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Hello family. Cheonbo party broke Zoom. Live Cheonbo ceremony from Korea on Friday. Young Unificationists go from mission to mid-terms. First church building a site of tears. And the latest True Peace Magazine from Korea.

Providence is a Party



Over 3,000 people joined last night's Cheonbo Celebration, a first for the weekly [TribeNet](#) call. Sun Jin Moon, daughter of Family Federation co-founders, greeted the crowd from her home in Hawaii. The evening honored 308 couples from the U.S. and Canada who will be inducted into the [Cheonbo Won](#) (Heavenly Tribal Messiah Hall of Fame) tomorrow during a live broadcast.

President Dunkley sums up the night:

"Wow! Who knew providence could be a party!? Yumiko and I felt like we were in heaven with saints. To simply see the smiles of Sun Jin Nim's couple as North America's first couple, and to hear their words of encouragement, and to see Dr. Kim and Mrs. Kim smiling and greeting with so much love, and to break Zoom with over 1,000 connections scrambling to get in, is proof of a new heavenly realm for North America. There is no going back. Thank you Heavenly Parent and True Parents! Aju!"

[Missed the party? Watch the full recording.](#)

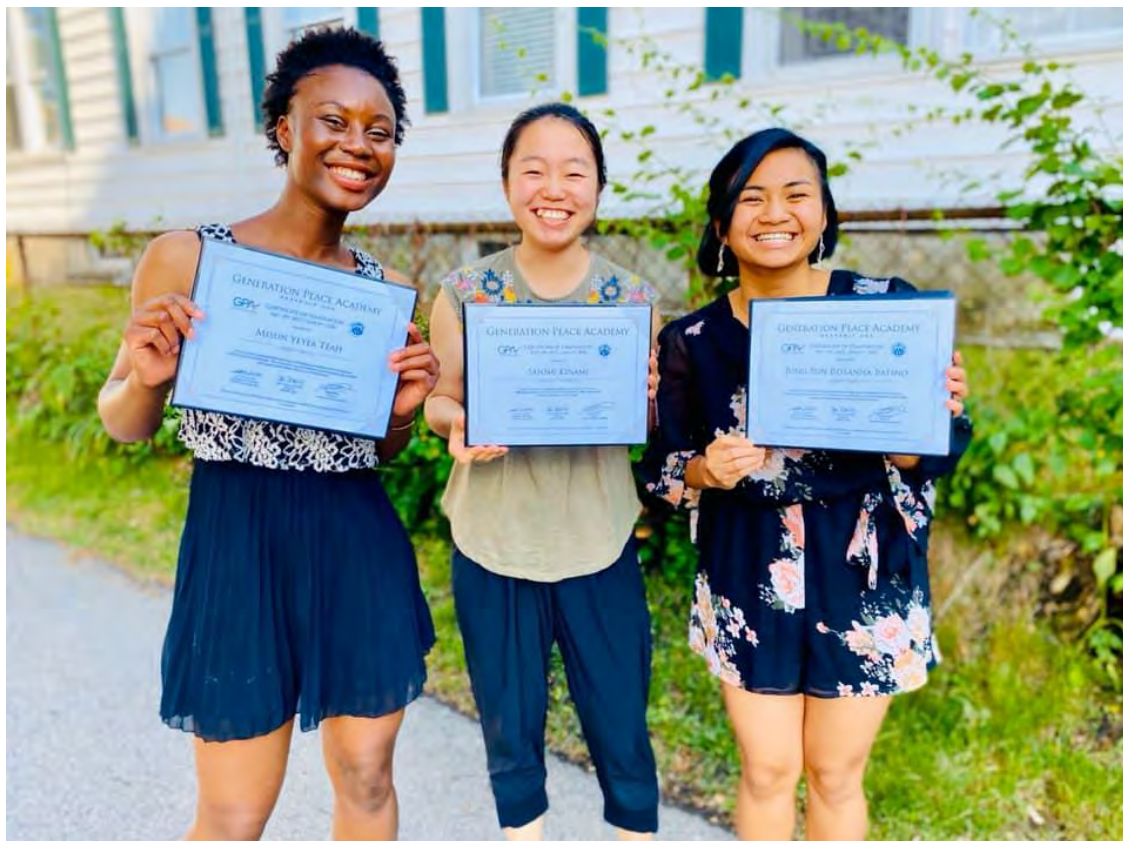
Cheonbo Festival LIVE Friday

October 9, 8:30 p.m. EST. Stay tuned for the broadcast link!



Mission to Midterms

Grads 'grateful' for GPA as they enter college in strange times



A few GPA graduates were able to celebrate safely in person. FFWPU-USA

Millions of students across the U.S. have gone back to school this fall, including recent graduates of Generation Peace Academy (GPA). Several GPA participants, now transitioning into college after two and three years of the program, are sharing how it prepared them in immeasurable ways and has impacted their lives.

“Before GPA, I was going through a very difficult time in my life,” said Rika Otsubo,

a 22 year old from Hawaii. “GPA helped me to overcome personal challenges in an uplifting environment and it gave me a positive perspective with going through hardship. It shaped me to see things more from God’s perspective.”

Otsubo, now pursuing a degree in elementary education at a local college, recently graduated from GPA after dedicating two years to the program.

“My internal goal was trust, and to never let go of God’s hand,” said Otsubo. “I wanted to work on myself before eventually having a relationship and family of my own. I can see how GPA gave me tools, like leadership training, that have already benefited me as a future teacher.”

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Secret Life of Tears

First property of the Unification movement purchased 65 years ago today, a humble beginning.



The old *Cheongpa Dong* church, formerly a Japanese temple, with its clay tile roof. FFWPU-USA

Three days after True Father’s release from Seodaemun Prison, the church borrowed 2 million won to purchase an abandoned building in poor repair on a hillside in Cheongpa Dong, Seoul. It reportedly had been a small Japanese Buddhist temple during the colonial era and one of many houses categorized as “enemy property.”

This was the first property purchased by the Unification Church, which previously had occupied rented space, and served as its headquarters for the next 20 years. The *Cheongpa Dong* Church was the site of True Parents’ engagement and Holy Wedding ceremonies as well as the 36 and 72 Couples’ Holy Wedding ceremonies. It was also where the earliest editions of the Divine Principle were distributed

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and served as True Parents' residence, where True Father planned much of the movement's worldwide mission.

– Rev. Moon from *A Peace Loving Global Citizen*

Later, while in the United States, True Father received word that members were planning to remodel the *Cheongpa Dong Church*. With great urgency he sent a telegram telling them to stop. True Father wrote in his autobiography:

“This church embodies an irrecoverable period in my personal history, but more important than that, it testifies directly to the history of our church. ... What matters is not some beautiful exterior but the secret life of tears that dwells within that building.”

From Korea



True Peace Magazine

October 2020's issue of True Parents' Messages and News includes the first two Rallies of Hope, True Father's Holy Ascension anniversary, and much more.

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