

Peace Starts With Me Clergy Rally: A New Hope for a Heavenly Unified World

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What better way to cap 2019 and welcome the new year than to launch the World Clergy Leadership Conference (WCLC), an organization dedicated to creating lasting peace on a global scale, and for the Mother of Peace, Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon, to conclude her world peace tour. On December 28, more than 600 clergy from around the world, 1200 from the US, and about 25,000 guests from near and far -- a few thousand of who tuned in via satellite -- eagerly waited to enter the Prudential Center in Newark, New Jersey for the Peace Starts With Me Clergy Rally: A New Hope for a Heavenly Unified World.



The Clergy Rally was a collaboration between WCLC, the American Clergy Leadership Conference (ACLC), a coalition of faith leaders working beyond denomination to strengthen marriages and families, and Family Federation for World Peace and Unification (FFWPU), an organization with the mission to unite all people in peace.

Regional Chairman for FFWPU North America Dr. Ki Hoon Kim welcomed the hundreds who traveled internationally to join this movement for peace, stating, "It is up to us, the people of the clergy, to love one another and establish the peaceful world we all desire."

Several guest speakers spoke on the theme of unity, including Bishop Noel Jones of the City of Refuge in Los Angeles, California, who said, "I've seen all the colors. Black Cadillacs, white Cadillacs, yellow Cadillacs, and even pink Cadillacs. But they were all Cadillacs."



Another guest speaker, Prophet Samuel Radebe of the Revelation Church of God in South Africa, passionately pronounced, "The need for WCLC is to realize a unified world because the world is facing great challenges." Prophet Radebe listed different areas where challenges arise: breakdown of the family, the rise of secularism, the loss of spirituality and breakdown of the environment. "I believe to tackle this the believers around the world must unite and found the Kingdom of God."

Keynote speaker Dr. Moon, co-founder of FFWPU, pressed the clergy with the question: What is the mission of a righteous person? "A righteous person does not care for him or herself. They live for the sake of others and care for the nation and the world," Dr. Moon said as she shed tears. "My husband, Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon, and I came as doctors to heal America, and firefighters to put out the fire of delinquency."

[Read Dr. Moon's Full Speech](#)

The spirit and lively energy prevailed through powerful entertainment, including performances by Yolanda Adams, Hezekiah Walker and the legendary 2000-voice choir, and a special guest appearance by Dionne Warwick!

The successful Clergy Rally concluded with 40 representative clergymen and women taking the stage to sign the WCLC declaration alongside Dr. Moon, affirming their commitment to "uphold the value of the family, which is the basis of all things in the universe, as well as support the realization of a Heavenly Unified World that will, in turn, contribute to everlasting, global peace and to also affirm the importance of creating a peaceful world which helps realize the hopes and dreams of future generations."

Cheon Il Guk Is the Completion of Heaven's Providence

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Dear members of the clergy, dear leaders! Cheon Il Guk is the completion of Heaven's providence. One world! One family under God! This is the wish of all 7.7 billion people of humankind. However, when we look at the world today, we can see that this is not easy to achieve.

God, the original Creator, made all of creation in His image. Finally, He created a man and a woman who were to become the first human ancestors. He gave them a growth period and waited for them to grow and mature beautifully. However, they did not do so, and this resulted in today's fallen humankind.



Until now, human history has been a series of wars and conflicts. Even though the conscience has sought goodness, the environment could not support that desire for goodness, resulting in the many difficulties in history. However, God is eternal. His beginning and end are the same. Ultimately, God will bring that which He has begun to its conclusion.



God gave human beings the character to take dominion. He therefore led a historical providence so that a person from the fallen world might rise to the position of having no relation with the Fall. The story of Sodom and Gomorrah happened around 2000 BC within humankind's 6,000-year history. God planned to annihilate the towns of Sodom and Gomorrah. However, Abraham pleaded with God, "If there are fifty righteous people or even just ten righteous people, can this catastrophe be avoided?" God said He would permit that. However, there were not even ten righteous people. Only Lot's family escaped. The Bible tells us that Lot's wife still had a lingering attachment, so she looked back and turned into a pillar of salt. That's right. God's providence is advancing. It is going forward. This means we should not look back.



For 2,000 years after that, God chose the Israelites as the chosen people and finally sent Jesus Christ after 4,000 years. The long-awaited Messiah, God's Only Begotten Son, with whom God could relate, finally came. Nevertheless, the people, the Jewish leaders and even Mary who gave birth to Jesus did not grasp Jesus' true essence. God toiled for an exceptionally long time, 4,000 years, to send His Only Begotten Son, Jesus Christ, who was to govern in the position of the True Parent, the True Father. How could people drive such a person as Jesus to the cross? On the cross, Jesus said that he would come again. We all know about the indemnity that the Israelites, who drove Jesus to the cross, had to pay for 2,000 years.



Christianity began with the resurrection given by the Holy Spirit, and with the Apostles' writing of the Bible. However, Christianity and the Christians of today have not grasped Jesus' true essence. They do not know what kind of being God, the Creator, is. Jesus clearly said that he would come again and hold the marriage supper of the Lamb. Hence, Christianity should not have formed many denominations. Instead, they should have watched closely for where the only begotten daughter, Jesus' partner in marriage for the marriage supper of the Lamb, would appear. God could not send His only begotten daughter through the people of Israel, who did not fulfill their responsibilities. Therefore, He had to select a new chosen people and carry on the providence. Two thousand years have passed since Jesus' death on the cross. To this day, Christians believe that they can receive salvation through the blood of Jesus on the cross. How mistaken and incomplete a view this is! Jesus came as the True Father of humankind. He came as the True Father, so he was to meet the True Mother. God chose the Korean people, and in 1943 He sent the Only Begotten Daughter. Words cannot describe the effort God had to make to send the Only Begotten Daughter.



Korea was liberated in 1945. Due to the actions of the world's most powerful nations, Korea was divided into north and south. It was divided into democracy and communism. According to God's Principle of Creation, human beings receive a period of growth. The Only Begotten Daughter, who was born in 1943, also had to go through a growth period. However, the situation in Korea was very tense. Democratic South Korea was not prepared for a fight with North Korea. In this situation, the Korean War broke out in 1950. Heaven carried out His responsibility. How is it that soldiers from sixteen UN nations came to shed

their blood in a war in Korea, a nation that was largely unknown at the time? How earnestly our Heavenly Parent longed to find and embrace fallen people that He had spent 6,000 long years searching for through His providence!

Jesus Christ said he would come again. As I knew Heaven's providence, I received the Marriage Blessing to Dr. Sun Myung Moon, who had come to continue the mission of Jesus, in our 1960 Holy Wedding.



The Christian foundation should have become a supportive environment for the True Parents. Heaven stood by the Puritans, who came to America for religious freedom in their determination to attend God, giving rise to the United States. For two hundred years, God worked with the Puritans. There were native peoples here in this nation. Yet God had to create a foundation for the Messiah who was to return through Christianity. Therefore, He raised this nation to be a representative democratic nation. However, America did not know God's Will.

God did not bless America just for its own sake. He blessed America for the sake of the world. In the 1970s, however, the United States faced family breakdown, youth problems, drug problems and was unaware that the communist ideology was infiltrating its shores right under its nose. America, which Heaven had blessed, was creating an environment that could only bring about its own collapse. So, as the True Parents, we set off on a tour of all fifty states to awaken America's people. We preached that America was on fire and that we had come as its firefighters; that America was sick and that we had come as its doctors. However, the politicians of this nation were unaware of God's providence. True Parents knew that God's Will was to save the world by raising this nation blessed by Heaven, and that is why we invested more than 40 of the golden years of our lives for this country. The youth who came to know of God's Will went out as missionaries to the world in 1975. For more than forty years, they invested in their mission countries. Thanks to their sincere devotion, God could work through righteous, prepared people in Africa to hold the Blessing with the potential for the restoration of the African continent.

I want to believe in you. Members of the clergy who have gathered here from all over the world! You are the righteous people prepared by Heaven in this age. What is the mission of righteous people? You should be able to embrace the nation and the world with true love, living for the sake of others, instead of living only for yourselves. This is what the True Mother, the Only Begotten Daughter, is doing. I am guiding fallen people to become Heavenly Parent's children through the Blessing. You must know that this has been the long-awaited hope and dream of humankind for 6,000 years; and it is also Heavenly Parent's desire.

True Mother, the Only Begotten Daughter, is guiding a new era and a new providence. This is the seventh year of Cheon Il Guk. Now you must take the lead. When we think of the 7.7 billion people of the world, we cannot turn a blind eye to the children whom the Heavenly Parent wants to embrace. I sincerely hope that you will become the righteous people, clergymen, clergywomen and other leaders, who can guide people to become Heavenly Parent's children in the shortest possible time. In so doing, please remember that the founding of the World Clergy Leadership Conference, which will bring your individual foundations into unity, is the way to realize Heavenly Parent's dream and humankind's hope in the shortest time. I pray that you will all become the righteous people and religious leaders standing in the vanguard and that you will not look back, but run forward.