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A Korean woman in her 50s told of her missionary work, the loving relationships she had developed with many Japanese, and her beautiful marriage with a Japanese fellow believer. She said she established good relations with her husbands' parents and relatives. She mentioned that she happily made donations to the Church in total freedom. She reported discriminatory treatment after the Abe assassination and expressed anxiety about the dissolution: "I'm afraid that if the church, which is also our community, disappears because of the dissolution order, I'll be left isolated."

These statements, sincere and straightforward, carry the unmistakable sound of truth. They stand in stark contrast to the parade of alleged victim testimonies—some of which may not even be genuine. In fact, two members of the Family Federation and two victims of documents' forgery filed a lawsuit against Japan's Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT), claiming that some of the statements it filed were

...and testimony, many leading members of the Unification Church were fabricated. The public announcement of the lawsuit, made on September 5, was a bold move to defend not just the Church's existence, but the principle of religious freedom itself.

As it happens in all religions, some former members may be unhappy with their experience and now feel like victims. Other "victims" are just fabricated. The testimonies invited the High Court and the public opinion to consider that there are hundreds of thousands of real victims. These are the current members and their children who, with the dissolution of the Church, will be discriminated against in the workplace—and may even lose their jobs—slandered in the media, ridiculed by acquaintances, and bullied at school. This discrimination has already started.

And the world is watching. The United Nations **has expressed serious doubts** about Japan's actions, warning that the dissolution of the Unification Church may violate international standards on religious liberty. When the UN starts raising eyebrows, it's not a minor procedural hiccup—it's a flashing red light.

Yet the government presses on, seemingly deaf to the pleas of believers and blind to the broader implications. When a state begins to pick and choose which faiths are acceptable, it sets a dangerous precedent.

We celebrate these two brave witnesses. Their voices—though few—pierce the fog of prejudice and misinformation. They remind us that behind every headline and courtroom drama are real people with real beliefs and dignity.

May the Tokyo High Court listen. May it hear not just the clamor of politics, but the quiet conviction of faith. And may it remember that justice, like truth, is not served by silencing the minority—but by protecting it.

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There was no way to save her within the new Lee government. Then President [Trump](#) and his team took up the cause of religious liberty in Korea, inspired in part by Charlie Kirk’s call from Korea to Secretary of State Marco Rubio just days before he was assassinated.

Mr. [Trump](#)’s impact is so widespread that it is extraordinary. He travels to the Middle East to orchestrate a historic breakthrough in which 25 nations come together to advance peace and prosperity.

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Now he is in Asia, and he has an opportunity in South Korea to make an enormous historic difference once again.

South Korean President Lee Jae-myung has been moving South Korea toward an anti-religious dictatorial attitude, with his administration locking up a growing number of religious leaders.

The anti-religious persecution in South Korea was getting so bad that Kirk’s last act there, just a few days before he was assassinated, was to call Mr. Rubio to warn him of a crisis in South Korea. At Charlie Kirk’s memorial, Secretary Rubio said, “One of the last messages I received from him was just a few days before his passing, when he wrote to me from overseas: ‘I’m in South Korea. I have many concerns I want to share with you when I get back.’”

Mr. [Trump](#) and his administration have been more transparent and clearer about how unacceptable this persecution of religious leaders is to the United States. Because American forces have been in Korea defending the democracy since 1950 and are still vital to keeping the North Korean dictatorship from attacking, Mr. Lee decided to take Mr. [Trump](#) and his team’s admonitions seriously.

After months of the government’s prosecution of religious leaders, Mr. Lee spoke up at a Cabinet meeting with shocking admissions of injustice. He addressed Justice Minister Jung Sung-ho, charging that “Prosecutors indict baseless cases, receive acquittals, and then appeal to avoid accountability. They appeal again, causing public suffering.

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To everyone’s surprise, the president acknowledged, “The basic principle is that even if 10 criminals escape, one innocent person should not be wronged. When in doubt, the benefit of the doubt should go to the defendant. If a case could be innocent or without suspicion, it should not be indicted.” In response, Mr. Jung said, “The prosecution has operated contrary to this principle until now” (according to The Chosun Ilbo).

Mr. Lee continued, “If prosecutors dislike someone, they indict to inflict pain, and if the person is on their side, they overlook clear crimes. Standards have collapsed. Even if someone is wrongfully indicted, suffers through years of trials, and is acquitted, prosecutors appeal without reason. After spending vast sums of money and enduring hardship to secure an acquittal, they appeal again. By the time the Supreme Court rules, the family is ruined. This is still happening today.”

In effect, Mr. Lee was admitting the injustices inflicted on Dr. [Hak Ja Han](#), Rev. Son Hyun-bo of Segero Presbyterian Church, and their fellow religious leaders by raiding Rev. Lee Younghoon, senior pastor of Yoido Full Gospel Church, and Rev. Jang Hwan “Billy” Kim (translator for Rev. Billy Graham), chairman of the Far East Broadcasting Co.

Now that Mr. Lee has outlined the new principles for greater caution and fairness, the time has come to release Dr. [Hak Ja Han](#) and others who have been unjustly held. It is time for words to be followed by deeds.

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That would be amazing and very Trump-like, as his impact continues to grow.

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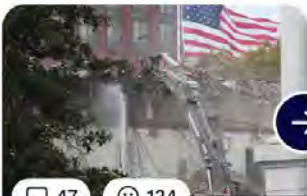
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