Harlem Welcomes True Parents

by Rev. Phillip Schanker

Some 2,800 clergy and faithful packed Harlem’s historic Canaan Baptist Church on Tuesday evening, March 8, 2001 to welcome Reverend and Mrs. Sun Myung Moon and a host of national religious leaders. The visit, at the invitation of New York clergy and hosted by civil rights pioneer Dr. Wyatt Tee Walker, celebrated the successful interfaith tour of 52 cities in 52 days entitled “We Will Stand.” Launched by the American Clergy Leadership Conference, a racially and religiously diverse group of prominent clergy from across America, the tour has journeyed to dozens of urban churches in recent weeks. With the theme, “Rebuild the Family, Restore the Community, Renew the Nation and World,” the tour emphasizes the need for the faith community to work together beyond race and denomination for the healing and renewal of America. The tour reached over 100,000 people, including 14,000 clergy.

Hundreds of New York area clergy participated in Tuesday’s gathering, including Rev. Charles Kenyatta of the Baptist Ministers’ Conference, First Corinthian Baptist’s Rev. Derrick Porter, Christian Times publisher Rev. Dennis Dillon, Bishop Eric Figueroa of the New Life Tabernacle, and Bishop David Billings of the World Bishops Council. They were joined by prominent national church leaders as well.

How Can Anybody Be Against?

Responding to concerns raised over the rapidly growing coalition, Dr. Walker pointed to the tour’s uplifting theme and underlying purpose to “Rebuild the Family, Restore the Community, and Renew the Nation.” “How can anybody be against that?” he asked. Walker praised Rev. Moon’s unchanging emphasis on the “Christian family,” and noted his significant worldwide contributions to peace. Addressing the questions of some about the 81 year-old evangelist’s relationship to Christian teaching, he pointed to “The Life and Mission of Jesus Christ,” a recently published collection of Rev. Moon’s sermons on Jesus from his 55-year ministry.

Dr. Hycel Taylor, pastor of Evanston, Illinois’ First Baptist Church, professor at Garrett Theological Seminary and former national director of Operation PUSH, acknowledged the skepticism of some who are fearful of

The 1st Special 21 Day Workshop with Hyun Jin Nim

by Michael Balcomb

Last year on his Inheritance and Development world tour, our elder brother Hyun Jin Nim traveled throughout Korea, Japan, Asia, Europe and Russia speaking about the crucial importance of preparing for the settlement age, and the importance of a reorientation of our movement and ourselves as we enter the Age of the 4th Adam. He told us that we needed to let go of all our historical baggage and make a fresh start in faith.

All too often though, the tight schedule of his tour and the need to keep on moving to new countries left many of us wanting to hear a great deal more. This year, that hope is being answered with the series of special workshops with Hyun Jin Nim on the topic “A New Paradigm of Leadership for the Settlement Age.” The first was held at Le P’tit Bonheur, Quebec, Canada on March 9th – 29th, 2001.

The inspiration for these immense workshops began on True Parents’ birthday earlier this year, when True Father called Hyun Jin Nim to the stage during an inter-

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God is Our King and... 

by Reverend Sun Myung Moon

This is the sermon given at the Canaan English Church, Harlem, NY, on May 8, 2001.

R espected ladies and gentlemen: I would like to express my profound gratitude for your participation in this rally despite your busy public and private schedules. I particularly would like to thank Rev. Dr. Wyatt T. Walker and the other distinguished New York area clergy who invited me here today. Harlem is the heart of New York City, a city that is a capital of culture, of finance, and of diplomacy centered on the United Nations. It is also a treasure of America, where immigrants from around the world have come and live together.

In other words, 80 years ago on January 13 of this year, I came to America in obedience to God’s command, and for the past thirty years have invested my full spirit and energy to guide America so that it can fulfill the mission for which it was chosen, that is, the mission of the seed of Abraham. Today, I would like to share with you some of my content from the recent speaking tour, as well as content regarding the Coronation Ceremony of God’s Kingship that was held on January 13 of this year.

God’s Image through Lineage

Ladies and Gentlemen, more than six billion people are now living in the world. Without exception they fall into one of two categories: man or woman. In fact, God created all beings, including those of the mineral, plant and animal kingdoms, with yang nature and yin nature. In other words, He created a pair system so that it can fulfill the mission for which it was chosen. The body. The fall of the human ancestors brought on this state of mutual conflict. Even non-religious people have to acknowledge that human beings descend from fallen ancestors.

Did God expel Adam and Eve from the Garden of Eden before or after they committed the fall? He expelled them from the Garden because of the fall, so it must have taken place after the fall, and before they could form a relationship of love, life and lineage with God.

Thus, Adam and Eve could not have a marriage ceremony blessed by God. Instead, they married under Satan’s dominion. Doing so, they inherited Satan’s lineage and multiplied descendants. For this reason, Jesus spoke so sharply when He pointed out that the devil Satan is the father of fallen mankind, “You belong to your father, the devil, and you want to carry out your father’s desire.” (John 8:44) The fall destroyed the eternal relationship of parent and child between God, on the one hand, and Adam and Eve, on the other. Therefore, Adam and Eve were unable to generate the love of true parents, true husband and wife, and in total control of their mind.

The Root of Human Sin

What then is the truth behind the fall story? The Bible states that the fall originated when the first human ancestors ate the fruit of the knowledge of good and evil. This is one of many important passages that the Bible expresses in parables and symbols. It does not refer to a literal fruit. As Jesus says in Matthew 15:11, “What goes into a man’s mouth does not make him unclean, but what comes out of his mouth, that is what makes him unclean.” It is human nature to try to hide our defects. A child caught stealing a cookie by his mother will instinctively hide his hands or cover his mouth. In the same way, if Adam and Eve had taken a piece of fruit and put it into their mouth, then they would have hidden their hands or covered their mouth when God called them. The fact that they had their lower parts instead demonstrates that their crime was committed through the lower parts of their body.

There were five masculine figures in the Garden of Eden. First, there was God, who is the subject partner of the entire created world. Then there was Adam and the three angels, Lucifer, Gabriel and Michael. Eve was the only feminine figure. What do you think they felt, standing naked and without shame in the Garden of Eden, observing the insects and animals coming together in pairs? They felt ashamed given their knowledge of Genesis 2:17, “You must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat of it you will surely die,” was a strong warning about Eve’s love. Eve had to protect her sexual purity until she achieved maturity with a God-centered character and entered into a blessed marriage with God’s permission. Had she succeeded, she would have multiplied God’s eternal love, life and lineage.

Eve fell, however, because Lucifer disregarded his servant’s order and drew her into an immoral relationship based on his excessive desire. Thus, in 2 Peter 2:4 the Bible says, “...God did not spare angels when they sinned, but sent them to hell, putting them into gloomy dungeons to be held for judgment on the great Day.” And the angels who did not keep their positions of authority but instead fell, these had kept in darkness, bound with everlasting chains for judgment on the great Day. In a similar way, Sodom and Gomorrah and the surrounding towns gave him eyes up to sexual immorality and perversion. They serve as an example of those who sinned and perished. “They are like the head of a poisonous snake. It is a person who will use any means to accomplish his selfish purposes. A man’s reproductive organ is shaped like the head of a poisonous snake. It is always looking for a hole to slit into. A woman’s reproductive organ is like a cave, like the wide-open mouth of a poisonous snake with fangs. Once this snake bites, poison quickly spreads through the body, bringing eternal death. Adultery does not just destroy the individual, but also the family, clan and nation...
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True Parent reaches its conclusion. The unification family of humankind that I proclaimed many years ago is becoming a reality.

There are still formidable obstacles on the path, in particular racist and religious strife. These stand in the way of God, who is the first ancestor of humankind. In a manner of speaking, white people are a polar bear race. Start- ing in the Arctic regions they spread to Scandinavia, Britain, and on across the world. The yellow race lived mainly in Asia practicing agriculture. They had a deep love for the land, so their skin turned brown. Black people are like the black bear of the tropics. The reason their skin is black is that they lived near the equa- tor, where the sun's rays are intense. The different skin colors among the races have no significance in terms of superiority or inferiority. It is simply a matter of our having adapted to different environments. In fact, we know that the qualitative makeup of our bodies is 99.96% identi- cal. From God's standpoint, skin color has no qualitative significance whatso- ever. In fact, the God of love is color blind.

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In the spirit world, there are no walls divided parents and children. The tide of divorce, now exceeding fifty percent of marriages, utterly destroys the underlying social discipline of moral law and human ethics.

Relationship of Man and Woman

Ladies and gentlemen, whom do you think God loves more, men or women? The later the creation the more valuable it is, because the fruit that one receives from His dedication. Woman was the later creation into which God poured His entire heart and being. If you notice, women more than men are born for the sake of others and live for the sake of others. So God's interest and bond tend to go most to women. Where does God want to reside? If Adam and Eve had not fallen but had reached complete bond and become one with each other creating on true love, then God would have dwelled with them. God is the owner of vertical and eternal love and the husband is the owner of hori- zontal love.

So the seed of life comes from God and is inside the husband. Women are like a garden. They receive the seed and sac- rifice their body to provide it nourish- ment, nurture the fetus with love, and then give birth. The baby receives 99 percent of its bones and flesh from its mother. If you look at how a woman is shaped, you will notice that there is no part of her body that exists for her own sake. Do her well-developed breasts and hips belong to her? No, they exist for the sake of her babies. The womb, which men lack, and the monthly menstrual cycle also exist for the sake of others. To whom do a woman's reproductive organs belong? Do they belong to her husband or to herself? They belong to her husband. In the end, we see that a woman is created to live for her husband and children. So a husband must attend to his wife as the queen of queens. If you notice, women protect the hearts of our children. If the husband does not, then he is a failure as a father.

The husband is responsible to rear the children born to him and his wife to become God's children. They must attend to their children. The husband and wife are partners in this task. In terms of quality, the husband and wife are equal in value. How- ever, in terms of the order of things, the husband, who holds the seed of life within him, is the subject partner. With his husband as absolute subject partner, a wife and the children should create one true family and one body and offer a true family to God.

One World Family

Ladies and gentlemen, with the opening of the new millennium we are mov- ing quickly in the direction of a new world. We are going beyond “one nation under God” and are moving toward “one universe under God.” The unified family of humankind that I proclaimed many years ago is becoming a reality.

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God did not create different races with differing skin colors. In the spirit world, there are no white people or black peo- ple. The only color that exists there is the color of true love.

Strife among religious groups is a par- ticular serious obstacle blocking humanity's effort to bring about world peace. God did not create denominations or reli- gious groups. In fact, religion itself is a result of the fall. Satan fosters denominationalism and religious divisions. In the spirit world, there are no walls between nations, denominations, or reli- gions. It is a world composed of one huge family.
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blood from both a husband and a wife. With the foundation of the harmonious union of man and woman, the internal and external character of their blood lineages completely coincide with the fundamental cosmic principles. Then the substantial mind, representing the internal and external character of their blood lineage of the True Parents of heaven and earth, we earn the qualification to live eternally in heaven. This is how we create the ideal kingdom of God in heaven.

Prolongation of God’s Coronation

Christianity, working spiritually, has tried to unite Cain and Abel, to build the reconciliation between religions and even to build a bridge between God and Satan. Upon this foundation, the Kingdom of God will come to earth among all the nations, and Satan will be defeated. The history of restoration would have concluded.

But this providence was not completed. After World War II, America as the second Israel standing on the Christian foundation, should have welcomed the True Parents among parents and the parents among parents and the first son among first sons.

Among brothers, the first son should be the first to marry and start his family. Everything has an order. There is a term in Korean translated as ‘reversed marriage.’ This refers to reversal in the order of marriage between elder and younger siblings. The order is violated quite often today. This phenomenon actually reflects the path of restoration. The people go this way and that way and even follow the reversed order. The disorder should be corrected. Then what is the center of the world and Satan. They do not know. They do not know how to deal with problems such as the AIDS virus lies dormant for no more than 8 to 15 years.

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like America are bothered is that the labor unions misuse their power. I will tell you how you can resolve that problem. In the same way blue-collar workers form a union, stock owners can also form a union. They can work together. Then each year will be their day of harvest, just as the fall of the last. There should be mutual bene- fits for each party, the employees union and employers union. They can compete with each other and see how much prof- it they can generate within three years. If employees have worked hard, they deserve a bonus. On the other hand, if the employers have worked more, they deserve to receive more. By using this method, they will never fight. In western society, no one has given this any thought. And as another idea, I will call on the religious organizations and blessed fam- ilies of the world. We will make a reli- gious union. Will you join with me?

Once we solve the labor union prob- lems, the problem of communism will be solved, too. Communist countries such as Russia, China and North Korea are free from labor union problems. Then what propelled labor unions in the devel- oped countries? It was the diplomacy of the Soviet Union. By proposing the free world concept, they encouraged laborers to take as much as they could get. No matter how you look at it, whether you are oriental, white or black, you are a sibling. Whatever happens on earth, you will be a part of one family. Therefore, you cannot neglect your brothers and sisters, this is absolutely neces- sary. Therefore, you cannot neglect your brothers and sisters in the position of children, older brother. You cannot neglect your parents, you must abide by them. You must act based on sincere affection.

What are we supposed to do in this new millennium? Up until now, neither God nor the True Parents were liberat- ed. But from this moment on, the Par- ents of Heaven and Earth are liberated and the children also are liberated. There is nothing to fear. Even if you are locked up, you should not be afraid. I am eager to join the spirit world at a young age. Should I fear going to the kingdom of heaven at a young age? The cosmos is in the hands of the children. The brother-sister rela- tionship is a consequence of the har- mful patterns of the fallen world. Can you abide by this rule? All couples, even if your spouse is dead, must pledge today that you will not stain your lineage. We must not forget this memorial day. When there is a quarrel between a husband and a wife, you should be able to stop it immediately by remembering January 13. In the West, the thirteenth is the worst of all numbers. If the center consists of 12 months, the principle of heaven and earth will circulate through the year. However since this center number 13 does not exist, everything is in chaos and it has become an irrational, confusing world. God's desire is to straighten it out; there- fore, once you understand this principle, you must abide by it even if you have to die a thousand times. Think of this as a moment to make an unbreakable, imper- meable determination.

What is the first? Purity! Second? Abuse of human rights! Third? Misuse of money! On this memorial day, in order to main- tain the sovereign power, the kingship of heaven, and to stand before it as a peo- ple, parents, wife, children, and broth- ers and sisters? This is absolutely nec- sary. Therefore, you cannot neglect your older brother. You cannot neglect your younger brother merely because he is handicapped. In the secular world, peo- ple may not care, but we cannot neglect in-laws or relatives. How Shall We Live?

You who graduated from a university who clipped that degree. The sec- ond law is to not infringe upon human rights. Whether female or male, black or white, everyone is equal. Do not dis- criminate or violate human rights. For- this reason, people who are in a leader- ship position must not change someone else's position according to their own desire or feeling.

The one who practices true love, hon- oring human rights in the correct way, living for the sake of others, is in the mainstream. The creation of heaven and earth began from that point. Whoever commits an act that distorts or squan- ders this main current of thought is not to be tolerated. Violation of this is the second of all sins.

The third law is to refrain from steal- ing money to fulfill selfish desires. Sev- enty percent of the people in jail are there because of these crimes. If you are impro- nounced, you will see this is true. Human beings exist without money and lineage viola- tions are problems that concern man and woman. Then come the money problems. Following these are the problems deal- ing with power and money. Money, knowl- edge and power have ruled the satanic world.

From today forward, the blessed blood lineage that has been bequeathed through God's love and guidance and lineage nated by actions immersed in the habit- ual patterns of the fallen world. Can you abide by this rule? All couples, even if your spouse is dead, must pledge today that you will not stain your lineage. We must not forget this memorial day. When there is a quarrel between a husband and a wife, you should be able to stop it immediately by remembering January 13. In the West, the thirteenth is the worst of all numbers. If the center consists of 12 months, the principle of heaven and earth will circulate through the year. However since this center number 13 does not exist, everything is in chaos and it has become an irrational, confusing world. God's desire is to straighten it out; there- fore, once you understand this principle, you must abide by it even if you have to die a thousand times. Think of this as a moment to make an unbreakable, imper- meable determination.

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with purity, equalization of all people, and proper use of national property. You should understand everything well and make your life useful. You will be able to solve the problem only when you reach the stage in which as soon as your mouth opens these articles in the kingdom of heaven will come out.

There is no doubt you will face these challenges in life. There will probably be many such circumstances, but if you make an effort to abstain from violating the law, the challenges will make you a virtuous person. As long as you keep track of these heavenly laws, you do not need Reverend Moon’s teaching. You will naturally enter the Kingdom of God.

What do we do next? What kind of life do you want to live? We all want to live well. Then, do you consider living alone to be a good life? No. We should be togeth- er. With what kind of people and follow- ing what rules and environment?

It is simple. There are three answers: the parent-child relationship, the conju- gal relationship and the brother-sister relationship. This last one means broth- ers and sisters in the position of children to the parents; it refers to a relationship among children of the same parents. This is why one’s family has a mother and a father. From that couple came sons and daughters. You have the brother-sister relationship because you stand before the same mother and father. In my eyes, third cousins, the in-laws and all the cousins and so on including all people are related, sharing the brother-sister relationship. Once the parent-child rela- tionship and conjugal relationship are prac- ticed, you will understand the principle that individual unit must not stain the blood line- even to the point of dying. The sec- ond law is to not infringe upon human rights. Whether female or male, black or white, everyone is equal. Do not dis- criminate or violate human rights. For- this reason, people who are in a leader- ship position must not change someone else's position according to their own desire or feeling.

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Dr. Moon's revolutionary message. He noted his own careful investigation, and then went on to present "to every spirit," maintaining a critical yet open mind. Pointing to Dr. Moon's efforts to renew the United Nations, his investment in Africa and developing countries around the world, and his global work for family renewal, Taylor echoed Jesus' own guidance: "you will know them by their fruits."

Rev. Kenyatta, affectionately known to some as the "pope" of Harlem, challenged the clergy to support Father Moon's clear stand for family renewal and racial reconciliation. Kenyatta testified to the impact of this ministry on the black community and its youth, and called for a new alliance with Father Moon and clergy from all denominations. Bishop Dan Johnson, who oversees a number of Pentecostal churches in Kentucky and the surrounding area, predicted that the 52-city tour, and the racial and religiously diverse movement of clergy that it had spawned, would bring a "new pentecost" to America. Johnson's own interracial church was recently burned to the ground by the Ku Klux Klan.

A Messiah?

Archbishop G. Augustus Stallings of Washington, DC, founder of the Imani Temple African American Catholic Congregation, hailed Rev. Moon as a "prophet-ic voice" for our times, and addressed the Korean leader's "messiahship," and his efforts to "complete the work of Jesus Christ." Pointing to Psalm 82, and Jesus' promise that his followers would do greater works than his own, Stallings extolled the divinity in each person, and explained that each of us should be a Messiah (anointed one). The "work of redemption was completed on the cross," he said, "but the work of Messiahship begins, and in that we must each take up our cross and follow, and do greater things than he." Stallings followed a moving serenade by the Three Sopranos, Rev. Moon ascended the pulpit to a standing and warm Harlem welcome. He joked and teased with the audience, which by this time filled the aisles, the church balcony, and a downstairs overflow room. Several busses were reportedly turned away due to fire regulations, and a small crowd gathered outside Canaan Baptist on 116th Street, listening to the serenade. In a long and strong message on fidelity, family and faith entitled, "God is Our King and True Parent," Moon declared a new age of reformation. "There are still formidable obstacles on the path," Father Moon noted, live-ly and animated for his 81 years, "in particular racism and religious strife.

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SLCC President Dr. Joseph Lowery noted, "The personal attacks against him are similar in meanness and bias to those vented historically against Jewish, Christian and Modern leaders when they were newcomers bringing a minor-ity religion into the country. "We must rise above all of that," Rev. Moon and his Family Federation for World Peace gave strong support to Minister Louis Farrakhan's Million Man March. At the march last October, the minister called for a "Mill-

ion Family Move-ment." In many ways, the "We Will Stand!" tour is ful-

lying that call. Moon has long referred to the African or Black Church as being "prepared by God through suffering," the "leader in the reconciliation process," and the "hope of America's future.""ylland's Press-Citizen

The "We Will Stand Tour" began at the Garden of Prayer Cathedral Church of God in Christ in the Bronx on February 25. Among the religious leaders spearheading the initiative are former DC Congressman Lloyd Dog-royd and Norfolk Virginia's Dr. Milton Reid, who together with Walker were founding members of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Southern Christian Leader-

ship Conference. Also traveling and sharing the tour's message are the Re-

sendr Willie Wilson of the Union Tem-

ple Baptist Church in Washington, D.C.; Dr. Billy McCormack, founding board member of the Christian Coalition; National Baptist Convention board member Reverend Leroy Elliott; Rev. Jesse Edwards of the Pentecostals of Philadelphia; and more.

Controversy

The tour has raised controversy in some quarters. Some demonstrators promoted their own theological views or criticized Rev. Moon. Participating clergy were quick to respond, empha-

sizing the tour's broad purpose. "This is not about the man, it's about the mission. We're not getting caught up in a personal war, we're speaking a common cause," said Rev. Stallings. Rev. Rufus Oscar Kuma of Providence, R.I. added, "Father Moon." We're not trying to convert people to his church, only trying to unite various faiths into one community. "We must rise above all the den-

nial lines to help solve some of the most deadly problems plaguing our communities," he said. Prominent Detroit pastor and civil rights leader the Rev. Fred Shuttlesworth announced, "Father Moon's marriages have a 5 percent divorce rate. How can we, who have a 50 percent divorce rate, say we have nothing to learn from him?"

I love much of what Rev. Moon say-

s about dismantling the forces of bigotry and hate. The man has a tremendous personal presence," stated Rev. John Hancock in Jackson, Miss. Harlem leader Kenyat-

ta, himself a former bodyguard for Mal-

colm X, said, "I can identify with Rev. Moon. We both have had the misfor-

tune of being persecuted. I'm glad to see him here because I know how he got here, and I want him to know that his message is welcome here."

A trail of positive media reports has followed each visit, resulting in head-

lines in major dailies declaring "Diverse Denominations Agree With Moon's Mes-

sage on Families," and "Clergy Wel-

comes Rev. Moon." The tour appears to the local level in each state, and plans are underway for a major gath-

ering at the Lincoln Memorial this year. For information, visit the tour Web site at www.wewillstand.org.
As I look back upon the past year, I can only marvel at the powerful move of God that has taken place. It was in May of last year that 120 members of the clergy from across this country joined together in Korea, at Father Moon’s invitation, to forge a relationship and initiate a movement that will shake the nation from top to bottom. This morning, as we gather for fellowship, discussion, prayer and planning, we can be sure that the foundation for that movement is solidly in place.

Our clergy members have grown to thousands as we traveled across America. More than 100 newspaper articles, as well as dozens and dozens of TV news reports and radio interviews have portrayed our unity, our diversity, and our powerful spirit. In every city where opposition tried to slow us down or stop us completely—cities like Detroit, St. Louis, Minneapolis, or New Orleans—we became stronger, more united, more determined. Eventually, we overcame every obstacle, no matter how powerful the enemy, because, as Pastor Edwards said many times, “you cannot stop this movement because it is of God.”

I want to express my deep gratitude to each and every one of you who stood up so strongly: Pastor Barrett, Dr. Taylor, Rev. Edwards, Archbishops Williams, Duren, Rev. Wachstetter, Bishop Baymon, Rev. Elliot, and so many more. Many of you faced hardships on the tour: cancelled flights, overnight stays at airports, abandoned or passenger pick-up, crazy schedules. More seriously, concerns of your denominational leadership not to stand with this tour or you’d be kicked out. Some were criticized, others were accused, even threatened. But what could we do? God told us to stand up and fight. We must! But those who were concerned about their denomination or position, they could not stand. Those who were afraid that they might lose the financial support of their church, or be ridiculed as Rev. Moon has been, they could not stand. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. often said that when God places a great truth at the door of your life, if you refuse to stand up because you are afraid of the consequences, you are dead from that moment. It doesn’t matter how long you may live, if you deny what you know is right, it is over. That is exactly what Jesus meant when he said, “Whoever seeks to gain his life will lose it. But whoever is willing to lose his life for my sake, will find it.” Isn’t that the truth? Every time you face such a test: whether worry about position, money, honor, or the respect of men, or whether to “seek first the Kingdom of God, and its righteousness,” when you pass the test, God will bless you abundantly. Oh what a great and wise God we serve!

So you and I, all of us together, have been tested in many ways during these last 52 days. We are being prepared. I’m sure, for a much greater mission. We must make the motto, Rebuild the Family, Renew the Community, Restore the Nation and World,” a reality in America. Our work is just beginning.

Where We’ve Come From

Before we consider where we are headed, let’s look at where we’ve been. Last May in Korea, at the founding gathering of the American Clergy Leadership Conference, the origin of the 120, God truly worked in a powerful way. We gathered at the DMZ, the line between North and South Korea, the last divided nation on earth. We had come to confront this division with the power of our unity. We shouted out, proclaiming that Korea belonged to God. We released 120 doves, calling for that nation to “study war no more.” The doves flew north, across the DMZ to the heart of the north, as if to carry the message right from our hearts.

But as we journeyed back to Seoul, we began to feel that God had another, even greater purpose for us. There we were: black, white, red and brown; from many denominations, trying to bring unity in the world. We realized that the real meaning of our being there was to become one with each other. If we are going to change the world, it must begin here in America. And if America is going to be moved, the community of faith must unite. God had called us to a distant land, to bring us together through our sojourn.

Pastor Barrett, Bishop Billings, and several pastors made it clear that they had not come to Korea for tours and sightseeing. As long as they were “guests,” they felt, there would be no “movement” to this movement at all. God truly led us. We cancelled our tours even more times than we came to dialogue and conference. On our last day we climbed the holy mountain, Chirung Pyung Lake, where Father Moon had prayed overnight with tears countless times through the years. We prayed, we worshipped, we fellowshipped together. And as many of you remember, a rainbow appeared in a circle around the sun, something none of us had ever seen before. We knew that tears were streaming down our faces. As we built bonds of unity and love, the vision of the American Clergy leadership Conference slowly emerged. We came down from that mountain with a deep sense of purpose and mission.

Throughout the summer, ACLC members supported the “Lasting Love” Conferences in America, Russia, China and Korea. Some attended the U.N. declarations and conferences, others participated in the American Leadership Conferences. But our true target was the “Million Family March,” which our clergy from across America supported with busloads of participants. But no one invested more to support Minister Park’s call for family and unity than Father Moon did. The effect of that day was wonderful. The unity beyond race and religion was beautiful. But we all knew that it was just a beginning. The ACLC Seriously needed to build a movement.

In early December last year, we stood in front of the Supreme Court, in the midst of angry voices and bitter divisions, and called for America to “Forgive, Love, Unite!” When hundreds of pastors gathered in Chicago for the first annual ACLC conference in December, the idea for this 50-state tour was born. At the closing banquet, which coincided with the fifth annual True Family Values Award Program, 2,600 clergy and faithful embraced Father Moon’s message.

Before dawn the following morning he called and told us that we needed to carry that same spirit to all 50 states.

The last 52 days have changed the spirit of our ACLC movement. As we’ve shared incredible experiences on the road, we have become truly one. As we have seen the spirit move in mighty ways, in city after city, we can testify that God is leading this movement. As we have faced trials, opposition and difficulty, we have only become stronger. Our commitment is not simply based upon logic. Even though we may have to let go of what we have understood and believed in the past, we cannot deny the power of the Holy Spirit that is in our midst. Then where do we go from here?

Rebuild the Family

When we say, “Rebuild the family,” it is not a mere slogan or buzzword. How do we do it? Father Moon has laid it out for us every night on the tour. We must absolutely acknowledge the holiness of our sexuality, and consecrate it before God. As Saint Paul taught, and...
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as Father Moon has shown us, our body belongs to our spouse. We do not have the authority or right to misuse them. If you and I cannot stand on the foundation of purity, then we cannot restore the families in our communities; we cannot properly guide our young people.

If you have your spouse, then you have to say, “We Will Stand Together!” Absolute fidelity is the standard of the ACLC. Of course, we have all sinned, and come short of the glory of God. But when Jesus said, “Be ye therefore perfect, as your Father in Heaven is perfect,” that is the kind of unity between our mind and body that he meant. James 3:2 explains that a perfect man can keep his body under control, and control his tongue also.

We cannot be wishy-washy about this point. Purity toward your spouse must be your personal foundation for your ministry and family. If you don’t have a spouse, please pray seriously, and ask God what he wants you to do. If you stand upon personal righteousness, then through the power of this movement, and the spiritual foundation of Father and Mother Moon as True Parents, you can establish a powerful ministry of reconciliation and family renewal in your church. That is exactly what is happening to Pastor Barrett, as his family and church are being rebuilt, restored, and renewed. Through this movement we will be able to minister to the single parents and broken families in our congregations and communities, not by judging them, but by healing them. This is the power of God’s true love.

Restore the Community

Similarly, when we say, “Restore the Community,” we must first break down the barriers. Do not assume that simply because we fellowship together as we do, that we have accomplished this unity. What we have done so far is the easy part. Traveling together, meeting at conferences or when we are called together is only the beginning. We must show our fellow clergy and our congregations that we have torn down the walls between us. In the coming months we will preach in each other’s churches, support each other’s ministries, and work together on a totally new level. The riots taking place in Cincinnati have shown us that racial hatred can flare up in a moment. Bishop Dan Johnson had his church burned by the KKK not so long ago. We must stand against this hatred, with the power of our love, and by putting that love into action. Each of us must ask ourselves, “How far am I willing to go? How much am I willing to invest of myself to truly love my brother or sister?” If we forge the deepest unity based upon service and sacrifice, we can stand as an example to our congregations and communities.

As the ACLC leadership did at the Supreme Court last December, we must become the unified voice of love, forgiveness and reconciliation for those around us. If we truly become one with each other, which cannot come by lip service alone, then more and more people will be drawn spiritually to work with us. Many of you are here now only because you were moved by the spiritual power of our unity, isn’t it true?

Renew the Nation and World

As we work to spread this spirit to those in the faith community who are prepared, you will see that this nation will be moved. Later this year, perhaps sometime in late summer, after we have strengthened this movement by regional crusades and cooperation, we will return to Washington, but this time with many more. As like-minded people recognize the righteousness of our cause, they will join us. And as we plan to do with our United Federation of Churches headquarters here in Washington, when different denominations cooperate for the sake of the community, it will be more than served, it will be transformed. This we must do in each city, town and area.

Historical Significance of ACLC

In closing, let me remind you of the significance of this ACLC movement. In 1945, when Rev. Moon began his pastoral ministry, he did not found a church; he did not seek to establish his own organization. He preached from the Bible in church after church, simply seeking to unite the body of Christ through a deeper understanding of the truths of the scripture. But at that time Christianity in Korea was mainly influenced and led by missionaries from the west, especially America. Had these leaders opened their minds and listened, then what you are seeing happen here would have begun more than 50 years ago. When these leaders had neither eyes to see nor ears to hear, the Christian community was never able to understand Rev. Moon’s message and heart. They persecuted him in ignorance. In the face of this rejection, he had no choice but to build his own foundation. In 1954 he founded, not a church, but the Holy Spirit Association for the Unification of Christianity. His goal was still the body of Christ. Quickly he built up a worldwide movement, now in 190 nations and established in a variety of fields: education, business, media, agriculture, and many, many more.

But this was accomplished only through sacrifice. Through personal imprisonment, public ridicule, and many other experiences, Rev. Moon paid a dear price to rebuild what was lost when Christianity failed to receive his message. But he did not retreat; he did not faller; he did not turn back. Now, having overcome all of the obstacles in his path and built a global foundation, once again he is reaching out to the body of Christ. But this time, the first will be last, and the last will be first. Those who are responding are those who have hearts are open; those who worship the Father in spirit and in truth. By your courageous stand, we are restoring a serious historical mistake. I guarantee you, the movement we are building has profound consequences upon our society and our future.

What Drives Rev. Moon

In these next two days, we will fellowship, pray, worship and plan together. But also, we must study. If we recognize that none of us could do what Father Moon has done, and if we seek to understand what has driven and led him to initiate this movement, we must invest so much time, energy and money to reconstruct the ideal of God in human society, to establish his vision, and how he received it. We must find come to know and understand what it is that God yearns, him.

Please, then, please invest your self wholeheartedly during this conference. Open your mind and heart; let the Holy Spirit guide you into all truth, as John 16:12 promised. I wish you the best in your efforts here, and I look forward with excitement to building this movement by your side.

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May 2001
Farewell to Shin Yea Nim

Our deepest sympathies go to True Parents, Hyun Jin Nim and Jun Sook Nim and all of True Family concerning the passing of Shin Yea Nim, the 3rd child of Hyun Jin Nim and Jun Sook Nim. She passed at 7:15 p.m. on May 1st. We offer our sympathy and prayers for her peaceful passage.

She is the 3rd daughter youngest child of 3 boys and 3 girls. A farewell ceremony will be held at Belvedere at 3:00 pm on May 1st. The Seung Hwa Ceremony will be held in Korea.

We ask for all our families to join in heart and prayer for Shin Yea Nim's ascension and eternal happiness. We also request that your prayers be given for True Family at this time.

Father said that God wants to save all humanity, but this minister felt that that was absolutely wrong. Coming from a Catholic background, the minister feels that says that God will come for His elect. He then taught that only those elect would be saved and the rest would be condemned to hell, and nothing we could do could change that. He taught that people are already pre-chosen and elected, and therefore there is nothing we can do about that.

Father smashed that ideology of elections as he proclaimed that is not true. Jesus prayed that all mankind be one. The book of Romans calls for universal salvation, that God wishes that none would perish, not one, but all would receive the glory of God. That's God's heart. Of course, people have to choose their own destiny. This pastor expressed his hold to that dogma. We will pray for him because we do believe that he was sincere, but many of these pastors are held captive by dogmas that have been entrenched in their denominations over history. They have no idea how much they have three to the letter of the law and they are captives of their denominations. This is what Father was doing in Maine. He broke down many of the denominations. The white Christians are facing another crisis, but I am confident that many in the Baptist church will stand strong. We have known this will be a battle that we will not lose this battle. This battle is ours to win. I pray for all the churches to come together and really share the blessings of God.

Mr. Scott Simon put together the program with Rev. Richard Beussing. David Caprara was involved, and well as the ACC leaders, who really are the founding pioneers of the effort to reach ministers. Starting in 1983, when they were all ordained as ministers of the gospel in the Bahamas by Rev. Won Pil Kim, they have walked a course with Christian ministers, and later expanded to include educating political leaders.

Now the ACC leaders and the Family Federation leaders are one, side by side. I could see how Scott Simon had sown great seed in the work.

The same event was shocking. Peter Kim said he'd never seen Father so harsh. Someone was there was something going on in Maine that had to be dealt with. We don't know what it meant, but some of Father's words to white Christianity were very, very harsh. He declared very strongly that white Christianity has divided America, and has continued to divide the denominations. The white Christians are held responsible for this, and they must listen to Father or they will go to hell.

Even Rev. Kim struggled on the stage to find the proper words that would be at least strong enough that the people could even receive the message. However, there were those who exploded on the spot and could not receive the message. One such minister, who was even on the invitation committee, stormed out of the church shouting in rage. He was absolutely lived as he felt he was boxed into and completely judged.

Through these testimonies, I feel for these ministers who are bound by these denominational walls and barriers, and held hostage by incomes that they have to follow them. Some pastors have turned against us, some have fought, some have turned against the pastor who they thought was really a Catholic priest. I walked with Dr. King in Maine. He was also very controversial. I used to be a Catholic, and now I feel that the Bible was showing me the errors that I was making, and I was not following Christ. I was following the priest that was controlling me. I was following the priest that was controlling me. I was following the priest that was controlling me. I was following the priest that was controlling me. I was following the priest that was controlling me. I was following the priest that was controlling me. I was following the priest that was controlling me. I was following the priest that was controlling me. I was following the priest that was controlling me. 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The Big Sky state welcomed the "We Will Stand" tour to the Holiday Inn Grand Montana in Billings. The attraction to the event was positively magnetic and the 700 seat banquet hall was completely full well before the starting time.

The tour began Feb. 25 in the Bronx, New York with 3,500 clergy and followers joined the 81-year-old evangelist, who called for national interfaith and interreligious harmony and cooperation.

The Reverend Michael Yakawich, pastor of the local Unification Church, now called the Billings Family Church, stated in the press: "It (the event)is the event asking for everyone to take a stand against drugs, alcoholism and racism."

Prominent Baptist, Lutheran, Methodist and Pentecostal ministers have been joining the tour. "This is an ecumenical program, not that far away from what we've done in the community," he said.

"The faith community must take a leading role in making a better reality for all our citizens. Our churches, temples, mosques remain the most segregated part of our society."

"Many clergy and especially African-Americans, have decided to stand with Moon in the issues of rebuilding the family, restoring the community and renewing the nations," Yakawich said.

Bishop Richard Larsen, the Bishop of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints and former mayor of Billings gave a beautiful welcome to Father Moon and the assembled. He was absolutely confident that the program was vital for Montana and the city of Billings.

Reverend Ore Medicine Bull, a Native American Indian from the Mono Nation and Christian minister stated: "The Native American's know that Reverend Moon is right. His position on the family and purity in marriage is an essential aspect of the universal truth that is God's vision for the family. The Indian nations are all in support of Reverend Moon. He says he is our cousin and he is right."

Reverend Medicine Bull brought 30 leaders with her. They had flown in from San Francisco to support the Billings event. Most of the audience was made up of white Christians. Reverend James DeFoe came from Wayman African Methodist Episcopal church.

Reverend Mark Wachtstetter of the Crown Point Assembly of God in Chicago gave a warm introduction to Father Moon, reinforcing the main theme of the tour: the pain, the deterioration of the family parallels the rest of society's ills. Those problems supersede the denominational barriers.

Father Moon's address was delivered in Korean with simultaneous translation by Mr. Peter Kim.

"The speech was truly inspiring, though there was a significant struggle when he spoke firmly that men are the sacred object in the family. He used the example that the woman's love organ is conceived or shaped like a bowl so it can receive while the man is designed to give the seed of life.

Father Moon began by saying, "Men and women are God's creation, the unique and beautiful creation of God. That's why we should love each other dearly, but have no children, then their love has no future and they cannot enter the Kingdom of Heaven. Everyone is a child of Satan."

Some people were offended and left the room. One man about midway back in the hall suddenly shouted out, "Who is the Messiah?" Father Moon told him to go and learn and pray about it. His spirit continued.

The vast majority stayed and heard the message to the end, grateful and deeply inspired.

Dr. Billy McCormack stood strong and ended the program joining in a reconciliation ceremony with the Nation of Islam leader Minister Gerald Muhammad.

Regional report
Early 400 people filled Greater Hope Baptist Church on a Wednesday evening to hear a press conference at the Hilton Downtown in Milwaukee. "We Will Stand" tour. The Tennessee volunteers and members of the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification asked the ministers were followers or supporters of Father Sun Myung Moon. Reverend Allen responded, "We're not all followers of Reverend Moon, but rather supporters of his call for unity and building stronger families and communities."

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Louisville, KY—April 3

The King Solomon Missionary Baptist Church was the backdrop for the Bluegrass State’s “We Will Stand” revival meeting designed to promote the family and encourage harmony across religious and racial lines.

The Kentucky experience began with a visit to a radio station with Reverend Charles Elliot, the host pastor. Reverend Elliot has a weekly radio broadcast that reaches about 50,000 listeners across the state. The host pastor, Rev. Charles Elliot, the brother of Leroy, has great influence in the city of Louisville. He brought the Chief of Police of Louisville and to everyone’s sur-
prise, the Chief brought the Police Choir. They sang, in full uniform with pistols in holsters, two upbeat Christian hymns. Then Rev. Harvey brought his choir from Cincinnati, Ohio. The clergy jammed the church.

Reverend Elliot invited True Father to speak as a righteous pastor. “We have not understood Rev. Moon. We didn’t know the truth about that man. We can see and a Pentecost has come. God has raised up a leader among us to unite the church. It is a resolution to the Christian world. We see tonight the dream of Jesus being realized. We are all one. Thank God for Father and Mother Moon.”

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After the video Rev. Elliot invited True Parents to the podium together. He then presented them the highest honor that the state of Kentucky gives—the Kentucky Colonel award.

Father spoke with great revival power this time. Dr. Hyel Taylors “Chari-
go. The TV stations wanted to get Father’s speech. This time Father was in a total revival spout. The church absolutely became spiritual. So many ministers proclaimed their desire to travel on the tour. The next meeting, Monday morning, Bishop Dan Johnson, traveled to Wisconsin to get to the next event. He was moved by the spir-

Dr. Taylor was interviewed with Father speaking in the background by the NBC and FOX affiliates. They saw him every time. Father Moon is focusing on the black churches. He said, “Rev. Moon has brought his mes-
sage to all Christians. The black church knows the genuineness of a prophet and are responding. But I want you to understand something. The great unity you see tonight with all races and denominations is coming because of the anointing of God. Also, this is a very small example of the work of Rev. Moon. As his work is bringing unity ‘here. I also have seen his work bringing unity at the UN with Presidents and the worlds religious leaders coming together. He is bringing those leaders together for world peace far beyond the reaches of Chris-

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Reverend Elliot then has a beautiful con-
gregation of mixed races and was joined by his wife for the evening. As a boy he was involved with a shooting accident that com-
pletely blinded him in both eyes. His father told him then not to worry and never to fear about it. Daddy doesn’t believe that God can heal me and maybe I will be forever, he thought. In the darkness of desperation he reached out to God and decided that he was the dream about being in the hope of a miracle. Shortly after that he went to a revival meeting. All the people were praying for those who were afflicted he went for-
ward and was miraculously healed. His heart was opened to God for the sacrificial serv-
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formed and raised the spirit even higher. Ministers filled the church. Reverend Den-
nis Lyons, who would be healed by Jesus. He went for seven months and never felt fear.

Many of the Presidents of the world togeth-
er his church and now True Father was welcomed.

We arrived at the church for the press conference, there were already picketers out front. This time picket signs seemed to be in a time war. It was the 2nd gen-
eration communists were there. Their signs read, Moon is a pawn of CIA and other such things that only evoked smiles on the Chris-
tian guests and pastors that came in. We were all filled with hope as our friends across the street were going into a time machine to take us back to the Vietnam era. Nevertheless we respect those who do not understand.

Our press conference went on as sched-
uled at the King Solomon Baptist Church. 25 religious leaders joined in our confer-
ence. Dr. Hyel Taylors spoke most elegantly as he made it clear that he is the first Rev. Moon and We Will Stand. He said, “How do I know that this is right. Make no mist-
ake, this was a great thing. Who were those eyes wide open. We should be wary, and we should criticize. We have been betrayed in our own theology. However, the bible tells me that we should Judge Them By Their

“Love” is always the response. Actually, “Imagination is most important” states the preacher from Korea.

The pastors’ wives are deeply grateful that Father Moon opens the door to this kind of teaching and preaching on the true sanctity of marriage and the holiness of love, according to correspondents afterwards. “We’re very grateful to Reverend Moon and (his movement) for that,” said Minister James Ro the President of the Philadelphia Church of the Nation of Islam. “Ninety-nine percent of the problems in our community could be erad-
icated if we would strengthen our families.”

Regional report
The 1st Special 21 Day began, late winter snow storms blan-keted the sit in fresh snow. For some of our participants this was a special challenge—for example the Filipino and Thai members were coming from hot sultry weather to face several morn-ings when the mercury fell to 20 or 30 below zero.

Hyun Jin Nim loves any kind of chal-lenge, and certainly enjoyed the abun-dantly cold weather. The snow could be the ground,” he said, “is like a blan-ket that will be thrown off with the com-ing of spring. You have to melt the snow in your mind and heart right now. That’s why I intend to challenge you every step of the way! This workshop is going to be unlike any other work-shop that you have been to. Let me tell you right now that this workshop is designed to challenge you mentally, spiritually, physically, emotionally and psychologically. When you come, it is up to you.”

“Because I am taking responsibil-ity as an elder brother, you are actual-ly my younger brothers and sisters. I called you here to truly teach you about the will of True Parents, the responsi-bilities of True Parents and how you have to be responsible. Therefore, this has to be the first day of new life for every single one of you here. This has to be the first day of a new era for our movement! This has to be the first day in building a new par-adigm of leadership for our movement so that all of God’s abun-dance will come to our move-ment.”

“The time is now for new begin-nings. A new beginning means that all the old habits, all the old concepts, and all the old under-standings of the past has to go away. I made this workshop in order for you to receive a special grace and to give you a new opportunity, a new rebirth and renewal for the leadership of our movement under 40 years old. In one word, all of you under 40, even though you might not be 2nd generation in terms of blessing, repre-sent the 2nd generation.

A deliberately challenging schedule

Every morning began with a 5:30am roll call for all participants outside the lecture hall—in the icy wind and cold! All the participants were divided into five groups of five to ten members, and the roll call would continue until all mem-bers of a group were present and cor-rect! Then and only then could the group go into the lecture hall for Hoon Dok Hae.

I’d better confess that when I heard about this for the first time, it seemed like a crazy plan, sure to bring total loss of work-shop down with flu, pneumonia or worse—but I was wrong. Instead, the morning roll call generated a powerful spirit that extended through every day of the program, and almost no one was sick at all. Well, the spirit really is stronger than the body, it seems. After a few days, the participants began to adapt themselves to the demanding schedule. After the 5:30 a.m. roll call and 6:00 a.m. Hoon-dokhwe, lectures were held all morning. Each afternoon, everyone was challenged to outdoor sports. Mostly novices, we found that cross-country skiing and snow shoe-ing were much more difficult than they looked, especially in temperatures usu-ally below freezing even in the middle of the day. Then lectures and Hoon Dok Hae started up again from 4:30 p.m. to 11:00 p.m., and team and group meetings took the typical day well past midnight.

Father’s new Hoon-dokhwe book of Completed Testament Age speeches, True Parents and World Peace, was the main staple of daily study, with most speeches covered at least twice. All read-ings, songs and most prayers were in Korean, our mother tongue. Rev. Ken Sudo was the chief lecturer for the first part of the workshop, giving 50 hours of detailed content about the Word of the Completed Testament Age, True Parents’ life course and the responsi-ability of the Blessed Couples in the age of the 4th Adam, spiced with his own testimonies and experiences learning from True Parents.

We were also glad to welcome many guest lecturers and speakers. Among them were Pres. Sungs Kwon Park, who spoke at great length about True Par-ents’ work in North Korea, bringing a fascinating slide show presentation that gave us many of our first glimpse of the work going on in True Parents’ home-land. Mr. Dong Moon Joo, the outgo-ing president of IFWPF, spoke of the investment made in the Washington Times and of his hopes for the new administration. Dr. Tom Walsh shared about the IFWPF and the development of WANGO and the future of the Unit-ed Nations.

Perhaps the greatest interest was reserved for the World CARP presenta-tions prepared by each of the eight major chapter presidents in attendance. I think participants found these were particularly interesting and relevant because they demonstrated some of the major changes that have taken place in World CARP in the last year under Hyun Jin Nim’s leadership. The work-shop participants were introduced to the new World CARP slogan, ‘There is no such thing as number two, only Number One’ and adopted it as their own motto.

Midway through the workshop, two respected church elders Rev. Su Won Chang and Rev. C. S. Ahn were asked by Hyun Jin Nim to give their testimo-ny about working with Father back in the early days when our movement was beginning. ‘Even as we plan revolu-
As a leader of the Settlement Age having successfully completed Hyun Jin Nim’s Special 21 Day Workshop, I make the following Pledge to God, True Parents, and True Family:

1. I, as an ambassador of God’s sovereignty, shall substantiate His Will with honor and dignity.
2. I shall attend God, True Parents and True Family with absolute love and absolute obedience.
3. I, as a central blessed family, shall eternally honor and maintain God’s lineage inherited from True Parents and True Family.
4. I, standing in the position of true Abel, shall not abuse this entrusted authority for a selfish purpose, but shall sacrifice myself for the greater good.
5. I, as a true steward, shall not violate the trust given to me in the management and use of all public assets, and I shall at all times be responsible and accountable.
6. I will sincerely guide the Second Generation to enter God’s direct dominion as forerunners of the movement for the culture of Original Heart.
7. I shall liberate God, True Parents, True Family and all humanity, by substantially building God’s Fatherland.
8. I, as a leader and a central blessed family, shall uphold the true, universal and absolute values of Heaven and Earth, and be a Fourth Adam and the Age of the Second Generation.
9. I shall constantly remind myself of my solemn promise to uphold this pledge and ultimately become a true son who inherits the legacy of True Parents.

The signing of this pledge was in many ways the high point of the workshop. Before anyone put pen to paper, Jin Man Renk, World CSP vice-president, explained in detail about each point of the pledge. Then Hyun Jin Nim reminded everyone of the holy and solemn commitment that we were making together with him. It was a profound and moving moment.

And then, all too soon, the workshop was drawing to a close. The graduation ceremony was held that same afternoon. Out of 282 participants and staff, the top ranking 5% were recognized and awarded certificates of distinction. The winning teams were presented with commemorative medals, and all graduating participants received the all-important certificates of completion announcing that they were qualified to be leaders in the settlement era.

There was a joyful closing banquet held, presided over by Hyun Jin Nim and Jun Sook Nim, whose Blessing Anniversary coincided with the end of the workshop. Photographs were taken, songs were sung and pledges affirmed. Then the whole group moved out into the still icy night air to hold a solemn candle-lighting ceremony, to symbolize the inheritance of new light and life from True Parents and True Family. Fireworks soared above the frozen lake as three cheers of Mansoo echoed off the distant mountains.

Testimonies
Tomohiro Miyamoto (Japan): Hyun Jin Nim’s speech at the workshop in Canada was a new beginning. This is a totally new responsibility for me, and I am not settled yet. However, I will make desperate effort to accomplish.

Chunwook Yoon (Korea): I was assigned to a new place and will make a fresh start. The workshop was the turning point for me and I will do my best to win!

Sachio Shinozaki (Japan): I feel that God, True Parents and Hyun Jin Nim have a great expectation towards CARP in this turning point in providential history. I am excited and hopeful that we can build the Kingdom of Heaven on earth on the worldwide level with the cooperation connected through the Canada workshop.

Alexander Verschoor (Australia): The message is very profound and very time- and therefore moving. Any member of our movement who were notices a certain inconsistency between the life and teachings of our True Parents on one side and our daily practices on the other. It is a very alarming fact, but when somebody like Hyun Jin Nim talks about this, it gives a lot of hope to our movement.
Oklahoma being the end of the Trail of Tears and the final home for many of the Tribes of this sacred place now called America, it was decided that a reconciliation of the Native-American and Caucasian relationship would be a central theme for the Oklahoma City “We Will Stand” tour stop. Tribal Chairmen and Elders from many tribes were approached. As a part of the outreach effort a “pow wow” was even held in a sweat lodge. Native Americans Gayokla Nichi and Saginaw Grant came in from California to help with the preparations as well as the program itself. Originally from Oklahoma, Saginaw has appeared in several movies and is well known throughout America among the Indian tribal leaders. Both are members of the Sac and Fox Nation.

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When we arrived, I was invited to sit at lunch with the VIP’s from New Hampshire. Such a prestigious welcome by Rev. Jesse Edwards, Bishop Stallings and myself. Mayor Tony Giunta was there and totally positive about our work. Representative Gonzales the first Hispanic elected official in the history of New Hampshire was one of the program’s hosts. The chaplain of the American Legion for the state shared his heart that he knows from his personal place of attendance.

The next steps, according to Phillip Schandler, vice president for public affairs for the Family Federation, will include an AIDS/HHIV curriculum for family education around abstinence for young people and the ending of divorce. An AIDS/HHIV curriculum has been introduced in a few schools throughout the country and will be further encouraged to expand.

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The 42nd day of the “We Will Stand” 50-state interfaith and revival tour drew a capacity crowd of 600 to the Adam’s Mark Hotel in downtown Columbus. A fellowship of 120 ministers drawn from 17 denominations formed the American Clergy Leadership Conference which is the core sponsor of this unique crusade. After the invocation by Reverend Tony Gordon, Ferguson Grant AIME Zion Church (Cayo, South Carolina), a massive choir composed of five different choirs got the assembly into the spirit of joy and praise. Included in the audience were 150 Christian ministers as well as Minister Earl Mohammed of the Nation of Islam and Imam Idris Mohammed of the Muslim American Society. “We’re supporting an effort of unity and family,” stated Minister Muhammad earlier in the press. “The aim is to break down the walls of racism, and South Carolina is, in my opinion, one of the most racist states in the United States.” He also expressed his opinion that only a thin, doctrinal line divides Christians and Islam.

A n overflow audience of about 1200 people made the First Christian Missionary Baptist Church of Indianapolis roll in red carpet for the “We Will Stand” national tour on a Monday evening. The spirit was Holy Ghost warm and welcoming. Reverend Damon Roach had prepared this church for his historic crusade as if Jesus himself was coming to town. A beautiful wife acted as host and hostess for the night. The Freedom, Faith and Family Awards were then presented to various organizations and individuals from around the state. Dr. Alma Byrd, a former state legislature and professor at Benedict College, Dr. Carl Evans, Chairman of the Religious Department at the University of South Carolina; Pastor Dr. Julia M. Lakin, Unting the Uniting Church; the Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance of Charleston; Mrs. Henrietta Squirrell; and the Israhen Arain Church of Jesus Christ Apostolic were all recognized for their years of service to the people of South Carolina.

Because it was Palm Sunday all of the ministers who were traveling with Father Sun Myung Moon were unable to take care of their churches and get to the program on time. Fortunately, The Honor-able Donazella James, Georgia State Sen-ator, stepped in at the last minute. She gave an inspired speech that set the tone for the evening.

Reverend Lloyd Norris, pastor emeriti, and founder of the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Baptist Church in Colum-bus, was also present. “I have an exumral edge that enables me to relate with people of other faiths and religions that many of my Baptist colleagues don’t share,” Norris said. “But the world is moving in a direction where interfaith religion is almost going to be required.”

Senator James proudly introduced the featured preacher after a brief biogra-phical video.

Father Moon was very warmly greet-ed and his words were met with many shouts of encouragement. He spoke from hour to hour about an hour and a half. He kicked off the evening with simple yet powerful messages. “We need to look beyond denomina-tional lines to help solve some of the most deadly prob-lems plaguing our communi-ties. Father Moon preached about the oneness of Christian faith, the imperatives of racial reconcili-tion, interdenominational cooperation and strong families.”

“When each of you enter the spirit world after this world, there will be no ethnic divide and no ethnic barrier,” he said in Korean, with simultaneous translation by Mr. Peter Kang. “You will enter the family of God, which is what I see right now in this audience one family, my family.”

At the end of the speech there was a small surprise cake cutting and con-gratulations song for Father and Mother Moon in honor of their 41st wedding anniversary. The Reverend Linda Trigg, pastor of the local Family Federation for World Peace and Unification (FFPUU) congregation, Indianapolis Family Church, noted that this is just the kick-off of a new ministerial alliance.

She will be working with Elder Lionel Rush, the Reverend Damon Roach of First Christian Missionary Baptist Church, and other congregations to offer marriage and family seminars as well as youth

The Reverend Don Olson, an interim pastor at a Lutheran church near Miami, Florida praised the mission of the crusade and its leaders. “I am interested in a dialogue where clergy listen and aren’t judgmental,” he stated at a press conference prior to the main program. “Building the family is a core value that all people of faith can agree upon.”

The Reverend Mark Wacht- stetter, who preaches at an Assembly of God congregation in Indiana, agreed. “We can’t solve soci-eval problems unless we work on the spir-it of people, but we need to work togeth-er. We need to look beyond denomina-tional walls.”

Father Sun Myung Moon was the fea-tured preacher in the banquet style gath-ered approximately 400 people. Mrs. Mayurt Hoffman sent a bus from South Dakota that included 12 Native American tribal leaders. They sat direc-tly in front of Father Moon and offered only much love and direct guidance for the dura-tion of the sermon which lasted over two hours. It appeared that they had come in very heavy-hearted.

They definitely left with smiles of joy and glimmers of hope on their faces.

Truly there was a healing that took place on some level at least, as they drank in the love and comfort given by God through his Word.

Speaking through his translator, Father Moon pointed to problems in families as the root of societal ills and encouraged married couples to pass on a lineage of true love. He warned that America has no future unless it addresses its immorality and supports God-centered families.

“Women are born for the sake of children and to live for their husbands. Men should sacrifice for their children and wives.”

“Only when you have children can you build a family in the eyes of God,” he stated.

He spoke for more than two hours to a diverse crowd that included self-identi-fied members of the Church of Latter-day Saints, the Sudanese Christian Church, the Islamic community, and even a few Lutherans and Catholics.

In the end gifts were presented by the Native America leadership, and the State legislature of North Dakota. Dakota is the Sioux Indian word for “friend.” It was noted.

A special gift was presented to Mrs. (Mother) Moon by the local Women’s Fed-eration for World Peace in commemo-ration of the couple’s 41st wedding anniver-sary on April 10th.

**Regional report**
The Saturday morning “We Will Stand” breakfast program drew 1,500 people and included the choirs and pastors of several local Protestant and Christian congregations. The Hilton Hawaiian Village Coral Ballroom was transformed by the lively and unique atmosphere.

The Aloha State echoed to Korean evangelist Father Sun Myung Moon and others speaking on the sanctity of marriage and family and ending all forms of prejudice by “tearing down the walls of denominationalism.”

More than 500 tourists from Japan and Korea were among the crowd, and they were among the most enthusiastic and attentive.

“Recently young couples don’t care about lineage, they don’t want children, they just want to enjoy life. They are children of Satan.”

“If you are guilty of infidelity, you are bound for hell, you are going in the trash can. Wives who abort children are committing a sin.”

To have children is God’s main purpose for humankind. Without children, that’s not a family. You cannot enter the kingdom of God...you enter as a family...

He challenged and cajoled his new-found congregation. “Just by believing in Jesus doesn’t mean you will enter the kingdom of heaven.”

He thundered in the style of a hellfire preacher, speaking in Korean, and given Mr. Peter Rim his translator a fit as he sought to keep up. However the ideas may have played in less tolerant areas of America, regarding racial intermarriage and lowered barriers between religious denominations, they didn’t cause a flicker in this crowd.

The tourists especially applauded Father Moon described bringing Japanese and Koreans together in marriage. “Then you are in-law and old enmities are ended,” he declared.

The Reverend Michael Jenkins, president of the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification, acting as the emcee for the morning stated: “Father and Mother Moon received a commission from Jesus to anoint families.”

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“Along other interests, Father Moon established the Washington Times and, last year, purchased United Press International news service. Customary flowers were presented including the traditional Hawaiian Lei to Father and Mother Moon.”

“We were all on the fringe once. Every religion has been a ‘moonie,’ even Christianity was ‘moonie’ in its time. Every great religious leader was persecuted. We become monopolistic.”

“Can I speak about a type of mentality that believes it is under siege.”

He said attacks from organized religion that marked the nondenominational movement in the 1960s and 70s fit a historic pattern.

“At 6:00AM there was already a line of unity. Incredibly, an hour later the fire alarm went off again for a second time. This time it was quickly stopped, and nobody left.”
Father Sun Myung Moon was the special guest speaker at an Anti-Defamation Week Wednesday night revial held at the Zion United Methodist Church. Reverend Marion Bennett, 72, is the founder of the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification for a 7:00 pm gathering of the 50-state whirlwind "We Will Stand" tour. This was the 46th gathering of the 50-state whirlwind "We Will Stand" tour.

When Reverend Marion Bennett heard that Father Moon was initiating a 50-state speaking tour, he could hardly believe it was true. However, as soon as he understood that he wanted to bring the message directly to the churches, Reverend Bennett did not hesitate to extend an invitation for Father Moon to speak in his church. He stated that, "It would be a great honor to have Reverend Moon speak in our church. He has a message that people need to hear." Reverend Bennett, a former Nevada State Legislator for 10 years, pioneer civil rights leader, and pastor of Zion Methodist Church for the past 40 years, stood strong in the face of skepticism and opposition to his decision.

When asked by an ABC-TV reporter whether some members of his own congregation were skeptical about inviting Reverend Moon, Reverend Bennett was adamant. "Yes, some opposed my decision. But people also opposed me in 1964 when I invested the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial. History proved me right about Dr. King, and I believe that history will prove me right about Reverend Moon." There were two news conferences where Christians, Muslims and others joined together as one united voice for the world.

The evening began with a 5:00 p.m. buffet dinner in the Zion Fellowship Hall followed by the main program in the sanctuary from 6:00 p.m.

The Zion Chancel Choir opened the evening’s worship with Gospel choruses that both stirred the soul and quieted the spirit in preparation for the message that would follow. The Zion Usher Board helped pack the crowd into every available seat.

Former Nevada Assemblyman, Patrick Hickey, welcomed guests and shared the numerous proclamations and letters sent by Nevada dignitaries, including Governor Kenny Guinn, U.S. Senator John Ensign, and Congressman Jim Gibbons. State Senator Bob Coffin, an Invitational Committee member of the American Leadership Conference, sent personal greetings saying that he had heard that Reverend Moon had enough passion and energy to conduct another tour of such magnitude at age 91.

The overflow crowd at Zion Methodist reflected a unique blending of Christians and Muslims side-by-side in worship. The spirit of ecumenical brotherhood was reflected in the joint invitation offered by Reverend Sam Robinson, pastor of the Community Baptist Church of Henderson and Imam Majhufid Ramadan, leader of the American Muslim Council. Reverend Michael-Jenkins, American President of the Family Federation, shared impassioned remarks urging all to join in the spirit of family renewal and national renewal.

Dr. Kene Holiday, well-known actor and Hollywood evangelist, introduced the ministry and the endless sacrifices that have encompassed Father Moon’s life course.

Dr. Will Baker, President of Christians and Muslims for Peace, and a close associate of Dr. Robert Schuller, preached the need for people of faith to unite around our many shared God-centered values.

Dr. Cheryl Lau, former Nevada Secretary of State and Fellow of Harvard’s JFK School of Government urged the audience to listen carefully to the featured message.

Reverend Marion Bennett introduced Father Moon expressing his gratitude for his Holy Spirit experience in Korea where the founding of the American Clergy Leadership Conference (ACLC) took place. He noted that he had both seen and felt Father Moon’s unique calling to bring the church together.

Following the "We Will Stand" video, the congregation gave a resounding welcome to the keynote preacher, Father Moon. He seemed very much at home in the Zion pulpit and the congregation responded naturally and enthusiastically following every word.

He spoke with conviction about the true nature of the Fall of Man. He made it clear to all that humankind’s fallen lineage resulted from the failure of the first parents, and that world salvation was directly linked to the restoration of a hoped-for family of Jesus Christ, Lord and Savior.

After extended extemporaneous remarks, Father Moon quickly led the audience through the text of his prepared speech with simultaneous translation by Mr. Peter Kim.

Clergy members of ACLC then presented Father and Mother Moon with a towering 3 foot tall Nevada trophy carried by Minister Duke Muhammad, Reverend Terry Cox, Bishop A.J. Thompson and Reverend Donnell Horn.

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Dr. T.L. Barrett (Superintendent for the Church of God in Christ, Chicago) and his wife had been separated for 10 years. They were together again suddenly this evening as Father Moon told Dr. Barrett that they would be getting back together today. Barrett was visiting Moon earlier this year and brought his family to Las Vegas a week ago while on the tour. He had also mentioned that it was strange for Dr. Barrett to be separated from his wife when the two had been married for 33 years.

Pastor Barrett now sees his wife and children as much more connected than families—and it seems to be happening.

At his church recently, a couple that he knew had been estranged was suddenly back together again. “God is bringing families together,” he proclaimed.

After giving his testimony to the audience one lady who has been separat- ed from her husband got up on-stage. She claimed. "I brought families together," he proclaimed.

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A regional report

The Regional report is a summary of events and activities in the Madison area, highlighting local news and community involvement. Here's a closer look at some of the key points:

1. **Community Involvement**
   - The report mentions a variety of community activities, including meetings and events that bring people together.

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   - It highlights community engagement, showcasing the efforts of individuals and organizations to make a positive impact.

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Overall, the Regional report serves as a valuable resource for tracking local news and community activities in the Madison area.
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Positive bilingual media net- work

Support from the facilities members from the Social Science Department and the School of Jus- tice at Miami-Dade Community College

Faculty backing from the Flori- da International University Cor- rection Transition Program and Florida Atlantic University

Encouragement from a sit- ting circuit judge who held a top position in the State of Florida

Cooperation from large, active, interdenominational youth minis- teries

Public school counselors and members of the local school board

The former and current Pres- ident of the Golden Glades Rotary Club endorse and teach the PLA’s abstinence curriculum

The Florida Family Church hosted the PLA in ’99 and is ready to host the 2001 tour.

College Credits

Unique to this tour, high school seniors and older will be able to earn up to three college credits for their participa- tion in the tour. For every 15 hours of community service, including abstinence education programs, one college credit can be earned. To earn the maximum number of credits, which is three, 45 hours of community service is required. This will easily be fulfilled in our two-week program. Accreditation and regis-

tration will be through the Miami-Dade Community College and credits are trans- ferable to any college in the United States.

The $600 Pure Love 2001 registration fee does not cover the college accredit- ation and registration fees. Course regis- tration fees will be $820 per person (as this is a “batch registration”) and the cost per college credit is $49.65 per college credit for in-state students and $71.70 for out-of-state students. A course syll- abus is being drawn up and students who want to earn college credits will be graded on attitude, attendance, written re- flections, and oral presentations. There are a minimum number of 10 students needed to begin this class.

Family Tour

Because we will not be traveling from city to city or state to state (and nation to nation), we want to invite parents and families to come on the tour—even just for one week. Especially families in the neighboring regions may want to work this into their summer mobiliza- tion plans. A recent front page story on The Washington Times National Weekly Edition read, “Study: Doing Abstinence Homework with Parents Helps.” The study demonstrated that a “program that focuses on parent-child communication can make a [more powerful] difference in the child’s sexual attitudes” than abstin- ence education targeted only at the teenagers.

Families wanting to travel to Miami for the tour can contact the Florida Family Church if they want to arrange living accommodation with a host fam- ily from the Miami area. All the details of this new model of education have not been worked out. Some programs will be for teens and adults separate- ly, others will be held together. This also depends on how many families want to make this a “family tour.”

The advantages of having the entire family attend may be many: it fits into the paradigm of the Settlement Age. Pure Love education can be more effec- tive in a family setting, additional adult supervision, support, and transportation will be available.

Summary:

DIRECTOR: Eunha Stein

WHEN: July 14th to 30th (Staff arrives July 13th)

WHERE: Miami and the Florida Keys

COST: $600 (10% discount if paid in full by June 15th)

APPLICATION FORMS ONLINE AT: www.purelove.org

EMAIL: tourinfo@purelove.org

AGE: 14 years and older

REFUND POLICY: Up to June 30th 100%; to July 15th minus 85%; after July 15th no refund. If a participant leaves or is asked to leave the tour for any reason, no refund will be given.

Robert S. Kittel is the president of the PLA.

Abstinence Education and Character Development

Classes at the new Extension Center are offered in the evenings each week of the night and on Saturdays. We are also hoping to offer courses over the summer break. I urge you to come visit our campus and feel the excite- ment and enthusiasm of the staff. We offer a Masters of Religious Education and a Masters of Divinity degree. God is calling you to be all that you can be and acquire the skills to do all that you can do for God’s great providential work.

Dr. Winings is the Dean of the UTS Extension Center.
The house was built on land granted him by the village chief, who, based upon traditions, had the right to give away the land, which was given, built the house and the chickens farm, cannot prove that he owns it. So he cannot borrow money to buy equipment and expand the farm.

The chief in such a culture is in the position of the father and the villagers are the children. It is just as in your house, in which the parents are everything that the children use. But in traditional societ- ies, the children never grow up in terms of ownership. It was the same in feudal- istic Europe. People broke down feudal- istic Europe when they attained ownership.

Plymouth Plantation did not become productive until they abandoned Christ- lain America called homesteading. For years a man in the family acquiring vast expanses of undevel- oped land. Undeveloped meant that the land that had no owner, or in the biblical term, no husband. This land was made up of three classes. They were family, community, and state. Any affection, any love, felt between par- ents and children, or husband and wife, was the marriage bond. This land was made up of three classes. Family, community, and state. Any affection, any love, felt between par- ents and children, or husband and wife, was the marriage bond. This land was made up of three classes. Family, community, and state. Any affection, any love, felt between par- ents and children, or husband and wife, was the marriage bond.

Ownership and Spiritual Maturity

Teenagers, in my experience, have no concept of ownership. They have little inter- est in taking care of the yard or the house. This is natural, but it makes them dependent. When God cre- ated the garden, “there was no man to work the ground” (Gen 2:5). God created man to be the partner in peaceful occupation of this “garden of Eden.” (Gen 2:15) Adam and Eve did not do a very good job of growing crops. It turned into a wilderness. God’s curse was in actuality a reality check and prophecy of what was to come from this dysfunctional family. “Cursed is the ground because of you...” It will pro- duce thorns and thistles for you. (Gen 3:17-18)

This came home to me when I moved to Barrington, which is out in the coun- tryside. When I lived in an urban apart- ment, I had no concern for anything. Now that I live in a house in the country, I work hard and spend a good deal of money to upgrade it. I have begun to tend the land, in terms of the changing seasons. I am interested in nature, in the personal- ity of the trees. I get an enormous degree of satisfaction from the yard work. My teenage children don’t have to order them to help in the yard. It was the same between me and my father; he had to order me to help in the yard, and I did so out of duty and hatred every minute of it. It is natural, I believe. They don’t own it. They are not parents yet. Ownership comes with parenthood. If we have too few fathers, it means that many men do not feel ownership of the society. Many grow up and are never en- couraged to remain teenagers. So when Americans took ownership, they became real fathers and mothers. 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Many people don’t think too seriously about the future, and if they do, it’s usually pretty much as a speeded-up version of the present. Even when doom is (supposedly) expected, life goes on. People get married, and long-term mortgages are signed. Still, the idea of an Apocalypse is deeply rooted in western culture.

Thus, the ‘resigned to fate’ personal attitude, traditional in India and other ancient societies, is particularly apt for today. The ‘end of days’ is a fact that we have a tendency to accept with resignation…or to be terrified by.

Real Disasters
Science has discovered that the world has, in effect, ended several times. Devastating asteroid strikes wiped out the dinosaurs, and caused other major extinctions. They certainly could have saved us, but we’re not even sure that most of them have ever existed, let alone caused mass extinctions.

Some disasters may be slower in coming. According to geologists, the Earth is overdue for its next Ice Age. The Earth is already very complex, and the claims concerning its doomsday scenarios may stem from a near-sightedness of the human species.

Many disaster tales have—if one can use the word—popularized a terrible doomsday scenario. The fact that there are many disasters, some real and some stories, crystallized the fears of an entire Cold War generation.

Science fiction has also taken up the call. In Walter Miller’s classic A Canticle for Leibowitz and its sequel, the Dying Earth, the Earth is portrayed as a dying world. Interestingly, the hoped-for revolution to science, and to the beliefs of others.

Some other apocalypses that may be on the horizon include environmental disasters such as climate change, nuclear war, and the potential for a global pandemic.

Spiritual Dooms
Christianity has set the tone for many of the modern concepts of the End of the World. Since the day Jesus died, he’s been expected to return, each time on the heels of a terrible world event. Many people have thought that their time was the Last Days, or the Final Judgement, or the end of mankind, and usually the entire planet, and the entire universe. However, the Bible clearly states that the End of the World is going to be a gradual process.

In the end, only the oppressive ‘system,’ and the corruption of religious, political, and economic systems will bring about a tremendous upheaval. Think of how bewildered a primitive man (or even a 19th century dweller) would be, were they dropped into a modern city. Of course, instead of a miserable doom, they might well see it as a world of wonder.

Now there are hundreds of ongoing scientific projects: in space travel, computing and robotics, medicine and genetics, and much more, that will utterly transform civilization. At this point, even our most brilliant thinkers can barely sketch out these possible futures.

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Very much like growing to physical maturity, spiritual maturity may be touched upon many times before a person can stand up and say, “I am mature now.” Was there a moment in your growth when you were able to say, “I am mature now.”? You may have been able to say it one day, but the next day had to take it back and say, “I am mature now.”

What was the time frame you put on reaching Oneness with God? How long did you think it would take? 20 years? 200 years?

Oneness—when God and Man are merged into one Being. When God is more than Father; more than husband; merged into one Being. When God is One with God. The first taste of Oneness is the catalyst for continued resurrection. It is the affirmation of all the years of your work and the reminder of why you are doing all this stretching and reaching towards Divinity.

Before we can examine the Oneness experience itself and what it will be like for each of us (something that we will discuss further another time) we must first believe that there is such a thing as Oneness between God and ourselves.

Well, is there? According to the Divine Principle there is. The fact that One-ness was God’s original desire for us are in your heart…in your original mind: “Oneness is within my reach and I am worthy to reach for it.”

We've been taught over centuries that belief system. So why do many of us have yet to go; the few steps we have taken into the arms of our beloved. It is what we are told now by the myriads of Christians. Our sense of sinfulness is what we've been taught over the decades of our lives. It is what we are told now by the myriads of Christians. Our sense of sinfulness is what we've been taught over the decades of our lives.

These religious teachings had their place in history. This education had its place in our lives, too. But now is the time to start to speak aloud the words which are in your heart…in your original mind: “Oneness is something we can taste, touch, and then touch again as we move towards our eternal Union with God. The first taste of Oneness is the only thing that can get us past the age of religious structure.

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Oh, we believe it for True Father or True Mother. We even believe in it for humanity as a whole, in some distant, misty future…but not for ourselves.

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