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Subject: 2006, 2007 and 2008

An important note from the editor:

Unlike in Section one: Ascension, Seung Hwa Ceremony and Memorials, an html document where the embedded links in violet will work. currently sections two through seven are in pdf format. In this particular pdf format, only the complete links beginning www in blue will work. We will update the entire tribute to an html document over the next several weeks, so check back.

Thank you for reviewing this. All the best, Mary Jane Despres

A Tribute to our Elder Brother Hyo Jin Nim

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Hyo Jin Nim

This June 6, 2006 portrait of Hyo Jin Nim is a detail from the original. Log in here to the Cheonggyeong website to view an enlargement.

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Editor's Note: Please review and follow the guidelines in the Introduction to this tribute.

June 6, June 7 and June 13, Year Six of Cheon Il Guk

June 6, 2006



Hyo Jin Nim and Yeon Ah Nim pray during the June 6, 2006 (a detail) Wishing for the Era of Peace and Tranquility of Cheon Il Guk & Citizen's Pledge Ceremony

Log in at the members section of FFWPU USA to view additional pictures of this occasion at this link.

June 7, 2006



On June 7, 2006, Hyo Jin Nim presented an address at Cheonggyeong. Log in at the Cheonggyeong website to see an enlargement of this photo (a detail) and other photos of this occasion, including the one below (a detail):



Here's an excerpt from his address:

True Parents are like a lighthouse, a guiding light showing a shining path to God's love, ideal and incentive. True Father pioneered through the darkness and spread the light to mankind.

What's true love? It is basically to live for the sake of others. If you want to live like True Father, you have to live for the sake of others and sacrifice everything, and when I say everything I mean everything. You must perform this every day in order to follow and become like True Father.

The June 13th Year Six of Cheon Il Guk Ceremonies of the Grand Entrance into the Cheon Jeong Gung Heavenly Original Palace (morning) and the Coronation of our True Parents as the King and Queen of Peace in Heaven and on Earth (afternoon)



In this photo of the True Family in procession to the Cheon Jeong Gung (a detail from this photo), Hyo Jin Nim and Yeon Ah Nim are walking right behind True Parents.

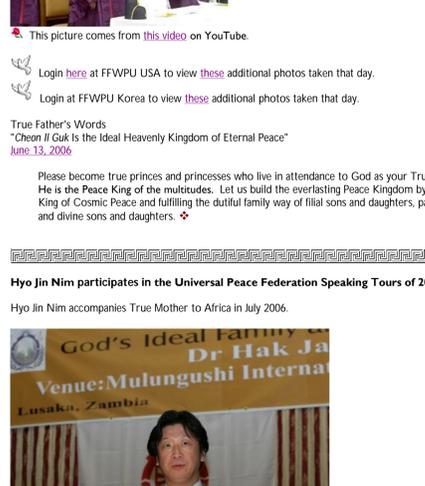


Photo source



Here is a picture of True Children during the morning Entrance Ceremony



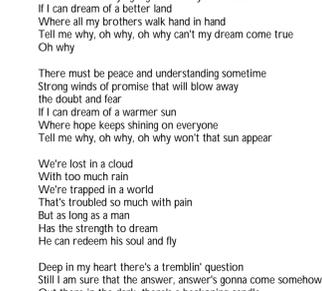
Here from this FFWPU Korea group is another picture of True Children (a detail) that morning.



True Father prays before entering the Cheon Jeong Gung

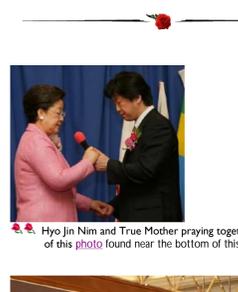


This picture comes from this PeaceTV film. Here are True Parents, Hyo Jin Nim and Yeon Ah Nim a few minutes prior to the moment the ribbon is cut and True Parents and True Family officially enter the Cheon Jeong Gung Heavenly Original Palace for the first time.



Here True Parents are only a few steps away from their entrance into the Cheon Jeong Gung Heavenly Original Palace. Again, their eldest son Hyo Jin Nim and his wife Yeon Ah Nim are standing right behind them.

The Coronation of our True Parents as the King and Queen of Peace in Heaven and on Earth June 13, 2006, afternoon



True Children attend True Parents on June 13, 2006 http://www.alupm.org/20060613/3.jpg the day our True Parents were crowned King and Queen of Peace in Heaven and on Earth. Hyo Jin Nim is seated in the front row nearest to the side, edge of the stage among the group of our True Parents' children. Seated next to him is his wife, Yeon Ah Nim.

Here http://tinyurl.com/dykyac is a related photo.

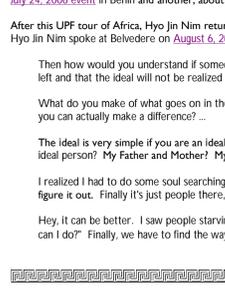
Here, below, are three additional pictures of the True Children on this occasion.



Photo source



Log in here at PeaceTV to view this video, from which this image is a frame.



This picture comes from this video on YouTube.

Log in here at FFWPU USA to view these additional photos taken that day.

Log in at FFWPU Korea to view these additional photos taken that day.

True Father's Words "Cheon Il Guk is the Ideal Heavenly Kingdom of Eternal Peace" June 13, 2006

Please become True princes and princesses who live in attendance to God as your True Parent, for He is the Peace King of the multitudes. Let us build the everlasting Peace Kingdom by attending the King of Cosmic Peace and fulfilling the dutiful family way of filial sons and daughters, patriots, saints, and divine sons and daughters.

Hyo Jin Nim participates in the Universal Peace Federation Speaking Tours of 2006

Hyo Jin Nim accompanies True Mother to Africa in July 2006.



Hyo Jin Nim speaks in Africa in July 2006 (a detail)

View many more photos and read a report about True Mother and Hyo Jin Nim's Universal Peace Federation tour of Africa on this page: http://tinyurl.com/c2hfm6 at FFWPU!



This picture comes from this YouTube video. Left to right from Yeon Ah Nim (wearing pink), Hyo Jin Nim, True Mother, Yeon Jin Nim, and Rev. Chun Hwan Kwak, with others during the Universal Peace Federation tour to Africa in 2006

The video "One Huge Step to Universal Peace" has a brief film clip in the tape (at the time 05:01/11:00): I would like to once more declare today before all humanity the message I gave throughout the Universal Peace Federation inauguration tour...



Hyo Jin Nim in Nairobi, Kenya, a slightly enhanced detail of this photo of July 19, 2006



True Mother smiles as Hyo Jin Nim prepares to cut the celebration cake while in Nairobi, Kenya on July 20, 2006.



True Mother and Hyo Jin Nim officiate at the Blessing on July 21, 2006 in Ethiopia (a detail).

Here's a link to a photo of Hyo Jin Moon receiving flowers upon his arrival in Nairobi, Kenya, for the UPF Rally of July 19, 2006. Here's another photo as True Mother, Hyo Jin Nim, Yeon Ah Choi Nim and Yeon Jin Nim arrive. Here's a report of their visit, which mentions that during a time of sharing on July 20th, Hyo Jin Nim sang "Over the Rainbow."

"If I Can Dream," a song made famous by Elvis Presley and often performed by Hyo Jin Nim

During this 2006 tour, True Mother and Hyo Jin Nim were in Tanzania on July 20, 2006. Here's a link to a report about this visit. In a gathering in the morning of July 21, 2006, Hyo Jin Nim sang "If I Can Dream."

Listen to Elvis Presley sing "If I Can Dream" here http://tinyurl.com/cx4pdk.



Photo source

If I Can Dream (words and music by Earl Brown)

There must be lights burning brighter somewhere Got to be dreams flying higher in a sky more blue If I can dream of a better land Where all my brothers walk hand in hand Tell me why, oh why, oh why can't my dream come true Oh why

There must be peace and understanding sometime Strong winds of promise that will blow away the doubt and fear If I can dream of a warmer sun Where hope keeps shining on everyone Tell me why, oh why, oh why won't that sun appear

We're lost in a cloud With too much rain We're trapped in a world That's troubled so much with pain But as long as a man Has the strength to dream He can redeem his soul and fly

Deep in my heart there's a tremblin' question Still I am sure that the answer, answer's gonna come somehow And while I can think, while I can talk While I can stand, while I can walk While I can dream, please let my dream Come true.....right now



Cover of Hyo Jin Nim's album "Unification of Korea" 1990 source: Canaan Station Japan

An excerpt from Hyo Jin Nim's words on True Parents' Birthday February 11, 1989

We all dream of a world where there is no chaos, only peace and harmony. Even the most totally selfish people want this kind of society inside their mind, but what they actually do and live is far from this. Why do we call ourselves the Unification Church? What is your desire? A good world, with no one trying to corrupt you, or take advantage of you. A world where you can go anywhere without worrying about losing your life. No emotional strife, no dark fear, being able to go anywhere knowing people love each other.



Hyo Jin Nim and True Mother praying together in Tanzania on July 20, 2006, a detail of this photo found near the bottom of this Peace TV Photo line



Hyo Jin Nim speaking to the gathering in Ethiopia on July 21, 2006, a detail from this photo found near the bottom of this Peace TV Photo line



True Mother and Hyo Jin Nim during the victory celebration, from this illustrated report of True Mother and Hyo Jin Nim's visit to Ethiopia on July 21, 2006.



enlargement True Mother and Hyo Jin Nim pray together during their 2006 tour

Here's an excerpt from Dr. Thomas Walsh's report about the July 23, 2006, visit of True Mother and Hyo Jin Nim to Nigeria. On July 23, 2006,

Hyo Jin presented the Founder's address. With each event, he presents the message with increased capacity to project the heart and profound content of the message, becoming more one with the word. His years of experience as a musician and performer enhance his ability to convey the message effectively. He's "a natural" on the stage, and offers a great range of expressions, in heart, volume, emotion, etc., making the presentation, a long speech, always interesting and engaging.

Here are further links: first, one to Dr. Thomas Walsh's report about True Mother and Hyo Jin Nim's July 24, 2006 event in Benin and another, about their July 25, 2006 visit to Cameroon.

After this UPF tour of Africa, Hyo Jin Nim returned to the United States. In his message entitled "My Story," Hyo Jin Nim spoke at Belvedere on August 6, 2006, saying,

Then how would you understand if someone tells you, hypothetically, that you only have ten years left and that the ideal will not be realized by then? ...

What do you make of what goes on in the world and how do you put yourself in a position where you can actually make a difference? ...

The ideal is very simple if you are an ideal person. Who are you going to blame if you are not an ideal person? My Father and Mother? My sisters and brothers? My dog?

I realized I had to do some soul searching. My father always puts me into a narrow lesson. I had to figure it out. Finally it's just people there, and we have just to reach out to them and change them. ...

Hey, it can be better. I saw people starving in Africa and I can't believe why. Ask yourself, "What can I do?" Finally, we have to find the way.

True God's Day and other Celebrations January 1-4, Year Seven of Cheon Il Guk



The True Family at the Cheonggyeong website at this link to view an enlargement of this photo at this link.



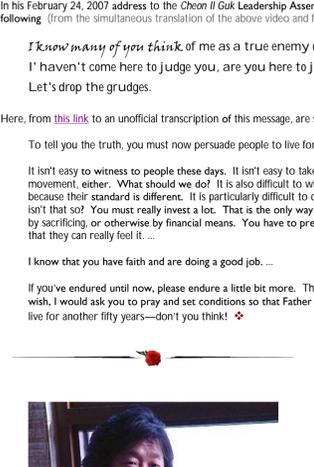
Log in to the Cheongyeong website to view an enlargement of this picture of Hyo Jin Nim, Yeon Ah Nim and their daughter Shin Soon Nim during the True God's Day 2007 Morning Commemorative Address. Sitting behind Yeon Ah Nim is Hirozaka Nim [Otsuka], the husband of Shin Sook Nim.



Log in to the Cheongyeong website to view this picture of Hyo Jin Nim, Yeon Ah Nim, their two daughters and others (a detail) taken on the Day of Victory of Love, January 2, 2007, from this group.

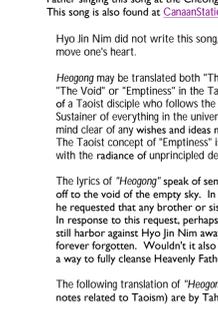


True Family members attend the Coronation Ceremony of the Kingship of God, January 3, 2007. Log in to the Cheongyeong website to view the photo, of which this is a detail, from this group.

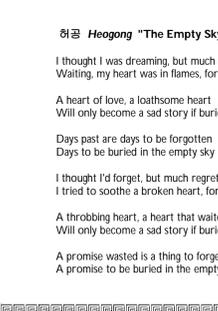


Three of Hyo Jin Nim and Yeon Ah Nim's children, left to right, Shin Yeo Nim, Shin Chul Nim and Shin Soon Nim, a detail from a photo dated January 4, 2007

Hyo Jin Nim addresses the Cheon Il Guk Leadership Assembly, February 24, 2007



Hyo Jin Nim together with Yeon Ah Nim a detail from this February 24, 2007 photo



link to an enlargement at the podium Speaking, close-up Speaking close-up, more serious

Here http://tinyurl.com/yw6655 is a report about this occasion.

At PeaceTV, you can watch a video http://tinyurl.com/dhue42 of Hyo Jin Nim giving his message to this assembly and hear both Hyo Jin Nim's words in Korean and, at the same time, the simultaneous English translation. I feel that I could get to know Hyo Jin Nim—at least a little better than before—by watching this particular video.

In his February 24, 2007 address to the Cheon Il Guk Leadership Assembly 2007, Hyo Jin Nim mentions the following (from the simultaneous translation of the above video and from someone's notes here):

I know many of you think of me as a true enemy of the Unification Church. ... I haven't come here to judge you, are you here to judge me?... Let's drop the grudges.

Here, from this link to an unofficial transcription of this message, are some further excerpts:

To tell you the truth, you must now persuade people to live for the sake of others. ... It isn't easy to witness to people these days. It isn't easy to take care of those who are in the movement, either. What should we do? It is also difficult to witness to people who have problems because their standard is different. It is particularly difficult to deal with people with many problems, isn't that so? You must really invest a lot. That is the only way. The way to fill people with grace is by sacrificing, or otherwise by financial means. You have to present things to people in such a way that they can really feel it. ... I know that you have faith and are doing a good job. ... If you've endured until now, please endure a little bit more. Thank you. If I were to have one last wish, I would ask you to pray and see conditions so that Father can live for a long time. Shouldn't he live for another fifty years—don't you think! ❖



This is the opening photo in the video slideshow "Hyo Jin Nim" It comes from this group of photos at FFWPU Korea, taken in January 2004.

Please take a moment to view the beautiful video slideshow "Hyo Jin Nim." http://tinyurl.com/dju8f

As you view it, you'll hear Hyo Jin Nim singing the Korean love song 허공 "Heogong" / "The Empty Sky" from his album 2월 11 "Parents' Favorites, Volume I." There's a recording of True Father singing this song at the Cheongyeong website where the title is translated "The Void." This song is also found at CanaanStation under Music, Album Titles, 1991, 2월 11.

Hyo Jin Nim did not write this song, yet he sings it here beautifully—tenderly enough to move one's heart. "Heogong" may be translated both "The Empty Sky" (a poetic, literal rendering) and also "The Void" or "Emptiness" in the Taoist sense of the word. "Emptiness" is the mental state of a Taoist disciple who follows the Tao (meaning original Principle and/or the Creator and Sustainer of everything in the universe). In this respect, to be empty means to have your mind clear of any wishes and ideas not in line with the direction or law of the Creator. The Taoist concept of "Emptiness" is an interpretation of human life as a vacuum to be filled with the radiance of unprincipled desires overcome.

The lyrics of "Heogong" speak of sending sad memories of regret, or of a broken heart, off to the void of the empty sky. In Hyo Jin Nim's message of February 24, 2007 (above), he requested that any brother or sister who has lingering grudges against him to drop them. In response to this request, perhaps we can visualize sending any resentments that we may still harbor against Hyo Jin Nim away to the great void of the empty sky, to be lost there, forever forgotten. Wouldn't it also be great if a simple process such as this would serve as a way to fully cleanse Heavenly Father of His grief over His lost children.

The following translation of "Heogong" from Korean into English (as well as part of the above notes related to Taoism) are by Tahnil Moon and are used with permission.



"Vast Emptiness" by Katryn Szoka image source

허공 Heogong "The Empty Sky / The Void" I thought I was dreaming, but much regret remains Waiting, my heart was in flames, for he (she) is so far away A heart of love, a loathsome heart Will only become a sad story if buried in the empty sky Days past are days to be forgotten Days to be buried in the empty sky I thought I'd forget, but much regret remains I tried to soothe a broken heart, for he (she) is so far away A throbbing heart, a heart that waited and waited Will only become a sad story if buried in the empty sky A promise wasted is a thing to forget: A promise to be buried in the empty sky.

Hyo Jin Nim's Website and Song "Canaan Station"

On December 15, 2007, Hyo Jin Nim's website CanaanStation http://www.canaanstation.com/ opened.

At CanaanStation, find recordings of Hyo Jin Nim songs from his albums, lots of photos, videos of some of his band's concert tours, documentaries he produced, and much more.

When you open this website, you hear the tune of one of Hyo Jin Nim's songs, "Canaan Station."

To listen to Hyo Jin Nim sing this song, go to the website CanaanStation, choose Music, and then from the 1991 Album Titles, choose Beat the Devil Out of You; then choose 01. Canaan Station, the first song of this album.

Please watch the following video of Hyo Jin Nim singing "Canaan Station" with English translation. To do so, click this link http://tinyurl.com/dypr8s.

To watch a video of Hyo Jin Nim singing "Canaan Station" with Japanese translation, click this link.

The English translation of this song, transcribed below, comes from the DVD of Hyo Jin Nim's Concert in Japan 1992.



"Christ Carrying the Cross" by H. Bosch Art Source and enlargement http://tinyurl.com/cfjvw

Canaan Station

My dream, flying far away from me, come fly back and tell me. Tell me that pain and separation of yesterday have been tossed away to a place of no return. That people's harsh tongues will fade away, and they will follow with desperate wishes. Please lead us, our souls shivering and fragile, until we see the end of this world. The hunger of yesterday is gone forever with the past suffering. Embracing the whole blue sky I will follow. I will follow my beloved one. The hunger of yesterday is gone forever with the past suffering. Embracing the whole blue sky I will follow. I will follow my beloved one.



True Parents' Coronation as King and Queen of Blessed Families In this photo (a detail) showing True Parents entering the hall on February 6, 2003, Hyo Jin Nim is following right behind them.



This photo of Hyo Jin Nim attending True Parents (a detail) and additional photos of this glorious occasion are from this group.

In the illustrated FFWPU report of the events of February 6, 2003, we read:

Additional Excerpts from Hyo Jin Nim's sermons



This photo comes from this video.

Hyo Jin Nim's words in this Sunday morning message, "Quality of Life" August 19, 2007:

To me, the greatest thing that can define the quality of life for me is how much love I do have, how much love can I give and how much love can I get. That is the ultimate thing that will determine the quality of life for me. So you ask yourself how much you can give. Are you being loved by others? How much? God will judge you in the end. The thing is, don't waste time judging each other about that kind of silly stuff, but focus on what you can do. ... When you're young, you think you can play around. Okay, so be it, but in the end, you've got one life. That's all you have. You want to play with it? So okay with it. It's up to you. It's a pain in the butt process, learning where to get right, when there's so much crap out there that is luring you, dragging you, and pulling you from here to there to whatever, all over the place. I'm sure that you face that stuff each and every day and that you feel that pressure, but it is not a game. Okay? You make that call, and you make that answer, and you're going to stand by it because no one else will. ❖



Hyo Jin Nim and Yeon Ah Nim on their March 20, 2007 visit to the Chungshim Graduate School of Theology

Photo of Hyo Jin Nim speaking March 20, 2007 at Chungshim Graduate School of Theology

On June 1, 1992, Hyo Jin Nim said:

I myself have many difficulties. How can I take care of other people with their many problems? Well, God is doing it and He has been doing it for a long time. He has given total love and walked a path of absolute sacrifice. You must also go the path of True Love and sacrifice for others. Only then can you stand in the presence of God. There is just no other way. ❖

True God's Day Year Eight of Cheon Il Guk



This photo of several members of True Family, a detail, was taken shortly after True Father completed the banner of the 2008 Motto to the midnight gathering of True God's Day 2008. From left to right: Hyun Jin Nim, Hyo Jin Nim, True Father, True Mother, Kook Jin Nim, Sun Jin Nim and Hyung Jin Nim. Log in at this link to view the entire picture at the Cheongyeong website.

Here are True Father's words on True God's Day 2008 (coming both from a transcription and from a PeaceTV video with English translation, located in this video at 128:16–134:31/186:33):

Now I will put forth Mother, and I can set up any of my sons to become church leaders. ... They are fully capable to carry out that task.

[... Looking over to the True Children, seated nearby, True Father asks:] What about you who sit in the front seats? What are you to me? What is your relationship to me? Do you not call me "Father"? Do you, or do you not!

I could make you all presidents of nations, but that is not what I want you to become. Rather, you should raise the people and be able to become an ancestor who can shed light to the history of that nation. I'd rather that you become the heirs or representatives of the peace—that is, to understand the hopes and desires that I have had up till this time.

Don't say that you come and represent me in front of people. You should live cleanly as I have instructed you. That's the best way for you to take on my mission. ... You need to inherit the tradition of a president who can make God's tradition grow forever in a nation. ... You can be an ancestor who can be praised by your descendants. ... I hope that you can become such people. ... Become 50 nations, 120 nations, still clinging to one another. ... Don't worry if you have to take charge of the nations of the Abel United Nations. God has prepared everything for you. ...

You have to be able to save those people who are on the way to hell and take them out of hell. ... True Parents have now given this appointment and promise. ❖



A photo of Hyo Jin Nim during his 2006 Japan Concert Tour An enhanced detail of Number 16 of 33 photos at Canaan Station

Farewell to Hyo Jin Nim!

On March 21, 2009, Rev. Michael Jenkins wrote to our World Family concerning the unexpected early ascension of Hyo Jin Nim, saying:

Father and Mother encouraged us all to know that this was liberation and release and that Hyo Jin Nim is a son of filial piety and loyalty. Father and Mother offered their son to Heaven as an offering with sincere heart to advance the world providence to save humanity. ❖



Hyo Jin Nim and Yeon Ah Nim (a detail) from this FFWPU Korea group True Parents' Birthday February 12, 2008

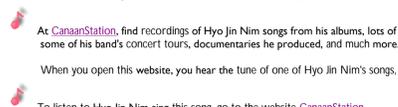


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Somewhere Over The Rainbow

As noted above, Hyo Jin Nim sometimes performed the song "Over the Rainbow."

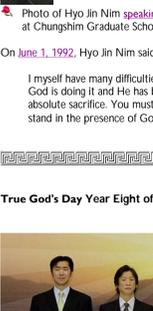
In this Peace TV report of True Mother and Hyo Jin Nim's visit to Kenya, True Mother said to a youth choir:

You sang very well. True Mother did many world tours, and in one city in America a 2nd gen choir performed, and True Mother gave a name [to this choir] "Sun Hak", from Father's and Mother's names, so they carry True Parents' name all over the world, like the crane that migrates everywhere. Also in Japan I gave name "Il Hak" to the 2nd gen choir. So here in Kenya, I want to give [this choir the name] "Sun Hak Choir of Kenya". ❖

Shortly after this, Hyo Jin Nim said:

My mother spoke about the crane flying so high and to many places, so I want to sing a song that fits that message. "Somewhere over the rainbow..." ❖

Here's Israel Kamakaziwole singing "Somewhere Over the Rainbow" on YouTube http://tinyurl.com/dkbtq9



At this link, choose Photo and then 2005 Japan Concert Tour, print 31/69

Here's an excerpt from Hyo Jin Nim's Sunday Morning message, given at Belvedere on March 2, 2008:

What are we learning in this life? Find yourself, okay? And die well. Because you don't live that long.

And I hope that you want to be good, okay? Because we can learn from each other, okay?

Find good, find you, and die well. ❖



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Dearest Elder Brother Hyo Jin Nim,

we send you our love and best wishes along your way!

If ever we hear voices singing from heavens, we'll wonder if we're hearing from you and if that's your song!



The Ceiling of Manhattan Center's Hammerstein Ballroom restored in 1997  
photo from p. 28 of the [September 1997 Unification News](#)

