Apology: My Deep Sorrow and Taking Full Responsibility for Holy Mother Han's Bail Being Revoked

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Respected and beloved members, blessed families, pastors:

I write to you with a heart filled with profound sorrow and anguish.

Having heard the apology offered by International Headquarters Director-General Moon Shin-chul, I too, as president of the Family Federation in Korea, feel heart-rending pain and an overwhelming sense of responsibility that I cannot express in words.

First, let me briefly explain what has happened. Following the court's decision to grant True Mother bail on October 19, she continued to receive medical treatment at the hospital. However, on November 2, there was a court hearing to deliberate the fact that Mother had traveled from the hospital to visit Cheon Jeong Gung. The central issue at this hearing was whether Mother's visits to her home during the daytime constituted violations of the conditions of her bail.

The defense team interpreted the relevant regulations and precedents - which distinguish restrictions on residence from restrictions on going out - as permitting temporary outings. They explained that Mother had made the visits based on legal advice from her lawyers and with the hospital's permission. They maintained that there had been no overnight stay outside the hospital and no violation of restrictions on contact with persons connected to the trial.

The court, however, emphasized the purpose of the strict residence restrictions imposed as conditions of bail, as well as the need for prior authorization [for leaving the hospital,] and made the decision to revoke Mother's bail. The Family Federation in Korea respects the court's decision and takes its implications very seriously. We will reflect on the points that should have been more carefully verified in the process of interpreting and responding to the bail conditions. We will inform you of developments concerning the enforcement of detention and procedures for challenging the decision as soon as they are confirmed through the defense team. We will also respond to members' questions transparently and sincerely.

My heart is deeply pained as I confront this situation. Despite True Mother being in such poor health that even moving about is difficult, she has been enduring each day with great difficulty, yet concerned only for the well-being of the providence and for our members. Faced with the heartbreaking situation in which True Mother must once again endure the suffering of detention, I feel sorrow and remorse beyond anything words can express.

Above all, I am deeply sorry to True Mother. We should have devoted all our heart and effort to protecting True Mother's health and peace of mind, ensuring that she would never have to endure further concern or suffering. However, in the end, we failed to protect True Mother fully and instead caused her

even greater pain and worry. I prostrate myself before You, True Mother, and offer my deepest apologies.

Second, I apologize to all our members. You have offered tearful devotions day and night for True Mother's health and well-being, earnestly praying that she might regain her freedom as soon as possible. Yet we have caused you deep pain and shock. As president of the Family Federation in Korea, responsible for our church here, I bow my head to express how deeply sorry I am for failing to live up to your earnest hopes and honor your tearful devotions.



Third, I apologize to all our pastors. More than anyone else, you have been caring for our members on the front lines and leading them in prayer and devotions for True Mother. Yet we have once again placed upon you a heavy burden that is difficult to bear. As I think of the pain and anguish you must feel as you directly face the shock and questions of our members, as national president I apologize from the bottom of my heart.

I cannot offer any words of excuse. I will be the first to repent before Heaven. I will accept today's tragic situation as a painful opportunity to seriously reflect on myself and be reborn anew. I will exercise greater restraint in all my words and actions. With utmost humility and care, and understanding True Mother's will and heart, I will fulfill the calling entrusted to me.

I will demonstrate this resolve through my actions. I will not forget, even for a moment, the suffering True Mother is enduring. I will pray with even greater earnestness and offer devotions for True Mother to recover her health, and for her peace of mind. I will engrave the pain we feel today deep in my heart and, with the determination not to cause True Mother any further worry, I will first set myself right.

I earnestly appeal to all our members. By all means rebuke me sternly for my shortcomings; yet I ask you to hold even more firmly onto your bond of devotion to True Mother, who is walking this thorny path of hardship alone. Please offer prayer together for True Mother. I appeal to you to become one in filial devotion (hyojeong) and that you will pray earnestly for our Heavenly Parent and True Father to still more deeply embrace True Mother's holy body and heart.

Once again, to True Mother and to all members and blessed families throughout the world, I express how deeply sorry I feel. I earnestly ask you, as the sons and daughters who care deeply for True Mother, to bind your hearts together.