

## Raise the flag of victory in Oceania for the beginning of a Heavenly Unified World

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Letter to members



Beloved Cheon Il Guk leaders, blessed families!

May Heavenly Parent's and True Parents' blessings and grace be with you.

As I mentioned in my last letter, True Mother transcended national restoration and declared continental restoration and has offered this amazing and miraculous providence to God. True Mother has victoriously entered the United States and is offering serious devotions for the Clergy Leadership Rally, on the theme of New Hope for a Heavenly Unified World, to be held in the New York are on December 28. Mother has also taken some time to rest, due to overworking herself during her world tour. Yet she is also offering sincere devotion with all her heart by day and by night so that the Rallies for the Advancement of hope in Palau and the Dominican Republic can see their day of success.

Today I will share with you, our leaders and members around the world, about the rally of hope that was victoriously offered to God in Palau; I am giving it the title "Raise the flag of victory in Oceania for the beginning of a Heavenly Unified World."

In my last letter, I explained the reason that True Mother has sent True Family members as special envoys to represent her at the Palau Rally of Hope and the Dominican Republic Rally of Hope. Its significance was to have them walk a model path of victorious national restoration to inherit its realm of victory, while simultaneously participating in True Mother's devotion to prepare the gifts of national restoration (7 nations) and tribal restoration (Cheonbo Registration) to our Heavenly Parent and True Father.

For these reasons, True Mother dispatched Hyo-Jin nim's family (Yeon-Ah nim) and Heung-Jin nim's family (Hoon-Sook nim) to the Palau Rally to represent heaven (the spirit world), and to the Dominican Republic Rally she is sending Sun Jin nim's family as a special envoy representing earth (the physical plane).

Palau's population is about 20,000 people among which 5,000 are Filipino. Palau is made up of about 340 beautiful islands and exhibits the beauty of nature as it might have looked at the time of the original Creation. True Parents came to Palau for the first time in 2005 for the inauguration of the Universal Peace Federation, and in 2006, True Mother came to this providential land with the True Children to speak to its citizens.

We decided on a "First Lady" concept for the summit. We did this because Palau's society is a matriarchal society, so traditionally the mother is the center of the family and society. Another reason is that the President and First Lady of Palau have been active supporters of our movement since they came to know True Parents in 1992. Women need to stand at the forefront of settling the Pacific Rim civilization. In that regard, there is a lot of significance to hosting this summit and Blessing ceremony in Palau, the matriarchal society of Oceania, which is the starting point of a heavenly unified world. However, we do

not have a strong foundation of members in Palau. Therefore, the Summit and Blessing Ceremony was quite a challenge. Yet because we know how much True Father loved Palau -- a nation that takes pride in the nearby ocean channel being the deepest in the Pacific, his earnest love (Sermons, book 409) led our leaders in the Asia Pacific area to offer resolute devotion for the success of the rally centering on HJ World Peace Foundation President Yeon-Ah Moon, WFWP International Chair Dr. Julia Moon, FFWPU Regional Chair Chung-Sik Yong, and District Leader Yutaka Yamada, who were dispatched on True Mother's behalf.



December 9, the day before the Opening Ceremony for the Summit.

There was a special Welcoming Banquet for VIPs that came from around the world to attend the summit. President Thomas "Tommy" Remengesau Jr. and the First Lady Debbie Remengesau attended along with more than 300 respected overseas guests including five present and three former First Ladies, the Chair of the Tonga Legislature and his wife, and members of government from 36 countries including Bhutan and Sri Lanka. International Chair of WFWP Hoon-Sook Moon, and President of HJ World Peace Foundation Yeon-Ah Moon attended the rally of hope in Palau as True Mother's special envoys.

The Welcoming Banquet was held at a large temporary bungalow on the beach of the Palau Pacific Resort. The crystal-clear night sky looked as if the stars would shower down. True Mother was not in attendance at the Welcoming Banquet, but all the participants including the President and First Lady expressed that the banquet was a "Welcoming Banquet of longing" as they missed True Mother. Especially, the President of Palau said, "I may be the president of this nation, but I received an invitation from the summit's host, my wife and First Lady, and came as a simple guest." Everyone laughed at this and spent a joyful time together just like a family.

Next, representing True Mother, President Yeon Ah Moon gave opening remarks. President Moon introduced the peace activities and Blessing activities that True Mother is carrying out all over the world and expressed her sincere appreciation toward the Palau government for hosting this rally. With that, she also thanked the Palau government for hosting this event and introduced the peace activities that True Mother has been recently doing around the world. Following were the welcoming remarks from Hon. Faustina K. Rehuher-Marugg, Minister of State and Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Palau, and Ek Nath Dhakal, Chairman of UPF in the Asia-Pacific Region. In particular, Chairman Dhakal shared how True Mother is focusing on the Asia-Pacific Union to build a heavenly unified world through the settlement of the Pacific Rim civilization. He emphasized that this rally must become a cornerstone for active support and cooperation with this movement, at which the audience applauded. The first day came to a close as the Welcoming Banquet concluded with a family atmosphere.

Then finally, on December 10, the historical "Asia Pacific First Ladies Summit" began at the Palau Ngarachamayong Cultural Center. Same as the Welcoming Banquet, some 300 overseas guests attended from 36 countries including the President and First Lady of Palau, and eight (five current and three former) First Ladies.

The inaugural session began with an address by the summit's host, H.E. Debbie M. Remengesau, the First Lady of the Republic of Palau. She said that it was an amazing act of God's providence to have been able

to hold the First Ladies summit in Palau, a matriarchal society, and expressed her gratitude toward UPF and WFPW for making it possible. Next, Dr. Hoon-Sook Moon, International President of WFPW, gave the founder's address as the representative of True Mother. True Mother offered prayer just for Hoon-Sook nim who would give the speech that Mother had given several times throughout her world tour. In her speech, True Mother expressed her special love for Palau and Oceania, the beginning point of the Pacific Rim civilization. The following is excerpted from True Mother's address:



"Respected Leaders!

As I said earlier, all civilizations will come to fruition in the Pacific Civilization centering on Korea. That is Heaven's will. Although God's central providence had its roots in the Christian foundation in the past, in civilizations such as the Atlantic Civilization, these civilizations fell into a pattern of self-centeredness, focused on conquering and taking from others. Therefore, we have to make and firmly establish a Pacific Civilization, an altruistic civilization founded upon Heavenly Parent's true love that gives unconditionally, and rooted in the culture of hyojeong, a filial heart for God, our Heavenly Parent. Therefore, the Pacific Civilization must accomplish the great harmony and unity of the legacies of human history left by continental civilizations, ocean civilizations, eastern civilizations, western civilizations, spiritual civilizations and material civilizations. It must then take a step further to realize "one family under Heavenly Parent," a step toward building a model of the ideal world of peace based on interdependence, mutual prosperity and universal values.

For this reason, in 2017, I proclaimed the Pacific Civilization, which is the "True Love Cultural Revolution of the Heart that Lives for the Sake of Others" holding Rallies for the Advancement of Hope that were attended by tens of thousands of people across the borders of Korea, Japan, America, and Thailand, among other nations. And in 2018, the "Africa Summit", which opened in Senegal, was held to open the way for a "Heavenly World" and "Heavenly Continent" that attends God, our Heavenly Parent. This work continued and saw its conclusion in the "Asia-Pacific Summit" this year, 2019.

In 2019, I also suggested and proclaimed the Asia-Pacific Union to end the conflict and confusion among the Pacific Rim powers, such as China, America, North Korea, and Japan, insisting that they must work together to settle the Pacific Civilization and bring peace to Northeast Asia.

Respected Leaders!

From ancient times, the ocean has signified "woman" and "mother." The Chinese characters for "Pacific Rim" translate into "Great Mother of Peace." Therefore, in the final era of the providence, the Pacific Civilization centering on the only begotten Daughter, and mother of humanity, will recover the status of "Heavenly Mother," the feminine God, who was hidden throughout history. Moreover, the Pacific Civilization will establish a civilization that does not conquer and take, but a civilization of shimjeong, of heavenly parental heart, and hyojeong, filial heart, based on true love that gives and gives again, thus realizing the ideal of One Human Family that attends Heavenly Parent, the vertical True Parent of humankind.

This First Ladies' Asia-Pacific Summit is particularly important for the firm establishment of the Asia-Pacific Civilization. Palau is the gateway to the Pacific Rim. Centering on women leaders, and especially First Ladies, I am confident that through this summit, the cornerstone for the realization of the Pacific

Civilization centering on Heavenly Parent will be established.



With the approaching historic year of 2020, I pray that this summit will become an invaluable rally that will contribute to the settlement of the Pacific Civilization centering on Heavenly Parent."

(From True Mother's Special Address at the "2019 Asia Pacific First Ladies Summit")

In the past, True Father proclaimed the Beginning of the Pacific Rim Era and constantly stressed the providence of the Asia-Pacific Rim. And in 1992, True Father came. He wrote the calligraphy "A unified world begins in Oceania" and offered his utmost devotion here for the restoration of Oceania during that time. Following are the words True Father spoke:

"Fourteen people must become one and make Oceania into one nation. You must create one nation that includes Australia and New Zealand as well. Otherwise, you never know when the region might be taken over. In addition, there are only around 40 million people. This region can be taken over anytime. Hence, I am thinking of helping with the formation of such an Oceania....

In other words, if Oceania becomes one nation, when Oceania becomes one, the unification of the two Koreas will also go well. Then, it will be possible for the 37 nations of Asia to be brought together. Once Asia is united, then the liberation of both earth and the spiritual world will go well. Do you understand? Once Asia becomes one, the unification of Africa will also go well. Likewise, once Africa becomes one, the unification of North America and South America will also go well."

(From The Sermons of Rev. Sun Myung Moon, vol. 487)

True Mother has further expanded the Pacific Rim Era proposed by True Father to include the concept of a civilization. In 2017, at a time when Korea, the homeland of the providence, was experiencing much confusion and conflict from the struggles of the super powers, True Mother hosted 12 Rallies for the Advancement of Hope -- including in Korea, Japan, the United States, Asia -- and proclaimed the Era of the Pacific Civilization.

Mother elucidated that this era of the Pacific Civilization is a civilization that gives rise to the revolution of the culture of heart, which is based on true love that gives continuously, unlike the Atlantic Civilization Realm, that in the past took things away from and conquered other nations. In 2018, at the continental-level Summit that opened in Senegal, True Mother emphasized heavenly nations and heavenly continents that are based on the Pacific Rim Civilization, and concluded the year with the Asia-Pacific Summit in Nepal.

In 2019, True Mother advocated for the unity of Korea and Japan, conducting the rallies of Sub-region 1 (nation of Chung-cheong) and Sub-region 2 (nation of Gyeong-won), which respectively corresponds to the formation and growth stages, and finally concluded that providence to bring together Korea and Japan through the Nagoya Rally in October, which corresponded to the perfection stage. She then proposed and proclaimed the 'Asia Pacific Union' as the substantial providential organization for the 'firm establishment of the era of the Pacific Civilization.'

During the 40-Day Cosmic Canaan Course for the Firm Establishment of Cheon Il Guk, True Mother was

able to secure national-level support for the Asia Pacific Union at the Rally for the Advancement of Hope in Cambodia. At the Rally for the Advancement of Hope in Taiwan, Mother was able to gain support for the region of Greater China, the most important part of the Asia Pacific region. Then, through the Africa Continental Summit hosted in Niger, True Mother was able to go beyond national-level support and secure support from Africa on the continental level through the Africa Union (AU), and the Economic Community of Western African States (ECOWAS). Finally, just as True Mother said in her special message, we are facing the historic moment of receiving substantial support for the Asia Pacific Union through the Rally for the Advancement of Hope in Oceania (Palau), which is the door to the firm establishment of the Pacific Civilization.

The special message True Mother sent for the Rally for the Advancement of Hope in Palau well conveys its providential meaning and importance, and WFWP International President Hoon-Sook well expressed True Mother's heart and intentions with a truly wonderful speech.

Next, the first ladies of each nation gave keynote addresses. They included Mdm. Teiren Maamau, first lady of Kiribati, Mdm. Ingrid Jacinta Aingimea, first lady of Nauru, Mdm. Rachael Marape, first lady of Papua New Guinea, Mdm. Adi Vasemaca Koila Josephine Nailatikau, former first lady of Fiji. All the speakers expressed their determination to join hands in solving the world's fundamental problems with the "heart of a mother," as True Mother has been advocating.



Later, the Asia-Pacific First Ladies Summit 2019 Resolution was adopted, and ISCP (International Summit Council for Peace) medals were presented to all the current and former first ladies. With this, the opening ceremony program came to an end. Two sessions were conducted in the afternoon under the topics, "The Role of Women Leaders: Solutions and Best Practices," and "Preserving the Environment through Cultural Wisdom."

This was a remarkably successful day. According to the participants, this was a day of liberation for women, created by True Mother, who is God's only begotten Daughter, and the substantial Holy Spirit. Unlike the regular summits held so far, today was a conference that men prepared and supported for the sake of women, a perfect women's day.

On the foundation of this victorious Summit, we ushered in the historic day of the Palau national-level Blessing Ceremony this December 11. However, no matter how momentous an event is, we clearly know from True Parents' words that trials and tests always follow such victories. There were also a lot of difficulties in holding the Palauan national-level Blessing ceremony. After successfully conducting the historic summit, Oceanian Sub-Regional Director Yamada and all other leaders naturally expected the Blessing Ceremony to go well, have the president's couple participate, and dedicate this victory to Heavenly Parent and True Parents. But at midnight, on the Blessing day, we received a sudden message from the presidential secretariat, saying that the President will not be able to participate in the Blessing ceremony for other reasons.

This news came to us like a bolt out of the blue. The chief-of-staff of the presidential secretariat, who had actively supported the summit, tried everything possible to persuade the President, but the president

remained unyielding. Around 1 AM, our leaders gathered together to find alternatives. Since it was almost 1 in the morning, we could not visit the president, and everything looked grim. The reason the President said he couldn't come was because the meeting to decide the national assembly's budget was set to be held on the same day from 10 to 11.30 in the morning. A serious, nerve-racking meeting continued with the purpose of finding alternatives, including even delaying the event. The meeting ended without any clear conclusion or good alternative.

The Blessing ceremony began amid such circumstances. And for sub-regional leader Yamada, the only thought that occupied his mind was whether they would be able to dedicate the Blessing Ceremony to Heavenly Parent and True Parents on the national level. Even while conducting the Holy Wine Ceremony, this was his sole question and concern, with his entire focus on the question of whether or not the President could make it to the Blessing. With such concern, he looked on as Yeon-Ah nim and Hoon-Sook nim, who had come as True Mother's representatives, plus the first lady of Palau, current and former First Ladies entered the Blessing venue.



Yet, as they came in, the MC suddenly announced that the president of Palau had arrived. Indeed, President Remengesau entered and went up onto the stage. The moment sub-regional leader Yamada saw the president come in, he burst into tears.

"Thank you Heavenly Parent"

The Blessing Ceremony was conducted by Dr. Chung-sik Yong, Asia-Pacific regional group chair, and his wife, together with the Palauan President and his wife, other present and former First Ladies, and all VIPs. Everyone present took part in the Blessing Ceremony, standing up from beginning to end. After the Blessing Ceremony, the 'Good Governance Award' was presented to the President, who had shown great support for the Summit and Blessing Ceremony. The entire program was successfully dedicated and came to a close with three cheers of Eok Mansei.

I would also like to mention that everyone, including Dr. Chung-sik Yong, Sub-regional Leader Yamada, True Mother's representatives – Yeon-Ah nim and Hoon-Sook nim -- as well as all leaders and members, offered their devotion with one heart, and in unity, for the Blessing Ceremony. There is a saying that sincerity moves Heaven. And when Heaven is moved, that translates into victory.

The sincere devotion offered by the True Children and the Asia Pacific leaders for this rally touched Heaven, and they achieved victory. But there is one person who offered devotion more than anyone else for this rally. Yes, that is none other than True Mother. The heart of love and material love with which True Mother has supported this rally is simply tremendous. As one who had to convey that love, I am so well aware of it. Mother sent Hoon-Sook nim and Yeon-ah nim, who represent True Family members in the spiritual world, with the same heart, and has been offering the most serious devotion.

I am a witness to the tremendous devotion True Mother has been offering for the victory of the Palauan rally, not counting her special message for Palau, since departing from South Africa. I simply cannot express in words how earnestly True Mother has been offering devotions. I can only express it as "the heart of a mother." The Palauan rally marks the starting point of Oceania in the providence for the firm establishment of the Pacific Civilization, which is also the providence of the 'Great Mother of Peace' (based on the Chinese characters for Pacific 太平洋) at this final stage of the providence. Hence, the victorious Palauan Rally for the Advancement of Hope was truly an essential rally for True Mother from a providential standpoint. True Mother's devotion was therefore the highest form of devotion.

The following thoughts suddenly come to mind.

"Heaven cannot but be moved as long as His most beloved daughter, His only begotten Daughter True Mother, is here on earth."

True Mother has lived her life, investing everything solely for God with a life-or-death determination, a dedication that can be otherwise called devotion or jeongseong. And as long as our True Mother is living with us on earth, Heaven will always be moved. Yes, that is true. If we absolutely believe in True Mother, whatever we seek, we will find. Whatever we look for, we will find, and when we knock, doors will open up to us. In conclusion, I can say with confidence that the Palauan Rally for the Advancement of Hope was a victory secured with Heaven, through the devotion offered based on the faith of the True Family members as well as all the leaders of the Asia-Pacific Regional Group.



Beloved leaders and members,

We only have a short time left until the end of this global speaking tour that we had long anticipated. In a few days, we will be hosting the Rally for the Advancement of Hope in the Dominican Republic, and finally, the World Clergy Leadership Conference Rally for the Advancement of Hope for the Realization of a Heavenly Unified World. Even at this very moment, True Mother is offering prayer and devotions for this rally, staying up nights, not being able to close her swollen eyes. Yet after much exhaustion and overstraining of her body, True Mother is also on the path to recovery to preside over the final rally in the United States, all the while offering the most serious devotion for the Rally. Hence, I would like to ask all our leaders and members to please pray for True Mother's safety and good health.

With sincere thanks.

