

True Mother told me to make our church a place we want to go, not a place we have to go

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The reason I came here today is not to host a revival or to share and evaluate the international headquarters' strategies but to fulfill my duty as a filial son by giving you a sincere testimony about True Mother, whom I've attended at a close distance. I, too, am experiencing rebirth and resurrection through this hyojeong encounter. I am deeply grateful for this opportunity to express my respect to you and convey True Mother's love to you. It is important to move forward to achieve providential goals. But I also believe it is important for us to unite, harmonize and encourage one another along the way. I think hyojeong is our essence and that hyojeong is more important than the range of our providential goals. I would like to share Mother's heart and circumstances with my seniors and juniors in life and in the life of faith. I will do my best so that this encounter, centering on hyojeong, becomes an opportunity for me to unite and communicate with the church leaders who are working hard on the front line with humble hearts.

The UPF member stage is a stage of understanding God as our Heavenly Parent. The church member stage is the stage of understanding that we are Heavenly Parent's child. The Blessed family stage is the stage of understanding that we are Heavenly Parent's family. The CheonBo stage is the stage of understanding that I am Heavenly Parent's treasure. We aim to attain individual perfection as a church member, family perfection as a blessed family and perfection of dominion as a CheonBo couple. This is how we grow through the road map of faith and restoration.

In teaching me about the happiness of a community, True Mother has told me ways to make our church, our holy community, a place we want to go to and not a place we have to go to. What True Mother has taught us about the culture of our church ever since the settlement of Cheon Il Guk was that our culture must become one that can embrace everything. Lately, True Mother has been hosting a Sunday service every week. What is remarkable is that she is not doing this with a rational mind, but with sensibility, or in other words, pleasure and joy rooted in a heart of true love, that wants to keep giving, a heart of

longing to meet her beloved children.

Furthermore, even within the COVID-19 pandemic, she started off a special one-hundred-day course centering on the ministers. She looked into the life of each minister in order to unite and walk together with them. I observed true maternal affection as I attended Mother by her side. Within the fortune of the settlement of Cheon Il Guk, she has started the CheonBo Education Center and has led us to the path of asceticism to perfect the three great blessings. True Mother is changing the environment and culture of our community in order to cultivate the members, not through the past pioneering path for survival's sake, but through a formal sector of training of the heart and love.

The members of Heavenly Parent's Holy Community developed their faith due to True Parents' teachings and are following the path to become true parents. Step by step, we are marching forward to become true parents of our tribes and of our countries with our faith in True Parents. I had never seen True Mother so pleased as she was after the launching of Think Tank 2022. Her eyes welled up with tears as she thanked the members, leaders, members of the headquarters' staff and other staff members. She said, "Thank you. Thank you so much." I cried my eyes out. I could not but cry because I knew what she had gone through. When Mother came out of a US court of law after indescribable hardships, having had to testify, I asked her, "Why do you live such a tough life? Can't you live a more relaxed life? You cannot even sleep. You wake up eight times every night. Why do you have to live like this?"

Mother's answer to my question was very clear, "Because I am Mother." I believe our brothers and sisters raise your children with the utmost care and affection. Imagine that your beloved child trampled on your heart. On seeing True Mother embracing even such behavior, I realized that our path to attend True Mother as her sons and daughters could not be other than a path of humility. I could not withdraw when Mother was willing to go on. This is my confession of faith. This was how she fulfilled the seven-year course. Her mouth was sore and her legs were swollen. It was beyond words. But she accomplished it.

I believe you remember the Blessing Ceremony True Mother hosted in South Africa. Mother had to descend to the first floor of the FNB Stadium in order to carry out the ceremony, but the owner of the stadium had turned off the electricity and blocked the elevator.

Each step of the 140 stairs Mother descended reminded me of her seven-year course, or each day of her seven-year course, or even each day of the six thousand years of fallen human history. This was how Mother achieved the condition for national restoration. This is True Mother's course. Mother supported True Father to live like True Father, Unification Church members to live like Unification Church members and a community of the heart to live like a community of the heart. This is the way she has lived. What we need to do today is observe Mother's achievements, feel them and sympathize with them as they are and to truly attend her with our hearts. When we realize a unified Korea and a unified world within our hearts with that mindset, I am sure Heaven will support us.

Do you remember True Mother's speech? "My body could not take another step, but I had to go on and I had to show them that we could create miracles.... I felt like a lonely sailboat on the vast ocean, but I had to keep my promise to Heavenly Parent and True Father." This is True Mother's heart. Due to this fulfillment, we saw a new dawn. Thus, when I saw True Mother accomplish the launching of Think Tank 2022, I thought not only of her seven-year course but of her life course. I may not know much, but it suddenly hit me, and I could not help crying. True Mother said, "Thank you. Thank you so much!" "I trust you. You are the heavenly treasures and you are the first to take this path opened by Heavenly Parents. I will trust you!"

This is the providence of the CheonBo Family Church. What I would like to ask of you today is to believe in True Parents, especially True Mother, and unite as we march forward. Like the wild geese that fly, traveling thousands of miles together, let us praise and encourage one another and head for our goal as we walk together on this path of victory by becoming True Parents' doubles, their ambassadors, their representatives.