

## Testimony of Lan Young Moon and No-hi Pak

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My husband and I are really grateful to visit this beautiful country Austria. True Mother allowed me to have Austria as my home base for my work in Eastern Europe.

We visited already 10 countries; Austria is the 11th, the last before Switzerland. In all the East European countries we met brothers and sisters who have been dedicating their work for God and True Parents. True Mother asked me to love and encourage all of you so that you can have new determination for Vision 2020. True Mother always asks us to

remember our determination that we had when we first joined.

Today I will share my testimony:

I met True Father in March 1955. Next year it will be 60 years for me since I joined the Unification Church.

The Korean peninsula was liberated in 1945 after World War II, but the country was divided into North (Communist) and South (democracy). My parents had to leave the North and fled to the South in 1950. Unfortunately my father was captured by North Korean soldiers and we never saw him again. He had been a professor at one of the North Korean Universities. When he was captured he was only 35 years old. One of my brothers died because he couldn't have medical treatment, and one of my favorite cousins committed suicide after she had been raped.

In Seoul my mother was a student at Ehwa University where she met Mrs. Won Pok Choi, who witnessed her. At that time many strong Christians started to persecute our movement. From Ehwa University 5 professors and 13 students were expelled. Among them was my mother. She had to choose between the University and our Church.

When we were young in the Church we were in many refugee camps, had no food, no clothes. But my mother had a strong conviction to follow True Father. My mother worked as a High school teacher, but after some time she was expelled. She became a pioneer of our Church and she opened the 4th Church center of our Church in Korea.

Even we were persecuted in Korea these times, our Church grew fast. Every year we mobilized for witnessing during the summer vacation.

In the 1950-1960s True Father told us many times that in the future many VIPS from England, America and other countries would visit Korea. We waited and waited, and because it didn't happen, we sometimes invented plays in which we acted like important VIPS.

After High school I wanted to study law. I wanted to become a rich person, and I wanted to become a

great lawyer who could defend True parents and our movement. But True father said: "In the Ideal World we need women leaders who can spread this peace movement throughout the world. You should study English!" I was surprised. In 1961 not many people studied English in Korea. But I made the entry exam. True Father paid my tuition, although he had no money himself. So he started collecting donations among wealthy people and then paid my tuition fee. I can never forget this.



I studied very hard. I was a good student. Actually, I was the top student and I could get full scholarship from the school.

The True Father founded the Little Angels. For 3 years I worked as a narrator for the Little Angels. In the beginning it was very difficult for us. When we performed abroad people asked: Ah, Korea, Korean War. Are they orphans? The world didn't know much about Korea.

My husband and I were matched and blessed by True Parents in 1968 as one of the 430 couples. We have 3 sons, and now we have

3 daughters in law and 3 grandchildren. True Father said: "Without having grandchildren you cannot feel God's heart!"

I had my 60th birthday celebration with True Parents. This was a big blessing. In Korea we have the saying that the 60th birthday is like a new birth.



We also had the chance to do a 40 day workshop in Jardim, Brazil, with True Parents. This was one of the most beautiful experiences for us.

We became National Messiahs for Nicaragua. We performed a 2000 couples' Blessing there.

When we moved back to Korea my husband became Minister and Regional Director for the Korean Headquarter Church.

I worked with Women's Federation for World Peace for 20 years: as Secretary General for 7 years and as President for 13 years. I learned so much by doing this work. True Parents constantly encouraged and supported the WFWP activities.

True Father worked so hard to reconcile Japan and Korea. There were 38 sisterhood ceremonies between Korea and Japan. More than 7000 Japanese wives got blessed to Korean men, and more than 2000 Korean sisters got blessed to Japanese men and live in Japan.

In 2000 I was in Kodiak with True Father, when I received the news that my mother was very ill. I wanted to go home, but True Father said I should wait. So I waited for some days. One morning True Father chose as Hoon Dok Hae title "The way to the Spirit World". Then I prayed and I got a telephone call that my mother had died. True Father said: "Don't be sad, don't cry. They will all welcome her there. She is happy that you are here. You don't know how precious the title WFWP Board member, member, brother and sister is. When you go to Spirit World you will see. What kind of fruit you'll bring to the Spirit World, That's the essential question".

In that situation True Father made me the WFWP president. Then I went back to Korea. I was sad, but also I was very happy.



Since that I travelled around the world so many times.

Since 1997 we have been doing beautiful conferences in the Middle East. In 2004 we held a peace rally in Jerusalem. More than 500 women leaders attended.

In 2014 we held the 10th anniversary conference for Peace in the Middle East. In the beginning it was not easy to cooperate with Moslem, Jewish and Christian ladies, but gradually they all began to work together.

Because of True Parents I came to meet many First Ladies and presidents in many countries.

I've been to North Korea 19 times with WFWP. We used to send things for daily use to North Korea.

IN 2007 True Father invited many women leaders to North Korea to visit Kumgam Mountain. It is the most beautiful mountain in the world. From my hometown it takes only 30 minutes' drive to reach Kumgam Mountain. King Carl Gustav from Sweden travelled Kumgam Mountain and said: "God created Kumgam Mountain on the last day. He put all the beauty of the world into that mountain".



You have to learn Korean. In North Korea People don't speak English. In future Korean will be widely used.

These days I'm travelling all over Korea to give lectures to VIPs about our activities and True Parents. This is the time to witness to VIPs and to testify to them, cooperate with them as our brothers and sisters.

Every month we hold Divine Principle seminars for VIPs. The younger sister of the President attended these workshops from the first to the 42. She was very

surprised by hearing the Divine Principle: "I never heard such a high vision. Only Divine Principle can give such a vision". I also met the President of Korea before she became President. We discussed women's' issues.

True Father's last public speech was the Inauguration of the "Able Women's' UN" This name can't be used officially, so it is called "Global Women's' Network"

In the Philippines there came 13 000 women leaders to our conference last year. In future for sure there will be a woman president in the Philippines.

Many times I had the chance to report about WFWP activities to True Father.

Finally I got a medal from the Korean Government and a plaque of appreciation for my work with WFWP.

**Dr. No-hi Pak:**

I'm very honored to meet you all. Travelling through the East European countries I realized that Austria is the mother country for all of them, because the Austrian Church sent missionaries to these countries. That's why it is good that it has been put together with Eastern Europe.

Our permanent mission is Tribal Messiahship. We are heading towards 2020. It's a critical time. True Mother is over 70 years.

I'm thinking of all the members in the different countries. Most important is to recover the original spirit of our Church. The rest of our lives have to be dedicated to the success of 2020.