



Peace through Unity

Sunjin nim spoke to Japanese members on October 1 at the closing of the celebration of the fifty fifth anniversary HSAUWC Japan. This was her message that evening.

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Distinguished leaders from throughout Japan, ambassadors for peace, respected elders and members of our unification movement, ladies and gentlemen:

On behalf of my mother, Dr. Hak ja Han Moon, I want to express my deepest appreciation to all of you. I cannot begin to convey the depth of my feelings of respect and gratitude to each one of you. Throughout this tour in Japan, I have met so many remarkable people who have given me great hope, encouragement and inspiration. The experience has been overwhelming.

Yet, when my mother asked me to represent her on this tour, I felt entirely inadequate, and I shared this with her. However, she did not hesitate to confidently ask me to go forward in faith, with a heart of gratitude, respect and appreciation for the Japanese people, especially, for the elders, leaders and brothers and sisters of our Japanese movement who have so often endured great difficulties and challenges in their efforts to build a world of universal and lasting peace.

Both my mother and my father have always had the greatest love and respect for the Japanese people and consider Japan to be Korea's closest ally and friend. While they fully understand the difficult history that has brought so much separation and division between our two peoples, they always believed that the power of love and the power of living for the sake of others could overcome any barrier.

And, while I have been to Japan so many times over the years, this tour has had a very special and significant impact on me personally. I felt that I came to know and appreciate the Japanese people and my Japanese brothers and sisters at a level that is much deeper and richer in comparison to what I had known and experienced before.

I believe this is due, in part, to the fact that I came here as the representative of True Mother. This heightened my awareness, and my spiritual antennae were opened in a way I had not experienced before. I also believe that my father's spirit was with me, throughout this tour, as he is always with my mother, even from his place in the spiritual world.

I also cannot say enough about my mother. This tour has awakened in me a deeper love and appreciation for my mother. I have come to a fuller understanding of the awesome responsibility that she carries on her shoulders since my father's passing. I have come to see more clearly what a truly remarkable woman my mother is. I see so clearly, even more than before, that she has been called and raised by our Heavenly Parent over many decades to lead our movement at this time.

I leave Japan with a feeling of great hope. I remain indebted to all of you for paving the way and opening the gates to a world of true and lasting peace for our children and our children's children, throughout the ages.

I firmly believe that the relationship between our two nations and our two peoples is absolutely crucial to God's providence and to world peace. My mother understands this very deeply and for this reason cherishes all of you.

Let us become the people who show the way of reconciliation, unity, cooperation and mutual prosperity. There is no challenge that we cannot overcome if we unite.

I leave you with the words that my mother asked me to convey from the bottom of her heart and from the bottom of my heart, "Thank you" and "I love you!"