Honoring UPF Founders by AFP Seattle

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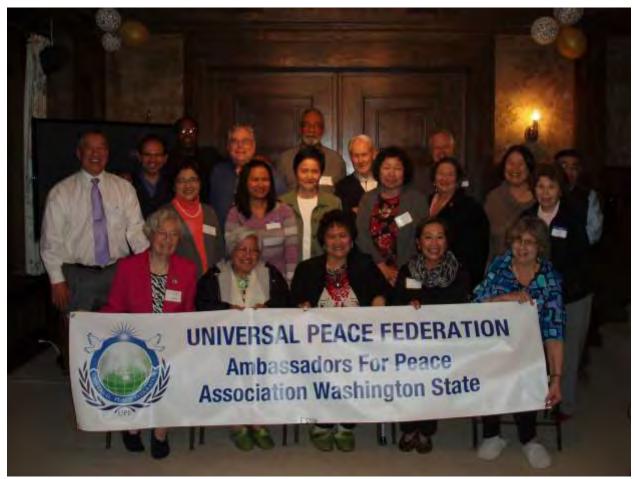


Ambassadors For Peace Dinner

Seattle, WA – The Ambassadors for Peace (AFP) of Washington State held a dinner meeting on February 25, 2015 at the Windermere House overlooking Lake Washington. Twenty-five (25) AFPs and friends attended the event to celebrate the birthdays of Rev Sun Myung Moon and his wife Dr Hak Jan Han Moon. Their birthdays are both on January 6th (lunar calendar). Also it is a celebration commencing the 2nd decade of UPF in Washington State, hence, the title "Honoring the UPF Founders as we begin the Second Decade of UPF Peace-building".

After the dinner, a video was shown reviewing the life and works of Rev. Moon. In 1999, he inaugurated the program to appoint Ambassadors for Peace to lead peace-building efforts locally and worldwide. In September of 2005 this was incorporated into the Universal Peace Federation. Following the video was a discussion on the Five UPF Core Principles, including God, spirituality, family, service and unity.

The AFPs of UPF Washington outlined their most important goal for 2016 in line with the goals presented by UPF USA President Richard De Sena during the National Leader's Meeting on December 20-21, 2015 at IPEC Las Vegas Nevada which is to bring at least new person to a meeting or event. That means to double the number of AFPs within the year.



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Furthermore, in 2016, they committed to achieve the following goals:

- 1. To prepare presenters for the Principles of Peace presentations;
- 2. To establish a local Peace Council in the Seattle area, to foster unity and prevent corrosive polarization in our communities; and
- 3. To educate at least 2 state Congressmen/women and/or state Senators in the Principles of Peace, inspiring them with the "vision for peace centered on God as our Parent".

Finally as part of their long-term goal (2020), they plan that the US President is an Ambassador for Peace, knowledgeable about the Principles of Peace.

The meeting was coordinated by Mrs. Toshiko McCash, AFP Program Coordinator, and supported by Mrs. Yuko Faris, Assistant Coordinator. The emcee was AFP Mrs. Emma Herron.

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