Rev. In Jin Moon and Lovin' Life Team Make Goodwill Visit to Beijing

Ariana Moon October 26 2011



Unificationists warmly welcome Rev. In Jin Moon, her daughter Ariana, and members of the Lovin' Life team.

En route to Korea to greet True Parents, Rev. In Jin Moon touched down in China and made a courtesy call to the Unificationists in Beijing on October 19, 2011. More than 50 members gathered to welcome Rev. Moon, her daughter, Ariana, and members of her Lovin' Life Ministries team, and in turn, Pastor Jaga Gavin, the National Youth Pastor for the Unification Church, and Rev. Moon explained the vision of the Manhattan Center and of Lovin' Life Ministries. Members in Beijing were warmly invited to attend events such as the CARP Commencement Gala in the United States and were encouraged to create opportunities for the second-generation through concerts such as the Youth Concerts for World Peace and Ideal Families in Japan.

Several church leaders also accompanied Rev. Moon and her team on a tour of the Great Wall, Tiananmen Square, and the Forbidden City, all the while introducing their American visitors to the unique palate of China, which included scorpions, starfish, and cicadas.

All private religious organizations in the People's Republic of China are closely regulated, therefore the names of the Church leaders and members in Beijing are not published in order to maintain their privacy.

Remarks of Jaga Gavin, National Youth Pastor



A tour on the Great Wall of China didn't stop Gavin from delivering his tithe message for Sunday Service.

"I want to share about the most thrilling ride of my life, and that has been joining In Jin Nim's team and serving True Parents in America," said Gavin. "I've been with In Jin Nim for the last three years, but before she started Lovin' Life Ministries, she was in Boston, Massachusetts and was doing what she considers her number one job – being a mom. I remember one time In Jin Nim said, "If I can be remembered for being one thing, I want to be remembered for being a good mother." With that spirit, one thing she instills in everyone she meets is the desire of reaching internal and external excellence.

"In 2008 when Hyo Jin Nim, who ran the Manhattan Center in New York City, passed away, True Parents asked In Jin Nim to run the venue, which is one of the most sought-after theatres in New York City. There, she applied her same level of excellence. If you younger brothers and sisters here have some desire to be a musician or performer and you have what it takes, maybe one day we can see you there.

"In Jin Nim wanted to build a ministry that would reach our entire nation, raise up our next generation and make us proud Unificationists in the United States. So in April 2009, on Easter Sunday, we started Lovin' Life Ministries. Through this ministry, we're able to move as one country, one body, to bring America to True Parents. The same level of excellence is put into everything, and the team In Jin Nim has raised up is amazing. She sees the possibilities and potential inside of us that we may not see ourselves.

"One thing that really touches me is how In Jin Nim follows in the footsteps of True Parents, looking ahead and wanting to reach and inspire beyond America. One thing she always expresses is that her family is our family, and we are all one big family. So that's our message."

Remarks from Rev. In Jin Moon



Rev. In Jin Moon delivered a message of love and encouragement to the families of China.

"Hello, everyone. I'm so glad to be here in Beijing and to meet you all. True Parents send you their love and a big kiss," said Rev. Moon. "Here in Beijing, I see so many young people, and I feel your energy. I am excited to see all of you. I brought some members with me from the Church Headquarters in America who have been working for True Parents with the best of their abilities. These days, second-generation and older members in America are revived, and our church spirit has changed a lot. Lovin' Life Ministries has been ongoing in America for two years, and about 30-40 new members are joining our church every month.

"Even though Jaga gave you a report regarding my great work, I don't think of it as just my work. What I have been doing is following True Parents' direction, which we are all trying our best to fulfill. Hyung Jin Nim is also doing a great job by attending True Parents 24-hours a day. And Kook Jin Nim is doing a great job in Korea.

"The reason I wanted to share with you about what I have being doing in America is because I would like you to do your best here in Beijing and do a better job than I have done. I would like you to raise your children and educate them by saying, "You are God's eternal daughter and son who are precious and beautiful." You should teach your children about how fortunate they are because your parents met True Parents and received the Blessing from them.

"As you know, True Parents say that when you are Blessed, you have responsibility. Since your children were born with such a blessing, we parents have a responsibility to raise them well in order for them to be excellent men and women in the future. There are many beautiful second-generation here. It's good for your children to develop habits of setting a goal, being disciplined, and achieving that goal. Perhaps you should make a choir here in Beijing for your kids, as many communities in Japan and now America have done, so that they can perform for True Parents. True Parents said that music is a universal language. For example, when you sang for me this evening, even though I didn't understand the lyrics, I was able to feel the song in my heart. Imagine how beautiful it would be if you raised your kids well, and they sang in front of True Parents as representatives of China.

"This afternoon we went to a restaurant for lunch and we ate a lot of shumai, dim sum, and many other dishes. There are a lot of ingredients inside these foods, like onions, sesame, pork, and it's delicious when you put them all together. In a way, I think the Unification movement is like shumai and dimsum. It's a rich mix of people who are Korean, Japanese, Chinese, American, European, etc., who come together as one family under God. This is a beautiful and unique aspect of our church.

"I can see you are excited and have a lot of energy this evening. Please use this energy to share the messages of true love with the Chinese people. I am looking forward to seeing True Parents come here, so let's work hard to make that day come soon."