Fourth Annual Memorial Service Held for Hyo Jin Moon

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Rev. and Mrs. Hyung Jin Moon reported today through their Twitter account (www.twitter.com/lovintp) that the fourth annual memorial service for True Parents’ first son Hyo Jin Moon was held at the Hannamdong official residence in Seoul. They praised him as having gone to the spirit world after offering “the highest filial piety” and offered their gratitude and prayers.

Hyo Jin Moon ascended to heaven on March 17, 2008, receiving from True Parents the title, Shimcheon Kaebang Won Choonghyo Kaemoon Joo (심천개방원 충효개문주 = 深天開放園 忠孝開門主) which can be translated into English (approximately) as “He will open and liberate the deepest heaven and turn it into a flower garden as the lord who opens the gates of loyalty and filial piety.”

Music composed by Hyo Jin Moon during his time as International President of the Collegiate Association for the Research of Principles can be found at www.canaanstation.com. Sermons that he gave during the same time can be found at www.trueloveking.net/index-103.html. Also included are sermons he gave from 2006-2008, after the ascension of his first son Shin Gil Moon.

Hyo Jin Moon’s legacy is very much alive through Lovin’ Life Ministries and the work his sister Rev. In Jin Moon has taken on at the Manhattan Center, the New Yorker Hotel and in the world of music and entertainment in general.

At the one year anniversary of Hyo Jin Moon’s passing, Rev. In Jin Moon said, “Just as my father never wavered from the age of 16 in committing his life to God and for the sake of the providence, my brother was no different in that he wanted to commit his life for God and for the providence. But in my mind, more importantly, he wanted to live his life as an ideal son, a son that encompasses the meaning of loyalty, filial piety and humility.”

About his music and legacy in general, Rev. In Jin Moon said, “For me, in Hyo Jin Oppa’s passionate desire to want to literally bowl you over with his music, he was provoking all of us to feel – to feel the passion, to feel the gratitude of being alive, to feel the pain of loneliness and suffering – but still having the strength to overcome it and thrive to be an ideal child. It breaks my heart that my brother’s life was cut short, and it breaks my heart that many of us didn’t fully realize the true value of what he imparted to us and into our community while he was alive. So I feel that as his sister and...
as somebody who loves him deeply and wants him to be remembered in the proper and correct way, it’s my duty to share with you the preciousness of this man’s life, the preciousness of his desire to provoke us to feel, to love, to really become human again.”

The entire speech she gave at the time can be read at www.familyfed.org/members/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=793:hyo-jin-nims-one-year-memorial-service&catid=89:in-jin-moon&Itemid=128. A video tribute prepared for him by Rev. In Jin Moon and the Manhattan Center is available at www.youtube.com/watch?v=iYCgW7SAzJE&noredirect=1. A concert held in his honor by former associates such as Joe Longo and Sonic Cult (then called the Lovin’ Life Ministries Band) can be watched at www.familyfed.org/members/index.php?option=com_user&view=login&return=aHR0cDovL3d3dy5mYW1pbHlmZWQub3JnL21lbWJlcnMvaW5kZXgucGhvbjIj21fY29udGVudC12aWV3PWVydGljbGUmaWQ9MTkyNDpoeW8tamluLW5pbS10cmlidXRlLWNvbmNlcnQtbGxtLWJhbmQmY2F0aWQ9NjM6Z2VuZXJhbCZJdGVtaWQ9NDM.

Finally, an e-book was put together in his honor at www.familyfed.org/members/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=495:one-year-memorial-ebook-of-ascension&catid=88:hyo-jin-moon&Itemid=118

One can get a taste of the kind of speaker he was through a video of him speaking at the Berlin Wall as CARP president. www.youtube.com/watch?v=vRKWG7L_sCs

A photo album in his memory was posted on Facebook by Rev. Tae Kon Lee. www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=a.206961625981603.60914.100000033027417&type=3

Mary Jane Despres created a beautiful tribute to his life. www.foilprints.com/hjn/intro.htm

Various videos of his band performing can be found on Youtube here: www.youtube.com/user/1kose and here: www.youtube.com/user/HyoJinMoonBand.

At the Peace TV website, www.ipeacetv.com, several videos of Hyo Jin Moon can be viewed with a paid membership, for example a video of people paying their respects to him at his wonjeon on the one-year anniversary of his ascension (www.ipeacetv.com/missionary/missionary_detail.asp?s_id=18268&wcode=1&lcode=1&vcode=C01001&no=1&menuType=Missionary). In this video are included comments by Rev. Hyung Jin Moon, Chairman Kook Jin Moon, Mrs. Yeon Ah Choi Moon and others.

Other videos available on the Peace TV website include the video of his Seunghwa Ceremony (www.ipeacetv.com/event/event_detail.asp?s_id=16899&wcode=2&lcode=1&vcode=E02001&no=1&menuType=Event) a tribute video (www.ipeacetv.com/spot/spot_detail.asp?s_id=16888&wcode=1&lcode=1&vcode=G01001&no=1&menuType=Spot) to him, and a video (www.ipeacetv.com/Truefamily/family_detail.asp?s_id=2928&wcode=2&lcode=1&vcode=D02001&no=1&menuType=TrueFamily) of him speaking to church leaders from around the world.

At the one-year anniversary of Hyo Jin Moon’s ascension, his wife Yeon Ah Choi Moon said, “If I were to think about what Hyo Jin Nim would want the most of us, it would be to live as filial sons and daughters of True Parents.” At the same occasion, Rev. Hyung Jin Moon said that he felt that his elder brother Hyo Jin Moon was “like a legend,” “very strong” and someone he went to for advice with his martial arts training. He added that the True Family members are sure that Hyo Jin Moon went the most difficult course among all his siblings.