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This is the year of the fatherland and the era of peace kingdom, that is why we proclaimed all this things. If you go to fatherland without knowing and understanding these things you will be caught. Please understand these completely and as the sons and daughter of God, put your effort in practicing and bring these words into action.

Since we are all one family, you have to be able to convey this message to others, so that they can be able to proclaim these message, like Heungjin nim, make this into a message, so that can be a reality.

The age to believe in this reality has passed and new is the age we have to know this reality. That is why we have to know the content of the message from Heungjin nim, which will decide whether you are going to shine bright heaven or the dark hell. Therefore you must not hesitate in going into the road. You yourself must know where to go, and there is no excuse for not going. You must be able to make the decision whole heartedly, and raise your life style on the Fatherland.

So with this resolution and determination, even though I have mentioned it many time but you are reading these messages in the beginning of this year, so that we can make a great leaps and a revolution of hearts. You know that bodydominate the heart and

unconscious, now your heart and consciousness must overcome the body, which was under the dominion of Satan, and be able to connect in unity with God.

Since God is able to stand in the position of authority. He may now settle all the environment and factors around him.

This was reported correctly and acutely, and if there are not correct, what Heungjin nim said is a lie. The even True Parents will be caught because of that lie. The greatest of all treasures in unification families is being able to receive the messages from the spirit world. All the fact that God has discovered on earth you must understand completely.

For that to happened the revolution of heart as the revolution of conscious must take place externally and internally, so that your mind and body can be absolutely one and united, and so you can live a life for the sake of others centering on God’s tradition, connected to God’s Love, Life and Blood lineage...

With out these words from the spirit world it’s kingdom can not be accomplished. When you are awake, during meals, when sleep during your dreams, you have to be able to understand this things with joy, break down the walls in the spirit world and be able to stand as the sons and daughters of liberated God. Standing in that liberated position in front of God, you can become the patriot, filial sons and daughters, saints and divine sons and daughters. You must be able to go beyond every things that father indemnified for the restoration. Only when you can stand in that position, you can become the prince and princess of the culture of heart. Amen.

Do you understand?

The greatest treasure of the unificationist is to be able to know the reality of the spirit world and its position in front of physical world. As far as to be able to listen to the message from the spirit world. This is not a dream; this is a true reality if you can know these things! With God’s providence and fire great saints from the spirit world, Heungjin nim is going to report to convey the reality and progress of the spirit world...

We reached the level of the revolution of consciousness and beyond that is the revolution of heart. Finally all the millions of the barriers and boundaries which were the obstacles and blocking my path, can be destroyed 8 When you are going to spirit world, do not say, True Parents? Why am i here? That will be a legal time, where everything is governed by law and principles and because of this God could not forgive Adam and Eve for the mistake. If God could compensate that law, his love would also be compensated. Therefore God has gone through Providence facing all hard ships, troubles and sufferings unremittingly. Even though his son was died in the cross, still he has to go that way.

Now as I am in the position of son to God, with the authority of prince and princess, I take responsibility for all the things which was left behind as well as the responsibility of all the blessed families going over the line of death. do you understand? I am advising you about these things to you, therefore please become the prince and princess of the revolution of heart. It is not about the revolution of conscience, with this you can not unite your mind and body. Your mind and body still struggle, didn’t they? Mind and body have to be one. Man and woman have to be on the sake of each other and be able to stand in the position of sons and daughters to inherit that kingdom for thousand of years. And give birth to sons and daughters who are even better than that 8 Do you know how vast is the spirit world? A trillion larger than our entire galaxy, it is unlimited infinite universe that God has created. Do you want to live in spirit world’s hometown where God lives or you want to live in a place which is larger than that of father’s? Do you all want to live together with father? Then you have to live in a place greater than that of father? God is the

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**I speech in the Grand Hall in the Palace at Cheong Pyong Heaven and Earth Train¬ing Center.** Children, young men, young women, you will talk a little bit. Actually, I never liked to talk that much. When I was young and could not talk freely, eat what I liked, then I had to do so, many indemnity conditions. Restor¬ing everything was so difficult. To say that I am a happy man, true father and king, True Father was not free. So many who live thinking that I can do anything I want, free sex, alco¬hol, etc. they will die. Those who live sacri¬ficing so many times, almost dying, they will live.

God was never able to stand as king. Because of the fall, he could not stand in that position. No one had true family or nation to value. Lost because of the fall. Think about this. This kind of day is enjoyable isn’t it? (True Father begins clapping and every¬one claps in. True Father starts to dance.

People say that we do everything we like. If we forget everything and start dancing what would happen? I would be a good singer, but now I am old and I am embarrassed.

The era of peace king¬dom. It was proclaimed, not declared. Do you like a proclamation or a declaration? The contents of this proclamation are spreading. We need a new constitution. We need to make new God’s couples. Please listen to me today!

God’s fatherland and the peace king¬dom. It may sound like a dream, but know that we are entering an amazing age. This is a war, True Father taught you, and if you follow we cannot close the gates. If you hear this for the first time, sit up straight and listen well. The first will be last and ... Say amen with this kind of heart.

When Korea is liberated that will be good. Some thought will not welcome this. Some will try to be presidents. Some will good. Some though will not welcome this. All false. There is no such thing. Is your mind and body struggling? If unity, then can we welcome the fatherland with tears.

There was an appointment with Bush, I did not go. There is an ignorant farmer in Brazil as president now. He wanted to meet with me, but I would not go. When they apologize I might meet them.

The Nobel Prize was given, but some say it is not fair. They said they would have had to put the Nobel Prize on a plane and go to London. We can replace them with people regis¬tered in Korea. The law of the fatherland will be developed, the laws are not human¬ist, and there will be no sympathy here. If you become True Parents yourself, is there something that I did not teach you? We are all masters of Cheon Il Guk. God has allowed this, it is your country. If no fall then center¬ing on your lineage, unity would have come.

There will be a purge on God’s order, and evil will be cleansed. There will be no sympathy. All the peace ambassadors are un¬able to teach all the great people of the world. Can the Kingdom of God be declared or not? If you don’t believe we should go to the established churches.

At the UN GA, if this is decided then every single human being can put them on a plane and go to Ichon. We can replace them with people regis¬tered in Korea. The law of the fatherland will be developed, the laws are not human¬ist, and there will be no sympathy here. If you become True Parents yourself, is there something that I did not teach you? We are all masters of Cheon Il Guk. God has allowed this, it is your country. If no fall then center¬ing on your lineage, unity would have come.
Father's Historic Proclamation Concerning the Peace Kingdom

On January 3, Rev. Kwak gave a profound report on the IIPC and the work of Father for the last 40 years leading up to the reunification of Korea. Rev. Kwak was very direct as to how Father worked through this moment in a very consistent manner for the last few decades. Father did not just begin inter-faith work but is the recognized world leader and the one who has the trust of the major religious leaders. That’s why the current leader of the United Nations, Tony Kim Jong Il, gave an award to True Father, and in his speech he said that Tony has become the only representative of South Korea to the Peace Motors. One famous Christian, Rev. Moon, who is the only representative of the Peace Motors, said that the current leader of Korea doesn’t know what it is doing. They don’t understand North Korea.

I have been to North Korea seven times. We, the United Nations, did not understand North Korea. I was the only representative of the United Nations. Japanese members —this was a warning you must not miss this opportunity. Everything starts on the foundation of God’s Fatherland. If you miss this opportunity then Satan will be free to work as he has been doing. The current leadership of Korea doesn’t know what it is doing. They don’t understand North Korea.

In 1948 Korea was liberated and formed a nation again with the cooperation of the United States. In 1948 Korea was liberated and formed a nation again with the cooperation of the United States. With the ceremony of the Coronation of Jesus Father held a lottery and gave many things away. It was totally exciting. Then suddenly at the end he began to give the historic summary. The atmosphere became hushed with focused attention.

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The first, second and third Israel will become one nation as the fourth Israel. This will be the era of the Peace Kingdom. We will now enter an era of great transition. All the refugees will throw away all their possessions and move to the nation of God’s kingdom. Until this time all your possessions are fake possessions as they can’t be recognized by God. You must offer everything to God through True Parents and then all your possessions and more will be given to

the fulfillment of all the providence of God. This Peace United Nations must have a body. That body is the unified 1st, 2nd and 3rd Israel into the fourth Israel.

With that kind of subjective standard and the pure blood lineage and the pure love organs the safe settlement of mankind will be realized.

All Japanese members must go through True Parents because the peace in this world is the perfect kingdom of God. Then they will be able to unite all religions and go beyond this. This will be done through all religions offering the way through the Cheon Il Guk Holy Wine and Holy Salt to change the blood lineage and to sanctify all possesssions so that all may be claimed by God. Then with this foundation all can be claimed by God through every religious race and people. That nation that can be the offering of all humanity and all things before God is Cheon Il Guk (the Kingdom of God on Earth). Now the total living offering must be completed and offered not in the name of the church but in the name of God.

The True Parents will perfect the first, second and third Israel and through this process will perfect the realm of the fourth Israel. This all was to originally occur in 1992. During this 20 years all the family must complete 3 generations of blessed family. You must achieve this in 20 years from 1992 or the 12th year of Cheon Il Guk. This is the year 2012. The foundation for this must be realized by 2007 and then through the years 2008 – 2012 your family must be perfected in heart. This will be the era of great transition. All the refugees will throw away all their possessions and move to the nation of God’s kingdom. Until this time all your possessions are fake possessions as they can’t be recognized by God. You must offer everything to God through True Parents and then all your possessions and more will be given to
As we now enter the 37th True Parents Victorious Course of Cheon Il Guk on behalf of Dr. Yang and the whole American family and movement we wish to express our total gratitude to God and our True Parents. We also wish to thank Rev. Kwak our international Chairman, Rev. Hwang the FPFWU International President and Dr. Walsh of IPPFWF for the work that led to True Parent's victorious conclusion of this year. Dr. Yang and I also wish to convey our heartfelt gratitude to our America Family and our Regional Directors, our Vice Presidents Vice Regional Directors and leaders of all major organizations. Most of all we wish to sincerely thank all Blessed Central Families for repeatedly rising to the challenge to unite with God's providence which has now created the realm of the Fourth Israel and the Era of the Peace Kingdom.

We began this year with True Parents having successfully completed the 33 year course of Jesus Ministry in the United States and on that basis they bestowed all that they possessed to humanity. Based on the foundation of the 3000 blessings and subsequent Interreligious and international blessings, as well as the Cloud of Witnesses, True Father asked that the Cross be taken down to end the historic tension between the North and South. Then Father called upon the families to become representatives of that body as they were assembled with the 7200 from the three primary nations.

On February 6th True Parents held the "Holy Marriage Blessing Ceremony of the Heavenly Father and the People of Heaven and Earth and the Coronation of the King[and Queen] of the Blessed Families" This was the third stage of the Blessing and representatives of that body were assembled with the 7200 from the three primary nations.

In the second stage National level blessing all blessed families were forgiven and became conditionally pure subjects of Heavenly Father. This allowed the families to reign in the Kingdom as Blessed Central Families. This opened the way for True Father to offer the Coronation of the King's Ringship on January 13, 2001. This was a central turning point in God's providence and gave Heavenly Father full authority as substantial king over all humanity. This means that from the point of the Coronation ceremony the authority and power of goodness will continue to rise while the authority and power of evil will absolutely decline. This rise of goodness is now irreversible however the speed with which goodness is manifested in all people is dependent upon how rapidly we fulfill our portion of responsibility.

The third blessing (Cheon Il Guk Blessing) is a world level blessing. The third Cheon Il Guk blessing of February 6th on True Mother's birthday, came upon the grace given by the burning ceremony of October of 2002 on True Children's Day at that time Father changed the Family Pledge to begin with "As Owners of Cheon Il Guk..." This also allowed True Parents to select additional number of families to be representative of "Owners of Cheon Il Guk" and receive True Parents direct inheritance. This also gave us the right to "be born" as the new Adam and Eve couple and could register in a way that signified our receiving our "birth certificate".

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To prepare for this year the leaders of our movement engaged in a 50 day work shop at Cheong Pyeong Heaven and Earth Training Center to prepare for the year of 2003. This led to the Cheon Il Guk Activity in which 2400 representatives from Korea, Japan and America came to unite with True Parents and set the condition to protect and secure the Fatherland which at that time was under historic tension between the North and South. Then Father called upon the families to become representatives of that body as they were assembled with the 7200 from the three primary nations. To prepare for this year the leaders of our movement engaged in a 50 day workshop at Cheong Pyeong Heaven and Earth Training Center to prepare for the year of 2003. This led to the Cheon Il Guk Activity in which 2400 representatives from Korea, Japan and America came to unite with True Parents and set the condition to protect and secure the Fatherland which at that time was under historic tension between the North and South. This Cheon Il Guk activity allowed the families to return to their hometowns in Korea as Father was returning to his hometown." Externally this protected the Holy Land and secured the course toward the establishment of the sovereign nation of God. Internally the proclamation that True Parents are the King of all Blessed was proclaimed in every village of the Fatherland. All Blessed Families could be secured. On this basis the Family Party was established in Korea as the foundation for the education of the leaders of the Era of God on earth. Unfortunately, we as Blessed Central Families, did not fulfill our responsibilities forth the substantial Kingdom that should have welcomed the King of all Blessed Families. Therefore indemnity was needed to return to Cheon Il Guk. Then upon Father's return to America the world wide tensions that should have been resolved through the cooperation of the Interreligious and the International leaders led to the outbreak of war which was not the desire of heaven. Father himself paid maximum indemnity on our behalf. We must really repent at this time when we think that Father's sickness was a desperate battle that was fought both on a life risking physical level and in an internal life or death spiritual struggle. While Father was fighting against all odds to reverse the course toward a global war which could spill over into a world wide religious war. Father kept the 5 am schedule without fail and slowly and painstakingly over an 80 day period Father overcame and became renewed. This set the condition to forgive all for our shortcomings and reverse the path toward global religious war. We must realize the necessity for True Father to offer the Coronation of heaven.

From the time of this immense suffering Father called upon the Christians to remove their crosses ending the era of blood shed and proclaiming the era of life centering on the resurrection of Jesus. This was done on Good Friday, April 2003. 123 Churches took down their crosses. Father then directed them to take this condition to the Holy Land and to bury the cross there. At the same time he directed that theological conferences be held with black theologians to lay the theological and intellectual sound and solid grounds for the end of the era of the cross. Major Black theologians to our great surprise and joy stepped forward affirming the end of the era of the cross. This protected the movement to end the cross.

On May 1st True Parents ended the indemnity course and began a new public ministry. During May Father accomplished amazing historical victories on the foundation of the indemnity that he paid. He gave a series of landmark messages at the morning Hoon Dok Hae. 47积极的推进了和平的进程。在天父的引领下，教会长老会继续更新了在各国的教会。2003年3月，天父在耶路撒冷举行的圣灵降临节上向以色列高层领导人宣读了声明。天父向他们宣布了在2003年5月1日的真父母圣职结束时，将实行的赦免政策。这标志着圣灵降临节的结束，并开始了新的时代。在此次圣职结束时，真父母将赦免所有的教会领袖和教会成员，为建立新的时代和新的教会奠定了基础。
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so? Parents always want their sons and
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When we began the Chungpyung provi-
dence. True Father said that it is the restored 
and perfected Garden of Eden. Father instructed that in this perfected Garden, mankind be creat-
ed as well. To do this, I had the opportu-
nity to look at the spiritual world from hell to heavenly kingdom and my responsibility was to know everything about the spiritual world.

It took me three years to know about Satan and evil correctly. To help the people in this training center in order to be perfected, I made the indemnity condition and I went to spiritual world.

I felt so much pain when I looked at the spiritual world and the physical world. Originally we were created to live in Paradise and the heavenly King-
ror, but it is not. Evil realm develop-
ed so strongly and even took over the
paradise, and so almost 80% of the 
spiritual world is under the evil and Satan. Such a world this place has become, it is a very strong world in its own, and you can think this way. When you see even a small light there you would run for it, with this you can feel how people are in spiritual world.

True Parents are on earth right now. We are on earth and as we are attend-
ing them we know how precious they are. But more than that if you see True Parents in the spiritual world, they appear with a greater value... Then we realize that how well we should attend them.

Even though True Parents made a
blessed, 180 and 430. All the nations must do this. The age has come when they must come to Korea to be blessed. How many generations of people are separating? It won’t make one unified world. Can the 7 nations be united in the era of the Peace Kingdom? It’s no problem. One family, one world.

You have to know this well. You have to go on the front line and make the preparation. The embassies have been built. The nations centered on Korea, embassies of all the nations and islands and continents will be created. All the neighbors of Korea. The peninsula will become the gateway to the world. We gathered many leaders yesterday in Cholla. Before they opposed True Father but now they want Cholla to become special area, now they unite. No, all the ancestors of the spirit world have come together to repent for killing Jesus. Now all the Israels can be connected centered on Korea. They have been liberated. Now we have the proclamation of God’s Fatherland in the era of the Peace Kingdom. Everything that I am saying is being sent to CIA, saying that True Father will bring down America.

You have to sell your house to bring into this age. True Father has to proclaim the Father’s will. The first three generations must understand, even the blessed families will be reborn and become together to bring in the Peace Kingdom.

Some of the tasks that we must do: Fulfill the family pledge, live up to the name of an owner of Cheon Gi Buk. All must be one, mind and body. h/w, p/c. Centered on the blood lineage, the gates of heaven will open. The whole problem is that you must go past the first gate. This is why Jesus said to the 7 nations, but I cannot announce them now. The first generation, the completion of the family pledge has come about. Only on this can we stand on the foundation for the Cheon Il Guk Holy Wine and become as the second generation to complete the family pledge. This is completion and liberation of the heavenly family.

Next, are we the only ones to perfect this? With new holy salt and new holy wine, we must liberate the Cain type world. By using this we will complete the long hong kyok pa. We must bless and purify those who do not know the family pledge.

Next, we must make the safe settlement of pure love, life and body. What is a pure love department? We have to completely separate this life and body. You must never forget, purity before marriages, fidelity in marriage, protect your blood lineage, the 3 generations of your lifetime, even up to the 4th gen. You must complete their blessing.

Next make the age of the total and complete harmony. Restore your family and true love. Rev. Walsh, Walsh, reconciliation and official ceremonies of blessings and purification. All blessed families must put these things together.

Number 5, the confirming of True Father’s words, the confirmation ceremony. We must understand and act to pass the first generation can confirm and hand down the words. How many volumes? 400, you must remember. All of you, let them pass them down to each generation. The son and grandson must inherit from the father’s words, the conferment ceremony. You must complete their blessing.

In this book, the articles of the heavenly constitution are in this book. How much is 400 volumes? 6M won. 400 volumes must become your family treasures. 7.8 M won plus 30%. Round off to 10 M won for the 400. Rev. Kwak? This must be confirmed to your lineage. How much? We have so many people from around the world, let’s decide. Who says 7 who took charge? And so, this money.

This money offered belongs to True Parents, not the church. With that money we must build the heavenly ministers, roads and schools. This is a sacred offering, don’t deceive. Use a portion of your salary to give this money. Do not deceive. Hand out some paper and make every one sign and give their addresses, for your sons and daughters. Write your ancestors, so that this can be handed to your descendants. So no other factions can come from your lineage. If any other factions, then you must fulfill this task. Work together to fulfill this.

So it is fixed at 10M won. 30% more than cost. In America and Japan, those costs must be paid in the 400 volumes in Korea. So this offering will last tens of thousands of years, and these volumes will not be destroyed, then the kingdom of God will never perish. As more time is spent in HME, there spirit will rise. Number 6 is that all things begin from God’s Fatherland. Forget everything, burn everything of the past. Don’t be proud of the things you did in the past. You can be proud of only things you do in the future. True patriots and saints. True Father is closing the doors to all others, he is opening the gates to the Kingdom of heaven.

Number 7 is unification of mind and body. This is going in reverse. Starts with family pledge and ends in mind and body unification. You can end with the fulfillment of family pledge, but it must be fulfilled. All things must be united in accord with your mind, set up the determination to be in the position of prince and princess in front of God.

True Father is handing down these words to you all. Please pass it on to your descendents and then God’s kingdom will last forever and ever. Everything will finally be perfected and completed. God’s Fatherland is a dispensation of God, that is the peace kingdom. Give thanks and be grateful, stand without shame before heaven and earth. Do not become the kind of sons and daughters that only cry for themselves.
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eaders who attended the web-
cast with True Parents in Korea on December 22nd expressed
how deeply serious Father was then.
Father, who was so deeply relieved
and happy. One leader told me that
each and every day for two weeks before
the rally, Father was very serious and
tense. He held Hoon Dok Hae strictly
and didn’t speak often but
only had the Hoon Dok
reading of God’s words.
This was a most impor-
tant crossroad in Human
History. The condition has
now been sealed that
the chosen people of Israel
embraced and welcomed
Jesus and moved him as the
King of Peace. This
revolution all that occurred
2000 years ago. On that
basis Muslims, Christians
and Jews will unite as
“God’s” chosen people to
form a new covenant
that of the Fourth Israel.

The joy at the God’s Day
celebration was immense. Rev. Kwok’s,
Rev. Hwang’s and Dr. Yang’s reports on the Holy
Land were each unique and
overwhelming with power and confirmation
that the fulfillment of all
scriptures has now occurred.
Once the root
cause of enmity is solved
we must walk ahead with
faith and we will see the
transformation occur. We
are overwhelmed by the
transformation we see in
Gaza, Ramallah and
Jerusalem in Jews, Mus-
lims and Christians on
all sides. It is very real.
We know that behind
this victory was God’s
6000 years of unchang-
ing heart to save human-
ity and True Parents’
kindness and conditions
to restore the True Fam-
ily.
Also the work of IFPWP
laid the foundation for excellent Ambassador
for Peace who would be ready when God called
them.

Most importantly the
unity of Rev. Jh (Midcst
Continental Director), Dr.
and Mrs. Abe, Hod, Miri,
Mr. and Mrs. Nonaka, Tal,
Addi and all IFPWP members there
and especially the sacrifice of the Japanese
volunteers who were carrying the Holy Spirit
through tears and prayer. God is a mag-
nificent God sent leader so much so
that I would like to encourage you when
you go to Israel to not only say “Let Go
Let God” but now to also include “Let Go
Let God”. God is working through
our team there. They laid the founda-
tion for the eternal historical corona-
tion that reversed and forgave all
the conditions that occurred 2000
years ago.

Working Heart to Heart in the Holy Land
by Rev. Michael Jenkins

Our Ambassadors for Peace in the
Holy Land are without question the best
in the world. Why? Because they put
all on the line, their reputations, their
lives, their fortunes and their sacred
honor. If we failed in this bold venture
they would be the ones most humili-
ated. They were criticized and scorned
and many were mocked. The skepti-
cism is great because so many Peace
movements have come down a show
and never come back. (We will never
stop this work until the Kingdom comes
first in the Holy Land and then to the

our Jewish Brother
don’t just have 1000
people from all over the world who are
appointed to our Peace Task Force,
and took care of our
people. Our Palest-
inian support team
connected with our
East Jerusalem Out-
quarters) - his wife Marina also aided
many doors. Amir
Esmer Rohana was
unchanging in his
efforts. Samer of
Ramallah opened
doors for us. Amir
our Jewish Brother
moved our hearts
and took care of our
people. Our Palest-
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connected with our
friends. We will keep
our Jewish Brother
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True Parents and Israel

Representatives of
seven nations and
some other Kore-
an members joined True Family in Hannam-dong to
watch the live broadcasting of the events in Israel
through internet on December 22, at 9PM.

On December 23 before hoonddokhae True Parents
cut the cake for the victory in Israel. Then with a short
report from Peter Kim regarding the event in Israel,
True Parents spoke to Rev. Kwok and the members in
Hannam-dong at the same time, giving guidance regard-
ing the providential needs for all the people of the world
including the people of Israel and Palestine.

After the hoonddokhae True Father asked members
to join in singing, in celebrating the victorious event in
Israel.

Fatherland. | Through the consistency
we have established and the amazing
movement of hearts and the work beyond
all boundaries gained respect for heart
to heart throughout Israel especially
and Arab press. The Jewish press is among the toughest
in the world. They were moved and we
appreciated their honest coverage.

There are two many to mention
to cover all the key people but our core
campaign was a fantastic one. Dr.
Elezar and Rachel Glaubach (who was instru-
mental in strategy and conveying a most
powerful endorsement and leadership
as a Jewish Professor and former
Jerusalem City Council Member - Mrs.
Glaubach opened the floodgates to touch
the heart of the Jewish people - she ran
photos, won the day and day relentless-
ly calling all Jewish Community
centers, Mr. Baruch and Shelagh Shevey
and Baron and Baruch and Shelagh led us into the camps of

Right, center right, center and the left.
Father and Mrs. Ahobanab Hatum
of Nazareth (Catholic leader who brought
together 1000’s, Sheikh Rizwan - whose beau-
tiful heart and family moved the heart
of Allah. He is the ideal leader of Islam.
He brought 700 to the rally, Sheik
Ali Birani (Druze leader) who, through
the leaders he organized, brought 141
buses of Muslims, Christians, Jews
and Druze), Dr. Daniel Dana (a Persia
leader who brought 288 Jewish VIP’s to
the rally and another 200 to the follow up
banquet) - his wife Marta also aided
with the Russian community, Rabbi
BID and his wife (their unchanging
heart was magnificent). Shelley
Elliot, a powerful Israeli - and
Debora Steiner Producer at
Channel One deeply
connected with Mr. Baruch
and Shelagh Shelev Heart to Heart has just begun! Father
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Heart to Heart for the Peace in the Middle East

Peace March, Heart-to-Heart Rally-for-Peace & Peace Candle Ceremony in the Holy Land

Religious, political, NGOs, students and other social representatives from 50 nations of the world with the Israeli and Palestinian citizens, around 30,000 people, gathered at Independence Park in Jerusalem for “Peace Rally” on December 22, 2003. This rally was sponsored by “Interreligious and International Peace Council” under the title: “Heart to Heart for the Peace in the Middle East and the World.”

Rev. Chang Shik Yang, chairman of the rally said “We have respect for each of the various faiths. Rev. Moon is working beyond all denominations for world peace.”

Rev. Jenkins, the chairman of the IFWP USA said: “Today Jesus will be welcomed by his family and honored by his people. This will remove the curse that has divided the children of God. On this foundation, in the midst of tears and so much sorrow, it is because we truly believe that we can only happen through true love. What is True Love? The Founder of today’s gathering, Dr. Sun Myung Moon puts it this way: true love means giving and forgetting that you gave. It means loving not only the people who are close to us, but even our enemies. If we cannot forgive, if we cannot love, we can never unite.

Two Jewish representatives approached yellow armchairs on a platform in Jerusalem’s Independence Park. The Jewish man bowed and placed a silver crown on one seat. The woman beside him placed a robe on the other.

After the religious candle ceremony, a Christian clergyman then approached yellow armchairs on a platform in Jerusalem’s Independence Park.

Two Muslims then gave a Jew a present. Two months ago we rallied for peace. But what is the barrier that divides us, blocking the road to peace? It is fear. And what is the only antidote to fear? It is true love. What is True Love? The Founder of today’s gathering, Dr. Sun Myung Moon puts it this way: true love means giving and forgetting that you gave. It means loving not only the people who are close to us, but even our enemies. If we cannot forgive, if we cannot love, we can never unite.

Two months ago we rallied for peace at the United Nations. Two days ago we were in Gaza. Today we are here in Jerusalem and tomorrow we will be in Ramallah. Wherever we go the message is the same. We must tear down the walls that separate us! We must stop the bloodshed! We must stop the violence! We must put aside our fears and prejudices and learn the ways of peace.

So I urge you, my dear brothers and sisters, to leave this rally a changed person. Look around you at everyone who is here. Are we not all the same? Don’t we share the same hopes and ideals for our children? If we can make peace here in Jerusalem, we will be sending out a message of hope to the world that the time has come to build an eternal Kingdom of Peace starting from today.”
Dr. Yang, Rev. Jenkins and a group of Christian ministers and American Muslim Imams went to meet with Grand Mufti Ekrima Sa’id Sabri of Palestine, and three of his assistants to ask his blessing on the December 22 rally for peace. After an hour of talk with his assistants, who invited the three thousand ministers coming from America and the world to come to the Al Asqa Mosque during the rally, the Grand Mufti himself gave his warm blessing on the march and rally, and encouraged all Muslims to attend and support it.

After serving us tea, and talking about many of the serious issues of peace and conflict that face the world, Imam Dr. Erma Sa’id Sabri, Grand Mufti of Jerusalem and the Holy Land, and chief of the Scholastics coming from America and the world to come to the Al Asqa Mosque during the rally, the Grand Mufti himself gave his warm blessing on the march and rally, and encouraged all Muslims to attend and support it.

Both bowed repeatedly as spectators. The ceremony was designed partly to convey the idea of the participants that the Jewish and Muslim communities have been living in a better position to reach reconciliation.

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For removing barriers of fear and open the hearts, and this way end foundations of religious hatred, national and ethnic hatred in the Middle East and also elsewhere i.e. Kashmir, East Timor, Balkans, Philippines etc.

So please regard your efforts as sacred missions, which you anyway do, mainly relationship to that pilgrimages to the area, since we do witness the beginning of spiritual change within the nations that dwell in the Holy Land.

This change leads no doubt the so desired and necessary spiritual transformation among political leaders and the nations concerned.

We do realize that our hearts shout strongly when we think of the seeds of hope you are planting here around; so please again don’t lose momentum because the chance is enormous that due to your pilgrimages and your activities when you are here more things change. Please, then, come in masses and quick! And we stand by you forever like always.

A Christian clergyman then placed two thick candles on a low table in front of the yellow chairs. “The prophet Muhammad, peace be upon him, is now recognized as God’s prophet,” Mr. Jenkins said. “We believe in Muhammad.”

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M y brother lived in Edat on the south east of Israel for 3 years, yet I am the only member of my extended family that has ever visited Israel. In fact, I never really desired to go to Israel until I suddenly heard about the first pilgrimage in May 2003. The trip was very selective (only ministers who had taken down their crosses were invited). However, I was so single minded and felt such a purpose driven focus that both Bishop Kt Hoon Kim and Rev. Jenkins approved my participation. I brought along a guest who was a Copt Christian professor of religion from Egypt. (Did you ever think that Egypt, being converted by one of the disciples, was a Christian nation for 700 years until Mohammed converted the population to Islam?) Professor El Mallakh is a wonderful professor of World Religions in Chicago who shares a deep level of love with Jesus Christ and has a deep respect for our True Parents.

This first pilgrimage went first to Rome (over which my Austrian Catholic wife was drooling), and after viewing the historic sites from the lives of Peter, Paul, and the early Christians amidst the ruins of ancient Rome, we departed for Eritz Yisrael (Israel).

Our tour primarily focused on the religious shrines: the upper room, the Sea of Galilee, Gethsemane, the empty tomb of Jesus, Bethel, Beatitude, Capernaum, the tomb of David, and the Western Wall. Bethelhem, Nazareth, Jericho, and Jerusalem were the limits and not part of the tour.

Of course the pilgrimage concluded with our interfaith conference (130 Christian ministers, an equal number of Jewish rabbis, academics and social activists and a handful of Imam and Druse leaders. Then for a grand finale lead by Bishop Stallings, a chief Rabbi of Israel, and a Muslim Sheikh, we all signed the Jerusalem Declaration. I felt like my soul was a Colan ancestor (the Priests within the tribe of Levi) were celebrating as I was able to sign the proclamation just after Mr. Abe (the Japanese National Messiah of Israel) had a similar feeling when I approached the Wailing Wall (the closest place that a Jew can stand to the site of the original temple) for the very first time.

Six months later, I have digested some of the meaning of the pilgrimage and was debating how I could attend the December Peace Rally (originally scheduled for the week before our True Family Values Banquet in Chicagö). Then one day around Thanksgiving I got a call from Rev. Jenkins in Jerusalem asking me to come to Israel for the December 22nd rally and bring some Jewish leaders from Chicago. By one miracle of God I was able to be included in the EL Al Chatter flight and before I could even take one deep breath after our December 13th banquet, it was 4 am on December 16th and I was headed to Midway airport in Chicago.

Flash forward to Christmas Eve. I have been back in Chicago a little over 24 hours and I am trying to prepare for tomorrow’s festivities and at the same time beginning to put the pieces together from the last whirlwind 8 days in Israel. So many things happened so fast in those 6 days... almost like all of history passing before your very eyes. There is one thing that really stands out from the level of heart – and that is my own brothers and sisters.

Being in Israel was much like a high school reunion, like God’s Day at the New Yorker. So many of the people that I have known over the past 27 years were there, many of whom I haven’t seen in 10 or 20 years. My teachers, my team captains, my spiritual children, but most of all, my brothers and sisters. And in the midst of all the activity we would all gather (maybe 600 of us) for morning Hoon Dok Hae at Sam every morning and then re-gathered from 8-10pm for reflections every night.

My heart really goes out to those special people in the staff persons who basically were confined to office work and had little chance to leave the 8th floor (I refer to people coordinat- ing and then re-gathered from 8-10pm) for reflections every night.

The park was filled to the rafters as far as he served as the program MC. The program was filled with Israeli music and the incredible Fire Choir from Dimona, the home of the Black Hebrew Community. They sang especially He- nay Matvou Manayem, letting the con- gregation know that it is good that men and women of God can be gathered together in one place. Rev. Schanker looked so handsome in his tuxedo as he served as the program MC.

The park was filled to the rafters as far as the eye could see, especially with the colored hats that had been placed on every seat.

The program was a wonderful blend of peace, repentance, and reconciliation. It ended with the stage being filled with Gibbingtons, Americans, Israelis and Arabs, all standing
I have worked the last three decades building bridges of understanding between religions. For taken cues from Prophet Muhammad, who worked with Christians, Muslims and Jews in Medina (in ancient Arabia), and from my religious leader, Imam W. Deen Mohammed, who started inter-faith work with rabbis and Muslims in the United States in 1975 after dismantling the Nation of Islam and bringing it into true Islam. This fall, my work carried me to Israel. I was a member of a mission team with the American Clergy Leadership Conference and the Interreligious and International Federation for World Peace, organizations that are working to establish an interfaith council at the United Nations and focus religious efforts toward peace in the Middle East. I joined more than 130 other American clergy, rabbis and imams, along with 300 supporters from Europe, Africa, and Asia on the third mission of the clergy conference. We were to march and rally for peace with local Jews, Christians and Muslims in Jerusalem.

As I thought about our mission, I thought about success we have had in Dallas demonstrating unity in Friendship Among Faiths. We start each program with a joint call to prayer in each faith - blowing the Jewish shofar, ringing the Christian bell, and chanting the Muslim adan. Then we lay our holy books together on a table - the Torah, the Bible and the Quran. I suggested to the mission’s organizers that we do the call to prayer for each faith, lay the holy books together and that a rabbi, minister and imam speak on peace from their respective holy books. They enthusiastically agreed, and we worked to make it happen when we got to Israel.

On our first day, we toured the old walled city of Jerusalem. Four of us, including the Rev. Michael Jenkins, president of the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification, set out to pray at two mosques - the Dome of the Rock and Masjid Al-Aqsa. We went straight to the Dome of the Rock and made salat (prayer). I thanked the guards for sending us our beloved Prophet Muhammad and letting me live long enough to visit three Holy precincts - Mecca, Medina and Jerusalem. Then we made Zuhr (noon) prayer at Masjid Al-Aqsa.

One Palestinian brother approached me and said, “See, we have police at our mosque. Why do we have to have police?” I told him, “Do not worry about the police being at your mosque. Prophet Muhammad would never worry about that. He was concerned about pleasing Allah. Go give the police some water. Let him see our Prophet in you.”

He looked at me and said, “Al Hamdulillah,” which means “All praise be to God.”

I felt so blessed. It was hard not to cry. That night at dinner, Mr. Jenkins gave an inspiring message and warning. “We could lose our lives tomorrow during our march but there’s a saying in the Bible, ‘He who seeks to give his life will save it, and he who seeks to save his life will lose it.’ It’s up to Allah now. It’s up to God. And will you march for the one God?”

The next day, our group was joined by local imams, ministers and rabbis, Jews, Muslims and Christians, and we started marching through the city of Jerusalem chanting, “Peace under One God. Shalom, Peace, As-Salaamu Alaikum. Pray for peace in the Middle East.”

The rally carried us all the way to the Dome of the Rock. This time the officers were given instructions to let everybody in without having to recite a verse from the Quran. Inside we chanted, “Shalom, Peace, Sallama Alaikum,” and the Palestinian children and families looked on and said, “Al Hamdulillah.”

After the march, a group of us was invited to the Israeli Knesset in Tel Aviv, where we spoke to members about our mission and shared a Kosher meal.

At Independence Park in Jerusalem that afternoon, more than 1,000 people watched as we addressed all three religions on tearing down the walls of division to work for peace among Israeli and Palestinian people. There was a call to prayer from each faith and readings of peace from the Torah, Bible and Quran. Hebrew Israelis, along with Christians and Muslims, finished the rally singing, “Tear the walls down, we want peace.”

On my way back to America, other clergy and Christians thanked me for helping them with the Arabic translations and working with them as their brother, teaching them about al-Islam. I thank Allah for giving me the example of Prophet Muhammad and Imam Mohammed, to work with people of all religions for the betterment of humanity. The people of Jerusalem were so kind and treated me well. We see ourselves as one Jewish community, one Christian community, and one Muslim community, but I think God wants us to see ourselves as one human community, one with God. Marzuq Abdul Jaami is a member of the Independence Square Interfaith Council and a founder of Friendship Among Faiths.
Jerusalem Pilgrimage Testimony

Pastor Carl V. Rawls

To our leaders and my brothers and sisters, I was blessed to be a participant in the first Pilgrimage to Jerusalem. I believe it is a mission that God has chosen me to do. A mission of spreading love, forgiveness and peace. On the first pilgrimage, we were greeted with guns and hostility. The air was filled with tension and concern. However, on the second pilgrimage, we were met with roses, hugs and kisses from our Japanese missionaries and others. The air was filled with total peace and comfort. My spirit was at peace.

Like the first pilgrimage, it was a privilege to visit the sites in Rome such as Paul’s church, the Sistine Chapel and other places that I had only read about. There was a tremendous blessing to walk in Jerusalem in some of the very paths Jesus walked, visiting Bethlehem, Mt. of Olives, and the Sea of Galilee. Then there was the march. Arm in arm we marched, 500 strong. What a pivotal point in history as we marched together. Christian, Muslim and Jews, together at the Al Aqsa Mosque. Christian, Muslim and Jews (God’s Children) together at the Wailing Wall. Marching together in unity. Such a magnitude had not occurred before. It was unbelievable to see barrier after barrier removed as the heart of those who sought to stop us was soften to allows all religions to respect the holy places and rally together, embracing each other as one family under God. Absolutely amazing! The providence set through the prayers, love and vision of Father and Mother Moon paved the way for this incredible pilgrimage for peace.

Upon returning home from the first mission in May, I saw a report about a bombing in Gaza. I turned to my wife (Marilyn) and said God is going to send me to Gaza. Every time I saw a news report on television concerning Gaza I would say to my wife, I know God is going to send me to Gaza. I turned to my wife and said God is going to send me to Gaza. I don’t know when, but I’m going to have to go. The call to Gaza came during this second pilgrimage. What God had revealed to me in my spirit was coming to pass. Selected as part of a delegation to go into Gaza, there was no fear. God was with us. Detained at the checkpoint for nearly three hours kept us out of harms way as we later learned of a bombing. God was with us. We marched into Gaza with the same determined spirit as if we were still marching 500 strong. There was no fear, only peace. There was a hedge of protection all around us. I knew God sent me there to see all of the destruction so that my heart would become more compassionate like His heart.

This movement of God to bring an end to divisions is real and serious. True Parents vision of reconciliation is remarkable and crucial for human kind. This movement of ACLC under the direction of True Parents to bring peace is a reality. I am living it! I tell the members of my church (Hopewell) that I am living it. I am a part of restoration. This is real! We must have the same type of love in our hearts that Jesus had. Revelation 7:9 says, “After this express how spiritually extraordinary it was for me to meet True Parents. I am truly grateful.

From Selma, down the streets of Jerusalem, to the Wailing Wall, to the Al Aqsa Mosque, (Dome of the Rock) to Gaza, to the UN, Peace, Shalom, Salaam Ailaikam. Peace, Shalom, Salaam Ailaikam.
Dr. Chang Shik Yang

This is the keynote speech delivered by Dr. Chang Shik Yang, Chairman of ACLC, at Union Theological Seminary on November 17, 2003.

In 1976 Rev. Moon called on Americans to globalization. In this regard, back in 1976 Rev. Moon called on Americans to supplant the old America-centered motto, "One Nation under God," with a global consciousness that we are "One World under God." What is important at this point is the change of our consciousness. We are called to be not only Christians but also citizens of a new millennium. The diversity of religious faiths requires this change. We must forget the concept of salvation from the viewpoint of a
THE CROSS RECONSIDERED: HISTORICAL AND THEOLOGICAL PERSPECTIVES

Unification News

Union Theological Seminary Symposium: Rethinking the Viability of the Cross as a Central Christian Symbol

by Rev. Michael Jenkins

T he Cross Reconsidered Conference was held at Union Theological Seminary on November 17, 2003, and was sponsored by the ACLC. The Biblical Institute for Social Change and UTS. Mr. Michael Balmeth opened the conference following a surface overview. Great depth will be the theme of the papers that were presented.

Dr. Cain Hope Felder opened the session framing the dialogue and discussion we were to pursue. Dr. Felder is a professor of Theology and Biblical Literature at Howard University School and a Union Theological Seminar. He first stepped out on this issue when inviting Reverend to Imani Temple to discuss it. Now he sees the ending of the cross and expansion on resurrection as perhaps one of the most significant theological issues facing the church since the reformation. Dr. Chang Shuk Yang is an important paper on the Cross and the relationship with the Middle East crisis. Dr. Yang seriously articulated that one of the problems of the cross is to be found in the rejection of Jesus. He also strongly linked the spirit of the Christian church with what is needed in the resolution of the problem in Palestine and Israel. That is that we must learn to live with our enemies. The eye for an eye principle will only produce more suffering and hatred. This must end. We must do it with love.

Dr. Milton Reid, long-time friend of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. received his doctorate at Boston University. His paper was very rich and yet challenging. He held to the traditional view that we cannot deny the cross as the path to salvation. He stated in his paper however that there might have been another outcome if the people believed in Jesus, however that didn’t occur so we must deal with reality. He also stated that the cross was not first introduced with Jesus but actually was from earlier times an instrument of torture and execution. He now wondered if the cross was introduced by Charlemagne as a tool to conquer others. However the ‘true’ cross is the one that we pack up and follow ourselves. It is the one in which we bear mankind’s sin on their behalf.

Dr. Ronnie McLeod, a professor of NYTheological Seminary gave a presentation on the panel. He strongly advocated the removal of the cross in the creative moment. It is because of man’s faithlessness that the cross came about. Dr. Michael McRory presented his paper dealing with the different paradigms of salvation as given traditionally by Christian theologians. It was a solid analysis and deeply meaningful. Dr. Felder. He commented to me later that the scholarship of the faculty of UTS was excellent. Dr. Andrew Wilson moderated the first session. He has become a scholar who is living his beliefs to the fullest.

The second session was moderated by Dr. Kathy Winings. Dr. Winings sited a book by a very significant Protestant theologian Dr. Douglas John Hall entitled, “The Cross in Our Context: Jesus and the Sulfur World”. In this book he sites that cross was not God’s original intention. These sessions with theological presentations were very significant. Dr. Felder, Dr. Stallings and Dr. Frank Kaufmann were panellists. The program will be reported soon.

Bishop C. Phillip Johnson who received his doctorate from Howard Divinity did a groundbreaking powerpoint presentation on the Message of Jesus, particularly dealing with the cross. It was a historic moment in which the Christian leaders are now seriously moving forward to teach the Principle view. Dr. Jenkins gave a call to action emphasizing that the removal of the crosses from the Christian churches was the key condition that attracted Jewish Rabbis and the other scholars, pastors, professors and students signed. Over 1200 people came to this historic day. The time has come to trade the cross for a crown.
The celebration was held on January 4, 2004 at 7:00 am at the Chungpyung Heaven and Earth Training Center.

Rev. Kwak, as master of ceremonies, explained without the importance of this day saying that originally Adam and Eve should have held their marriage ceremony before God as the son and daughter of God, and become parents. So this would have been the day that the ideal of creation would have been completed. So it could be the day of True Parents and True Children and all humankind could perfect themselves. And this would also signify the Day of All True Things. But because of the fall everything was reversed and the course of indemnity had to be followed.

In this course, beginning with True Children’s Day everything was set up — True God’s Day, True Parents’ Day and the Day of All True Things. Now with the coronation of God’s Kingship and the coronation of the King of the Blessed Families, starting this day we will celebrate God’s Day and 4 other major holidays in one day. Actually if the ideal of creation has been achieved we could not separate other events from the Coronation Ceremony, and so there would be no reason to celebrate them separately.

True Parents and True Children then entered the hall. After lightning the candles, True Father prayed. A prayer of report was offered by Rev. Kwak’s family. After True Father’s short speech, True Parents cut the cake. In his brief message after Pledge Service Father emphasized the follow points:

- Fulfill Total Living Offering.
- Completely purify blood lineage.
- No time to rest.
- Completely take control of your body, even to the point of symbolical cooking it to get rid of Satanic elements.
- Body must be able to resonate with the joy and sorrow of God.
- Stand as representative of True Parents.

If you can understand principles of creation, go beyond limits to achieve a revolution of heart. We must become one with the invisible cosmic True Parents. With God’s omnipotence, He can bring things to pass instantly. You are included in this realm of joy. Stand in front of your ancestors; God’s Kingdom will come. If your mind and body struggles you cannot become the heir (inheritor) to bring this about. Form a protective fence/wall around this ideal. Forget about position in society. Cut away these things. Separate from Satan to create a revolution.

These points are significant:
1. Substantiate a revolution of indemnity
2. Deny your position and possessions; return possessions to the owner. Cultivate your conscience. Through this revolution of indemnity we begin a revolution of conscience.
3. Bring about true love. Life and lineage completely aligned with God’s love. Stand as second self and representative of God, as heir who can inherit the ideal of creation.

Purify the mind so you can accept God’s command, to restore love that was lost to Satan.

On the foundation of liberation of God’s Fatherland, all these things can come about. The only way to claim material possessions and your body is after the revolution of conscience and heart. Only on the foundation of the above points.

3rd Anniversary of the Coronation Ceremony for the Kingship of God
Father, You stood behind mankind with a heart of successfully completing the providence of restoration. With that kind of heart in the spiritual and physical world You yearned for the blessing that was lost due to the fall.

How great was Your suffering and sorrow to be able to deal with that upturned ideal. Ownership was deviated to that of Satan. You had to stand as the king of lamentation. The ideal of love which you could not abandon will unite heaven and earth centering upon You. It has been in Satan's hand, now returning the original position, Evil people who could never stand in the position to relate with You — how painful to overcome that hill. The plain has been reached, the position of Reconciler reached by You. You have worked so hard to the day when we can restore the position of True Parent. We know we must completely connect with your heart to effect restoration. We know the path of restoration you have walked since Adam was to restore this blood lineage.

You have once more reached for that world of light. We know the hard work and suffering You endured to make this possible. We have reached a time of great transition, we are once more working to recreate that which was lost — tribe, nation and world — wanting our families to regain position of God's children. This responsibility is the hands of True Parents, not Yours.

We can right the wrongs. We want to repent for the fact that You had to go through so much suffering. We want to offer such repentance knowing we are not worthy of forgiveness; yet we want to comfort Your heart.

We who are unqualified want to restore the original ideal so You can have a life of joy, Father. The blood lineage was contaminated in a way you never imagined, yet You pioneered through the barriers of pain and resentment.

We really know how great Your sorrow has been on the way of restoring the realm of Abel. We want to offer acceptable conditions of indemnity, find your kingdom on this earth and the kingdom of Cheon Il Guk.
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The early Christians chose the fish as their symbol. In the Catacombs, where the vestiges of the first 3 centuries of Christian worship remain, no cross can be found. The cross was the Roman instrument of punishment for the lowest of criminals. To early believers it represented the tragedy of Christ’s rejection, and the power of evil embodied in those who crucified him; hence, the hymn “The Old Rugged Cross” calls it an “emblem of suffering and shame.”

The cross became a Christian symbol only in the fourth century after Christ, when the Roman emperor Constantine placed the sign of the cross on the shields of his soldiers to give them the victory. It thus became a symbol of Christian conquest, even as he wrenched the church to the power of the state. Tragically, through a history of injustices, forced conversions, and anti-semitic pogroms, this symbol that in us represents the love of God has signified intolerance and hatred to Jews, Moslems, and people of other faiths.

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It is time to ask some searching questions. Is this misuse of the cross an accident of history, or does it reflect some thing inherent in the cross itself, and in the content of Christian teachings about the crucifixion? Do we express the fullness of salvation for all humankind as required by the new pluralist paradigm of Christianity? Is the unchanging love ever for those who reject the victory that Jesus won over sin? Christians have accepted the cross as the victory of the ancient church and research. It is not an easy task to uncover the historical Jesus with the set the condition for new Christian consciousness, transcending the old symbol of the cross, can serve as the guiding light for fulfilling God’s providence for the new millennium.

A Christian believers affirm that Christ died for our sins, that we are redeemed through the atoning power of Christ’s blood shed on the cross; that through faith we can secure eternal life, and by the power of his love he conquered death, and resurrected to dwell in the presence of the Lord for all eternity. It is thus the resurrection that is the substance of our Lord’s victory and the essence of our hope. We call upon all believers to focus upon the victory embodied in the resurrection.

The crucifixion, through which the Lord demonstrated his undying, sacrificial love for us, was at the same time a painful tragedy of faithlessness. The very people whom God prepared for generations to receive him, knew him not (John 1:11). Jesus taught that “...the will of God [is] that you believe on him whom He hath sent” (John 6:29). Clearly, however, Jesus went the way of the cross because of the people’s disbelief. For reasons that Stephen expressed his rejection to the history of faithlessness and persecution of all of God’s prophets, acknowledging that a “stiff-necked people” had “resisted the Holy Spirit,” and that Christ was betrayed and murdered (Acts 3:15-26). We no longer glory to the tragedy of our rejection of him, nor to celebrate his suffering. While mindful of all he has done for us, we proclaim that “He has risen!” He is not on the cross, but has won an eternal victory that he longs to bequeath to all those who abide in him and endure to the end. The cross, then, is not the true symbol for our life of faith.

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BISHOP STALLINGS HAS WRITTEN A FINE BOOK

by Rev. Michael Jenkins

Archbishop Stallings has published a book that is well worth reading. It is entitled, "Am... living in the rhythm of the good woman in the key of g minor. An inspiration that began years ago but through his work with the ACLC it blossomed. They are selling fast all over the country. It is rich with insights from a Christian perspective and that a leader who has now been blessed by True Parents and is leading the way for Christians to establish blessed Central Families. He acknowledges True Parents in the Acknowledgments and quotes Father's words, "It is really great. Some chapters that are so relevant to our work to unify Christianity are "Praying in Your Own Name" as is Old as Methuselah" and "True Love and marriage are made in heaven." True Parents were very happy when the Archbishop presented a copy to them. Bishop Stallings, Bishop C. Phillip John-

12 Diamond Principles taking Root in ACLC Sports League

by Rev. McDaniel

On November 29th we were able to have our second ACLC Sports League basketball fundraiser in Washington, DC. With each action step of the Sports League we are generating a greater movement in the communities that we serve. What makes our league unique is the promotion of the 12 Diamond Principles. The 12 Diamonds are the true truths, values and principles emanating from the Bible and rooted in the teachings of our True Father. The Twelve Diamond Principles of the ACLC Sports League are:

1. There is a God who loves us and sees what we do
2. Faith in God is a vital component of Character development
3. Life is eternal and we are accountable for our actions
4. Humans are physical and spiritual
5. Self-discipline is essential to achieve the full potential of life
6. The crown of a self-disciplined life is spiritual fulfillment
7. Learning to live in peace and harmony with others is a key objective of life and is the foundation of being able to make a lasting happiness in life.
8. Premarital sex and/or sex without commitment is a self-destructive behavior
9. Violence is wrought upon society by those who could not find their Godly value within their family
10. Healing begins with honest reflection, facing the truth and choosing to change within a supportive environment
11. We are here to help you to save your life
12. We are going to have fun, we are happy to the attentive and want us to be happy to be alive.

These basic principles form the foundation of our league teaching curriculum. Every youth member of the league is required to complete the course of study. Our objective is to recapture the public arena from the unchurched. We are not just seeking to openly preach to the unchurched. Youth already involved in their faith are, of course, an integral part of our league. But our true target is the "unchurched."

That is, the youth that look to the popular culture for their guidelines about behavior. These are the ones who most desperately need to be exposed to the Truths for the three years of God's forces have become divided. One of God's three major "headaches" revealed to Father is the division of Christianity. One of the consequences of that division is that the Church lost its focus on the environment of society, the public good and, instead, focused on the well-being of their own church community and building their own church foundation. As a result, public life outside the immediate church community became increasingly pragmatic, and ungodly. Morality declined, families fragmented and social ethics burgeoned.

This decline was accelerated under a misappropriation of the idea of the separation of church and state. It has now led to the separation of America from her soul.

We must get God back into public life, including schools. One of the core Diamond Principles stress that "Faith in God is an essential component of character development." We want to promote a faith that recapturing the existence and nature of God as a founding principle of our national life.

We are trying hard to orient our ACLC ministers to a vision that transcends the interests of their own church bodies. What finer example to uplift than that of True Father who sacrificed his own foundation for the sake of all churches and religions? Conversely, the largest and most Lutheran church, which is based on America than the death recently of a 19-year-old young man, the "shining "diamonds" of our league, gunned down on his own front porch? This was not the national climate God wanted to see in America.

Today, the multi-billion dollar entertainment industry leads our youth down a path of self-destructive behavior. The perversion of the porn industry and pop culture continues unabated. Where are the clergy voices crying out as one? If there is to be hope for the nation, then that is what ACLC must become! That is the "New Future of Christianity" that Father spoke about so many years ago.

Ministers are being trained to teach the Divine Principle. That is the real hope of revival in America. At a recent revival in Bishop C. Phillip John's church, the words of Divine Principle started a holy fire of spirit amongst his congregation. Jesus' mission, his tragic death, his broken heart at Calvary, the failure of John the Baptist were all clearly proclaimed from the pulpit. The service leader afterward was literally speechless... so lifted up in the spirit by the content of the Principle. She even had to apologize to everyone as there was a pause in the service for her to catch her breath. Everyone came with such spirit to know the deeper truths of the scripture revealed to them by Bishop Johnson.

Bishop John, Mayor Gray, and Bishop Stallings as co-chairman, also taught the "12 Diamonds" at center court during our half-time ceremony at our recent tournament. Everyone now knows that you can teach youth to move in the right direction with the 12 Diamond curriculum. And in what could be seen as a reciprocal relationship with God's grace, Bishop Johnson's New York City Peace and Reconciliation Worship Center's team also was crowned tournament champion! Also, a recent memorial service held by Rev. Gregor Thomas for the late Diamond League, the star of our sports league who was killed, the 12 Diamond principles were taught by Rev. Thomas. One participant in the service was the principal of the school attended by Diamond League. When she heard the content of the 12 Diamonds conveyed so powerful by Rev. Thomas, she became so excited. She approached me after the service, we exchanged cards and then she told me, "get ready to start multiplying the 12 Diamonds." She said that she was going to do whatever was possible to get the 12 Diamonds taught in the public school system.
Bridgetown, the largest city in the state of Connecticut — the home of a complex educational system — has seen amazing, substantial changes over the last ten years. Once a thriving, booming industrial center, Bridgetown was the home of the brass and garment manufacturing industries, theaters, museums, beautiful mansions along the coast of Long Island Sound, and the University of Bridgeport, which was a thriving, expanding university that attracted wealthy students from the northeast.

P.T. Barnum, founder of the famous Barnum & Bailey Circus, was an entrepreneur and visionary who made Bridgeport his home and an expression of his numerous, varied, and creative abilities. In accord with his political ambitions, he became the city's mayor. P.T. Barnum left many landmarks; the most beautiful were his four-story mansion, a medallion inscribed with the name of Long Island Sound, and the 300-acre Seaside Park that provides recreation and beach areas along Long Island Sound. Unfortunately, during the last few decades, Bridgeport went the way of many urban areas. Buildings and beautiful mansions were divided into multi-family homes, and the thriving, beautiful, seaside university went from an enrollment of 8,000 in the 1980s to 1,000 in 1992.

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The City of Bridgeport

Many students have taken university; this is enough to begin houses around the university area. Developers once again a thriving, growing community. Developers, who lived in many historic mansions, including some beautiful mansions along the coast of Long Island Sound, and the University of Bridgeport, which was once the home of the founder. Thanks to developers, this side, too, is undergoing changes. The large factory complex (an eyesore) has been bought, and work has already started to convert it into condominiums for young professionals. Across the street from this factory, a local church has purchased a vacant lot and empty office building, in order to create a church complex that will include a church, offices, a seniors' center, and a day care center. These developments are all over the University of Bridgeport campus. A few miles away in downtown Bridgeport, a community college was relocated, a state police post was set up, a strip mall was established, and an empty department store is currently being renovated and made into sixty artist studios.

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The University of Bridgeport

When the Professors World Peace Academy (PWPA) initiated its first investments in the University of Bridgeport in the early 1980s, the university was facing closure. However, now UB has become one of the fastest growing four-year colleges in Connecticut, offering over 50 majors for its approximately 3,200 students. In addition to its undergraduate programs, UB has major graduate programs in education, business, engineering, nutrition, chiropractic, and naturopathic medicine.

Under President Neil A. Salonen's leadership, admissions for the last two years have been strong. Total undergraduate enrollment has increased more that 14 percent, resulting in the largest freshmen class since 1991. There are significant gains in students for the region and across the United States. The four major residence halls are near capacity. The number of resident students living in campus housing increased by more than 40 percent, with single rooms now a scarce, however, prided on the campus of the University of Bridgeport.

Bridgeport International Academy

Bridgeport International Academy (BIA) is a college preparatory, private school located on the campus of the University of Bridgeport. The Academy is committed to promoting academic excellence and character development in a caring community and is housed in Cooper Hall and Marina Learning Center. Although the Academy is nonsectarian, the school is religious. All students take the character education course each semester. BIA is officially approved and recognized by the Department of Education of the State of Connecticut and has approval from the US government to issue I-20 forms for international students.

Bridgeport International Academy is an extension of academic programs offered in the area and is designed to provide students with a solid foundation in preparation for admission to postsecondary institutions of higher education.
complete educational system

vision in progress

Musical Theater
by Elizabeth Hemowicz

I've seen a bunch of average high school students transformed into a lion, a scarecrow, a tinman, various witches, crows, "winkles", munchkins, a wizard and a little country girl named Dorothy. Put together, we are called "The Wiz." This is not something that we just threw together. Oh, no! This took two months of 6 hours a week, going over lines, stage directions, musical acts, choreography, and much more. On December 5, 2003 it was all worth it.

Drama is something that I have had a passion for since I have always loved acting and singing. I was a dancing coats. It gives me an ability to approach issues in a whole new way, but it also gives me an escape from myself.

When I heard that we were doing a musical, I hesitated, because I was not just acting anymore, it was singing, too. I have always been on the shy side with regard to singing. I almost quit the class, but then I decided I did not want to let my fears control me. I would not stop doing what I loved just because I was worried about what people would think of me. This class, even if in a small way, has taught me never to let my fears rule my life.

Internships
by Hyangmi Cotter

Throughout elementary school, I had teachers who will never leave my memory. I believe that period of a person's childhood is valuable because one is learning everyone of the day from the things happening around him/her. However, it was not until I was in high school, when teachers and counselors began emphasizing the importance of choosing a career, that I thought that teaching would be something that would make me happy. At the beginning of my junior year at BIA, I was introduced to a wonderful man named Mr. Kun Taek Oh, who is teaching us how to make a variety of things out of clay. She also teaches us how to make things on the wheel, like plates, bowls, and ceramic mugs. Everyday, we go to class and spend hours making the most amazing and creative things. The best thing I have learned is that ceramics can be fun. G.D.

Graduating Early
by Cindy Yang, Sarah Peterson and Nathan Breland

The minimum credit requirement for high school graduation is 22. In a public high school, these 22 credits are normally achieved through a four year course. However, a chance to graduate one year early is open for some BIA students, through an accelerated academic schedule for qualified students, even though the Academy has strict graduation requirements.

By senior year, most students are taking their last required core courses, electives, and Advanced Placement or AP courses. Qualified BIA students are given the opportunity to take college courses at the University of Bridgeport. Students are given college credits for these courses, which allows them to save money by not having to take the same courses later in college.

The difference between taking a college course and a normal AP course at a public high school is that it only takes one semester to get one credit. Of course, a college course requires more work outside the classroom and thus more self-discipline. By simply taking English courses at UB for one semester, along with other classes in the third year, the student will have enough credits to receive a diploma. C.Y. Graduating early opens many doors as to what you can do in high school. You could get a head start on college or a career, or get involved in any after high school programs with your church or community. S.P.

Because this is not a large school, we are able to sign up for more classes than normal and be able to graduate in no time! Yes, I must admit, it is a bit of a workload to carry out in the sophomore and junior years, but it saves time and money for my parents and me. The disadvantage of spending time in high school is that there is not as much time for extracurricular or sporting activities. It takes discipline to study biology when you could be winning the ping pong tournament, swimming 100 meters butterfly, or initiating a service for peace project.

Two reasons it is possible to graduate early is that the schedule is flexible and that you can take several college classes in a short period of time. In the prior year, I am taking one English class at BIA and another class at the university, in order to obtain two English credits. The workload for the UB courses is more difficult than normal and BIA has rigorous workload for the UB courses. The workload for the UB courses is more difficult than normal and BIA has rigorous workload for the UB courses. It is manageable if you focus. Most seniors in other schools are insanely bored with the summer workload of four or five classes a day. We take many more courses than students in most other schools. Eh, who wants to waste an extra year in high school anyway? As my good companion Abe says, "Four years makes a bore; this curriculum is hard core!" N.B.

The Halloween Party
by Steven Martinez and Rebekah Cytter

Hyangmi Cotter
This year we have kept up the tradition of hosting a constructive, Halloween Party by making it a memorable and fun time for the whole family. The BIA Student Council prepared for weeks in advance and, on the day before the party, the entire student body came together to work on projects like making booths and an elaborate haunted house.

All of the decorations and games were handmade, and it was a great way to spend time with the ones you care about. It is always fun to see the faces of the kids as they get scared or create their own games that scare others. The party was a huge success and we are looking forward to next year's party.
family-centered with each family competing against other groups in an effort to attain the highest score in activities like the "pie toss" where one family member pitted another "chubby bunny" in which one person stumps as many marshmallows in their mouth as possible while saying chubby bunny. The overall, winning family the Montanaro, received the grand prize. S.M.

There were costume contests, raffle, etc. Without a doubt the most anticipated event was the Haunted House. Moving through passage ways and down corridors, and running from an assortment of monsters, this Haunted House was a hit. The total number of people attending the event was around 150, and we all had a great time.

This party took endless planning and elaborate designs in the whole student body worked Friday afternoon, Saturday, and Sunday, making multiple booths and a very spooky Haunted House. We gave our all to make this a fun filled evening for everyone in the Bridgeport community.

On that Sunday evening, many guests started arriving at the Marina Learning Center where the party was held. The Student Council had the brilliant idea to focus on the families. So, at every booth, each family would walk away with a specific number of points. At the end, we counted the points and the family with the most points won a prize. R.C.

The Swim Club

by Micah Boyd, Abraham Deshotel & Hannah Boyd

We started the swim club three years ago. Since then, we have improved our swimming abilities and have increased the number of swimmers to twelve. Many times they do activities, like one thing in order to improve on it. The team's exercises given by the coach. Usually the warm-up, followed by a series of exercises for the swimmer. We started the swim club three years ago.

Every Friday afternoon, we as students go out to serve others in small groups led by a HIA teacher. Some of the projects in which we have participated include painting, cleaning, cooking for people in need, raking leaves, shoveling snow, helping to build a house, teaching younger students how to read, and working on computers. So, whether it is cooking or cleaning windows, we gain many different skills that we otherwise would not have. Through these projects, we feel better inside with the knowledge that we have helped someone, and there are many indirect rewards which look very good on a resume, including receiving community service hours. Also, it allows us to spread the knowledge of our small school to others in the Bridgeport community. The possibilities and personal rewards are endless in doing community service for others. O.J.

For community service we help people in Bridgeport who need assistance. For example, in coordination with Habitat for Humanity, we helped to build some houses for people who do not have the money or resources to build a home for themselves. This was the big project of community service last year. Community service teaches us how to live for the sake of others, and it allows us to gain new skills for the future. It has many tangible benefits.

Every month each team of students is assigned a new project of E.S. An example of a project is washing windows, vacuuming floors, and cleaning buildings. Another consists of working with Groundworks Bridgeport which does yard work in the neighborhood. A third team helps out at Bridgeport Hope School by playing with the children, doing activities, and performing tasks that need to be done. Every class starts with a ten-lap warm-up. The pace varies, but we try to exert a reasonable effort. Overall, the BIA Student Council is very unique. The caring and nurturing staff, the small student-teacher ratio...I feel comfortable leaving my daughter "all day" at school. Also, because of the small class size, we have experienced the mentoring of local students in October 2003. Our BHS received state approval in June 2003 for local students in October 2003. Our enrollment of sixty-five students. Since BHS received state approval in June 2003, we are now able to offer the option of free local students in October 2003. Our current enrollment is sixty-five in our multi-age classrooms, including 3rd-4th grade, 5th-6th, and 7th-8th grades, all lower class Representative who represents all ninth and tenth grade students. The 11th and 12th grade students, another Liaison for sophomore boys, another Liaison for freshmen / sophomore girls, and an over-all lower class representative who represents all ninth and tenth grade students. The 11th and 12th grade students elect their junior and senior Boy and Girl Liaisons. Handling finances for our Student Council is an important job that is occupied by a Treasurer who sometimes has an assistant. The next position is important. The job of the secretary through the entire year for the Council. This job is significant because the secretary takes notes and presents them to the entire school in the school newspaper. The particular position occupied by either a upper class girl or boy. However, with the increase in girls, since a boy won election this time, there was a demand for a girl vice-president as well, and we made a new spot for a girl VP.

The most important spot is the President of the Student Body. Any student who is a junior or senior can run for the presidency. A new president is appointed each year, but it is harder to obtain than any of the other roles on the Council. The President is expected to work closely with the faculty in order to persuade them to choose him as the Student Council President. The President must have at least one year of Student Council experience before he/she can even be considered for the position. The election process at BIA starts by going down the order of positions, one at a time. Each candidate gives a short speech on why he or she should be elected. Then a secret ballot is compiled with each student given the opportunity to vote for the candidate of their choice for each of the positions. Then the votes of the students are tallied, and the winner of each particular election is announced. This is democracy in action.

Bridgeport Hope School

by Chylora Deshotel

Bridgeport Hope School (BHS) is an elementary school located in kindergarten through eighth grade. Under the leadership of Elizabeth Deshotel, Bridgeport Hope School for the following reasons:

(1) The caring and nurturing staff, small student-teacher ratio...I feel comfortable leaving my daughter "all day" knowing that she is in a safe, fun, and productive environment. Unlike the public schools, the students here don't see Bridgeport on page 23.
What is Needed for Peace in the Korean Peninsula

by Antonio Betancourt

I sent my son to BHS because

good teachers are caring and children feel

famous people do. They feel free
teachers are caring and children feel

and read aloud to the younger stu-

do not only address our son’s aca-

demically with the U.S. and North Korea to a serious dia-

But the nuclear crisis is not new. It reached alarming

Another roundtable was held in March 1993,

That was the beginning of Summit Council's involvement. Throughout the last twelve

North Korea as a national enclave of man-centered religious monks, who dis-

are both left of center ideologically. They are

Yes, what I really appreciate the way they

We are looking for applicants

Council's involvement. Over the last twelve years we have continued to work on

that it is possible to negotiate satisfactorily with North Korea on a mutually benefi-

whether permitting major economic reforms in the North, or re-building the dev-

In return for this multilateral security assurance, along with sizable economic assistance in

The North Korean regime is strongly supporting a multilateral solution
to this crisis, as the U.S. and other

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On Saturday, December 6, we held our first Orange County ACLC Prayer Breakfast. Thank you to Heavenly Father and True Parents and all the brothers and sisters who supported the effort. Members came and volunteered without even being asked. The good spirit world came too; the atmosphere was heavenly. All the guests who attended were very happy that they came.

There were at least 20 guests attending. Haitham Bundakji was the keynote speaker and he always testifies with confidence about Father. He has a heartistic foundation in the Interfaith Community in Orange County. Rev. Millsap of Sadoc Family Christian Church testified to the “real” experience of love and dedication for God's will he experience through the Pilgrimage.

Mr. Andy Weiss gave a wonderful testimony of interfaith experience in his family and developing new bonds of relationship through the Peace March from the Western Wall to the Dome of the Rock and the Church of the Holy Sepulcher. Rev. Walter Frank gave the invitation speech. The whole effect was truly dynamic—three were interested in attending the Pilgrimage right then and several pledged to attend in the future. One Seventh Day Adventist minister has always been looked down on as a “Moonie”, but it hasn’t bothered me because I know I’m just following Father’s desire to unite Christianity. My goal from the beginning has been to have True Parents speak at the Crystal Cathedral, probably the largest and most famous church in the greater Los Angeles area. Since the 9/11 disaster at the Trade Towers, I have been working with the Muslim Community to develop a Women’s Auxiliary for Christians and Muslims for Peace (CAMP). I have always felt that if we can serve Cain-type foundation and bring unity between Cain and Abel types, Islam and Christianity, it will be a foundation for Father to be recognized globally. We need to do on a local scale what Father is doing on a global scale. I feel responsible to expand our ACLC foundation to these larger predominantly white churches. I have been trying to go the servant of servants’ course by serving the Islamic Community so I can somehow gain power to move even the large churches. The spirit world is helping too. So I want to sincerely say thank you to Heung Ji Nim and all the prophets, saints and ancestors who are working with us. On a spiritual level this event was a real breakthrough.

Thanks so much to Rev. Ku and Pastor Henning for their prayers and support.
mERICANS are sometimes accused of being too prag- matic. This author is firmly
in that category himself—just
as was his wife. Still, Americans
dominate the world these days, and
that didn't happen by accident. Practical knowl-
edge helps a lot.

Getting Our BCs are in a complex sit-
uation. Some want to marry early, while
others intend to wait many years. Their
parents, too, are uncertain. Should your
young folks wait until they have a college
degree and a solid career? They might fall
for some non-member classmate in the
meantime. Should they start a family
sooner, even without enough money to
support a child? As it turns out, if every-
one agrees, sooner is often better.

Rather than spend their whole lives in
the same dinky village, modern kids are
usually out on their own by the age of
twenty. Trouble is, these young Ameri-
cans are sometimes
unrealistic expectations are fostered. Not
practical advice remains unspoken, and
'inside' swindles. Who would doubt a fel-
lexed 'sympathy' money by pretending
that's not always in
the bank.

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In the past, a few con artists have col-
lected 'sympathy' money by pretending
to be put off. No wise leader makes unre-
'sympathy' money by pretending
'that's not always in
the bank.

in a church center, then rented a single
room from some family. Next we split
a bigger apartment, and later, rented
a place of our own. Finally we bought a
condo. We live in an expensive region,
and were fortunate to get help with the
hefty down payment from my parents.

Disagreements about money are near-
ly universal. Who do the family book-
keeping? Men are often more pragmatic,
and that's a bad word for Unificationists.
He might want to buy more stuff, or save
up for retirement, while she insists they
'put their money in the bank of Heaven'
instead.

Tithing is a vital tradition, and it's not
to be put off. No wise leader makes unre-
'sympathy' money by pretending
'that's not always in
the bank.

Experts will build our own financial networks
and consumer power. At the far end of
life, we've just now established a nation-
al cemetery.

As children enter the picture, and even
though it's distasteful, we must record
our wills and medical 'preference' docu-
ments. Many states have passed burri-
dge's secular implications make it unat-
tractive. I think everyone could benefit.

Not from endless years of Psychiatry, but
a few sessions with an experienced Mar-
riage and Family Counselor.

What do your relatives want? Which,
if either, grandparents will you live near?
Hopefully you'll get along with both sets.

If either, grandparents will you live near?

At our Bay Area Family Church we've
held several Old and New Couple din-
ners. Frank and wide-ranging discus-
sions were the order of the day. It's amaz-
ing how many practical ideas, and words
of wisdom, our older couples have gleaned
over the years.

Unselfish sacrifice is good. As an added
bonus, it'll help prevent your kids from
getting spoiled. Keep in mind that, in a
material sense, you cannot offer what
you never had in the first place. There-
fore, go rich ahead and become pros-
perous.

Paul
Carlson

This article is about growing up. In a
practical fashion, as in getting a job, move-
ing out, and forming a household. This
article is offered primarily to our new
blessed couples.
M any members expected that Blessing '99 would be the final Blessing, certainly in the context of International Wedding Ceremonies conducted on a global and mass scale. Ten of 360 million couples had been accomplished, a total that Rev. Moon had said would turn the world upside-down. He set forth an elaborate projection, stating, "the 360 million—really 400 million—couples constitute 800 million husbands and wives and, supposing that each couple has four children, this is approaching 3 billion people." Thinking in this way, it was possible to conclude that more than half the population on earth was connected to the Blessing. In other words, the scale had been tipped in the movement's favor. Global transformation was inevitable. Moreover, all this had been achieved prior to the dawn of the new millennium, which served as a kind of finish-line for some tribal messiahs. It was a neat and convenient package.

Members with this mindset, therefore, were sur- prised when Rev. Kwak announced another 400 Million Couple Blessing to be conducted in conjunction with his 80th birthday, on February 13, 2000. They were even more surprised to learn that the 400 million were to be "matched couples only." However, as early as July 1998, Rev. Kwak communicated Rev. Moon's request to "find many who can become candidates for the matching and participate in the Blessing." Rev. Kwak stated the direction to find unmar- ried young people as single candidates for Bless- ing '99 in September and October 1998. However, the reality was that matched candid- dates constituted only a small fraction of a percentage of the glob- al blessings: some 6,500 out of 40 million in Blessing '97 and approximately 3,000 out of 120 million for Blessing '98. The added push for matching can- didates increased the total for Blessing '99 but not enough. Church spokesmen set the number of newly wed, i.e., matched couples at Seoul Olympic Stadi- um at 12,000. There may have been several thou- sand more in other locales. The Philippines, for exam- ple, reportedly brought 14,000 Blessing candidates itself. Yet, obviously, these numbers were dwarfed by the 240 million previously married couples.

Rev. Moon spoke with some candor about the sit- uation in November 1998. He said that "ideally, the heavenly blessing should be received on the tradi- tion of the value of the blessing." It was "supposed to be dealt with very inwardly and with internal value." However, because of what he termed "the failures of Korea, America, and Christianity," the Blessing was "given as a new to a people to people all over the world. It was, he said, as if "a royal family member [...] were being finally cast out [...] and marrying a beggar on the street." This much "devaluation of the blessing" was occurring.

He drew some consolation from a scene he had observed on occasion dur- ing his visits to the South American interior where the movement was expanding. As he described it: "When an alligator catches a big ani- mal or fish such as a shark or a snake, the alligator just makes sure that he swallows it. Of course, birds and animals have fur, skin, and bones and all kinds of dirty stuff, but they are just swallowed. There is no cleaning process. I came to understand then that God is the king of swallowing. It is like casting a net and catching everything. [...] God is casting a net to swallow everyone, evil people, good people, and mediocre people. Likewise, when I give the Blessing to the world, as for example at the Madison Square Garden Blessing Ceremony, I cast my net out to the entire world. Whomever comes into the net, even if they may have been criminals and murderers, is swal- lowed. That is why two thousand years ago God gave the message through Jesus Christ to love one's enemy. God's representative can swallow everything from the individual to the cosmic level, including the cosmic Satan, without a problem. Can you do that?"

Within the same discourse, he acknowledged, "[Not] major Blessing to educate newly blessed couples and others in the Completed Testament word. However, there was a sense of dissatisfaction with the results. By January 1999, this evolved into a sense of sorrow and even repentance. Amid expres- sions of gratitude and determination in his Midnight Prayer at the beginning of that year, Rev. Moon also stated, "I am truly so very sorry that even today, after fifty years have passed, I have still not been able to hold a victory celebration wherein I could offer the entire nation and world to Heaven through estab- lishing Your will on this earth."

This was the fundamental motivation for the shift in emphasis from previously married to matched cou- ples. The movement had reached the outer limit of what was achievable or credible, even for Rev. Moon, in the 360 Million Couple Blessing. It wasn't that the 360 Million Couple Blessing was unreal. It was very real in Rev. Moon's mind. As he put it, "People think it's a joke, but it did happen through God." However, its fruit was largely internal. It remained to make these victories substantial, to truly trans- form people and the world. In the movement's ter- minology, the 360 Million Couple Blessing, and the global blessings that had preceded it, were a spir- itual condition, a foun- dation of faith. They needed to be comple- mented by a foundation of substance. This is what the 400 Million Couple Blessing was intended to be, or to begin. Together, the foun- dations of faith and sub- stance would establish an unshakable founda- tion for global salvation.

This brought Rev. Moon back on message. "The 400 million couples and the 360 million cou- ples," he said, "will influ- ence the entire human race." Elsewhere, he stat- ed, "The 400 million cou- ples who were blessed in 1999 can be the foun- dation of the 400 million youth blessing. Just one youth for every couple." If members used "photo albums of blessed cou- ples," young people would get inspired to see so many wonderful matches made by Father. They will want to get matched by Rev. Moon." He noted that "the spiritual world must be mobil- ized" and reported that on April 13, 1999, 1.6 bil- lion young people were blessed in the spirit world. In addition, 106 past saints were sent to America and welcomed in a ceremony at Headquarters. Final- ly, on May 14, 1999, "Lucifer voluntarily surrendered to God." At several meetings, the texts of several astonishing letters of apology were read. Rev. Moon urged the membership not to take these lightly, but to believe in them as genuine and from God. Mrs. Moon also embarked on a world tour as a kick-off to the 400 million couple blessing. Presenting a speech on "The Path of Life for All Humankind.

In America, this tour brought to fruition much of the work with Christianity at the grassroots level. Members had been encouraged to visit Christian churches. Many had taken this seriously and had developed good relationships with pastors and their
congregations. Nowhere was this more so than in Chicago. When Mrs. Moon spoke there, over 4,000 guests, the vast majority being Christian congregations, gave her an extremely warm welcome.

In the end, responsibility fell on the membership to mobilize single people for Blessing 2000. For those who responded, this necessitated at least two new shifts in consciousness. First, members had to shift their focus from previously-married couples to young people. Second, they needed to shift their focus from pre-Blessing activity to finding and preparing persons for matchings. These shifts were not easy or simple. At the same time, the level of commitment expected of participants had been raised to a level approaching that of full-time members. Apart from this, the movement provided no clear guidelines. As before, members were expected to accomplish the goal on their own.

Under these circumstances, the necessary shifts in consciousness did not occur all at once. Early in the campaign, many members shifted their focus to young people. However, they were not able to shift their consciousness from pre-Blessing activities to finding and preparing persons for matching. As a consequence, they proceeded in ways only slightly different from before. During the spring and summer members targeted school graduations, movie theaters, ballparks, beaches, fairs and other places where young people congregated, passing out “Pure Love Pledge Cards” and candy. This was only a slight variation from previous pre-Blessing work, targeting as it did a different audience and offering a slightly different message. The Pure Love Pledge sought the following commitments from young people:

- To refrain from all sexual relationships before marriage;
- To respect and honor the ideal of purity in myself and others;
- To learn how to practice pure love as a child, friend, spouse, and parent;
- To dedicate myself to absolute fidelity within marriage;
- To encourage others to do the same.

These were admirable sentiments. However, it was impossible to determine how many young people were responding simply by calculating the total of cards and candies distributed. In addition there was a major chasm to be bridged between accepting and holding forth the promise of personal and communal liberation. A third group concluded that the problem was not with the movement or its members but with the world. The movement and its membership had given everything, but the world, as ever, was treacherous, disbeliefing and often feared. “Killing the prophets and stoning those who are sent.” Members holding this perspective tended to associate themselves with spiritual phenomena and, by extension, the movement’s program of world peace and unification, in fact, had succeeded.

The Blessing and the movement’s program of world peace and unification, in fact, had succeeded. Human problems at every level were overcome. What remained was to live out the fruits of victory. It, of course, would be mistaken to think that all members divided neatly into one or another of the above-described groupings. It was true that some individuals inclined and even gravitated quite clearly toward one or another of the perspectives. However, others held all of the positions or several of them in different combinations within a given person or group simultaneously. It was also apparent that the movement had not broken into four separate camps, at least not yet. Still, it is impossible not to attain some level of clarity about these orientations as they represented the movement’s live options and were not insignificant respects, sig posts to the future.
In Memory of Kwan Jung Lee

by Rev. Sung Jung Seo, Minneapolis.

The van that had STF members with their seatbelts on was heading to Houston Texas, driving the legal speed limit on the freeway. Around 7 am on Saturday morning Kwan Jung was doing Hoon Dok Hae in the van. The tragedy started when a small truck on the other side of the road suddenly lost control and flipped over hitting the right top of the STF members’ van. The driver of the truck, who was as young as Kwan Jung, also died instantly at the site.

As soon as I received the news I had all members get together and pray for the recovery of Kwan Jung with hope and faith. After Sunday service I received another phone call. It was discovered that Rev. and Mrs. Lee who are the parents of Kwan Jung arrived, examined, and confirmed that the one who was killed at the accident site was their beloved son Kwan Jung.

It turned out that Alexei Belgrove, who was from the Ukraine was driving the van at that time also suffered critical injuries and later died. Nam Hee Hwang, the son of Rev. Yoo Jin Hwang, national messiah to China, was in critical condition with other injured members.

Members and I had prayed day and night for Kwan Jung’s pleasant trip to Heaven and the recovery of our young brothers who were involved in the car accident, while we waited for Seung Hwa ceremony.

On the 25th he allowed us to bury him in Paju, Korea. I would like to thank the Korean CARP’s attention and support to the STF. Let me give you a quotation of Kwan Jung who understood the desire of True Parents and Hyun Jin Nim for the foundation of UN since the announcement of the 4th Israel nation just like Heung Jin Nim’s sacrifice helped humanity get out of a history of falls and since 20 years ago.

In Kodiak when True Parents heard about Kwan Jung’s Seung Hwa ceremony, he gave a beautiful calligraphy to Kwan Jung “at the Seung Hwa at 7 am, September 19, in the third year of Cheon Il Guk. Congratulations– a virtuous, living offering fighter (patriot) for the New Heaven Registration (of Lineage), Lee Kwon Jung Before all the officials of Heaven From True Parents at Kodiak.” And he told us to conduct a joyous Seung Hwa Ceremony.

On the 25th he allowed us to bury him in Paju, Korea where Heung Jin Nim was buried. Hyun Jin Nim and Jun Suk Nim who are in charge of education for the second generation sent Rev. Jin Man Kook, vice president of World CARP to comfort family members of the STF who were also involved in the accident. He had Rev. Jin Man Kook deliver a message to Rev. and Mrs. Lee that the path Kwan Jung took is what Heaven and True Parents went through and what Central Blessed Families should also take. We should do our best to offer sincere prayer for Kwan Jung to be such a holy and immaculate sacrifice. About 600 members and ministers attended the Seung Hwa ceremony held on Sept. 27, while the Seung Hwa Ceremony was conducted by CARP in Paju, Korea on Oct. 4.

There was another memorial on Sep. 29 before the Won Jin Ceremony, was offered by 150 school friends and teachers of Kwan Jung in Minneapolis where he grew up. It is time for us to think what we can do for Kwan Jung who testified they were influenced by his goodness. Even after graduation his photo was still hanging on the school wall. The school had students’ pictures on the wall, who were excellent students with good grades and successful accomplishment of international bachelor’s courses, which were college courses combined with high school classes to shorten 4 year college years to 3 years. Kwan Jung was one of them.

He was good at music such as violin, piano. He performed at an orchestra. He was also a natural sportsman 6 feet tall and was a quite skillful wrestler and skateboarder. He fluently spoke English, Korean, and Japanese. He was popular and generous to his friends, and known as ‘silver’ amongst their peers. Because of such a good reputation he built at his school, over 100 students and teachers came to visit our church and get to know about True Parents and the Unification Church.

There was a letter written by Kwan Jung explaining why he wanted to work for the nation and world right before he joined the STF. The teachers must have been very curious why such an excellent student like Kwan Jung decided to do voluntary work for a religious organization rather than going to college or university right away.

He explained the reason to his teachers as follows. “Next school year I will be involved in a church-related school project... it is a serious program with a rigorous schedule. Hundreds of high school graduates will be involved and will be going around the nation doing numerous service projects. Although I don’t know much about it, it is supposed to be a character building program where we totally give ourselves up for a life of sacrifice and in those moments of hardship is when we get in touch with the greater being and understand ourselves better. So I’m excited at what this program will be able to offer me and I’m excited at how I will be like after next year.”

He wanted to follow the path of the Heavenly way that God wants us to do rather than the worldly way of instant success. He wanted to practice God’s words found in the Bible, not worldly ways to make him go ahead in this materialistic world. When we think of this young man’s pure heart and desire to contribute himself for the nation and world peace by serving and working, we could call him a patriot and a saint. He was very religious. I myself taught Divine Principles to Kwan Jung. He was always obedient to church leaders, and never gave anyone a hard time in the church.

We, as parents, tend to worry whenever our second generation children inform us that they want to go out with someone. However Kwan Jung is the one we parents always felt comfortable with if our children hang out with him. Some parents told me they had trust in him for his religious mind and practice. He was not only a young good member to church leaders but also to first generation parents and church friends. When he had to move to Seattle where his parents were, he donated everything to the church, and played violin to comfort and give joy to everybody at the church right before he left for Seattle.

His heart and goodness at home, school and church gave such a good reputation he built at his school, over 100 students and teachers came to visit our church and get to know about True Parents and the Unification Church.

He was also a good student. I got to meet with his teachers after the memorial service at his school. Every teacher gave compliments to Kwan Jung, and many of his friends...
The Truth About God
by Victoria Howell

This short address was given the last week of November at the Long Island Church, NY. Victoria is a 10-year-old 2nd Generation youth. It will include a variety of reports, articles and testimonies from regions all over the nation. We hope this section will help in the development of your youth ministry.

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The Second Generation Section

by Bruce Hutcherson, NC Youth Minister

Takamitsu Sakauwa and I met at Hung Jin Nim's Kukduk workshop a year ago. Now that he lives in North Carolina he wanted to do an adventure workshop for the NC teen BCs. He asked me to organize activities for an overnight camping trip for our first Leadership Adventure Workshop with the goal to embody Core Values through our experience in Nature. Saturday morning, November 22nd 2003, we all met at my house in Winston-Salem, NC, packed for a camping trip. Eight teens were able to come plus Takamitsu and myself. After an orientation in my house by Takamitsu, we loaded into the vehicles and headed toward Pilot Mountain State Park with the goal to camp over-night on an island in the Yadkin River. We arrived at the Park and followed the gravel road as it wound through the woods and forged through a gravel and stone bottomed creek in several places. Takamitsu's car rides so low that it looked as if it would get stuck in the creeks water. We arrived at the river access parking and made the short hike down the hill with our gear.

With only two canoes, ten people, a heavy, swift current and huge rocks lurking under their telling white caps, we felt challenged to cross this river to the island without flipping our gear laden canoes. To be safe, everyone wore life jackets and the gear was tied to the boat to prevent loss in case the current was pushed sideways on a submerged rock, rolling as in the water. The thought of pitching camp soaking wet in November, or trying to pull a scamped canoe and dragging gear out to the current of the Yadkin posed its thrill and drama. Each canoe would have to make three crossings to move the group and gear to the island—before dark.

David and Derrick Duske, the only other brother besides me and Takamitsu, worked hard to pull the canoes through the woods. The sisters all worked hard on the gear. Because of the good teamwork, the crossing went well and after a brief prayer, we made camp as night approached. A three prong staged through the woods right by our camp as we prepared to pitch our tents. We had just enough daylight to make a short tour of the island. It was like the Swiss Family Robinson surveying their new paradise home. We all worked together to collect firewood and cook our spaghetti dinner. Derrick Duske made a valiant effort to fish for catfish. Later Takamitsu taught core values and the teens planned their next days Sunday service as we all warmed our toes around the camp fire.

Waking at 5:00 am, we had Pledge and read HKH as we built up the fire in preparation for breakfast. As soon as the meal of scrambled eggs, bacon and hash brown was done we packed up tents and gear and loaded the canoes for another trip across the river. By now we had our act together and in no time at all we were loading the van with the canoes strapped to the roof. Our next goal was Pilot Mountain. Pilot Mountain is a rock topped mountain, the foot hills of the Blue Ridge Mountains. With its distinctive rock done, it has guided the way for the Indians and pioneer of our past. After a picturesque hike along the base of the cliffs, we were to have a lesson in rappelling. Rappelling is an aspect in the sport of mountain climbing where one descends down a cliff or wall using a rope and harness. Even with all the safety procedures, it's tough to have the faith to go over the edge of a rock ledge. (In this case a small rock ledge for training) and to trust our gear and support team. As our time ran out, we would have to finish on this practice run, but the results was shown on the faces of the participants as they were empowered with a new confidence and inner strength.

We finished our trip by returning back to Winston-Salem with the teens doing a fine job with Sunday Service with several families in attendance. I enjoyed Derrick's sermon with his summary of the trip and Kava's testimony of trust on the river. The teens had to trust and depend on each other to succeed in each challenge as they built a closer bonding, whether it was at the edge of a cliff or edge of a river. Testimony: Esther Spasi

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representing American second generation last year, the second one was Yoshi-
dai representing Japanese second gen-
eration on Aug. 19, 2003, and now the
third one is Kwan Jung representing sec-
generation of Korea on Sep. 20, 2003.
The incidents again reminded us how important our responsibility is to unite with Korea, the fatherland, Japan the motherland and American the eldest son.
In addition, the accidents of Nam Hee Whang, whose father is the mes-
iah of China and Alexei from former Soviet Union is also highly important as it is considered as necessary sac-
rifice, not coincidence, to accomplish unity of South and North Korea in cen-
ter of Korea, Japan, America, China and Russia who are also members of UN.
I wrote the above as a minister to Kwan Jung with hope to let you know about Kwan Jung and understand the mean-
ing of his trip to the Spiritual World. As I conclude it I think of one of Kwan Jung's
Motto "Let us be givers. Let us live for God and True Parents. Let us challenge difficulties others don't dare to do." I hope that Kwan Jung in the spirit world would live in the words and names given by True Parents as eternal child, valiant sol-
dier and our brother right here in this world and in the Heaven.

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