The World Summit of Leadership and Governance Held in Korea

Many of the participants traveled over 14 hours to arrive in Seoul from as far away as Iceland, Tonga, South America, Africa, the Middle East and USA. All were eager and primed to discuss the burning issues of our time. Three Nobel Prize laureates; Dr. Jose Ramos Horta [East Timor], Hon. Lech Walesa, [former president of Poland, 1990-95] and Mrs. Betty Williams, from Northern Ireland attended and spoke at the Summit, providing a depth of personal experience grounded upon a foundation of substantial accomplishment. Each of them when faced with times of crises, challenged systems that were in need of change, risked their lives and brought transformation to their nations.

Opening Banquet

Dr. Thomas Walsh, Secretary General, IIFWP, welcomed the participants to Seoul in his opening remarks and laid out the goals and hopes of the Summit. Rev. Don Olson, Pastor of St. Luke Lutheran Church in the USA gave the Opening Invocation. He requested that the participants, “Recognize in our diversity possibilities to work for peace and harmony.”

A Korean troupe performed and set the atmosphere as they played traditional Korean instruments and sang traditional Korean songs.

Dr. Jose Ramos Horta, from East Timor, the first Nobel Prize Laureate to speak, was introduced as the ‘International Voice of the People.’ In 1975 at the tender age of 24, he came to New York for the first time during the winter, having never seen snow, to address the Security Council at the UN to speak about the trials of his nation. This was a life-changing event for him.

“I was humbled then and I am humbled now in such a gathering,” he said.
FOUNDER’S DISCOURSE ON UNIFICATIONISM
In Order To Realize the World Of Peace

by Reverend Sun Myung Moon

This Banquet Address was given on February 6, 2003 to the World Summit Conference at the Lotte Hotel, Seoul, Korea.

I would like to begin by congratulating you on the results you have achieved for world peace through the Summit Conference, and I would like to convey deep appreciation for your many expressions of congratulations on this occasion of President Hak Ja Han’s and my birthdays. I would like to offer all of this glory to God who has protected us until today.

On this meaningful occasion, I would like to share with you my convictions about realizing a peaceful world. In view of our hopes for world peace, there has never been a time when understanding between religious and reconciliation between religious people were more urgent than it is today. The precious teachings of our religions are the source of the wisdom that has brightened human history. But religious people of all faiths tend to have three weaknesses. One, they are not realistic but are oriented toward the heretofore; two, they can be narrow-minded and sectarian; and three, they can be fanatical.

Religious leaders must be able to embrace all people with open minds. The real duty of all religious people is to embrace the lines of division crippling the human race, in particular the walls between religions. Religious people do not exist for the sake of their own success or for the salvation of their believers alone; they exist in order to accomplish the Will of God. Religious people must never be narrow-minded or seek their own gratification. When one lives with a loving heart, all walls are broken down. The great founders of all the religions understood this and tried to accomplish this ideal. God is the origin of true love. Because the generic character of true love unconditionally seeks to live for another, true love always seeks a reciprocal partner.

It is in relation to this point that we can properly understand God’s motivation for creation and purpose of creation. God brought forth the created world as His reciprocal partner for true love. In all the creation, human beings were set apart as His closest reciprocal partners of love; that is to say, as His children. The first person, Adam, was not just an individual; he was also to have been the origin of the family, tribe, people, nation, world and cosmos of true love. God’s ideal of creation was an ideal of harmony and unification in which each person lived for a reciprocal partner in a realm of true love.

But before this ideal of true love was realized, the ancestor of humankind disobeyed God during his time of growth to seek security and fell through false love. Through the fall, trouble began between God and humankind. Confrontations and conflicts ensued between God and Satan, and God and humanity. The precious teachings of Jesus Christ which brings us the life of reconciliation and the unity of all peoples can be found among people. The fact that there have been many different nations and many conflicts bears witness to this truth. We can find the beginning point of an ideal world only through a movement that is able to overcome and go beyond the origin of these myriad conflicts. The way to resolve conflicts and struggles is altruistic and sacrificial love, that is to say, “life for the sake of others.”

The realization of the ideal nation of God begins with individuals who think they should love their enemies. The way to win over enemies is not through superior strength. It is only possible through the power of true love which embraces even one’s enemies. If you plant soy beans, soy beans grow; if you plant red beans, red beans grow, and if you plant the seeds from red flowers, red flowers blossom. In the same way, if you sow the seeds of revenge, a tree of revenge will grow, and if you sow the seeds of goodwill which loves its enemies, a tree of goodness which loves its enemies will grow.

If a nation that consists of people who have a mind to love their enemies comes into existence, that nation could become the ideal land that God desires. It could become the ideal model that humankind could follow. For the last thirty years, without resting, I have been devoting myself completely to solving the problems of America and the general love, and I have been devoted to the development of true peace in this world. I can see that they are changing their minds about me. In a public speech I directly told them, “Christians must respond to their mission to realize the will of God who is our true root.” Christians must change their attitudes and their ways of life. The founder of Christianity taught, “Love your enemy.” If Christians fail to fulfill this basic principle, the only path for them will be one of decline. If that happens, it will be because they left the sacred laws in the teachings of Jesus that give us true freedom.

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We are gathered today with the fervent desire for an eternal and unchanging world of peace, which is the ideal heavenly world. On this profoundly significant occasion, as the Founder of the Interreligious and International Federation for World Peace, I would like to convey a message regarding God's original ideal. The title is, "God's Fatherland and the Age of Kingship in Cheon-il Guk." God has spoken of "God's ideal Kingdom and His ideal righteousness," but people living on the earth today have not been able to relate to it. It is important to know that humanity today, just as it has for many thousands of years of human history, fervently desires the establishment of God's ideal Kingdom and His ideal righteousness.

How is it, then, that this transcendent and fervent desire for His Kingdom and His righteousness remains goals for all beings in heaven and earth? The reason is that human beings fall. As a result of the human fall, God and humanity, who originally could have formed the center of God's ideal Kingdom and His ideal righteousness, found themselves in circumstances that prevented their forming a relationship with each other. Human beings did not know much about God our Father, the center of God's ideal Kingdom or His ideal righteousness, or about His family and nation. Hence, God has labored throughout the course of history to enlighten these ignorant people and teach us about Himself, His family and His nation. In this context, establishing God's ideal Kingdom and His ideal righteousness remains our fervent desire and goal.

The reason many nations in today's world, yet, even one can truly receive love from God. For this reason, God wants to establish a new fallen world and recreate His new Kingdom. God has conducted His providence to establish a nation. God cannot accomplish His will for human restoration without cooperation from the one who is in keeping with God's desire. There must be a true state that is centered on a true religion that is in keeping with God's desire. Hence, in the fullness of time, God established a particular nation and nation, the chosen people of Israel and Judaism.

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What is the character of the nation that fulfills God's ideal Kingdom and His ideal righteousness? It is not the nations in which you now are living. These nations unite and cooperate some day.

We do not yet have God's Kingdom. A person without a nation does not have a permanent domicile, a nationality, or the possibility to register as a citizen. For this reason, we must accomplish in the present world the establishment of an ideal nation that is in keeping with God's desire. We must form the heavenly kingdom with one

and women build a monument praising Heaven for God's work on this earth, and only then will every trace of glory remain. If there is no nation, it all will have been for nothing. This is why we must understand that the establishment of God's Kingdom is the most important task in all heaven and earth. We must live with the constant conviction that "Our blessed family is protecting the heavenly nation that is qualified to receive the love of the True Parents. So I must be a faithful child of the True Parents and fulfill the way of the patriot for the nation." It means that we must receive the love of God and True Parents. We cannot receive God's love unless we have a nation. This is because only after we have been victorious over nations under Satan's Kingdom can God's Kingdom be established.

Desire of All People

We cherish God's Kingdom. Why is this? It is because it is the place where there is true love and the place where True Parents reside. It is the place that will become the ideal nation where we can find a love that is not transitory but lives eternally, transcending time. Also, it is the place where we can be lifted up, and where our value is recognized to the fullest extent. It is the place where we can be happy eternally. These are the reasons that fallen people yearn for the Heavenly Kingdom and long to see it.

We must travel the path that we truly want to travel, and we must build the nation in which we want to live for all eternity. If we possess riches, they must be only those that can be guaranteed as belonging to the cosmos at the same time that they belong to the present age. We must also possess the authority and knowledge such that when we weep, and when we are joyful, heaven and earth can share our joy. This is the highest desire and cherished hope that fallen humanity must establish in the present age.

All true persons should be able to live in his or her original nation. This is an absolute right and requirement bestowed on human beings. Everyone without exception must live a life filled with a cherished desire for God's ideal Kingdom and His ideal righteousness. This means that we must create an image of the ideal world in our thoughts, and in our daily life follow the path of living for the sake of God's ideal Kingdom and His ideal righteousness. Do you have such a nation? Because you do not, you must now establish such a nation. What kind of nation did I say this would be? It will be an ideal nation of God our Father and a nation of unity. It will be a nation where all people can live in attendance to the Parents. In the work to establish this nation, no fallen person can be excluded. The family, clan, nation, and world will cooperate. This is how each individual can become unified internally, and can establish unity within families, clans, societies, nations, and the world.

The omniscient and omnipotent God must accomplish the purpose of His providence on the earth without fail. What, then, will be the result? It will be that God will be able to save all people and exercise His dominion over the world. The purpose of the providence cannot be anything other than the hope for this to come to pass. If you do not complete the task of restoring a nation on earth within your lifetime, then in the spirit world you will not possess the value of a person of the Kingdom of Heaven. You must take with you to the next life the achievements and qualifications established in the realm of a nation ruled under God's dominion on earth. This is the original standard of God's creation. I envy nothing of this world. I have no interest in the things of the fallen world. My lifelong cherished desire has been this: "Shouldn't I be able to die in God's ideal nation where God can protect me? If I do not bring this about during my lifetime, then will not mine have been a miserable life? I must establish...
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Without a doubt, the children of God's direct lineage will exercise kingdom authority in this nation, based on the historical view of such a kingdom. It is God's full authority. This nation will have neither democracy nor Communism. Once formed, it will endure forever.

When you consider this, aren't you distressed about not being citizens of such a nation? I believe we should be lamenting the fact that we are not able to live in such an ideal country. We must repent that we have not acquired this unique and unchanging kingship.

In attempting to establish such a kingdom, nation, and territory, God has established in history nations in the realm of the chosen people where goodness reigned. We know that during this process, many people had died, many ordinary people were sacrificed, many countries were destroyed, and humanity expanded from the individual to the family and tribe as our forefathers gradually developed from the individual to the family and tribe as our forefathers gradually expanded from the individual to the family and tribe as our forefathers gradually expanded from the individual to the family and tribe as our forefathers gradually expanded from the individual to the family and tribe as our forefathers.

The Ideal Kingdom

We have come to know that after the human race fell, God, to avoid domination over history. God, however, was originally supposed to be the master of this world. If clans and states formed by families of God's direct children who related to God in a relationship of love had built the world, God would have been able to exercise His dominion over the world, over every nation, over every family, and over every individual. Because of the human fall, however, all individuals, families, clans, societies, nations, and the world now stand in opposition to God. This is the history and world brought about by the fall.

The created world, centering on the Creator, is mired in deep sorrow. If we leave the world as it is, the world of eternal love expressing God's ideal of creation will not come about. But because God, as the Absolute Being, cannot establish His original authority unless He accomplishes His original purpose, He has used His position as the standard to bring the world of evil under control and lead people to the world of His original ideal. This has been the history of God's providence with respect to the fall and the fall.

There are many nations on the earth today that belong to the fallen sovereignty. Every nation is ruled by the principle that inherited this person's individual will. It is for this reason that nations are in a pitiful situation. This is how God, who goes forward only for the sake of the world, is able to realize this kingdom.

When the Messiah's efforts to build a true nation were shattered, Israel suffered enormously. So the Lord who comes again is responsible to perfect and restore the family of Adam and the family of Jesus and fulfill the mission of the Messiah for restoration on a worldwide level in the Completed Testament Age which is the mission of the Third Adam. This person is responsible to advance the Completed Testament Age, the age of the restoration of Adam on a worldwide level, on the foundation of the Old Testament Age, when restoration of the ideal of the first Adam's family was attempted, and the national foundation of the New Testament Age for establishing the restored realm of the ideal of Jesus' family and perfectly electing the nation. He must also perfectly elect the family, clan, people, nation, and world of God's will centered on the ideal of Adam's realm.

God sent His beloved sons and daughters to this earth to push history forward, toward establishing the nation that is absolutely one. But at the present moment there is no prepared foundation on which the one nation can be restored. Because of repeated failures by fallen human beings, God has sent heavenly persons to the earth to carry out, push forward, and accomplish this. This is the historical view of the providence of restoration.

We must be grateful, even if God sacri- fices us for human beings as individuals. Even if He sacrifices our families, clans, and societies and nations, we must be grateful. Only when such a true individual and a true nation are created can order be brought to the world. If God's Kingdom cannot be built on the foundation of sacrifices made by an individual, then the sacrifice must extend past the individual to the family, clan, and society.

As He carried out the providence to establish His Kingdom, which has not been governed by this principle. Thus, His strategy is that, if an individual is to appear we will be able to maintain the sovereignty of the Kingdom, then the family that inherited this person's individual principle will inherit the responsibility of the tribe and society for the sake of the nation, and then a clan and a people will inherit the tradition of this family and sacrifice themselves for the sake of the world. This is how God has carried out the providence to realize this kingdom. We need to realize for a certain time that the true individual is the true father of our true selves, and that he has been working hard to establish each of us as true sons and daughters and establish our families and nations.

This realization brings us the responsibility to accomplish.

For what purpose were we born on this earth? We were born to love God's Kingdom. Also, God's love for that Kingdom has motivated Him in carrying out His providence.
He paid tribute to President Wahid, the former head of state of Indonesia, and referred to him as a ‘man of compassion.’ After 25 years of conflict between Algerians and the Islamic fundamentalists, it took 40 years for the two nations to arrange a State visit. Iran and Iraq, 10 years, also Kuwait and Iraq. “In speaking against President Wahid who was sitting at the same table, as he said, “President Wahid should continue his work and compassion as he initiated the Southeast Pacific Dialogue.”

At one time President Wahid could have been considered Mr. Horst’s adversary, here in Seoul they were able to sit at the same table.

Together, Mr. Wahid and Mr. Sun Myung Moon contributed to the UN. We are too small to make a difference, however, East Tennessee speaks.

There were three Special Sessions where the themes could be explored in greater depth and two Special Sessions where the themes of the meals and did a very fine job. If you ever fed two hundred people from all over the world you would know that is no easy task.

The World Summit was unique in that rather than explore many topical areas, the choice was made to conduct two Special Sessions where the themes could be explored in greater depth and substance, listening to a wide variety of viewpoints and gaining the expertise of many. Special Sessions were: 1. Focus on the Korean Peninsula; 2. Focus on the Middle East.

The Session on the Korean Peninsula is needed to truly bring peace to the Korean Peninsula. The role of the US, and the role of the UN

The format was that the first hour was devoted to a series of statements, each five minutes in length from representatives among the current and former heads of state and government and the Nobel Prize laureates. The second hour allowed discussion both among the Summit Delegates and the General Participants.

The two Special Sessions on the Middle East revolved around these themes:

1) Possibilities and processes for reconciliation and unification between conflicting nations and peoples
2) The role of religions and interreligious dialogue within the Middle East
3) The role of the US, and other powerful nations and the UN

At the end of the Special Sessions, the delegates broke for lunch. Meals were always a festive time where both Korean and Western food was served and where networking took place. New friendships developed, old friendships revived and participants could reflect and discuss their views.

The birthday of President Sun Myung Moon is a celebration. More than 100,000 people, including many day guests and representatives from all over the world, were leaving from the hotel at 4AM for the ceremony that was to begin at 6AM.

The event was spectacular. More than 5,000 people were in attendance, including heads of state and government, Nobel Prize laureates, members of the diplomatic corps, and officials from the UN.

The General Participants were also invited to attend the ceremony. More than 400 people attended, including heads of state and government, Nobel Prize laureates, and other dignitaries.

The ceremony began with a welcome address by Mr. Sun Myung Moon, followed by a special prayer for peace. The ceremony concluded with a performance by the IIFWP Chorus and a speech by Mr. Sun Myung Moon, in which he expressed his vision for peace and unity.

The ceremony was a fitting conclusion to the Summit, and a reminder of the importance of peace and reconciliation in the world.
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Exploring the Culture, Structures and Policies of Peace for a World in Crisis

by Rev. Dr. Chung Iwan Kwak

This address was given on February 4, 2003 at the Lotte Hotel, Seoul, Korea.

As we gather here today, we are all aware of the serious problems we face in our world today. From the East to the West, from the North to the South there are numerous crises which, if not resolved, could result in great suffering, loss of life and diminished prosperity.

We have assembled here in order to bring together our collective wisdom, experience, recommendations and resolve, in a spirit of unselfish cooperation and a heart of service to the world. Together we will consider some of the pressing problems we face in our world today.

We all can see clearly the interconnectedness of our world. The local and the global are inextricably linked. What happens near the DMZ and the 38th parallel in Korea affects the United Nations as a whole - the United States, Russia, Japan, the Europeans and the world. The same holds true for the Middle East.

These two areas of conflict and tension are unique in that they encapsulate two major aspects of the global crisis. The Korean peninsula is a flashpoint which has roots in the Cold War era, characterized by ideological struggle between totalitarian states and democratic capitalist states. The division of the Korean peninsula symbolizes the split and tension between competing ideologies, cultures and political economies. The Korean peninsula, furthermore, represents the tragic division and conflict between people of the same race, blood and history. In this respect, if we can solve the situation in Korea, we can solve many other world problems.

The Middle East has some similarities and yet great differences, as compared with Korea's situation. The Middle East situation largely preceded the Cold War era, and has its roots in ancient history. In the complex history of the emergence of, and relationships between Judaism, Christianity and Islam. The problems, here, as in Korea are representative of a broader global problem where the quest for land, sovereignty and justice are interlinked with issues of national or ethnic identity and religious worldviews.

Our Summit theme underscores the significance and need for leadership at this time in history. Most of the seemingly intractable problems we face seem to persist from generation to generation. For this reason, many despair of the possibility of a real solutions. As such, many adopt a position of "realism" which gives up on the idea of achieving a true and lasting peace, one grounded in substantial reconciliation and unification among the divided parties.

The IIPFW is dedicated to finding solutions to our world’s problems. The principles of reconciliation and unification are among the fundamental ideals we espouse. But, how does reconciliation occur? I want to suggest that it is the result of true leadership.

True leadership is characterized by an individual who is concerned about the well being of the entire family of humanity. Like a parent who cares about the harmony and well-being of his children, a true leader has a vision of universal peace that extends beyond short term results, and is unshakable. Most importantly, the true leader is willing to sacrifice himself for the greater good.

This is why, then he founded the IIPFW. Dr. Sun Myung Moon clarified the core principle as that of "living for the sake of others." This principle captures the foundation and basis for all reconciliation. We can reconcile entities that are divided by a process of give and take action that begins with giving of oneself. This is the basis of all creativity. The entire universe has been created by God according to this principle.

When we examine the natural order we see evidence of this principle everywhere. Each level of being exists not only for itself, but for the sake of the higher order of being. The atoms to the galaxies, all things seek not only their own existence, but a higher purpose.

Re. Moon has taught the principle of chang boon hap theory, whereby reconciliation and unification comes about through unselfish give and take action which is centered on a higher purpose. This principle is in sharp contrast to the dialectical principle which propounds that progress occurs through the intensification of struggle and conflict. In other words, according to chung boon hap theory, when divided entities enter into unselfish give and take action, loving one another and living for the sake of the other, harmony, security and prosperity emerge. The principle applies in a marriage or family, in the workplace, in the society, and among nations. And, where this principle is not practiced, tension will lead to conflict and the loss of both security and prosperity and happiness.

Leaders begin to practice the principle of living for the sake of others, we can transform this world. As our institutions of government, the governments of nations and the core institutions of society, begin to be guided by such a principle, then we can begin to have hope for a new era of peace.

The second core principle of the IIPFW calls for overcoming barriers that divide peoples. Too often, as individuals come to understand themselves, and others, according to particular religious, racial, national, political and ideological identities, these become barriers to understanding and harmony. Once again, the kind of leadership needed in this era is characterized by the courage of the Middle East and the Korean Peninsula are of great concern to the IIPFW, and we are developing initiatives in those areas to address the underlying root causes and to offer recommendations for solving the problems. In neither case, we are just beginning to take up the effort to contribute to solutions to these problems.

For the Koreans, the movement Dr. Moon has been actively involved in a wide range of efforts to bring peace to these areas. Most fundamentally he has called for a change in the consciousness. Also, he has understood that leaders must acquire much more than political leadership and diplomacy. For this reason he has developed programs that involve youth from diverse background who meet together and learn to respect and love one another. He is a concerned parent who cares about the children of this generation.

In August of 2000, at the United Nations, he called for the establishment of an interreligious council at the United Nations to allow spiritual and religious leaders who represent billions of followers around the world to sit with the representatives of nations and states and collaborate in the search for solutions to critical problems. He has also called for the establishment of Peace Zones, precisely in places like Korea and Israel-Palestine. These Peace Zones are to become centers of harmony where people from all races, nationalities, religions, etc., may live together in peace, under the protection of the United Nations. He has advocated the practice of exchange marriage whereby individual commit themselves to a marriage with a person from another religion, race or nationality so that the family itself becomes a dialogue among civilizations and a peace zone that illustrates a true heart of love to conquer differences.

He has also announced the need for the development of an international peace highway, around the globe, connecting all peoples, nations, religions and nations, and becoming a "trade

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This is because have entered the age of Great Holy Blessings centered on True Parents, and the age of the world of the realm of heavens and earth ideal has begun. I hope that all religious people will join their hearts together and follow through on my proposal to establish a council within the United Nations composed of representatives from various religions, parallel with the General Assembly. The reason is that the Kingdom of Heaven and on Earth can be brought about in a very short time, if only the United Nations will join in the effort. If there is one lofty task that the United Nations can perform for the sake of humankind, it would be to contribute to humanity’s spiritual recovery on the foundation of God’s true love. For this purpose, I have chosen leaders of good conscience from not only the religious field but also from government, philosophy, business, culture and other fields, and prepared true love marriage education that teaches “the life lived for the sake of others.” On this foundation, I have already appointed tens of thousands of Ambassadors for Peace. All around the world, they carry the banner of the Interreligious and International Federation for World Peace that I founded. They are devoting their full efforts to bringing about the world of peace that will represent the opening of the heavens and is the fervent desire of God and humankind. It will not be long before the will of the almighty, omniscient, and absolute God is accomplished. I would like to conclude my remarks by asking that the leaders assembled here also become active participants in recreating your families and nations in true love and in bringing about an everlasting world of peace where there are no national boundaries, and take the lead in bringing about peace in accordance with God’s Will and accomplishing the blessing idea of Cheon Il Guk of a world of peace.

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route” that brings equalization of
techology and prosperity to all humanity.
These are but a few of the initia-
tives launched.
At this time in history humanity faces a great challenge. As I have men-
tioned before, we are at a very serious turning point. Our destiny is not pre-
determined, but depends on our response to the current crisis. It depends on the
leadership and resolve which we dem-
strate. We have an opportunity to make a difference, and to have a serious and
direct impact on our world, for the sake of peace. With your help we are con-
defident that we can make a difference. We hope that through this Summit we can put our hearts, minds and voc-
es together, learn from one another, and contribute to this process, increas-
ing our wisdom, understanding, and our commitment to work for peace.
10,000 gathered for the sunrise celebration, representatives from every nation and the Summit delegates were the guests of honor. The celebration included a special historic Peace Blessing where the Founders renewed their wedding vows and were once again honored on their Birthday for their accomplishments. As is tradition, everyone wore white robes that were given out at the event known as “Holy Robes.” The sea of white and the people who were gathered on three different levels of the building made for an impressive sight.

Heads of State gathered with spiritual pilgrims who came from all over the world with their children, for something they had never witnessed before. The participants were extremely grateful for this unique experience and upon conclusion were told that they could keep the white robes, which became a special memento for them. In their own words, “Never had they been to something like this before!”

The bus ride back to Seoul provided a perfect time for rest before the next event, which was to be held in Seoul at the Olympic Stadium. Not everyone made this event as tiredness set in, however this was another event to celebrate Rev. and Mrs. Moon’s birthday and their accomplishments with speeches, the giving of gifts and international entertainment. Mr. Lech Walesa, Nobel Prize Laureate spoke again at this program.

Closing Banquet

After the stadium the delegates came back to the hotel to prepare for the closing banquet. The delegates had literally not stopped since they arrived in Korea. What a schedule, yet everyone was “high” just from the sheer pace of it all and the successful proceedings that had transpired.

The Banquet was attended by over 500 guests. Dr. Yang, President of the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification, USA, emceed the event. A group of young Korean women sang Korean folk songs in their beautiful, colorful Korean dresses. H.E. Steingrimur Hermannsson, Prime Minister of Iceland (1983-91) and H.E. Hegazy, Prime Minister of Egypt (1974-75) gave some remarks and then Rev. Kwak introduced Rev. Moon one final time to give his closing address. If anyone has ever sat through one of Rev. Moon’s speeches they can tell you that his speeches are quite intense and have lasted anywhere from 1 hour to 3 hours at a given time.

Although by nature he is a religious leader, his speeches seem to touch on all areas of human activity, which is why it seems these world leaders respect him so much, and see the fruit of his work. Whether they understand his theology or not, they know that he and his wife and the organizations that he has founded are up to something important. On the eve of Rev. Moon’s 83rd Birthday he was on the stage pouring out one last time his heart to the Summit delegates and participants. At one time in the program he asked if there was anyone older than him in the audience, no one raised their hand. “So then,” he said, “I can speak to you then like your elder brother and you will listen.” And listen they did with respect and admiration to this man who in the culminating years of his life has accomplished miracles.

[Special thanks to Mr. Michael Balcomb for providing some of the participant quotes.]
The program held January 18, 2003 in Paris is part of a series of conferences sponsored by the Interreligious and International Federation for World Peace to help assist leaders think about the internal reformation of their nation. France enjoys peace and prosperity, but faces cultural and social issues, which need new and bold approaches. Insecurity has become the central concern, dominating the last presidential campaign. Juvenile delinquency, widespread corruption, carelessness, the multiplication of natural or man-made disasters, have resulted in an erosion of trust, hope and social ties. As a consequence, people turn to police forces, rather than using an educational approach to solving problems.

Former Prime Minister Lionel Jospin admitted that for years, the various governments had naively thought that economic and social reforms would bring about the necessary changes. He said that new approaches were needed. The French government is thus thinking about “moral education.” Our meeting opened at 2:30 pm with two panelists addressing the need for cooperation of religions with other forms of authority.

Mr. Paul Frank, Honorary Member of the Supreme Court of Luxemburg and General Secretary of IIFWP, Europe reminded us that European societies have received spirituality from Jerusalem and humanism from Athens and Rome. The harmony was not easy to preserve and most European nations have faced a rise of secularism and a power above ourselves. We reminded us that, Robert Schuman, one of the founding fathers of Europe, had a vertical sense and advocated the assumption that man has a common and a common world view, which is to take a substantial education. Quoting Socrates, who was the son of a sculptor and a midwife, he said, “In education, teachers act like a sculpture. Others, who act like a child, the child has to learn something, but most of all, his true self has to be awakened. Once born, the soul is to take a substantial shape. In this way, education is similar to sculpture.” He emphasized that education should not limit itself to the social dimension of man. “If we assume that man has eternal life, as all religions stress, then one should be an education to and for the ‘transcendent’.”

Mr. Laurent Ladouce concluded with some Unification News. He talked about youth, and how to prepare young people for successful lives. Bd Jean Luc Berlet, Ph D in political philosophy and author of, “The Complete Book of world religions” spoke about education. He reminded us that European societies have faced a rise of secularism and a power above ourselves. We reminded us that Robert Schuman, one of the founding fathers of Europe, had a vertical sense and advocated the importance to benefit others. This is the third generation of the work of Heaven and became a pastor, traveling between Paris, New York and Vladivostok to spread the gospel.

The two speeches were followed by remarks from some of the participants. The president of the Muslim Women of Europe expressed her gratitude. “I am 73, and today I feel so young again. You know, when I was a child, my mother educated me to respect other religions. Beside our house was a church, and my mother said that I could offer the best flowers and best food to the priest. So I did.” A young student said that his child had been invited to such a wonderful program.
There is something to say for consistency and that is what our Chicago ACLC is all about. For the past year under the consistent leadership of our Bishop, Rev. Harold White and Pastor Bennie Owens we have continued to have a monthly prayer breakfast on the third Tuesday of every month. We move around and the breakfast is hosted by a different church every month. This year the breakfast was hosted back to back from Korea and even in January, when the initial direction for every State member was a monthly prayer breakfast was rescinded because of all the preparation for our journeys to and from our events in Korea, Chicago, which had already proceeded with our monthly prayer continued with business as usual.

As a result Archbishop George Augustus Stallings and Rev. Levy Daugherty were able to come together and keynote our Prayer Breakfast. And it turned into an awesome experience with over 250 ministers and guests filling Rev. James Porter’s beautiful banquet hall to the rafters. Only the day before, filled with wonders and 50 unconfirmed guests were brought by the ministers them- selves. One of the most inspired attendees was Dr. Swanson’s theological face bore the Holy Spirit worked more than a little concerned about the event’s work up in Korea to lead the event. However, I must admit that when he in fact had returned from the 50-day rafters. Only the day before, filled with wonders and 50 unconfirmed guests were brought by the ministers themselves. One of the most inspired attendees was Rev. Levy Daugherty’s especially after the incredible keynote that he had offered in January. Rev. Levy Daugherty’s sermon was theological- ly correct was the smile on the inspired face of Lutheran Professor of Theology, Dr. Paul Swanson. Dr. Swanson is the theological conscience of our movement. And as Rev. Daugherty recognized his presence during the meeting, Rev. Dr. Swanson’s theological face bore an approving Lutheran smile.

The event was also attended by Chicago Civil Rights icon and 91 year old Pastor, Rev. M. E. Sardon. Rev. Sardon has been working with our movement for over 20 years (since the Project Volunteer/ ICC days with David ‘Cheese Man’ Caprara. In addition to Rev. Sardon, such Chicago icons as Rev. A.I. Dunlap and Rev. Olivia Jones (both over 20 years of our movement in Chicago) joined us along with Brother Thomas Muhammad from the Nation of Islam, who had just hosted Bishop Kim, and Rev. Jenkins at the Nation’s annual ‘Saviours Day’ event with Minister Louis Farrakhan 10 days earlier. (A note…this month’s prayer break- fast has been a great way to keep in touch with our long time ministers, so many of whom, like Rev. Bennie and Sister Elaine Smothers, have already returned from Korea and even though, Washington DC was in the midst of hosting back to back national conferences (The Media Conference and the Peace in the East Conference) in Washington DC, God saw fit to send Rev. Jesse Edwards and Rev. Isaac Strong (in whose church I had given my first sermon in 1984). Rev. Mickey Walker, who had walked door-to-door with us during our 1986 signature campaign and so many others.

But I digress by the time our MC A. Harold White, our host pastor, T.L. Barrett, the Japanese True Family Values Choir and Rev. Daugherty had finished it was already 11AM which is our promised closing time and we had not even heard from Rev. Edwards. But Rev. Edwards was true to the time and he poured out his heart and soul in just 15 minutes in which he capitated our entire congregation.

One note about Rev. Edwards’ sermon. Each minister is certainly unique in the way that they bring forth the spirit of God and the Holy Spirit to the pulpit. For me the uniqueness of Rev. Edwards is how he brings God to the pulpit. Especially after a powerful sermon like the one that Rev. Daughert had just delivered, there is little room (and probably lit- tle need) for more words. But, there is always more room for God’s love. The Principle teaches us that Jesus taught the disciples with the truth, but he raised them to love. And that is exactly what Rev. Edwards brought to the pulpit. He brought the recognition that we serve a great and loving God. He brought the recognition that we serve an awesome God and he brought the recognition and attendance to the love of God. When he finished (truly in less than 15 minutes) the room was truly filled with the Holy Spirit. The fellow ship which remained after the official pro gram ended remained for quite some time as many were drunk with the holy Spirit. However, the providence is moving on-at record speed. So Rev. Daugherty and Rev. Edwards spent back to the airport so they could catch planes back to Washington and Philadelphia respectively as they prepared for the Peace in the Middle East Conference.
Cheon Il Guk
Owner Award

This is the text of the award.

The family whose names appear above has, in attending True Parents, participated in the course of the Providence of Restoration for the realization of God’s Ideal of Creation. This family has invest-
d its effort to fulfill the path of absolute faith, absolute love and absolute obedience by inheriting the tradition of restoration through indi-
nity that the True Parents have estab-
lished.

Having inherited true love, true life and true lineage through the Blessing bestowed by True Parents, this family has done its best to achieve harmony, with the attitude of one heart, one body and one mindset.

so as to realize the ideal of absolute love, unique love, unchanging love and eternal love which are the essen-
tial attributes of God.

Centering on the tradition of the victorious Parents of Heaven and Earth, this family has pledged firm-
ly to consecrate Cheon Il Guk by ful-
iling the way of devoted children, patriots, saints and divine sons and daughters and establishing the heav-
yness of life realm of life, through restoring its tribes in cooperation with its ances-
tors in the spirit world.

And, accordingly, in this, the third year of Cheon Il Guk, on the occasion of True Parents’ Birthday, and partic-
ularly True Mother’s sixtieth birth-
day, we hereby confer this award upon the aforementioned family.

‘Bible-Answers Institute’ Explores Divine Principle

by Rev. Curtis W. Walker—Houston, TX

On the evening of Thursday, January 16, 2003, in a fantastically anointed Bible study session, attendees of the Bible Answers Insti-
tute (BAI) shouted “Hallelujah” as they, for the first time in their lives, came to clearly understand how Adam and Eve actually fell, and how Satan corrupt-
ed humanity’s blood lineage.

The cracking energy and electric-
ity that filled the room were palpable, as The Human Fall presentation came to a close. This was the twelfth (12th) study-group meeting, since our initial session of Wednesday, September 18, 2002.

Due to the unique challenges that come with instructing Christians, teach-
ing the entire Divine Principle in a strict, Bible-study format (i.e., no chalk board; no slide show; no PowerPoint; only open Bibles and certain visual aids) takes time, patience, and skill. It’s been an experience that I wouldn’t trade for the world.

The brainchild of ICC Alumnus and ALCCL activist Minister Mary H. Prest-
ton, the Institute is now four months old, and it continues to gain momen-
tum under the Holy Spirit’s anointing.

Minister Preston serves as Assistant Pastor for the Holy Cross Missionary Baptist Church, and she has, for years, dreamed of a forum through which she could introduce more and more of her conventional Christian friends and associates to the Principle.

On the day when my wife, Lori, and I sat down with her at her home, Min-
ister Preston stated, “The Spirit has told me that it’s time to launch a Bible Insti-
tute, Rev. Walker. And you are the one who Spirit told me will instruct it. Will you?”

You know what my answer was to that. Lori and I looked at each other
for a split second. We both then looked at Minister Preston as I responded to her. “When shall we begin?”

As ALCCL Outreach Director for Houston and Vicinity, Lori and I have a white hot passion to reach Christian clergy and laity with True Parents’ interpretation of the Holy Bible. Every DP res-
turner knows that the Exposition of the Divine Principle text stands — among other things — as a commen-
tary par excellence on the Hebrew and Christian Scriptures.

In essence, it is the commentary of commentaries, given directly by the Lord of the Second Coming, and pre-
senting an irrefutable interpretation of the Bible, from Genesis to Revelation. As Rev. Kevin McCarthy states in his The Blood-Stained Voice—Revealing God’s Heart in a Christian World, “Today, armed with the clear view of the Divine Principle, we are able to bring every-
thing out into the light. We need not fear any knowledge. There is no cir-
cumstance that cannot be enlightened by the Divine Principle.” (p. 166)

As the premier ICC lecturer for the Texas region, from 1986 until the end of the ICC tours, I had the responsi-
bility of preparing the clergy for the teachings they would hear in Korea. All of Houston’s ICC Alumni, as well as some Alumni from Dallas, Okla-
 homer, Louisiana, and Arkansas received preparatory DP lectures from me, prior to their Korea-Japan trip.

It was also my privilege to lead the follow-up work with the Alumni, after their return from Korea. As head of Houston’s ICC Alumni Association, I had numerous opportunities to deal with the ministers’ questions and objec-
tions.

Now, with the Bible-Answers Insti-
tute, my wife and I are able to work hand in hand with a courageous min-
ister who has opened the doorway for True Parents’ thought to begin taking hold within this city’s congregations.

Prior to our most recent session, we had covered The Principle of Creation, The Consummation of Human Histo-
ry, and some major points dealing with The Change of Blood Lineage, and with the Christian sacrament of Holy Com-

mission. With The Human Fall now clarified, these Bible students are eager to study The Principle of Restoration Through Indemnity. Once this first class of BAI attendees understands The Mission of Jesus and The Second Coming of the Messiah, they will be positioned to help their respective pastors and church congregations to understand as well.

This is a great time to be alive and to be teaching the DP. Even as Lori and I prepare to travel to the Father-
land for the Chun Il Guk Blessing and Activities, the students of the Institute are praying for our safe journey and return. They’re looking forward to more learning, as they experience the Scrip-
tures coming alive to them with each session.

In addition to Minister Preston, Lori, and myself, regular attendees at the Institute include Rev. Michael Jerrols and his wife, Evangelist Georgia Jerrols; their 26-year-old son, James Jerrols; Evangelist Louise Williams; Mr. Jeritol D. Holbue; and Mr. & Mrs. Leo & Katrina Durante.

As these Christians continue to understand and to embrace more and
more of the Divine Principle content, God anoints them more and more strongly. They will eventually stand ready to join us in spreading the Mes-

sianic thought throughout the entire Body of Christ here in this city.

Even during the past few months, as Evangelist Louise Williams has spo-
kens on more than one occasion at dif-
ferent churches around the city, she has included DP content in her deliv-
ery, and she testifies to it whenever she can. This is also true for Evange-
list Georgia Jerrols.

“Thinking Christians are famished for “meat.” They have had enough of “the milk of the Word.” That “meat” is indeed the DP, and it is now being served by our True Parents. To Them be the glory, for the great things that They have done, are doing, and yet will do.  

Moment of Meditation
I reverse domination when I let physical needs overshadow spiritual needs

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The Upcoming Interreligious Peace Sports Festival

The Upcoming Interreligious Peace Sports Festival will take place near Seoul, Korea on March 21-25 as part of the 2002 World Culture and Sports Festival. Young athletes between the ages of 16-23, from all continents, will gather on May 21-25, 2003 as part of the Religious Peace Sports Festival c/o Interreligious Federation for World Peace Assembly.

The Interreligious Peace Sports Festival utilizes this potential and provides international athletes an opportunity to contribute to the development of a culture of peace by creating a new legacy of cooperation, respect and reconciliation.

Rev. Moon initiated the festival. Advisors representing a wide range of religious traditions are supporting the sporting event and contributing to an environment in which each athlete strives for personal excellence, team cooperation and respect for others.

By Min Hak-seo

World Peace King Cup to Feature Soccer Greats

The organizing committee of the World Peace King Cup announced February 24 that the soccer tournament will be held from July 15 to the 22nd and the prize money $2 million in prize money. The participating teams will be AS Roma (Italy), Bayer Leverkusen (Germany), PSV Eindhoven (Holland), Lyon (France), LA Galaxy (USA), Sao Paulo (Brazil), Kaiser Chiefs (South Africa) and Jeonbuk Hyundai (Korea).

The game will have 40 top-notch players including Francesco Totti of AS Roma, Nester Silva of Bayer Leverkusen, and Edmilson (Brazil) of Lyon who participated in the 2002 World Cup. PSV Eindhoven with Guus Hiddink as head coach and Park Ji-sung and Lee Yong-gyu as players, and Hong Myung-bo of LA Galaxy are expected to draw a lot of attention from the crowds. The organizing committee has said that it will use all the proceeds of ticket sales for third world countries youth development. For more information contact: hakaseo@chosun.com
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ever there is a religious bench-
marked from the life and example of our True Parents, it is their unwav-
ishing resolve to advance, increase and achieve. They never give so much as the slightest considera-
tion to the thought of retreat, surrender, compromise or defeat. They see to it that the ongoing realization of God's ideal neither stands still nor do they permit it to lose any ground. There is only one direction in which they proceed: Forward. "Damm the torpedoes," for it is full speed ahead. It is through education (speeches, confer-
ences, seminars, workshops, etc.) that Father and Mother have marched forward to regain lost ground, thereby establishing the King-
dom of Heaven on Earth. And their ulti-
mate motive? They seek to give absolute joy to God. Period.

I live at New Hope Farms in upstate New York. Without ques-
tion, this farm is very unique. Out of all the American properties that our True Par-
ents have claimed for God, very few have been built from the ground up: most were "restored", that is, they were properties all ready con-
structed with buildings and/or dwellings formally used by outside, fallen peo-
ple. In contrast, New Hope Farms was constructed, board by board, by the blood, sweat and tears of our church members. Following its completion, my family came to work here in 1994. Admittedly, while it is unlikely that I or my family will completely restore the entire world, we did determine at that time to work towards estab-
lishing the Kingdom of Heaven on this one 40-acre parcel. No matter what, I and my family would seek to set a heavenly example, make the right conditions and, hopefully, bring some result.

Yet results came few and far between. I asked myself why. How do I move forward? As stated in the beginning, True Parents never waver. They go forward and educate, edu-
cate, educate. When it came time to leave the farm and my family to join the Korean mobilization expe-
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by Dr. Chula Senaratne

In the situation of national conflict and low public morale, like that of the present situation in Maoist affected villages in Nepal, the Religious Youth Service (RYS) can be of great significance and bring great success. This was exactly the case with the first RYS Nepal Project held in Barahathwa, Sariahi, Nepal, December 20-24, 2002. It was conducted on the Asiatic regional level, and the project included building a garage and an office room for the ambulance service. The site is in a Maoist affected area and is about 350 km from the capital city of Kathmandu. The project was inaugurated with a tree plantation initiated by a local person belonging to an untouchable cast. There is a cast system in Hinduism consisting of Higher (Brahma), middle (Kshetri), lower (Bainsab) and untouchable (Cihdudra) divisions.

One of the Ambassadors for Peace, Hon. Ram Hari Joshy, (Former Minister of Education and Tourism) was the initiator and inspiration for the project. The participants were from different faiths, cultures, professions and localities of India and Nepal. The project was designed to bring the participants “heartistically” closer together, so different activities were included in the program to bring this result. Cultural exchanges, interactive educational programs, brainstorming and sharing sessions and games, and visits to historical places excited all of the participants.

Overall however, the construction work was the centerpiece for everyone to come together. The local people and local VIPs joined in to work together with the participants. Some local persons came with cold juice and fruits to feed the participants and the working people. It was like a festival for the entire village. In the later part of the peace process work, we approached and received the blessing and support of Sri Lanka’s Prime Minister and the Ministry of Youth Affairs. The Minister advised us and we teamed up with the National Youth Services Council (NYSC) because of its good organizational and administrative network in the northern and eastern parts of Sri Lanka.

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RYS in New Zealand

From Jan 4th to Jan 10th RYS New Zealand conducted its first international RYS project held in and around Rotorua, world famous for its thermal springs. The theme was “Building a Culture of Everlasting Peace”. Forty five participants came from across New Zealand, Australia, Japan, PNG and USA representing Christianity (Protestant and Catholic), Sikhism, Buddhism, Islam, New Zealand Maori, Australian Aborigines and Unificationism. The work projects took place at five different sites and included restoration of grave stones at a soldiers cemetery, clean up of the fore-edge of Lake Rotorua, painting, plus clearing of walking tracks. At each work project, RYS participants provided a willing voluntary workforce to assist local organizations serve the community. One such prominent local organization which RYS assisted was Habitat for Humanity which has chapters all through NZ and throughout the world.

For those who have yet to visit NZ it should be said that driving from Auckland (capital city of NZ) to Rotorua one is immediately awestruck by the magnificent beauty of the national environment reflected in such bio diverse flora. They say it only gets better if you go to more isolated places particularly on the South Island. The beginning of the project was marked by a traditional Maori welcome. (the Maori is the name given to the indigenous people’s of NZ). This consisted of speeches and prayers by local tribal elders and guest speakers. Prominent amongst the guest speakers was an address delivered by BIPWP Peace Ambassador, Sir Peter Tapsell, who drove five hours from the east coast of NZ to be present. Sir Peter is famous across NZ as a long serving Speaker of the House of the NZ Parliament. He praised the inspiration and vision of the Founder of RYS, Rev. Moon.

After all the speeches all the participants formed a single line and one by one greeted the members of the receiving party with the traditional touching of noses. It was amazing that there were so many wonderful people. It was like a festival for the entire village. In the later part of the peace process work, we approached and received the blessing and support of Sri Lanka’s Prime Minister and the Ministry of Youth Affairs. The Minister advised us and we teamed up with the National Youth Services Council (NYSC) because of its good organizational and administrative network in the northern and eastern parts of Sri Lanka.

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Following the Opening Ceremony, the first day consisted of seminar type activities designed to empower participants, build team spirit, increase awareness and appreciation of interaction styles, increase understanding and apprecia-
tion of different faiths, create a vision for a better world and to initiate new skills to facilitate greater harmony. Activities with these goals were integral to the program, each evening throughout the week.

From day two, the day began with a meditation/devootional session run each day by a representative from each of the different faiths. Participants could learn from the medium of serving others. It’s called spirituality. The bulk of each morning was dedicated to learning from RYS and learn interpersonal skills to facilitate greater harmony. Activities with these goals were integral to the program, each evening throughout the week.

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Lanka was selected as the area to host the project and the RYS formed a part-
nership with the Rural Development Foundation because of its suc-
cess as an NGO in the area. As a result of the instability that the conflict cre-
at ed, many villages were forced to move to resets-
tlement communities. These resettlement communities often suffer greatly and are rife with poverty, unemployment and neglect. We chose to work in the resettlement community of Marawatu-
kanam with its nearly six hundred families pulled from various areas.

The needs of Marawatukalam are great and varied but the project that was selec-
ted included building three culverts, which would allow the roads to be passable during the rainy season. The Interna-
tional Relief Friendship Foundation (IRFF) provided a generous grant for this work.

Mrs. Fazida Razak (Director - RYS Asia-Pacific) joined the project from Sin-
gapore to serve as the Project’s Educa-
tion Director. Participants joined the proj-
et from all parts of the country through the help of NYSC, SUNFO, University Students’ associations and RYS alum-
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The meaning of the work was clar-
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The Project

Illustrating the need for RYS, com-
held a training session for the partici-
pants from Jaffna of northern Sri Lanka but had to get registered with both the LTTE and the Sri Lanka armed forces before entering Vavunraya.

The 48 participants came largely from all parts of Sri Lanka and were Buddhist, Hindu, Catholic, Muslim and Unifica-
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welcomed. During the closing ceremony, par-
ticipants shared their deep feelings of love for the villagers and for each other. They expressed their experi-
ences with the greatest joy. National and international students with back-
eloads of enthusiasm and degrees worked with joy and excitement in the village for the local people and left a great impact on the villagers and local VIPs.

At the closing ceremony, the local VIPs stated that they came to know from the RYS program what they need-
ed to do and how to do it. They also expressed their commitment to con-
tinue this project.

Hon. Joshy was the guest of honor at the closing ceremony. After hear-

ing everybody’s sharing, Hon. Joshy congratulated the educational effi-
ciency of the RYS project and thanked the Right Hon. Prime Minister for sup-
porting these activities worldwide. He also emphasized the importance of this project within the context of the present situation in Nepal, where the whole country is under the severe domination of Maoist activists.

In conclusion, we can say that the success of the project outweighed any expectations. Not less than two thirds of the project budget came from the local institutions and local people. The building is bigger than initially planned. There were only 15 RYS participants, yet it impacted the whole community that should be educated from this program.

To work for the sake of others is a great idea. Although the participants do not know each other, the project developed within our own personal lifestyle is the highest reward for any knowledge and skills that were learned from RYS Nepal.
by Gregory Coolege

I wrote this Letter to the Korean People

Recently, I have come to Korea. I came because I am anxious to help in any way I can to bring about the unification of the two Koreas. I believe that God has a great purpose for the Korean people. I came in support of the Rev. Sun Myung Moon’s vision of peace.

I would like to express to you my feelings, emotions, and heart of what I see when I look into the eyes and faces of the people of Korea.

When I look into the faces of the elderly and honorable grandmothers, I see a face of great strength. I have learned that this strength is very strong because I have learned that you can never say no to a Korean grandmother. I see the strength that can only be the result of many years of difficult suffering. When I look into the eyes of these grandmothers, I see many years of tears. Tears wept for their family and country.

When I look into the faces of the elder grandfathers. I see years of strain. Strain that result into a body that can no longer stand up straight. A strain that was caused by the years of toil in efforts made to support the country and their families. A bent back caused by the heavy burden that was forced upon their shoulders.

My hands are soft. When I shake the hands of the elders. I feel years of toil in the roughness of their hands. I feel the hands that have had to work to support their families and country.

Upon reflection of the causes of what I see, I recall my history lessons I have had. I recall the suffering that the Korean people have experienced during the 40 years of the foreign occupation. I recall the difficulties caused by the Korean War. Then I realize that I am looking into the eyes of people who have suffered through these atrocities. I realize that I am looking into the faces of a pure and moral people who have suffered much at the hands of others.

I then recall that Korea is a country that has never been an aggressive nation, a nation that has never been motivated to take from their neighbors in order to satisfy its needs. I now fully understand why God has chosen this great nation. I now understand why God has chosen Korea as the place that He places all his hope. I now understand why God has sent Rev. Moon to the Korean people. I now understand why God has sent us.

I want you to know that I can feel deep in my heart the moisture caused by the tears of pain flowing from the eyes of the Korean people. That I feel the weight of the hardships placed upon your shoulders. Please know that I want to do everything I can to turn those tears into tears of joy. Please know that I want to do every thing possible to lift the heavy blocks of burden from your shoulders and throw them into the sea.
on our arrival at the CP training center in Gwangjin (south eastern Seoul) the regional leader of the church called me and my husband over to his office to let us know that he was there to determine what local church we would be assigned to. We met with the Head of the Haesung Church which I found out upon arrival there, is our church in the Little Angels school. The church leader and staff of the Little Angels and the elements that were encountered were extremely wonderful, many from the 6500 Blessing so there were many Korean-Japanese couples.

We had rallies planned everyday including one rally for about 100 of the school staff and administrators at the Little Angels Theater who are not our members and who are somewhat skeptical or even negative. Our leader, Rev. Hwang asked that instead of reading the prepared speech we speak from our heart as to why we came to CP. Having performed in the Little Angels theater he could give a strong testimony to Father’s vision for how the scene be used pave the way for greater understanding between historical enemies like North and South Korea. The audience was very inspired and Rev. Hwang said that our being there really had a great impact in changing some minds and hearts.

Everyday we visited churches, schools and government in an effort to open up areas to give our testimony about our True Parents’ hope for Korea. We were received very well by government officials, shop owners but the ministers we met were really hard to win over. Some ministers refused to have any conversation whatsoever. One Presbyterian minister for example, said that I needed to do more to prove myself and that I was not worthy of any kind of heavenly award. If God needed more people to apply, I wanted to do what He needed, I was prepared to do whatever it would take to win the world. I believe because that was God’s vision for how the arts can be used pave the way for greater understanding.

My best experience was at the final rally we had to give a speech in my own words (the book was not there, so I had to speak from my heart). The leaders and the people were so wonderful. Everyone was so happy to bless Korea, and that would move me to tears of repentance and to feel I really have an impact. My experience in the towns that I visited were also a mixed bag. I see Korea as a very poor externally compared to America, but very rich in some ways internally. I was surprised that the people live so poorly and are not so aware of external beauty in the living environment. It was very difficult physically, especially while being sick.

I see Korea as America in the turn of the century to 1920’s and 30’s as far as prosperity. I felt that when the Korean people accept True Parents, God will be so happy to bless Korea, and that He has not been able to do so for so long. Now is the time, I felt. Now God really wants to bless His precious Korean family. I am glad, though that God wants us to intermarry. Hopefully, that will end racism and nationalism in a few generations.

My church leader and the young Korean (husband) and Japanese (wife) that took us to our town everyday were wonderful. The leader has 6 children and lives in a tiny place. The children are amazing. They were very gracious, giving and kind. They had had a chance to be delighted in giving us what they had, especially those things precious to them. That was really beautiful.
My trip to Korea was the most transforming experience that I have had. It really put things in perspective for me. When I was told I was to go to Korea I didn’t really take it so seriously. I just thought I would be helping to achieve the goal for the 2400 members that Father request.

When we got on the plane I was surprised that there were so many members on the plane that we were on. When we arrived at Chung Pyeong I felt very excited. Also I could feel a feeling of togetherness that comforted you and I realized how much this mobilization meant to God and to Father. This was the most important part of the providence that has occurred and we had to devote ourselves fully to accomplish an acceptable offering to God.

The time at Chung Pyeong was truly a big reunion of the members. I was so glad to see my dad happy to see his old friends from MFT and from all sorts of places. The feeling at Chung Pyeong was that of a feeling of love from around. I got really attached to Chung Pyeong.

We went to climb the mountain at Chung Pyeong I stopped at all of the sacred trees. There were always people praying at each tree some were just giving light prayers to see that others were praying with tears flowing freely. I was moved so much at the thought that God must be so grateful. I could feel all of the troubles of the world and then I thought if we learn to look at the world from God’s point of view that our own problems seem smaller compared to the global view.

I continued up the mountain and I loved the view that you could see from the mountain. You could see the area where Father’s palace is to be built. The view was wonderful and awe inspiring. I could have stayed there all day and look at the beautiful view but it was time that I start heading down.

The rest of the week was great. People were getting sick though, some people got really bad but I was OK, I enjoyed Ansu though, the second time the person was really pouting around me but I loved the excitement that was in the room and I supposed that spiritually it must have been a great thing to see. When the last day arrived I didn’t want to leave. I was so attached to the place but I knew that God had already made me to take my adventure to the next place.

That morning all the BCs were to meet. There were many elder Second Generation there like 20 or 30 years old. I also saw some 3rd generation there. The elder 2nd generation gave a marvelous speech about what to expect when you enter our towns and it gave me a lot of inspiration to go out and do my best for this providence. That meeting really moved me to see all the 2nd generation there in such great unity and I thought that we must prepare ourselves to take the lead in the providence when the 1st generations have to go to the spirit world.

The town that we arrived in was a city called Gochang and there was a big conference of True Fathers held in the streets by themselves and I felt that this place seems so safe though in the US an area like this you always had to be on guard. We received a very warm welcome upon our arrival. A lot of grandmas kept on rubbing my cheek together like I was a baby so that was a different experience. One of the BCs was our translator since she had lived there for seven years so that was fortunate.

There were four other BCs in my group, three were (of whom I matched which was very cool) and there was one that I expected to talk to one day so I didn’t get to know her well. There were about 20 or us in the church center (which was also the pastor’s home) which had become the family and the pastor’s family, which tended to our needs like parents to their children. I had pleaded with my dad to allow me to stay but my ticket wasn’t negotiable and sadness filled me when I informed myself that I would come back one day and we would all see again but that was for the future. The experiences that I gained at Korea left an everlasting impression on me and I will never forget it.

Bo Song Koon

T he three teams are gathered here in Bo Song, the main city of this region of Korea. Rev. Nam Kyu Pak and Mrs. Taihoi Yamache Pak, the minister of this church is a young educated energetic and active minister. We have divided into three teams one led by Rev. Shin, who was Bishop Kim’s assistant in Chicago for some time. The other led by Mr. Joo, the church leader in Kodiak, Alaska.

Team Pak is led by Rev. Pak along with myself. Mrs. Caroline Betancourt and Mrs. Jung Shim Willies are joined by 3 or 4 Japanese sisters and one elder from the church.

We all go non-stop throughout the day visiting the many members, meetings (town) leaders and community leaders, inviting them to the programs and rallies that we are hosting. We have had many incredible experiences. The political leaders of this area— it is the green tea capital of the world and is also known for its mushrooms and sea food. It borders the ocean on the South-Green tea health spas are a staple of the area as well. There is also a 1,000,000 year old dinosaur egg that attracts tourists internationally.

But the greatness of this area is its true beauty. The area is covered with sugar mountains and mountains and communities there is very little industry. And the people are so wonderful. There is no such thing as rushing here. The countryside is so beautiful that Rev. Moon has done internationally and our presence here amazes them. This is the heart of Korea. It has been the man who inspired us to change our lives and is now asking us to work for the unification of Korea. Almost 20 years ago just after Heung Jin Nim went to the spirit world I had a dream. In the dream I was walking with Hyun Jin Nim through the villages of Korea. As went together visiting Korean families door to door, he turned and said to me. “Now it is up to us to restore and re-unite Korea.” As I visit the koon leaders, the myeon leaders and the lee leaders, I realize that that dream is now becoming a reality.

Mrs. Christine King, Hideo Kitahara, David Hill, Jamal Johnson, David Belfort and my 14 year old son Solomon (a GOP kid) have just arrived. This visit is our 8th visit to Korea and this year we have also been joined by Mrs. Willis from Texas who has lived in Korea for 13 years and she talks to us about the situation there since she has lived there for so long. We have also been joined by our translator there since she had lived there for so long and she tells us about the situation there.

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In Memoriam

Soon Ja McDevitt

We are grateful for their attitude of faith in these trying times. We have been strengthened and inspired by Soon Ja’s attitude of absolute faith and how she demonstrated profound love for God and True Parents during this difficult course. Tom has demonstrated an attitude that is a reflection of True Father’s heart: Unwavering love and faith. Soon Ja is one of the most kind and loving sisters ever met in my life. She is a great daughter of Cheon Il Guk! It is comforting to know that Soon Ja is going to a wonderful place now that God and True Parents have prepared for her in the Spirit World. She is a wonderful wife of a great Blessed Central Family. The course of their family is certainly with deep meaning and can only be seen as a course that God is manifesting to save America and the World.

Mrs. McDevitt was buried at FortLincoln Cemetery in Brentwood after a funeral service at the U.S. Family Church in the District. Mrs. McDevitt is survived by her husband; five sons, Mark, Thomas, Daniel, Patrick James and John Michael; one daughter, Sung Chosen Park of St. Louis; four sisters, Yun Soon Lee, Kym Nae Lee, Yun Ja Lee and Kyung Ja Lee; and a niece, Nan Kyoung. Her father, Man Lee Hee, died in the late 1950s.

Rev. Michael Jenkins

In Memoriam

Don Marshall

We are deeply saddened at his passing. His work and his older brother Risun. His father passed away in 1986.

The seung hwa service was celebrated in Albuquerque, New Mexico at French’s Mortuary, 1111 University NE, Albuquerque, 1 p.m., on Thursday, January 2.

In Memoriam

Dr. E.V. Hill

We are deeply grateful for his support for ACLC and the Blessing of Marriage Movement.

Rev. Michael Jenkins

In Memoriam

Austhan Jaeger

Austhan Jaeger, 18, passed over to the spiritual world on Sunday, December 29, shortly after True Parents took off for Korea from America. Austhan was a 18 years old minor member of the New Mexico Family Church. He had been fighting cancer for three years always striving to maintain an upbeat heart and attitude despite great challenges. He is survived by his mother, Kaarma Jaeger, who is from the 118 blessing, and his older brother Risun. His father passed away in 1986.

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If you would like to send cards or letters or contributions to the family, please send them to Kae-rin and/or Susan c/o Mark and Cory Butano, 4108 Aspen Court NE, Albuquerque, NM 87111. For more information, you can call Cory at (505)640-8895.

Jay Garrett

Satan Has Surrendered

I have an interesting spiritual experi- ence to share with you. Recently I went through a 3-day spell of rest- lessness. I was tossing and turning a lot, wasn’t able to settle down. All day long I was feeling a kind of unexplainable ‘pressure’ and stress. Finally, the night before I was to teach a 1-day workshop, I was in bed with my eyes closed, trying to get some sleep. I kept think- ing ‘where are you?’, but I couldn’t get inside it. (This is difficult to explain.)

As I made this mental decision I began to hear a voice internally say to me “True Parents really did defeat me. I really do surrender!” Surprised, it was my strong feeling that this was the voice of Lucifer. “We are no longer God’s enemy.” Lucifer continued. “The ‘we’ I felt meant ‘he and the other fallen angels.’ ‘The only enemy of God now is man.’ Next I felt him say to me he would assist me in the workshop the next day, to work on restoring the wrong way of teach- ing he had manipulated Adam and Eve with. Lucifer was, after all, a teacher.

I began telling my wife this experi- ence. I was very excited internally. “I had completed his course. He and Ichiko worked together in the registered city and were outstanding examples as Americans with sincere heart and loyalty to our True Parents and God’s providence. We are deeply saddened by the fact that we know that this sacrifice will be etched into eternal history as one of our beautiful American patriots and sons fell on the battlefield to bring unity, peace and love to the Fatherland and the world. Also, that his place in heaven will be very special as he offered his life at a most crucial dispensational moment in which the Fatherland is hanging in the balance, only secured by the conditions of our Blessed Central Families and espe- cially True Parents.

We love you Don. Thanks for your liv- ing example of the way of absolute faith. You knew your path and had the courage to follow it. Thank you Ichiko for your faith and loyalty. He and Ichiko had a wonderful family. Ichiko was the first Gypsy to join our church. He and Ichiko worked together in the registered city and were outstanding examples as Americans with sincere heart and loyalty to our True Parents and God’s providence. We are deeply saddened by the fact that we know that this sacrifice will be etched into eternal history as one of our beautiful American patriots and sons fell on the battlefield to bring unity, peace and love to the Fatherland and the world. Also, that his place in heaven will be very special as he offered his life at a most crucial dispensational moment in which the Fatherland is hanging in the balance, only secured by the conditions of our Blessed Central Families and espe- cially True Parents.

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A House Built Beside A Rock

by Merlyn Velasco

Jin-A School Expanding

In Jin-A, a school opened in 1987 which has continued to expand, offering a wide range of educational opportunities for children. The school offers classes from kindergarten through fifth grade, with a focus on providing a well-rounded education that includes academic subjects as well as music, art, and physical education. The school has grown from a small kindergarten to a full-fledged elementary school, with plans for even further expansion in the future.

In the past year, Jin-A has added a new wing to the school, providing more space for students and staff. The new wing includes additional classrooms, a new library, and an expanded cafeteria. The school has also added new technology to its facilities, including new computers and internet access.

Jin-A's success is due in large part to the support of its community. Parents and students are actively involved in the school, helping to make decisions about the school's direction and growth. The school has also received financial support from the community, including local businesses and organizations.

Jin-A is committed to providing a quality education for all of its students, regardless of their background or economic status. The school offers scholarships and financial aid to students who need it, ensuring that all children have the opportunity to succeed.

Jin-A is proud of its accomplishments and looks forward to continuing to grow and provide a great education for its students. The school is grateful for the support of its community and is committed to serving its students for many years to come.
by Dr. Michael Mickler

Dr. Mickler is Vice-president and Director of History at the Unification Theological Seminary.

This is the twentieth in a series of excerpts from the book 40 Years in America: An Intimate History of the Unification Movement 1959-1999. The editor is Michael Inglis, the historical text by Michael Mickler. The book is available from HSA Publications for $70 + $8 s&h. Contact them at: 4 West 43rd Street, NY NY 10036; tel: (212) 997-0050 xt250 or at their web-site: www.hsabooks.com.

Meeting Kim Il Sung

Rev. Moon's audacity in asserting his own supreme role over the past decades. However, he was there “to save the entire two-and-a-half-hour conference. It wasn’t easy. The North Koreans, predictably, subjected Rev. Moon to a variety of intimidation tactics and “tests” during his visit. There also were competing pulls from immediate family. There I witnessed the deaths of many who also had been imprisoned without cause... Now, I have visited North Korea in my position as the founder of the Unification Church and in the spirit of True Love. True Love is love that transcends the bounds that cannot be loved.... As I set foot in Pyongyang, my heart was as clear as the autumn sky. I did not feel that I was entering the house of my enemy, but rather that I was returning to my hometown to visit the house of my brother. I carried with me to North Korea the principle that I have always lived by, that is, to forgive, love, and unite.... The meeting vindicated his life’s work because he turned a former enemy into a friend. It wasn’t easy. The North Koreans, predictably, subjected Rev. Moon to a variety of intimidation tactics and “tests” during his visit. They both agreed to cooperate in establishing a place where members of separated families can meet and in facilitating the exchange of mail. Kim Il Sung told Rev. Moon that he would preserve his birthplace as a shrine and that he was welcome back any time. For church members, the meeting between Rev. Moon and Kim Il Sung had immense symbolic and practical import. Dr. Pak explained to the American membership, “[Rev. Moon] as the universal Jesus, went to North Korea, and embraced the universal Essau.” To him, the “natural subjugation of Kim Il Sung...completely fulfilled God’s dispensational history.” It signified that Rev. Moon could stand in the position of a friend and brother to the leader of the world’s most totalitarian state. Because Kim Il Sung was “the only world leader whom the citizens call father,” it also signified the surrender of “false parent-hood.” In practical terms, the meeting heralded a prediction for Rev. Moon to think he could emerge on the world stage without at least ceremonially resolving the situation in his homeland. In this respect, the meeting was the culmination of the movement’s march to Korea. It paralleled the Moscow Declaration and established the more direct expressions of Rev. Moon’s messianic role.

Declaration of Messiahship

During the mid-1930s, when he was sixteen years old and the Korean peninsula was under the colonial rule of imperial Japan, Rev. Moon went to a secret meeting where he understood to be "a special mission from heaven through Jesus." According to his account, he then "spent years searching precisely how to bring salvation to humankind." In addition to his quest, he also associated with groups that emphasized Korea’s role in God’s providence. Rev. Moon recounted that the result of his search was “the new expression of God’s truth referred to today as the Unification Principle.” He then proceeded to claim this truth on August 15, 1945, the day Korea was liberated from Japan. His public ministry was characterized by false starts, misunderstandings, betrayal and imprisonment. Nevertheless, by 1960, he solidified a core of dedicated disciples and over the next thirty years developed a strong base. By mid-1992, he

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considered his foundation secure enough to declare openly that he and Mrs. Moon were "the true parents of all humanity, the Savior, the Lord of the Second Advent, the Messiah."

"Taken in outline form, this progression possesses a certain coherence. However, the open declaration of Rev. and Mrs. Moon's messiahship requires additional explanation. As noted, the movement's messianic premises already were well established, and Rev. Moon was commonly typed as a Korean messiah. Yet this was something that was never previously publicly acknowledged. One obvious reason for not publicly proclaiming Rev. Moon as the Lord of the Second Advent, or messiah, was that to do so risked immediate censure, mockery and dismissal, or in particular uncongenial environments, vigorous repression. This, in fact, was the movement's experience even without making public pronouncements. Apostate testimonies and prolix in-house literature were sufficient to establish in the public's mind that Rev. Moon's followers understood him to be the messiah and that he was how he regarded himself. Still, the church refrained from direct claims, even to prospective converts. Lecturers offered apparent signs and less-subtle hints, but the preferred modality was that adherents decide about Rev. Moon's identity and role by themselves. For his part, Rev. Moon owned up to being a Divine messenger, to have fought "alone against myriad[s] of Satanic forces, both in the spiritual and physical sense," he declared, to having met many saints in Paradise and with Jesus," and to having "brought into light all the heavenly secrets through...communication...with the saints in Paradise, and with Jesus himself as a 'potential messiah' in one public forum and that he was called by God to help establish the True Parents' position. Nonetheless, he stopped short of an explicit public identification of himself as a True Parent or messiah prior to mid-1992. The situation changed in 1992. It is difficult to be finally definitive about why Rev. Moon elected to declare his messiahship then. However, several factors were influential. 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After working for over a year on my first musical CD, with the help of my tribal families, I am releasing a CD with nine original songs. These songs were written with direct spiritual world help. I would wake in early morning hours between 2 and 4 A.M. and pray about what I was going through, then sitting down at my computer and typing out these songs. The words would fly off my thoughts through my fingers onto the screen. I would then go back to sleep.

Thank this age for computer spell checks. I would edit only very little of these songs. The music would come, and then some time later between three and six months I would write the lyrics on my hometown flower stand. I would be playing my guitar and then the tune would come and that would be that. My hometown flower stand would also be my supportive source for the studio time and processing fees. In the many years of hometown activity I have blessed many rock and roll bands and friends. I have helped produce a concert CD of their bands a few years ago being the photographer and mentor for their studio challenge. On my adventure they helped produce a copulation roll families and friends. I have blessed many rock and roll bands from hometown activity the whole family.

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New CD: Tribal Rock Rollin Heart

by Chris Bihary

After writing these songs and going to the studio and cutting them with the musical world, I again went in prayer to spiritual world for permission for release of this CD. There as a few months before I was in front of a spiritual council which directed me for more prayer and offering of these songs. This CD adventure was very ancestrally involved in its release. I am happy to announce this. I have offered thanks to them in writing and all assistance in this adventure. The songs reflect both the spiritual path of a blessed family and that in which a spirit warrior of True Spirit must go. For information of this CD, I can be reached at chrisbihary@aol.com or 440-639-8775, also I will include the Holy Ground. As with many things I got permission form SW for setting up the order and arrangements. In a way I have been told that this CD is very lecture like in style, in that it gives a lesson of Heart and Principle. That was my intention in doing so. So not only now I am know in my hometown as the Holy Flower man but also now becoming the Spiritual Music Man. With in the last four months As Cheong Il Guk family activity the whole family has been going out to musician writer nights, at different restaurants. Here on these night I have been playing to many I have played with for these last several years. I am getting great reviews in the musical county newspaper and so not only my spiritual music but the whole family is stage-one of heart and love. So as the title songs go, “With Heart as I go” the family will be living in the Kingdom of LOVE.

In the review it states “Bihary expresses himself as only he can…the sense of family and love, is over abundant… He has taken his lyrical magical original compositions and immortalized them for future generations… A very spiritual foundation the songs on this CD contain the building blocks of LOVE, Peace, Joy, Family, and all good things this world and the world beyond have to offer… a true sense of family and unity radiates from this product… Many aspects of this CD beyond words. A musical montage of nine delicately crafted heartfelt images transformed into a maelstrom of lyrical and musical arrangements resulting in a genuinely unique and personal join to the soul of an artist, gentleman, father, and husband. BUT ABOVE all the CD mirrors the inner most enlightenment Bihary has found and embraced, which is quite frankly inspirational. As long as this keeper of all things good remains true to him self all the riches one could want will be bestowed upon him, not in monetary value necessarily, but riches that many people search a lifetime for… and that is PEACE. In this local review after I read it I was in tears of love over the amount of time and prayer I have put into this tribal project. The many times of testifying and going the heartfelt way to be the example of Cheong Il Guk is the example of community heart. I sense this as the purpose of this effort is now being embraced through out my hometown. But as John the Baptist said once… but now is the time to march forward and continue to live in the expansion of Tribal Heart. As my son Joshua is now in Korea on Activities of C1G, he is also handing out CD’s. The local schools, teachers and friends, newspapers are awaiting his return to put on cable TV his experiences and also in the local papers writing essays. Peace and kingdom building! Glory to God! And glory to True Parents! ☜

FOR KIDS

by Françoise

When Love No More Has Orphaned Eyes

When love no more has orphaned eyes
A little child out on the street
Hungry, alone and destitute
When love’s no more a prostitute
Under whose shadow strangers meet:
A moment’s pleasure and sweet lies
When love’s no more a prostitute
Has Orphaned Eyes

When love no more has orphaned eyes
To water all the desert sand
And make the flowers bloom once more
When love no more has orphaned eyes
When love no longer has to die
While gazing, the final deer
For all to see the promised land
When love’s no more has orphaned eyes
When love is for the kings and queens
For all to see the promised land
When love’s no more has orphaned eyes
The parents’ house will be my home.

Ina Connolly
Most of the time, these newbies are, shall we say, a work in progress. Usually, we end up critiquing pages filled with errors in spelling, punctuation, and grammar. Even medical and executive professionals often display these mistakes. Our group is that, buried somewhere under the mess, a compelling story awaits. My online group only handles fiction, but the rules of writing apply everywhere.

"That can’t be me," you say. Based upon the most common errors I see from new writers, let’s do a quick review. I’ll start with some basic points. Let’s be clear about the correct use of: its and it’s. How about dialogue? It’s comma, quote mark, then tag. New speakers mean a new paragraph. For examples:


Was that too easy? Let’s crank it up a notch. Do you know the difference between: effect and affect? Please define: sight, site, and cite. Got it? Then let’s make it a bit harder. Compose sentences with: ensure, insure, and assure. Properly change the commas in the dialogue above to question or exclamation marks.

Okay, let’s say you got them all correct. Good! I expect to see your first draft on my desk within a month. (Just kidding… or am I?)

Authors

Hopefully these technical points will be mastered by someone just as they get busy with writing. If not, we can only hope that their ego can handle the bad news. The serious folks pause for reflection, and then get back to work. My writers group has seen people totally rewrite 100,000 word novels! Authors are artists, and they share many well-known attributes. Some writers (especially women) are very self-deprecating. They apologize for every paragraph, and hardly believe the praise they do earn.

Opposite this, some writers (usually men) have Golden Words syndrome. They pity us for not recognizing their genius. Critics that have to correct their every sentence are shrugged off, or worse, met with anger.

Serious writers chart a middle course, and suffer their humps. They learn as much as they can, everywhere they can. My earliest columns here in the UNews were, frankly, speaking, a mess. I apologize for the errors that still creep through.

After a writer masters the basics, they still have to construct a great text or story. Nordick needs a good structure, citations, and examples. Fiction needs an interesting plot, clear descriptions, and sympathetic characters. This is where talent comes in.

Sheer talent can, in part, make up for a lack of skill. Some authors quietly depend on book doctors, and even ghost writers, to polish up their work. One very famous author told my group that he sends off his rough, first draft pages, and almost every day—and lets his editor take it from there.

Some authors have so much technical skill that their merely average talent is forgiven. Certain specialized texts are agony to read, and yet, few people in the world understand about the subject to write it themselves.

In science fiction, mind-bending concepts and time periods. This is where worlds often make up for a novel’s ‘cardboard’ characters. It has been said that the universe itself becomes a character.

Publishing

And now to the third point. One must get these polished words before the public. If you’re a specialist in a very obscure discipline, perhaps a university press will publish a few dozen, very expensive, copies of your tome. If you have a good contract with a publisher of romance novels, you can toss them off by the dozen, following a standard formula—and take your cut from the millions of paperback copies that are sold. All you have to do is keep your editor happy and the readers satisfied.

If you’re well off you can self-publish, in old or new ways. If you’re broke you can post your writings on the web. Either way, they will join millions of other obscure titles, but who knows? These days, with email, something new can catch on in a big hurry. ‘Blogs’ have become the newest rage.

It is usually best to work with an agent. That’s a tall order because the good ones have a full client list, and the brand-new ones have little experience and fewer contacts. Even so, it’s worth finding one. Send out dozens of well-crafted query letters. If you can afford it, attend some big writer’s conferences. Please be aware they there are dozens of ways you can get ripped off. Be very careful, and get advice and confirmation from multiple sources. Subscribe to Writer’s Digest or a similar publication.

If you have time, find and join a compatible writers group, locally or on line. They will practice different styles and rules. Ask at the library or a university English department. If you have enough money, you can take college writing classes, or even hire a personal editor (a sort of writing tutor coach).

Conclusion

Because God’s Providence is going forward, many Unificationists have very amazing stories to tell. Defeating evil means exposing its secrets to the world. Also, the Principles lend a unique perspective to all fields of interest and, potentially, to any fiction genre.

That makes this sharing all the more important. Get writing!

"Self"

I, My, Mine
All around us, these are the words I worked hard My house That’s mine Rare to hear other words.

Children grow and learn their first words, I, My, and Mine.

Who is the owner of everything? If he would speak the same
Oh how miserable we would be.

My world Creation is mine I created everything

True ownership is His The world and the creation belong to the True owner.

No payment can replace That’s the only one to say I, My, and Mine
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