

Happiness is Finding our Heavenly Parent Whom We Had Lost

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The True Parents of Heaven, Earth and Humankind established themselves as the True Parents of humanity to realize the ideal world, one human family under God, who is the perfect, ideal Heavenly Parent. As such, True Parents have been treading the path of restoration through indemnity, overcoming all trials. In particular, after the Foundation Day of Cheon Il Guk, through the seven-year course for the substantial settlement of Cheon Il Guk, True Mother victoriously restored more than seven countries and seven religions, opening the genesis of a heavenly unified world. On that triumphant basis, True Mother dedicated the one hundredth anniversary of True Father's Holy Birth, as well as True Parents' sixtieth Holy Wedding anniversary. There she proclaimed the settlement of Cheon Il Guk and the beginning of a new seven-year course toward the establishment of a heavenly unified Korea and a heavenly unified world. True Mother also offered to God the eighth cosmic anniversary of True Father's Holy Ascension. We are

blessed to live in the same era as True Mother, the only begotten daughter, who has put her life on the line whole-heartedly to keep her promise to God and to True Father.

True Mother declared the start of a new seven-year course toward establishing a heavenly unified Korea and a heavenly unified world. She also granted us a precious name, "Heavenly Parent's Holy Community." In addition, for Heavenly Parent to embrace his lost humanity with love, she called on all peace-loving people and started the era of Heavenly Parent's Holy Community Peace Festival.

Peace is the ideal and common dream of all humankind. Everyone desires peace across borders, races, religions and cultures -- from peace in the individual, peace in the family, peace in tribes, peace in the nation and even world peace. Unfortunately, true peace has never been experienced in the history of humanity. True Mother is saying that the reason for this is because people did not achieve the ideal of one human family under the True Parents of humanity, with God as our Heavenly Parent. There can be no peace between siblings without parents, because parents are the center of siblings. There can be no true peace in the world without God, the Heavenly Parent of humanity.

This Peace Festival is a place of blessings initiated by True Mother, the Mother of Peace. There is a passage on page 327 in the Korean version of True Mother's autobiography, *Mother of Peace*, that states, "Man desires to receive all the blessings of God. Happiness is when humanity, after six thousand years, finds its lost parent. There is nothing more delightful than that. That is the reason religion exists, to find such a parent." I came to the Peace Festival to honestly testify about True Mother, because I have been able to see her from a somewhat closer distance than others have. I had sincerely prayed on the day of the Peace Festival that it would be the happiest day in six thousand years, a day on which many would meet True Parents. Our Unificationist family had gathered for a hyojeong meeting, and I felt revived and resurrected. Thank you so much, everyone, for taking that time to share love with one another.

We are now working toward the new goal of Vision 2027. Through the Peace Festival, I sincerely hope that God will bless all humanity with peace as we serve God our Heavenly Parent under the banner of the Heavenly Parent's Holy Community.