

FFWPU International President's Inaugural Address

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Our Most Beloved True Parents, Respected Elders, Beloved Brothers and Sisters: Thank you very much for gathering here today for this inaugural ceremony centered on our Heavenly Parent and True Parents. On March 6, True Mother appointed me to serve as the international president of the Family Federation for Peace and Unification of our worldwide movement.

On the same day, she also appointed and honored many great brothers and sisters of our movement. I congratulate you for all your glorious missions and your path.

I am sure there are many that wonder how I feel about True Mother's direction. All I can say is that I am deeply humbled. At the same time, I am flooded with many thoughts and feelings. With all my heart, I could only feel truly sorry to True Parents, because I am lacking in many ways.

I have only been praying and hoping since True Father's Seonghwa that the True Family could unite as one family to love and support our True Mother during her most trying times.

I will never let go of the hope that we can all come together as one family

and work to realize True Parents' ideal of Cheon Il Guk. I know True Parents' hearts can only be liberated if the True Family and all blessed central families can come together as one family under Heavenly Parent and True Parents.

I will do my best to support True Mother but I truly need all of you as my immediate and worldwide family members to come to realize Cheon Il Guk by honoring True Father and by loving True Mother. One moment that I will never forget was being with the family in the hospital after the helicopter accident. True Father had suffered great injury but his only concern was for True Mother. When he heard she was in the operating room, despite his own pain, he gathered all of my brother's hands and said you must become one centered on True Mother. I know True Father in the spirit world has the same heart and urgency and hopes that our family can be one with True Mother, as devoted sons and daughters. I know that the Principle teaches that it is not only as individuals that we are to be saved. We must be saved as one family and enter heaven as a family.

Love, love, and only love for eternity is what holds me here. I hope that you all will join me with the same heart. To my elder blessed family members, I deeply thank you for your absolute filial love and attendance to Heavenly Parent and True Parents. I hope to honor your life of service, love, and sincerity by learning from your wisdom and your guidance.

With each blessed opportunity, I had a chance to meet our amazing brothers and sisters from around the world; I am truly humbled and moved by your pure devotion and tireless work for humankind. Most of all, I stand before you here today with a feeling of deep gratitude and appreciation for our True Mother. As you may recognize, in terms of my appointment as the international president, she did not arrive at this decision easily. Rather, it came on the foundation of many days, weeks, and months of prayer and reflection. True Mother does not make personnel decisions casually, especially regarding such a difficult decision concerning the international president. True Mother never focuses on her own personal,

horizontal feelings or preferences on anything, even in relation to her own children.

She has lived with a clear vertical attendance to our Heavenly Parent throughout her life. Her attention to Heavenly Parent's providential will has been like a constant theme throughout her life of unfathomable depth, like the deepest mysteries of the sea. Her only reason to live and breathe has been to liberate all of fallen humankind and fulfill her mission as God's only begotten daughter.



Sun Jin Moon and her husband In Sup Park, the respective FFWPU international president and vice-president on the day True Mother appointed them

Her perilous journey from conception to her blessing with True Father and her fifty-two years of public service were to liberate humankind, all seven billion people in the world, so that they may come to know True Parents and to live as one family under our Heavenly Parent.

I completely bow down and respect that True Mother has full authority, and the same authority as True Father, to advance God's providence. I also understand that at this crucial time the international president's position must be filled by someone who is fully united with True Mother. I know that I am not enough, but I will honor and serve True Parents with the hope that we can all fulfill Heaven's will.

I look at each of you as my family, the elders, teachers, mentors and pillars of our church and its remarkable history. Most of you have spent decades living a life of attendance to True Parents. I can only bow before you too.

As I take up this daunting responsibility, please be assured of two things: First, I will do my very best to attend and serve our True Mother. Second, I will do my very best to encourage and support you in your areas of responsibility. At the same time, I eagerly want to learn from each of you, for you are my elders, my teachers, my brothers and sisters as we work together to build one family under God. You will have my full support and encouragement, but I will also need your support and encouragement, too.

Together, let us reach out to the world's seven billion people and share True Parents' vision and teachings. Let us also continually strive to awaken and renew ourselves by building a community that embodies the true love ideal that we speak of, a community that comes to be known throughout the world as the live-for-the-sake-of-others community," a community that radiates joy, love, warmth, character, virtue, care, and wisdom, all of which derive from our True Parents. We all share a common origin and source of love, life, and lineage -- our Heavenly Parent.

While religions have spoken wonderful words about Heavenly Parent for millennia, we know that it has been our True Parents who have revealed the deepest understanding of the heart of Heavenly Parent, the heart of hope at the time of the Creation, the heart of agony at the time of the Fall, and the heart of parental love throughout the history of restoration.

Also, only through True Parents can we understand and directly experience the full manifestation of our Heavenly Parent, as a perfected couple, a man and a woman, a husband and a wife. While many religions use the concept of marriage as a metaphor for the union between human beings and God, comparing it to the relationship between a husband and wife, with True Parents, we have the substantial manifestation of

Heavenly Parent's dual characteristics. They shared life on earth for fifty-two years as True Parents. They are the eternal True Parents, indivisible and irreplaceable.



We all learned from the Divine Principle that the essential purpose and the goal of providential history is that our True Parents, a man and a woman, must perfectly embody the complementary and complete characteristics of our Heavenly Parent.

This was Heavenly Parent's hope when Adam and Eve were created. Each step of providential history over the millennia leading up to Jesus was guided by the original ideal of True Parents. Jesus walked the earth and taught his disciples with the mission to fulfill the ideal of True Parents.

However, the marriage supper of the Lamb was not completed and remained a metaphor or symbol.

Postponed, but never abandoned, Heavenly Parent's providence, centered on Christianity, gave rise to great civilizations (successively) of Rome, England and America. At the same time, Heavenly Parent was preparing a "hermit kingdom" in the Far East to give birth to True Father and True Mother.

True Mother was born as a daughter of heaven, raised by Dae-mo nim, not as her personal daughter but as one called to be the bride of the messiah. Her entire life was under the direct guidance and protection of Heaven. Born in North Korea, she, as a young girl, narrowly escaped being captive to the communist regime that would have blocked God's providence.

Like Jesus' escape from King Herod, she and Dae-mo nim travelled south to join up with True Mother's uncle who had joined the South Korean army after recognizing that communists were leading the people of North Korea with a false and godless ideology. That same uncle protected True Mother and Dae-mo nim during the Korean War. As a very young girl, True Mother was guided, protected and educated by Heaven. How utterly miraculous and awesome that Heavenly Parent raised True Mother so that she could stand with True Father to fulfill the goal and purpose of human history.

True Father and True Mother, over half a century, achieved oneness in heart and purpose as the True Parents. Neither Heavenly Parent nor True Father could fulfill the providence of True Parents without True Mother fulfilling her own portion of responsibility.

True Parents exist because both True Father and True Mother were raised by heaven and fulfilled their responsibilities.

Each one of us is here today because of True Parents. We are all indebted to True Parents and their life, love and sacrifice for our marriages, for our understanding of God's providence and even for our achievements in life. I am entirely indebted to True Mother. It is due to her amazing life that I am able to stand before you today. We must all honor True Parents with our sincere 5 percent responsibility, completing our three blessings, realizing vision 2020 and substantiating Cheon Il Guk.

Thus, when I think of serving as the international president, my only thought is to truly serve True Mother and unite with her in heart, spirit and mind. In this way, and on this foundation, I hope to be a source of inspiration, encouragement and support for each of you. I have the honor of serving our True Mother. Every day I see how she whole-heartedly fulfills her mission to liberate and restore balance to the world and how she pays for our inability to fulfill our 5 percent.

It brings me to tears as I witness the physical difficulties she has overcome in order to clean up and finish what we all as her children have yet to do. This is the true heart of a mother who lives every day for the welfare of her worldwide family. She continues to forgive, hope, and carry the cross, doing all she can to open the door so that her children can be saved. In this sense, *Aboji, omoni, joisong hammida!* To True Mother and True Father, I am truly sorry.

Before forgiveness can be granted one must humbly atone for one's actions. Otherwise, no sincere change is possible. I apologize every day to True Parents and acknowledge my inadequacy; I know that I am not enough, but it is True Mother who encourages me, unconditionally believes in me and loves me. That is why I have the courage to go on.

This same love and encouragement she has asked me to convey to you, so that we as one family under our Heavenly Parent and our True Parents can be victorious. If you face difficulty on your path, please know that True Parents unconditionally love you and are with you. Parental love is eternal, unchanging and absolute. Imagine the path to restore, indemnify and return all things back to our Heavenly Parent. We should gratefully stand on the hallowed completed foundation that True Parents have secured, as true sons and daughters of our Heavenly Parent.



What I hope to offer during my term of service as international president is to expand the foundation of our movement worldwide, so that many more millions of the world's people come to know and love our True Parents. In order to accomplish this, we need to all grow and to become true parents, true teachers and true owners.

True Parents' vision is beyond space and time. It carries us forward despite the reality and struggle we may experience in life. It is the path of true love, true filial piety and true life.



Rev. Kyeong Seuk Lu, president of the church in Korea, gave the opening prayer

It is the only path that liberates the suffering heart of our Heavenly Parent who longs for all of his seven billion children to come home. Our Heavenly Parent and True Parents have given their unconditional love and support to us all. I know that based on that grace we can share this blessed life with all of our brothers and sister from around the world.

As I stand before you with this cosmic challenge, I'd like to underscore the following points for your consideration, as goals or objectives we can work together on: First, let us uphold True Parents as the absolute center of our movement.

They are the root. There is no life apart from this root. True Mother is not separable from True Father and therefore is not separable from True Parents. True Father and True Mother are absolutely and eternally one.

Let us reach out and lovingly guide those who may be confused as the providence moves forward centering on True Mother. Even if we cannot physically attend our True Father, he lives eternally in true love, life and lineage with True Mother. None of us could be born without this perfected union having been established.

So let us reach out to all our brothers and sisters in love and truth. Some have become confused and have separated from the central root and trunk of our movement. We know that no branch can exist without the trunk, which is our True Parents. By our love and service to others, we can strengthen the root and the trunk and extend into the branches and leaves of our global peace movement.

Secondly, let us practice tribal messiahship, reaching out to everyone we meet and sharing True Parents' vision. Each of us is called to awaken at this time and contribute to the fulfillment of the 2020 Vision, reaching seven billion people on the planet. A branch that is united absolutely with True Parents is like a part of a banyan tree, which True Mother has often spoken about.

The banyan tree has one central root but each branch extends down to create a larger network of support for the entire tree, to the point that it creates children trunks that further buttress this ever growing tree. What nourishes this living, glorious tree is the soil of Mother Nature. If our movement is to be like the banyan tree, we must be renewed, and adjust to the era after the coming of heaven.

Whatever our area of responsibility or service, we can build our "tribe" of friends, associates, contacts, neighbors, ambassadors for peace, and establish our 430-network, by serving, loving and teaching them about our True Parents.



Cheon Il Guk Parliament Member Young Hwi Kim congratulated Sun Jin nim on her appointment

Third, let us always understand that we each have our own portion of responsibility. Even when others around us may be waning, lost or spreading negative energy, we must always return to the root, the core of our faith, namely, Heavenly Parent and True Parents and the word. By focusing on and fulfilling our portion of responsibility, we create the positive energy that can restore the world.

Fourth, let us maintain the core tradition of Hoon Dok Hae on a daily basis. True Mother has focused intensely on preparing three primary texts that will distill the essence of True Parents' teachings, *Cheon Seong Gyeong*, *Pyeonghwa Gyeong*, and recently *Cham Bumo Gyeong*. By reading the word daily, we

become reconnected as blessed central families to the origin, the root and core of our faith. We should be like that tree that fills its life with the abundant energy and with nutrients to keep it healthy and thriving, so it can give off life, oxygen, for the sake of all seven billion people on earth.

The word through True Parents is also like water -- pure water -- that makes life on earth possible. More than sixty to eighty percent of our cells are water, and they need pure water to sustain life.

Fifth, let us understand that not only the human world is an expression of our Heavenly Parent but also the entire creation -- all living things and all material things. We, as sons and daughters of our True Parents, should be the best and most loving, caring stewards of the environment.

This earth is our home; it is our garden. That is why that we have allowed the earth, the air and the oceans to be desecrated, so that they "groan in travail" is so tragic. The time has come to build a world of true love that extends not only to all brothers and sisters but also to the entire physical world.

We must become a world not of turmoil, division and suffering and that is always at war; we must become and reflect the opposite of war, which in English would spell "raw."

That is we should go back to the roots, the origins of life, true life, the sustenance, and receive the abundant love and blessings that comes from the universe from our Heavenly Parent. We need to be grafted to the cultivated olive tree and live in a restored world that our Heavenly Parent and True Parents have prepared for us.

This is a life of true love, life and lineage and the blessing to be true parents, true teachers, and true owners of Cheon Il Guk. These gifts can be given to us only because True Parents have absolutely been victorious. At the same time, we can receive these gifts only if we are absolutely one with True Parents in mind, body and spirit.

If we imagine the earth as Heavenly Parent's physical body, and the ocean as Heavenly Parent's circulatory system, it is the lifeblood of this planet. If we think of the gift of air and ozone, each breath we take, is the pulmonary, or lung function, of our Heavenly Parent. If we stand on earth, the bones and flesh of our Heavenly Parent's body are holding us up. The sun is Heavenly Parent's fuel and fire that metabolizes and creates all life. We must honor every natural and living being; by doing so, we are honoring our Heavenly Parent.

Sixth, let us cultivate our character and our mindfulness. We should become men and women of true love and true joy. When True Mother spoke to members recently she said that we should be joyful, happy, peace-loving and grateful beings. She explained that these virtues are the keys to realizing individual perfection.

I love True Mother's speeches. In just a few words, like a haiku, she can highlight the secrets of success. The forgive-love-and-unite message that True Mother has emphasized is the key to individual, familial, tribal, national and worldwide unity and salvation.



Tae Ik Jeong, president of the Korean Council on Foreign Relations also praised the appointment

It is the core of our movement's spirit, to live a sincere life of love, and to compassionately practice living for the sake of others. In True Father's last words, he professed that he had completed everything. He also repeatedly proclaimed our True Mother his completed and perfected equal.

Seventh, it is paramount that we deepen our faith. We each have much to learn and do. As we made glorious strides toward realizing vision 2020 through the recent events of Foundation Day 2015, we should keep our focus and determination going forward.

Let us work together and support all of our family members so that we can realize this vision. We have

Heavenly Parent and True Parents leading the way, and unconditionally loving and raising us to victory! As long as we have life, we have the power to change the world. So let us pledge our devotion and energies to realize this dream.

In conclusion, I want to offer my pledge to Heavenly Parent, to True Parents, and to each of you that I will do my very best to serve to the best of my ability and to advance the providence. I fully understand that the international president serves as a servant of True Parents; there is no special entitlement.

I know that I am nobody without True Parents as my root and my center point. I hope to honor and unite with you so that we can all become one glorious family like a beautiful banyan tree that True Parents can be proud of! I have my portion of responsibility, and I will do my best. I know I will never be enough and will be vigilant until I am reunited with each and every member of my family and yours. I will need your guidance and your support during my term as your international president.

May Heavenly Parent bless each and every precious family member here today and throughout the world!

Gamsa hamnida. Thank you. Mahalo. I love you, Sarang hamnida!