

The 68th Anniversary of the Founding of the Heavenly Parent's Holy Community

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May 30, 2022 (May 1 in the 10th year of the Heavenly Calendar) is the day when the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification of the Heavenly Parent's Holy Community (hereinafter, FFWPU) marks its 68th anniversary of establishment. To commemorate this occasion, we will look back on our history so far.



Left: A shack in Bukhak-dong, Seoul was the first place where the signboard of the HSA-UWC was hung for the first time *Right: The graduation photo of Ehwa Womans University in 1961 with True Father and Choi Won-bok. Many intellectuals and young people, joined the Church in the early days.*

True Parents' Official Life Course

True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humanity has come to this world as the Savior of mankind, the Lord of the Second Advent, the Messiah, and the True Parents of humanity and has led the providence to recreate Heaven and Earth eradicating this Hell, on earth that is removing all within Satan's sovereignty and create Heaven in heaven on and earth within the sovereignty of Heavenly Parent. They have walked their official life course to establish one family and one world under Heavenly Parent in the name of the Nation of Cosmic Peace and Unity.

First, True Parents searched for Heavenly Parent's Words of Truth. As such True Mother reorganized the materials and books containing Heavenly Parent's Words into Cheon Seong Gyeong, Cham Bumo Gyeong, and Pyeong Hwa Gyeong so we can utilize them as Hoon Dok materials.

Next, ever since their Holy Wedding, True Parents have personally searched for one family and one world under Heavenly Parent centering on the True Family who is their stem family, together with the Blessed Families who they have found and restored from Satan's fallen blood lineage. True Parents have built the foundation of an ideal family centering on Heavenly Parent through the True Family by giving birth to 14 children, nurturing and blessing them, and even now by blessing their grandchildren.

Furthermore, True Parents have opened the way for humanity -- a people connected to the Satanic lineage to receive the blessing and become blessed families, and register as citizens of Heaven in heaven and earth.

Starting with the blessing of three couples, True Parents have blessed 33 couples, 124 couples, 430 couples, 777 couples, 1800 couples, 6000 couples, 6500 couples, 30 thousand couples, 360 thousand couples, 40 million couples, 360 million couples, 400 million couples, etc; obtaining Heavenly Parent's permission for all humanity to conditionally receive the blessing and walk the path towards completion. True Parents have also liberated and blessed more than 400 billion blessed families in the spirit world through the HJ Heaven and Earth CheonBo Training Center's works of absolute good spirits so they can inherit Heavenly Parent's good lineage.

Lastly, True Parents have pursued their activities to restore the world at large including politics, economy, society, culture, arts, media, education, sports, etc. On the foundation of Heavenly Parent's heart, ideals,

and values.

They have given us Heavenly Parent's Words, blessed us, and led us to fulfill the mission to restore the world by representing Heavenly Parent in all parts of the world.



HSA-UWC Korea

On May 1, 1954, after losing all Christian foundation for the Messiah prepared by God, True Father, and a few disciples hung out a sign that read "Holy Spirit Association of the Unification of World Christianity" on a Three Door House (Sedai Moon Jip) in Seoul's Bukhak Dong neighborhood. This was the beginning of the Holy Spirit Association of the Unification of World Christianity (hereinafter, HSA-UWC).

If Christianity had become one with True Father in 1954, there would not have been any hardships. However, when Christianity fell to the position of opposing True Father, True Father faced numerous hardships that he had to overcome on his own. He had to establish the HSA-UWC to substitute Christianity and to build a foundation for a world-scale restoration through indemnity.

In the early days, intellectual youths from Seoul University, Yonsei University, and Ewha Women University entered the church in large groups and HSA-UWC quickly gained a foothold in its development.

But then, there was the July 4th Incident where True Father and church leaders including Hyowon Eu, Won-pil Kim, Hyo-min Eu, and Hyo-yeong Eu were taken to the police due to the accusation of Christian ministers and the Korean government's persecution. At the Seoul District Court final trial on October 4, True Father was proved innocent and was released from the Seodaemun Prison.

Then, True Father moved the Headquarters Church to 71-3, Cheongpa Dong 1-ga, Yongsan-gu, Seoul. This was the start of the period of the full-scale revival of HSAUWC.

Despite accusations of heresy and persecution from Christian churches and society, HSA-UWC rapidly grew into a world religion that would send missionaries to more than 200 nations around the globe.

The beginning of HSA-UWC which we know as FFWPU today was extremely humble. The eaves were so low you could reach them by hands and the low gate made people bend their heads whenever they came in and out. The main room was about half a pyeong (around 1.65 square meters) and the guest room was like a thatched hut smaller than one pyeong (around 3.3 square meters). This was the start of HSA-UWC. Back then, there were only six to seven members. However, True Father always offered prayer and devotion and delivered an impassioned speech full of spirit to those small number of members, and created great works of grace.

FFWPU which has received amazing grace of heaven started with a small "Three Door House" similar to a thatch hut as the Headquarters Church. However, since its start, FFWPU, centering on True Parents has created a firm foundation of a mainstream religion led by Judaism, and Christianity, and now we transforming the environment to change the society and the world with FFWPU at the center.

The meaning of the title HSA-UWC

There is a significantly deep meaning in our first official title Holy Spirit Association for the Unification of World Christianity. Below are True Father's words on the significance of this title revealed in his autobiography 'As a Peace-Loving Global Citizen.'

"World Christianity" refers to all of Christianity worldwide both past and present. "Unification" reveals our purpose of oneness, and "Holy Spirit" is used to denote harmony between the spiritual and physical worlds built on the love of the father-son relationship at the center. Our name is meant to say, "The spiritual world, centering on God, is with us." In particular, unification represents my purpose to bring about God's ideal world. Unification is not union. Union is when two things come together. Unification is when two become one.
(*'As a Peace-Loving Global Citizen,'* p. 122)



The mission and role of HSA-UWC

True Father stated, "Right after the Korean War in 1954, I established the Holy Spirit Association in Korea whose land was burnt to ashes after three years of war with the grand goal to unite world Christianity and bring humanity back to God by ultimately uniting all world religions and thoughts into one, This might have seemed to be an impossible thing to do." (Moon Sun Myung Seonsaeng Malseum Seonjip (Collection of Rev. Sun Myung Moon's Speech), Vol. 494, p. 158) Let us attend God as our Parent, the Original Parent of

humanity. Let us search for our Parents, the root of our hearts. Then what? We must search for our ancestors. We have now reached our conclusion. This is the goal of the Unification Church. Since our Parent is fallen and since we were born as descendants of our false Parent, we must deny this, as it has led to our historical situation and world situation. Humanity is in an object position to receive God's, greatest love, the original love. Let us find God, the True Parent of humanity. This is the final destination of the Unification Church. Isn't this the life of heart that must be pursued by Unificationists? (Moon Sun Myung Seonsaen Malseum Seonjip (Collection of Rev. Sun Myung Moon's Speech), Vol. 61, p. 25) HSA-UWC had to take charge of the mission and role to establish Heavenly Parent's nation. It had to prepare the foundation to build a nation substantially governed in the name of God by overcoming religious and ideological differences.

Background of the establishment of FFWPU

True Parents used the official title of the Holy Spirit Association for Unification of World Christianity from May 1, 1954, to early April 1997. However, they stressed the necessity for change in the central providential organization in line with the progress of the official providence.

They referred to the importance of establishing providential organizations such as the Women's Federation for World Peace and the Youth Federation for World Peace before proclaiming "True Parents and the Completed Testament Age" in 1993.

True Parent liberated and released fallen humanity on a personal level and made them welcome True Parents and receive the blessing within the sphere of the church through HSA-UWC. After blessing three couples, 33 couples, 124 couples, 430 couples, 777 couples, 1800 couples, 6000 couples, 6500 couples, and 30 thousand couples centering on True Parents, they officially proclaimed themselves "True Parents" before all mankind.

This was possible because important figures such as former Soviet President Gorbachev and North Korean leader Kim Il Sung substantially surrendered before them, making them win victory over the cosmic-level course to restore Canaan in the position of Abel.

Since it was the first time in history for humanity to welcome True Parents, they prepared a foundation for the church to transform from a religious foundation movement in the HSA-UWC era to a movement to realize a life of one big human family that attends God and True Parents. On April 10, 1997, True Parents officially changed the title of the church to "Family Federation for World Peace and Unification" and publicly announced in 185 nations of the world through main press such as the Washington Times that the era of the Family Federation has come.

The meaning of the title FFWPU

True Parents emphasized and explained the meanings of the five concepts included in the title Family Federation for World Peace and Unification (hereinafter, FFWPU): world, peace, unification, family, and federation. First of all, the world practically stands for the universe which consists of the incorporeal world and the corporeal world.

In HSA-UWC, the dimension of the concept 'world' was based on a world foundation of Christianity that has played a central role in the providence. Meanwhile, the concept of 'world' in FFWPU has a deeper meaning since its goal is for a federation of blessed families to realize the sphere of peace and unification on a universal dimension.

The mission and role of FFWPU

True Parents have emphasized that Heaven will come only when humanity accomplishes unification with God by attending God at the center of their families, tribes, and nations. (Moon Sun Myung Seonsaen Malseum Seonjip (Collection of Rev. Sun Myung Moon's Speech), Vol. 300, p. 229)

Heaven on Earth cannot be completed by God for nothing. It cannot be accomplished by True Parents alone. It is only possible when each family worldwide makes effort.

Therefore, we must attend True Parents in this era of FFWPU and seek out and raise humanity as blessed

families, cut down original sin and fallen nature that has been passed down to humanity through Satan's blood lineage, and practice the ideal and value of the blessed central families on an individual, family, tribal, ethnic, national, global and universal dimension.

In this era, FFWPU has taken the lead in promoting movements such as Pure Love and True Family Movement, Movement for Reunification of North and South Korea, UN Renewal Movement for World Peace (inauguration of the Inter-religious and International Peace Council. UPF, etc.), and NGO activities. After taking down the sign of HSA-UWC, FFWPU has focused on promoting full-scale reformation of politics, economics, society, and culture in general according to God's divine plan in history.



Declaration of the Era of the Heavenly Parent's Holy Community

True Parents have referred to God as Heavenly Parent from time to time. After True Father's Seonghwa, True Mother has emphasized on many occasions that we must attend God as our Heavenly Parent, the parent of all humanity. Below are True Mother's words from a New Year Congratulatory Meeting on January 7, 2013.

"We need to change the name of God. We shouldn't call out to God; we should call out to

Haneul Bumonim.

In English, it is Heavenly Parent. It sounds soft in English and also has significant meaning in Korean. The first word of your prayer should be Heavenly Parent. Then, you should say, "Beloved True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humanity." We must change this first. (True Parents' Words on 2013 New Year Congratulatory Meeting, January 7, 2013. Cheon Jeong Gung)" From February 10, 2013, True God's Day became "True Heavenly Parent's Day." Also, during the New Year Benediction Prayer on January 1, 2014, True Mother announced the Motto for Vision 2020: "Let us become true owners of Cheon Il Guk who practice true love in resemblance to our Creator, the Heavenly Parent!"

On May 8, 2020, True Parents declared the "Era of the Heavenly Parent's Holy Community."

"Heaven loves the blessed families and gave you such a gift and such an opportunity. Hence, your responsibility is important. Will you fulfill your responsibility? Not one single person, no one alive on this earth, should remain ignorant of Heavenly Parent or True Parents. The sun is now setting on Christianity. That is why I announce 'Haneul Bumonim Seong Hwae (Heavenly Parent's Holy Community),' where all people and all spheres of life, whether political, religious, economic, or ideological, can all gather under one banner. In English, it is Heavenly Parent's Holy Community. (True Parents' Words on the 60th Holy Wedding Anniversary, May 8, 2020. HJ Heaven and Earth CheonBo Training Center)" Heavenly Parent's divine plan for this age is the beginning of a new era of the Heavenly Parent's Holy Community. The era of Heavenly Parent's Holy Community is an era where humanity learns live in a holy community that attends to God, our Heavenly Parent.

This makes us aware of our historical mission to build a holy community where we attend God, who reveals Himself as Heavenly Parent and attend True Parents, who are the substantial body of Heavenly Parent in our lives, and we should work to fulfill Heavenly Parent's dream and ideal of realizing the safe settlement of Cheon Il Guk.

The world we aim for is a world we live in accordance to a new order of attending to our Heavenly Parent by uniting ourselves under Him. If a catastrophe is caused by nature or by humans, if we only follow directives created by humans, it is unquestionable that humanity will be hit by another disastrous pandemic again. The only solution is to build a good environment and righteous order by extending families who attend Heavenly Parent and to create a new world, one that we have never seen, one that has never appeared in history. This is because the only satisfactory answer to all problems is an ultimate new world-oriented community of One Human Family under God.