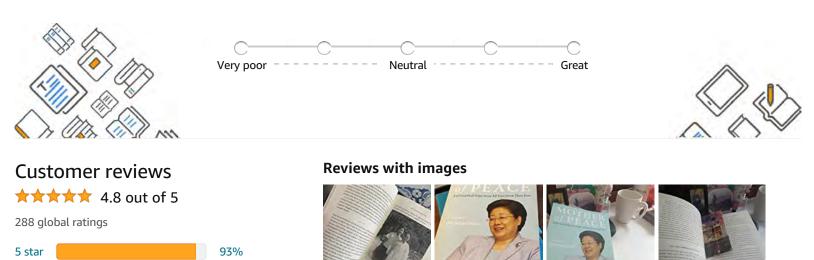


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There are heights never achieved by anyone in history other than those that have been raised and taught by God Himself. These were raised to be the ones to guide us all through the path of restoration.

Recognizing the people of God is the most important thing at this time. They are the ones to bring forth the keys to open the doors that have been closed to us since the human fall. It says in Revelations 10:11 You must prophesy again concerning many peoples and nations and tongues and kings.

This book has inspired me so much! Thank you Mother of Peace!



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On April 19, 1992, (pages 151-152), Hak Ja Han Moon inaugurated the "Women's Federation for World Peace" before 150,000 in attendance in Seoul, Korea. In the following nine months, she crossed 24-different time zones and spoke in 113 locations. There was no rest. Nearing the end of December, Mrs. Moon's last stop was scheduled at China's Great Hall of the People in Tiananmen Square. It was an event that began to be very difficult, but in the end, very rewarding.

Since China's open-door policy was in place, everything should have gone smoothly. However, the Chinese military (CCP) refused to grant a permit to speak without first approving her speech. Mrs. Moon explained that it was not political at all. She insisted that the message had nothing to do with politics and that its focus was on women. One week later, they concluded, "We cannot allow this kind of content." It did contain dozens of mentions of God. It seemed like the event was not going to happen until there appeared a shining knight. At that time, China's leader, Xi Jinping's son, Deng Pufang, comes to meet True Mother.

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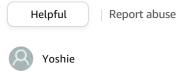


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Incredible memoir of an incredible person. I recommend this to anyone who enjoys biographies like I do.



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Such a fascinating look into the life of a woman at the center of a new religion who is totally committed to her purpose of comforting the heart of God. Mother Moon's unwavering faith and relationship with God has taken her from a small village in war-torn North Korea, into a marriage with a man just as single-mindedly dedicated to God as she is. This book gives us a view into their wedding, their marriage, their relationship, and their life, as Mother Moon gave birth to 14 children, and the two of them traveled around the world on this mission, and amassed a worldwide followership/movement.

When I pick it up, the time disappears. There is no one who can tell the story of the Unification Church and Father Moon's mission from the kind of perspective that she has, and it feels surreal to be experiencing her life through this book. Highly recommend it!



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This memoir follows the remarkable, real-life journey of arguably one of the greatest peacemakers of our time. How is it that a young girl, growing up in a quiet and humble village in what is now North Korea, could find herself some seven decades later meeting with heads of state and addressing huge gatherings at arenas and stadiums around the world? This is a story of unfathomable vision, self-sacrifice and determination. As you read through this book you may find yourself asking, how on earth could any human being sustain such a high level of commitment to creating peace in the world despite the many setbacks, widespread opposition and agonizing personal tragedies. My conclusion is that this could only be possible where there is a love for God and for this world that is also, unfathomable.

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Mother Moon as she is affectionately known leads us gently into an understanding of her life and mission. I see so many similarities with the life of Rev Sun Myung Moon her husband as

well, her deep love of nature, her intense spiritual training, her gradual awakening to her true value in her relationship with her Heavenly Father. Her vibrant and deep relationship with God is surely the source of her spiritual courage and true love. In more recent years she expressed that she was God's only begotten daughter as her relationship and communication with her parent God is so deep and natural. She draws us all into this realization that we all have this potential to be filled with God's spirit and essence as well. All human beings can have this profound understanding of their value as God's children and that we can have a beautiful relationship with our God who is our Parent. God does not need to be distant and all mighty but is as close to us as our husband or wife, our parents and our children. This is my initial review and commentary having only read the early chapters of this memoir. I am sure that i will find further insights and realizations as i delve deeper into this memoir 'the mother of peace'. I wholeheartedly recommend this book to others.

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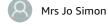


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