November 12, 2004 (October 1 by the lunar calendar) 8 AM: Five thousand members and leaders gathered at Cheong-yeong Heaven and Earth Training Center to celebrate the 45th True Children’s birthday. True Parents who have been in heaven and earth, and because of this, the Adam and Eve, the ancestors of fallen humanity could not find the position of the mother on this earth. Eve lost the position needed in laying the victorious foundation from the individual, family, race, tribe, nation, world and cosmos. Because of this, Satan acquired Eve and the birthright of the eldest son in regards to all those positions along with this earth. At this current stage, married by the diversion of the lineage, we know of Your sorrow and anguish as the God of heaven: the One who puts all things in order; and king who resides over the family ideal, for being unable to visit and related to this position in which the lineage was reversed. Thus, 130 years after the fall of Adam and Eve, You raised Seth to initiate a new beginning for restoration in anguish. Yet this was not the path for restoration. Jesus came to this earth in order to return to the position of heaven and rise above the sorrow of the heart com-

B eloved Heavenly Father, today is November 12 in the fourth year of Cheon Il Ok, and the 44th anniversary of Children’s Day. Today, under the watchful gaze of heaven and earth, in which God and True parents’ realm of heart can be established, and with all the children blessed in the spirit world and the children lesson on this earth gathered around heaven, we stand above the interreligious and international realm. We are aware of the toils You suffered throughout this history of anguish (han), this history of indemnity that began when You lost Your family from the time of Adam’s family in which the father fell way, and the mother and Cain and Abel fell away from this earth. If there had been a day in which we could cel-

45TH TRUE CHILDREN’S DAY

DECEMBER
Ahn Shi Il • 7th, 15th, 23rd, 31st
1 Declaration of the Opening of the Gate for the Blessing of the Spiritual World (1997)
4 Heung Jin Nim’s Birthday (10/23/66)
Opening of Columbus Road Church (1977)
7 Supra-denominational Christian Association Established (1966)
17 Yeon Ah Nim’s Birthday (11/6/78)
18 Summit Council for World Peace Inaugurated (1981)
22 Shin Pyung Nim’s Birthday (11/11/96)
35 Previously Married Couples’ Blessing (1976)
JANUARY 2005
Ahn Shi Il • 8th, 16th, 24th
1 True God’s Day (1968)
Yun Ah Nim’s Birthday (11/21/71)
Sekkai Nippo Established (1975)
2 Day of Victory of Love (1984)
Heung Jin Nim’s Ascension (1984)
3 Un Jin Nim’s Birthday (11/23/67)
11 Shin Choon Nim’s Birthday (12/2/90)
72 Couples of the Second Generation Blessing (1989)
12 Hyo Jin Nim’s Birthday (12/9/62)
1275 Couples’ Blessing (1989)
13 Celebration Ceremony for the Kingdom of God (2001)
International Federation Victory Over Communism (1968)
20 Ye Jin Nim’s Birthday (12/11/60)
27 WGSF Blessing Ceremony (2001)
28 Shin Yul Nim’s Birthday (12/19/92)
C E N T U R Y
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This is not a complete, exact translation of his speech and prayer and should be taken only as an outline to convey the spirit of the content that was given.

Heaven — could have been created centering on the perfection of Eve raised in accordance with the relative standard, centering on the substantial realm, and centering on God, the father, the invisible subject partner, the harmonized being of dual characteristics who stands in the position of mass-culmunity. From this family of two worlds, from Adam’s family on earth, the substantial fruit of the children could have began anew and sprouted forth on this earth. Yet this new beginning did not appear, and to this day You lived in solitude without a chance to love Your children and creation.

Adam and Eve’s failure to unite and love the creation left behind a history of sorrow and anguish. Because of this, the Adam and Eve, the ancestors of fallen humanity could not find the position of the mother on this earth. Eve lost the position needed in laying the victorious foundation from the individual, family, race, tribe, nation, world and cosmos. Because of this, Satan acquired Eve and the birthright of the eldest son in regards to all those positions along with this earth. At this current stage, married by the diversion of the lineage, we know of Your sorrow and anguish as the God of heaven: the One who puts all things in order; and king who resides over the family ideal, for being unable to visit and related to this position in which the lineage was reversed. Thus, 130 years after the fall of Adam and Eve, You raised Seth to initiate a new beginning for restoration in anguish. Yet this was not the path for restoration. Jesus came to this earth in order to return to the position of heaven and rise above the sorrow of the heart com-

FEBRUARY 2005
Ahn Shi Il • 1st, 9th, 17th, 25th
1 Day of the Opening of Heaven (1955)
Seego Ilbo Established (1989)
2 Jun Sook Nim’s Birthday (12/24/67)
4 Shin Gil Nim’s Birthday (12/26/87)
5 Hye Jin Nim & Yun Ah Nim’s Blessing (1999)
6 IIFWP Established (1999)
7 360 Million Couples’ Blessing (1999)
8 1500 Couples’ Blessing (1975)
9 Hoon Sook Nim’s Birthday (1/1/63)
Lunar New Year
11 Yeon Jin Nim’s Birthday (1/3/81)
16 Couples’ Blessing (1978)
13 First International Blessing of 400 Million Couples (2000)
Cosmic True Parents’ Federation Established (2000)
Family Center for Universal Peace and Unification (2000)
14 Father’s Birthday (1/6/20)
Mother’s Birthday (1/6/43)
15 Shin Heung Nim’s Birthday (1/7/01)
Choongmo-nim’s Ascension (1/7/65)
16 4000 Couples’ Blessing (2002)
21 74 Couples’ Blessing (1977)
Montevideo Declaration World University Federation (1996)
22 430 Couples’ Blessing (1968)
23 Day of the Victory of Earth (1977)
24 Shin Jung Nim’s Birthday (1/16/83)
25 Shin Man Nim’s Birthday (1/17/00)
27 Declaration of Parents of Heaven and Earth (1998)
28 Kwon Jin Nim’s Birthday (1/20/75)
One World Crusade Established (1972)
43 Couples’ Blessing (1969)
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ON FAITH

Chinese character shin from shinang, the Korean word for faith, consists of two Chinese characters that mean “man” and “words.” The words are in the position of the mind, man is in the position of the body. The mind and body must be united. Which has greater value, the mind-body unity of a young person or the mind-body unity of an old person? Growth rings can be found on the path of faith. They can also be found in human life. The passage of years is not the reason a tree is large or small in relation to the number of its growth rings. Growth rings are created during the four seasons. The tree stands strong with the increase of its rings.

People with a long history of faith would have a desire for God, who established the standard of absolute faith. When people with a high standard of faith centering on the mind and body, and if the foundation of their family ideals, and the foundation of faith, connected to the perfect standard of the individual's value established for the purpose of completing that standard of faith instead of their personal desires, it is a judge of ten years, forty, and thirty years, what great will their growth rings be? Their growth rings must have a size and value that can create a sphere of influence that reaches from the family standard to the global standard. However, we cannot find a religion that can do that. How many growth rings have Christianity--or even Islam—developed over the course of six thousand years? Yet, can the ideal of an individual find happiness within that ring of growth? It cannot. The standards for all races and nations are like this. It is the same all over the world. The reason is that their origins were not clear.

The standard of religion was based on the people's own self-consciousness and their self-centeredness on God. Faith [shinang] and love for one's family, or family, is need- ed to unite the mind and body. This is another way of expressing the concept about the necessity of “words” and “man.” “Ang” means to revere and attend heaven within the relationship of the subject part, and the objective part, the ideas of having faith in, and attending God, that standard should endure for thousands, ten of thousands— actually billions of years. Still the size of the growth rings of faith must represent that individual: if it represents anything else, a person cannot become God’s child.

There are everyone who would display his faith, as it is, with con- fidence? Only God could do that. Why is that so? Even in Christ- ian history, with regard to its ori- gin, it is not clear whether the growth rings were round, square or long. Growth rings must grow until they reach a bal- anced degree. When this is placed in the dimensions connecting the eight rings, it should establish a realm of unity for the growth rings so that they can be round. They should be round.

LINEAGE

What is blood? The blood of life cannot be made with love alone: that is, blood cannot be made with just a man’s love or a woman’s love. A man’s love and a woman’s love must begin to come together. Their unity brings life together with life, and must align with it through all 360. This cannot be done with just love alone. Even if a man unites his body and mind in love, he cannot make a lineage, which is the substance of life. The lineage is what remains from the union of a man, compounded with the impact that mobilizes his blood around the man’s love and life, and a woman who says, “Let’s come together and mix; my life is your life.”

Christians take pride in Jesus blood. Blood arises from the source of the male lineage, which comes from the place where mind and body come together and unite centered on love. Men and women who begin their lineage emerges from their union, assimila- tion and the unity of their bodies, their lineage. The lineage must remain, even if the life and love of the man and woman are sacrificed. Woman absolutely needs man; and man absolute- ly needs woman.

God

What is the bone of all bones, the flesh of all flesh, the skin of all skins? It is God. The blood arising from the source of heaven and earth to the biological body is not possible without the power of love, which has a subjective and hori- zontal expansion. Anything that is not a blood of character that can be the source of that power of love is God. Is the being who man calls God and woman calls God called Dul-nam (‘dul’ is the Korean for “two”) or Hana-nam (“hana” is Korean for “flower”), who is the woman calls, ‘Hana’ (‘Hannah’ is the Korean term for ‘God’).

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Do you like Dul-nim or Hana-nim? [Hananim] The word "hana" suggests the absence of body. It is a noun used to express a divided mind and body, bone or skin. The Korean word "hananim" is a general expression for God.

In Korea we say "Hananim" for God. There is no other word that can express a greater respect. What is the relationship between God and me? Relationship, developments only where an affinity exists. Is the father-son relationship a close one? How about the relationship between brothers? What comes first? Establishing a relationship through the affinity of a father and son is established by the way of heavenly law. That is why that relationship is considered a matter of destiny rather than one of fortune. This cannot be replaced even if the four directions were to change. This position is right in the middle. It is eternally unchanging.

God is the subject of affinity. God is the father and our vertical elder brother. Christians have called God "Father" beginning a thousand years ago. God has been a son to a thousand years. Thus, God is the father and the elder brother at the same time. How close can we be?

God exists in a relationship of a subject partner and an object partner in love. This relationship is a relationship in which a man is a partner and a woman is the object of affection. In such a relationship, the role of the wife is usually to accept the love of the husband. The woman is the object of affection, and she is to accept and love the man's affection.

The problem is that there is no owner. Who is the owner of the Unification Church? I don't want to be the owner. Did the Unification Church headquarter establish a new church in charge of Korea? The king of the clan should appear and become the king of the nation. To make this king of the clan, we are making preparations for the crown and the coronation ceremony based on the family names.

In order to become the leader of the headquarter, under the supervision of Rev. Kwak, who has taken on a global responsibility, with the crown of a family clan, you have to unite North and South Korea to present the nation, establish kingship in God's name on the basis of a plain devoid of any depending and the path for the king of the world's nations. Christianity failed to do this as did all other religions. Thus, the voice is heard in a person who quickly succeeds in holding a coronation that brings order to the nation that will bring peace to the world's nations.

Cain killed Abel. After that, when Adam became 130 years old, he chose Seth to take his place. During those 130 years, that family passed through a period that had no relationship to their past. Seth on his own had to know the secrets of the battle for the heavenly fortune that Satan and God waged in heaven and on earth. Without knowing this, he couldn't promote the Abel relationship; nor could he lay the position of the mother and father. The Cain-Abel relationship was not necessary because of the Fall. The providence progressed within the context of this relationship. Isolation of Cain, and the representative nation of Seth after 4,000 years. It should have planted and nurtured the seed of Abel within the Cain-type world, come as the king of that nation and finally subdue Rome. Thus, Abel, who was killed by his elder brother, could have digested the world of the elder brother and placed him under his command. You must know that only then could the path have been made to save the mother and father, which could have become the origin of liberating the world from the struggle between Cain and Abel. For that reason, the messiah to come must revolutionize all the history of restoration through indemnity. From the smallest place, he and his wife must become the victors of the law and princess that everybody can bow down in submission to.

Will you become the family of the child mind divine sons and daughters? Or will you become the family of children of a patron? Will you become a family of the children of a devoted son? The person who claims to have a family of children of a devoted son is a god. You have to go beyond the devoted son, the patriot, the saint and complete the path of a divine son and daughter in an instant, liberate God, completely bring a revolution of total indemnity to all of heaven and earth. Everyone must say that you are the owner and representative of Korea. You have to go through eight stages. Have you ever tried to become a devoted son? Have you ever tried to become a divine son or daughter that Jesus failed to become? Does Father need a devoted son? I do not. A person who can become the king of a nation does not need a devoted son.

He needs a patriotic family.

In the resolutions from the spiritual world it states that "Rev. Moon is the Savior, who has united the line of God's True Parents." What does this mean? What does the Messiah, Second Coming of Jesus Christ, have to do with the establishment of God's kingship of peace can happen in a new heaven and new earth in the liberation of the human world? The messiah must be one who has come to the coming of heaven, only when everything becomes one. Cain and Abel become one based on the ideal of the unity of True Parents perfected heaven and earth when this reverts to the position of attending the parents with their kingship. Only by the name "True Parents" can it be united. What should this be based on? It should not be based on money, knowledge or power. The bible tells us that we can be reversed based on True Parents' love and life. The satanic world cannot be revived, and there is no path for the unity of the religious circles in the satanic world without leaving behind a bloodline with the heavenly standard, whose contents are higher than the love and life from the satanic world. Since Israel had to leave the city of David and the holy temple from the perspective of an interreligious standard and could not enter the family and the world, then it must change the bloodline of heaven and earth, centering on the family and the world, established on the foundation of the family and standing within the realm of liberation and complete release in absolute unity between you and I. They must become such representatives and heirs.

Will you then become an heir to the position of the prince of the kingdom of heaven? Will you become the representative and heir to the position of the devoted son and daughter of the family? In order to become an heir to and a representative of the position of the prince of the kingdom of heaven, you have to take your place among the ranks of the family and the country and enter into Father's sphere of management. If you have a house and ownership, you can be the arrival of the family and the world.

If you put the number 44 upside down it will look like the Chinese Character, mo, meaning mother. Thus, Amer- ica must attend the mother during the
W
th the theme of “Owner of creation of culture of heart,” Hyun-jin nim’s speaking tour
started in Korea in Novem-
ber 25-30, 2015 and will continue in Japan.
Hyun-jin nim went to every cor-
er of Korea, bringing power and under-
standing that has helped inspire a new deter-
mination in all members.

Hyun-jin nim’s speaking tour in Korea and Japan has a very
deep providential meaning for the
members and blessed cou-
ouples on the earth and build
the Cheon Il Guk. As a true child, he is in a position to es-
tablish the culture of the unified
family and internal foundation
for core members in the era of
total mobilization to build Cheon Il Guk till the end of the year
2004, the first year of the time
after the coming of heaven.

A performance from "Color of Love" created a beautiful
atmosphere of true love for all
the participants. After that a video pres-
entation was shown. Hyun-jin nim’s "core values" movement was present-
ated, which was followed by his entrance to perform a main ho ho Prayer, an array of
flowers , and a welcoming message
opened the way for Hyun-jin nim to come to the stage and embrace all the
participants with his wide- open arms. Rev. Chung-hwan Kwak, Rev. Sun-jo
Hwang and some other elders accom-
panied him, and with their deep and
heartfelt prayers and welcoming mes-
sages supported him in this providen-
tial speaking tour.

Deesung Kim in his welcoming addmss in Busan that the important
roots to open the new era are True Par-
ents, True Family and True Children. He said through this rally we can con-
nect ourselves to the providential tra-
dition and so we have to be educated by
Hyun-jin nim on the foundation of heart and expectation of God’s provi-
ed one kind of attitude we should have as a people who open the king-
dom of peace.

Hyun-jin nim came to the podium with hearty applause and cheers. He
said that he met many different peo-
ple in the many countries of the world
but their heart is same everywhere, so
we can confirm that God created all
human being with true love.

Emphasizing the importance of
the cultured heart, the core value system and group work, he said the future will
be an era of cultural war with the satan-
ic world and we have to make sure that
we will win. He said all the creatures
created by God are the most beautiful
when they are engaged in an ideal fam-
ily through true love. Establishing the
ideal family with true love, true life and true lineage is the most important will
of God, and to accomplish this, we have
to have a standard of absolute faith, absolute love, and absolute obedience.

Hyun-jin nim reflected about the
time when he began his public mis-
sion. At that time he was alone.
Confronting the people who distrusted him and blocked the way, he was so sad.
During his speech he welcomed second generation members, their parents, and
leaders saying that you don’t know
God’s ideal and that’s why you don’t
want to work fully for God’s provin-
cence. He emphasized about true love saying that true love can not be realized in
our thinking and our brain but in action
in our daily life.

He sometimes conversed with mem-
bers and led the atmosphere to a very
comfortable environment. Sometimes he joked with early members, some-
times pointed out the problems shout-
ing and asking participants to see their
real mission. In the end he asked all
the participants to pledge to fulfill their
responsibility with a clear understand-
ing of what True Parents have taught
us till today. And in response all the
participants stood up, raising their hands to show their determination to ful-
fill their life mission.

Transforming the World with the Culture of Heart

by Hyun-jin Nim Moon

You have to know how to dream. When you think about the founding of CARP, the
founding of the Unification Church movement, the First Fed-
eration for World Peace, there was noth-
ing in the beginning. If we were trans-
parent thinking back to ten years ago, looking at the things around us, we
would see nothing except a handful of
people. All the things that materialized as time progressed were in the heart,
the spirit, the imagination, conviction and dedication of those few that had
gathered.

From a providential standpoint, we have entered the stage in which we
need to build a nation of Cheon Il Guk.
We need to understand that this earth and
his earth, so that it no longer is a concept but becomes a reality for the
world to see. Amen? No? How many people
are in this auditorium today? Twelve hundred? If that was the dream of all
of us, why couldn’t that come to pass?

When we talk about one world - when we talk about one Korea - based on the
culture of heart, true love, why couldn’t
that happen? Unimagining minds, those who are not willing to dream, who are not
willing to risk themselves for something larger than themselves, will never realize this dream. Yet if you want to be a leader, if you want to be somebody who can transform history and rewrite the pages of history as we
move forward, you must stimulate your
hopes, stimulate your dreams, stimu-
late your aspirations and aspire for greater realms. CARP has been very
I spoke of the greatest dream of
doing... All we have aspirations on many different
levels. It all leads to one apex goal. What is that one apex goal? That one apex
goal is the one that resonates with God. I explained that that goal is to create
one world under God.

A foundation between the Unification Church and Family Feder-
ation for World Peace and all the dif-
ferent denominations of the world? If all the leaders of different types of churches
understood the existence of one divine being or one divine source of humanity, what is the differ-
ence? I will tell you what the difference is: Our perspective of Heavenly Father
is very intimate. God truly is the par-
ent of humankind, not some omnipo-
tent being who does not want to have a relationship with humanity but wants
just to wallow in His glory. God is not
some being looking at how human his-
tory is unfolding in such a detached manner. He is intimately involved in humanity. God wants to be
reunited with humanity in a rela-
tionship that is more intimate. If we look at all the different kinds of relationships that we have with others, those relation-
ships that are closest we usual-
ly describe using a familial term, do we not? When we have a good friend, we say, "He’s a real brother," or "That guy is like a real older brother." When we look at someone older, we say, "He’s like a father to me" or "She’s like my mother." We sometimes say, "Very close friend," or "best friend," do we not? You see the people who are closest to you as your fami-
ly. Why? Because those are the deepest
among human relationships. They’re
the hottest relationships, right? Don’t we use familial terms to represent the closest relationships? Why is that? In
our experience of love in interacting with others, those familial relationships
are re-rooted in true love and rooted in
blood. Therefore, they embody the clos-
est form of love that we experi-
ence in our lives.

Now, think about God. If human beings were designed by God in the
image of God to be the love partners of God, what type of relationship do you
think God desires? Do you think God
experience the joy, the fulfillment and
love. I love climbing mountains. Do you like that? Have you ever slept up there? Without a tent? Without a sleeping bag? When it’s snowing? Don’t do that. I did that a couple of times, but that was
crazy. When I look at young people - as a father - doing crazy things, I become
worried. When I think of it, because I’ve had that experience - it is so cold that you can’t sit. That’s why you have to sit like this, chugging. And when you have to sleep like that, it was so cold that my feet and hands started freezing, but because I was so stubborn, I didn’t make a fire. I’m so stubborn that it
doesn’t matter if I die. It is such a chal-
lenge. So, the challenge is even
even begin to talk about it to you young people. STF, fundrasing, how hard is
ing. Try it. That is mind over body. The
mind is subject and the body is the
object. That’s why, when I see young people, I think it’s great that they go
through challenges. If you want to desig-
nate a number one person, that per-
son has to go through challenges. Am
I right, or are you just listening to a
crazy man?

Wow, we are crazy. One more time: Amen? No men? (Amen) Oh, good ener-
gy, very good. Try it. When you face a challenge in life, don’t think about that challenge as being difficult, but
think of it as fun. It’s exciting, it’s stimulat-
ing. And then you know what? That
challenge is no longer a challenge: it becomes a game.

You young people must answer this
see CULTURE on page 8
On Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

Rev. Tom Cutts

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H ave you ever wondered how John the Baptist survived in the desert eating locusts and honey? I bet you thought he ate insects and lived on honeycomb. Well, I thought so too, until the Seventh IIFWP (Interreligious and International Federation or World Peace) pilgrimage to Israel in September, 2004. On that trip I learned that his diet was more like honey-crusted tom dates, and that the floor for his cell came from grinding the bean of the locust tree. Yes, a personal visit to the Holy Land can dispel misconceptions.

And there are many false ideas about Israel. For example, I visited a church last year in Georgia where the sermon was about the Jewish holidays. Jesus was speaking to his disciples on the Mount of Olives. The preacher mentioned that the Mount of Olives was well over a mile from the Temple Mount, so he suggested that Jesus and the Disciples could not see the Temple. If Jesus was speaking in Georgia, the preacher would have known that. There you generally cannot see anything a mile away from us, because hills and trees block your view, but in Jerusalem, a deep, deep valley, known as the valley of the two Mounts of Olives and the Temple Mount. With no large trees to block their view, Jesus and the Twelve could easily see the Temple Mount.

Five hundred North American Ambassadors for Peace did visit Israel in September 2004. Their two week trip was time of wonder and discovery. We encountered the faithful of Christianity, Judaism, Islam and Buddhism and included clergy, elected officials, representatives from fifteen American tribes, and community activists. This was the IIFWP’s seventh pilgrimage since May 2003. The earlier pilgrimages lasted a week and included approximately one hundred twenty participants. For this seventh pilgrimage, Rev. Sun Myung Moon, the founder of the IIFWP, instructed every continent to bring 500 Ambassadors for Peace to Israel for two weeks. Every continent was assigned its own week-long period between August and October, 2004.

North America’s first week, over- lapped with Europe’s last week. When the 500 North Americans were joined by the 500 Europeans we represented over 40 nations. With our national flags unfurled, the Native Americans dressed in their full regalia, and the clergy in the clerical vestments, we made quite a spectacle. Through our activities, the participants became aware of the need to understand the difference between the two warring parties.

Our Middle East Peace Initiative has become well known throughout Israel. Total strangers often greeted members of our group with “Peace, Shalom, Salaam Ali- skum, Pray for Peace in the Middle East.” This is our trademark song. In one village, two buses were slowed to a standstill by a Muslim wedding procession. The celebrants waved to us, inviting us to join the festivities. Rev. Mike Jenkins, the U.S. President of the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification, joined the dance, and one of the Palestinians lifted Rev. Jenkins up and carried him on his shoulders. It was amazing to see him being carried alongside the bride and the groom. In a passing car asked hopefully, “Is Rev. Michael Jenkins here, in my town?” Rev. Moon’s vision of bringing thousands of people from all over the world to Israel is having a profound effect on the country. Not only are we helping the economy, but the people are no longer feeling isolated. During each pilgrimage an IIFWP delegation goes into the Gaza Strip. We do this against the dire warnings from the U.S. Consultate. Both Muslims and Jews recognize that we are willing to risk our lives to bring peace to the Middle East.

We reach out to people on both sides of the conflict. Israelis and Palestinians know that they have friends outside Israel who genuinely care about them. On each pilgrimage we meet with top officials in the Israeli Knesset, and with top officials in the Palestinian Authority. And we bring old enemies together. The growing level of trust and compassion was demonstrated at a recent banquet. At one of the tables, a Palestinian leader expressed his anguish for the plight of the people of Gaza. The Jewish leader sitting beside him said he, too, wanted to bring an end to that suffering. In that moment these two men realized that they had come to trust each other, and were genuinely brothers. The Imam remarked, “This is the only movement that can heal the hearts between enemies.” As a token of this new level of friendship and trust, the Muslim embraced two Jewish members of the Knesset and took them to the stage where they lifted each other’s hand in a sign of victory.

Our September pilgrimage consisted of the seventh pilgrimage. We went sightseeing all over Israel, and to the Palestinian West Bank. We held six huge reconciliation events. And we visited Israeli and Palestinian homes in our “outreach” project.

Sightseeing included visits to Bethlehem, Nazareth and Jerusalem where we recalled the birth, the life, the death and the resurrection of Jesus the Christ. We used as many as 22 buses for the 1,000 North Americans and Europeans. Each person was assigned to a bus, and generally stayed with that same group of people, driver and tour guide for the entire two weeks. Our mornings began at 5 am with prayer and readings from Rev. Moon’s speeches. After breakfast each bus departed for a different place in Israel. Frequently a number of buses would gather for lunch, and then continue with their separate tours in the afternoon. Some of us were baptized in the Jordan River; others offered prayers at the site where Jesus gave his Sermon on the Mount, and we viewed the desolate ruins of Capernaum, the town Jesus cursed. From atop Mount Carmel we overlooked the sparkling harbor of Haifa. We also strolled through the ancient Arab seaport of Akoos. We floated on the Dead Sea, buoyed by its salty waters, and smeared our bodies with its healing black mud. We also frolicked in the surf of the Mediterranean. We dined in Jericho, and sailed on the Sea of Galilee. We prayed at the Western Wall, the most sacred site for Jews, and at the Al Aqsa Mosque, the third most holy site for Muslims.

Wherever the North American, European and Israeli Ambassadors for Peace gathered together, we had a ready rally of over 1,200 people. Together we conducted six mass prayer services: 1. A Candle Light Vigil in the heart of Jerusalem on the anniversary of September 11, 2001. This spectacular event, with flags from 40 nations, was held above page 8.

Rev. Cutts and his wife Angelika at the Church in the Valley of the Two Hills. A Christian friend was so impressed with Rev. Cutts that he invited him to stay at his home during the pilgrimage. The two men met on the meadow where Jesus gave his Sermon on the Mount. The church stands on the hill where Jesus blessed the children. Rev. Cutts was so moved that he repeated the prayer of blessing. In the end, the church was lost to real estate developers.


On the Temple Mount overlooking the Dome of the Rock. The Temple Mount is located between the city of Jerusalem and the Mount of Olives. It is considered the holiest site for all Jews. The Temple was destroyed by the Romans in 70 AD. The Dome of the Rock is one of the major Muslim holy sites. It was built in the 7th century. Originally it was a church that was converted into a mosque. It is built in the shape of a cube with a golden dome at the top. The Dome of the Rock is one of the most important religious sites in the world.

Elder Don and Sister Carmel Waters (LDS missionaries), Senator Donelle James, the author, and Mrs. Rena Marroquin (Presbyterian lay leader)

2,000 Ambassadors for Peace rally at the “Security Wall”
by William Selig

Bill served as the Director of Commu-
nications & Logistics for the World Peace Pilgrimage which brought thousands of ambassadors, leaders for peace from 191 nations to the Middle East. He lived in Jerusalem from early July to late November 2004. Bill averaged three to five miles a day hosted in Madison Square Garden in 1982.

I Kings 3:25-27: “And the king said, ‘Divide the living child in two, and give half to the one, and half to the other.’ Then spoke the woman whose the liv-
ing child was unto the king, for her son was dear unto her; and she said, ‘O my lord, give her the living child, and in no wise slay it. But the other said, Let it be neither mine nor thine: but divide it. Then the king answered and said, ‘Give her the living child, and in no wise slay it: she is the mother thereof.’”

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irst, the Power of God. God is most definitely alive (and to be found) in the Holy Land. I use the word “Holy Land” intentionally. In de-
veloping the pilgrimage for the banner, at first we printed “Israel,” but that irri-
tated our Palestinian friends. Then we used “Israel/Palestine,” but that meant we were taking a stand, that we prefer a two state solution to the conflict. Our mission is to promote spiritual unity, not add bricks to existing walls. Abraham’s descendents should co-exist and co-

habitate—then the best answer is to say “Holy Land.”

Remember in “Readers of the Lost Ark,” when talking about the Ark of the Covenant, they said it was a radio to God. We sometimes feel God doesn’t real-
ly feels when they come to the Holy Land. The power of God can be felt in the sycamore trees sites at Sermon on the Mount, the Western Wall, the Al Aqsa Mosque, etc. God is here, and He’s just waiting to talk to us.

Some of the historic sites are controversial, for example, they don’t know precisely where Jesus was crucified, but it really does-

n’t matter because for hundreds of years faithful pilgrims have shed tears, prayed, and experi-
ened miracles at these sites, so all sites are worth knowing with “holy spirit.”

Second, the Power Struggle between God & Satan. Tradition-
ally, the West deals with prob-
lems in two ways – money and military, and the quicker the solu-
tion the better.

The Principle explains the prob-
lem in the Middle East not in polit-
ical, economic, or military terms. The root cause is spiritual. Restora-
tion has to take place between the descendents of Abraham, the two estranged half brothers. Americans, in general, are inclined to support Israel, but when I got here, I discovered there are many Americans who have not read the story. The truth is that if you spend the day with an Arab–Israel–Jew, then also, you will say, “You are right, the Arabs are wrong.” And if you then spend the day with the Israeli Arabs, after awhile, you would say, “you are right, the Israeli Jews are wrong.”

The issues are very complex and both

sides have legitimate grievances. Both sides are right AND both sides are wrong. There’s so much emotion, and so much blood has been shed that neither side can see the issues clearly.

They’ve forgotten what’s the bench-
mark or the standard of right and wrong. For example, in the middle east there is a mechanism that allows us to maintain our balance. The first Amer-
ican into space was Alan Shepard in 1961. Two years later he had an acci-
dent in his own bathroom where he slipped, hit his head and upset the mid-
dle ear. He could no longer maintain his balance. Corrective surgery was needed. Just as our bodies need a bal-
ance mechanism, so does our mind and spirit. Presently, the Middle East has no such balance. That’s where the Divine Principle comes in. DP is the frame-
work, and the only paradigm to make any sense out of the situation.

Third, the answer is reconciliation. On one level it’s very complicated but on another it’s very simple. It’s compli-
cated because on September 11, 2001, the descendants of Ishmael murdered over 2,000 Americans and people from over 80 other countries in the World Trade Center and Pentagon.

I got to know some Palestinians very well. One fellow in particular, Assaad from the travel agency, has 3 beautiful children. Everyday he has to drive them 1 hour to school not because the facil-
ity is far away, but because they have to pass through a check point. The Wall was constructed only 3 blocks from his home. He’s angry as hell, he told me, but he and his wife try not to show it in front of the children. This is the par-
ents’ heart. He doesn’t want to see them grow up without feeling like second-
class citizens.

New York Times reporter interviews Rev. Jenkins at the funeral for the late president Arafat in Ramalla

A new strategy of peace must emerge. We promote restoration, but resto-
ration doesn’t mean compromise, indif-
ference, or tolerance. Reconciliation is starting from scratch and re-creating.

I had an experience that brought that lesson home. There was one brother on the staff who frankly I had some diffi-
culty with. His character was very prick-
ly and difficult to work with. After a few weeks he was really closing me. I said, “fine, I’ll drive you to the airport.” But to my surprise, one of the leaders brought

him on board as his assistant, and in the end, he did a great job. It was a total win-win situation. This is the meaning of reconciliation.

Once I dropped my concept about that brother, the wall that I myself had built, and viewed him from God’s point of view, “I discovered” his value.

This is how the beginning of real reconc-
ation. This is what the Arabs and the Jews have to do. They have to drop their concepts, tear down and see each other from Heaven’s point of view. The Arabs have to re-
tend the Jews have value. and the Jews have to realize that the Arabs have value. This is reconciliation. Both cultures can offer enormous commit-
butions for the betterment of the WHOLE society.

It’s the classic King Solomon sit-
quation where two women claimed the same child. The King ordered the baby be cut in half. It was the true birth mother who gave up her claim so the baby might live no mat-
er who got the credit of birth. What’s important is not the survival of the Jewish culture, or the Muslim culture or even the Christian culture. What’s important is the survival and prosperity of God’s culture. It’s time to let go.

Fourth, the power of True Love. News came from Paris. Arafat’s body arrived in Paris on Sep. 11. Our group drove to Ramallah (30-
minutes from Jerusalem) and arrived midway. (Including; Rev. Jenkins, Rev. Jen-
kins, Israeli NM Dr. Masatoshi Abe, Africa Continental Director Rev. Sang Joo Lee, Rev. Emirscourts, Kouta Tanen, the film crew, Philip Schanck, Simon Kinney and Peter Lewis, and photographer Ken Osooup with reservation).

We were allowed to enter the central headquarters because we were guests of a member of the executive commis-
tee of the PLO and key advis-
ori to the late president. His son was our guide. It was a difficult journey through a mass of people trying to get in. In total, more than a half million people assembled and if it wasn’t for the fact that the check-point gates were closed by the Israelis, it probably 2 million would’ve been present which this place would have been impossible to accommodate.

Because Dr. Yang and Rev. Jenkins have invested so much and our contacts were allowed into the inner chambers. At the funeral, we passed through the receiving line and met the “who’s who” of Palestine and Israel. We were even interviewed by a reporter from the New York Times Rev. Jenkins told the report, “We’re here to pray for the president, for the people of Palestine, for the Jew-
ish people and for unity.” He then explained that the IPWP was founded by Rev. & Mrs. Sun Myung Moon.

Out of the most recent experience I could’ve imagined, an article appeared the next day in the NY Times quoting Rev. Jenkins. The U.N. Ambassador and the entire world want access to the new Palestinian administration, yet

heaven put us right smack on the front line and printed the story in the most widely read newspaper in the world!

Under the most unexpected un-
stable conditions, the General director, with the intermin president, the prime minister, and all of the leaders of the provisional government. We met all the patriarchy of the different Christian religions in Jerusalem. Many were cry-
ing and sobbing. There was one Euro-
pean government official who cried open-
ly on Antonia’s shoulders.

We really didn’t have credentials like the ambassadors or government min-
isters, but what we did have was a heartfelt connection and bond with Pres. Arafat and his people. It was t

ought the power of true love that the doors opened wide.

Fifth, the power of a kiss. In Ramal-

lab with guns blazing, I watched Rev. Jenkins and Antonio open doors and pass guards by smiling and embracing each one with a kiss. Middle Eastern men kiss each other on the cheeks sev-
eral times. It is the great equalizer between an ordinary taxi driver and an educated statesmen. The guards never questioned us. How could you doubt someone who kisses you on both cheeks? When Jacob offered up all his possessions to Esau, surely his brother’s heart was touched, but what really won his soul was his total unconditional love. With Rev. Jenkins and Antonio leading the way, I just fol-
lowed along kissing everyone one by one.

Conclusion: Father gave direction for each continent to send high-level delegations to the Holy Land, and upon the successful completion of that con-
dition, the president of Palestine was invited into the spirit world and given the mission as, “Spiritual Ambassador for Peace.” As we’ve heard Father say, “America belongs to the one who loves it the most.” It’s the same with the Holy Land. If we continue to bring our best contacts, the ambassadors for peace, if we show the Jews and Palestinians that we unconditionally love this land beyond politics, race, and religion, then heaven will work and ultimately bring peace to the Holy Land.

Donna and Bill after receiving the Holy

Wine Blessing in Nazareth with

U.S. Ambassador for Peace from North America and Europe.
in front of the U.S. Consulate. As a finale to the successful tour, we held a press conference in which we announced the opening of a new branch of our organization in Jerusalem. We also distributed leaflets on the history and significance of the Jerusalem Declaration and the need for international recognition of the rights of our people.

The following day, we held a press conference at the United Nations headquarters in New York. We were met with enthusiastic support from the international community, who recognized the importance of our struggle and the need for international support.

On the third day of our tour, we visited the Palestinian territories and met with people from all walks of life. We were welcomed by the people, who expressed their support and solidarity with our struggle. We also visited the Al-Aqsa Mosque, which is one of the holiest sites in Islam. We met with the Mosque's authorities and discussed the need for international support to protect the Mosque and its surroundings.

On the fourth day, we visited the city of Jerusalem. We met with the people of Jerusalem and discussed the need for international support to protect the city and its holy sites. We also visited the Western Wall, which is one of the most sacred sites in Judaism. We met with the people of Jerusalem and discussed the need for international support to protect the Wall and its surroundings.

On the fifth day, we visited the city of Bethlehem. We met with the people of Bethlehem and discussed the need for international support to protect the city and its holy sites. We also visited the Church of the Nativity, which is one of the most sacred sites in Christianity. We met with the Church's authorities and discussed the need for international support to protect the Church and its surroundings.

On the sixth day, we visited the city of Nazareth. We met with the people of Nazareth and discussed the need for international support to protect the city and its holy sites. We also visited the Church of the Annunciation, which is one of the most sacred sites in Christianity. We met with the Church's authorities and discussed the need for international support to protect the Church and its surroundings.

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On the thirtieth day, we visited the city of Nazareth. We met with the people of Nazareth and discussed the need for international support to protect the city and its holy sites. We also visited the Church of the Annunciation, which is one of the most sacred sites in Christianity. We met with the Church's authorities and discussed the need for international support to protect the Church and its surroundings.
from your midst, to drive them out or simply continue to keep them apart as you were kept apart in that dark 2,000 year time in Christian Europe.

The above-mentioned failed history that culminated in the Holocaust was indeed a dark & dastardly period but still you had not become like them; the persecutors, the anti-Semites. You were better; you held on to your humanity, your Torah and your hope for Zion and a new day.

Oh Israel I cannot forget you and if I should may my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth and may I be struck down by thirst in the wilderness. Oh Israel I beseech you to reach out for that promised day. Cover yourself in your prayer shawl and call upon your Redeemer to wash, with His holy light, the fears that lurk in the hills and valleys of your soul. In this way I know you can prevail and be victorious once again.

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World Peace Pilgrimages to the Middle East

Dark Night of the Soul • An Open Letter to Israel

by Lloyd Newell

My dearest Israel. This morning I awoke before the dawn hour with worry and concern about what will become of your and our children. I live in the relative safety and comfort of Long Island, New York, But I think of you constantly. In fact, I, a Peace Volunteer, have made three trips to visit you over the past 12 months and now feel compelled to write! May a friend share his thoughts with you?

I perceive that you are now in a dark hour of the soul — a time when haunting memories and undefined fears press in on all sides, a time when one can lose his way. At this time I am drawn to your side and stand with you.

I have now left the country and I rejoice with you and sing ‘alleluia’. I have seen some of your dream cities rising out of desolate places — you are so applauded. I have seen your synagogues standing tall and your Star of David flying unashamedly. I have seen the lions of Judah in their prayer shawls. I yearn to dance the ‘hora’ with you in your green & voluptuous fields, rejoicing in the beauty of life. I want to walk in your still and silent streets and listen for the quiet voice of YHVH. I have tasted the tahini and unforgettable hummus. But all is not well; the fears and baggage of the past, yours and mine, do not easily dissipate and all too often they remain to impinge on the present simultaneously glimpsing glimpses of the future. I have reconquered your suspicion of strangers and in so doing I confess I have, at times, hesitated to reach out and unselfishly hug your black-coated rabbits.

Oh Israel, your name stirs something deep in my soul: a forgotten New [past] ancestor who has not forgotten you. I tremble in anticipation of the thought of returning again to you & my beloved Jerusalem. I want so much to drink a toast to your future, to shout ‘le-chaim!’ but at the door threatening that glorious new day. One preying upon your soul wanting to take what the Holocaust couldn’t. I talk of your humanity, your G-d given sense of justice and mercy. I fear it is being imperceptibly eaten away by the demons that haunt you. You know of what I speak. I talk of the unspeakable tragedy, the undigested and unforgiven ten pain that is at the root of your rebirth. Yes you were utterly betrayed by humanity and most of all Christianity [with the exception of all too few righteous ones]. But now in some bizarre twist of fate you are building [and not without reason] a wall similar to the one others once built around you. And now you require IDs by which you can tell the race and religion of another — not unlike the ‘badges’ that others had you wear. And you setup checkpoints and sometimes round them up in the middle of the night and search their homes. Almost unconsciously you’re making their land into the very ghetto you once despised. Slowly, little by little, hardly noticing the callousness that is taking root in your soul. I wonder how far this will go?

Yes you have enemies but you imagine many more than there are. And the demons in your soul press you hard, the result being policies and actions that often create more enemies. Please try to imagine friends! I know that among many of you such a call is heresy, appearing to be a siren song nullifying you into letting your guard down.

Yes, you are stuck in a hard place. You are not asked to do an easy thing. It is hard to imagine friends when so many pray for your downfall. But you have undisclosed, potential and actual friends — they too pray for you and peace. Search them out and cultivate them with even more vigor than you pursue and defend against your enemies.

But standing in the way are these demons that tear at your soul whispering thoughts as to remove the ‘unwanted’ and ‘subhuman Arab’ way, centering on such a standard. As we promise to bless a being with that value, with two hands held high, we stand and make our pledge, shake our hands in the air, and become liberated sons and daughters of heaven on earth and in heaven, who can put into action all that we said we would offer to heaven and become people who can raise the liberated kingdom of heaven on earth. Please bless them, so that they can become the clan and family that can be within the mainstream of the realm of the royal family of the kingdom of heaven. That path has already opened. In accordance with each of their efforts, please allow them to enter the ranks of the historical ancestors by placing their feet in that position. This we sincerely, sincerely, sincerely report in the name of True Parents.
Crown of Peace Ceremony, Argentina

by Andres Melgarce

On Friday, November 20th, the Crown of Peace Ceremony for our True Parents was held in Buenos Aires, Argentina. The event was held in the main hall of the Peace Embassy with an audience that filled the room completely, even to the point of overflowing the facilities, with more than 150 guests.

We were honored with the presence of society leaders and different professionals, most importantly for the Senator for the Province of Buenos Aires Julio Ruben Ledesma, who as one of the assessors of President Nestor Kirchner, has been given the title Subsecretary of the National Government. Since he had a trip abroad scheduled, he gave a short, but heartfelt testimony at the beginning of the ceremony about his experiences with True Parents, whom he called “Father” and “Mother”, expressing in this way not only as a Peace Ambassador, but also as a brother to all present and all who are working for the cause of peace.

He also offered special regards and best wishes of the President of Argentina, Nestor Kirchner, for a successful outcome of the event. He was awarded the Crown of Peace for his prolific work as a Senator for the Province of Buenos Aires, advancing many laws to improve the living conditions of citizens in most need. Since we had the pleasure of his presence at the beginning of the program, expectations were very high.

On the diplomatic side, there was the Ambassador of the State of Palestine, His Excellency Suhaib Daher Abel, who was also awarded the Crown of Peace award for this steadfast consolidatory voice, even though there is the constant tension with the people of Israel, whom he calls his “partners of peace” for the Middle East.

On the academic-cultural side there was Peace Ambassador Josué Trottino, Ph.D. in Law and Social Sciences, who came directly from Cordoba with his wife to the event and, together with four other couples, received the Holy Blessing as part of the ceremony. Thus, in fact, was one of the more emotional moments of the evening. Apart from that, he gave his strong and convincing testimony about True Parents with a strong emphasis on the defense of life from the moment of conception.

The Crown of Peace award was also given to Mahatma Sergio Grik, who is the Leader of Hinduism in Latin America, to Mr. Fausto Duran, co-founder of the Movement to Reunify the Culture of the Original Inhabitants of this part of the globe, who will represent Argentina in the Second Annual Assembly of the Federation of People from Mongolia, which will be held on November 30th in Korea. Furthermore awarded was Prof. Inés Palomeque, the President of the Foundation Thou-sand Millennium of Peace and the couple of Roque and Elia de Ramos, who are married since 52 years, united and loyal, and who represent a living example of the family values we are sharing.

Before the prizes were awarded, the poem “Crown of Glory”, which was written by Dr. Sun Myung Moon at the age of 16, was read by Licenciada Elena Fagoornato, niece of the already defunct ex-President Arturo Frondizi.

Among the invited guests was also Prof. Boleslao Szwecki Saharaiki, who is President of the Worldwide Pro Humanitarian Solidarity: a beautiful testimony was given as well by Licenciada José Bilbao Richter, who had a short, but intense experience with True Parents on the occasion of the Inauguration of the Inter-li-gious and International Coun-cil for Peace in New York last year. Despite of her short and frail condition, Dra. Maria Arsenia Tula gave a testimony about the values that will eventually reconstruct humanity and are made known by our True Parents.

Dr. Jesus Blassuk was responsible to share the contents of the Declaration of the Federation of People from Mongolia and together with the General Director of the Unification Movement in Argentina, Prof. Gustavo Gualiano, he was handing out the Crown of Peace prizes.

The Blessing Ceremony included the Holy Wine and Holy Water ceremonies, the Marriage Vows and the Prayer with a short explanation beforehand, allowing the present to understand the signifi-cance of rebirth and change of bloodline, which are given as part of this significant ceremony. All were held in a spirit of profound emotion. The crowning moment, literally, was the Ceremonial Coronation itself, where Gustavo Gualiano, together with his wife Rosi, as National Leaders and in representation of True Parents were receiving the Crowns for True Parents from the hands of Alberto Ramos and José Bilbao Richter, which were collocated in the arm-chains prepared for the occasion. Sergio Castellon, who represented all of the Blessed Families and Pastor Marta Perezra, who represented the religious field, where he offered the offered Royal Robes destined for the Rings of Peace.

All of this was beautifully embroidered through the Choir of the Family Federation under the guidance of Carlos Varela and Alfredo Corales, constituted of Blessed Family Federa-tion members and adolescents of the Second Generation. The wording of the song “Un Mundo de Paz” (A World Of Peace), sung towards the end of the program, reflected very well the hearts of all present, who could see this dream within reach at this very moment and who stayed on for about two more hours, sharing and exchanging impressions of this unforgettable night.

Finally, we would like to give a special mention to all the different letters and salutations, for example from the Embassies of Haiti and Island, his Beat-visit Viktor Ivan 1st (Orthodox Church) of Bledow and Ricardo Hugo Casaa-no, the Counseling Diplomatic Sena-tor of the International State Depart-ment for Security and Peace.

Last but not least, we would like to thank all brothers and sisters on Earth and in Heaven, for the guidance of our National Messiahs Rev. Song (Korea), Dr. Furuta (Japan), Rev. Lowen (Un-ited States) and Rev. Scharder (Ger-man). Masters of Ceremony for the event were Gloria Dantas, Vice President of the Women’s Federation in Argentina and the author of this report. Andres Melgarce, General Secretary of the Interreligious Federation in Argenti-na.
Mongolian Peoples' Federation for World Peace 2nd World Assembly

Sponsored by HFWP and MPFWP, the Second Assembly of the Mongolian Peoples' Federation for World Peace was held on Nov. 30 to Dec. 3rd in Korea under the theme in search of the origins of human civilization and the roots of our lineage: The significance of Mongolian history and culture for world peace.

Three hundred and fifty leaders from around the world discussed the relationship between the roots of the human civilization on the one hand and the history and cultural heritage of the Mongolian people on the other hand. And they explored practical ways to apply the core values of Mongolian culture to the cause of world peace.

Opening Plenary had Dr. Jongyoul Yoo as the MC. This included a video presentation welcoming address, congratulatory remarks (by Kang Young-hoon, a former prime minister). After introducing the chairman of the conference, Dr. Chung-sung Kwak gave the keynote address.

Session II: ‘Working on Historical Consideration of the Exchange and influence between the Mongolian Civilizations and the Major World Civilizations’ which included three groups discussions on: 1. The formation of the Asian Civilization Sphere and Mongolian History. 2. Mongolian History and its Relationship to Civilization Spheres in the Middle East, Europe, and the American Continent. 3. The Origins of the Major World Religions and the Source of their Universal Vision

Session IV: [Special Session] World History and the Unfolding and Interaction of Civilizations from Perspective of the Providence of Restoration (Uniformation View of History).

The third day was the Closing Session: [Plenary Symposium and Discussion] Considering Fundamental Principles for Peace in the Global Village: Toward Partnership and Cooperation of Mongolian People Worldwide.

Dr. Kwak said in his keynote address: “...True love alone can bring an end to the strife, struggles, confrontation and misfortunes of this world, and usher in an age of everlasting peace and unification. Historically, there have been visionaries and pioneers who advocated everlasting peace and non-violence. Because of our undying desire for eternal peace, mankind will achieve peace, despite the conflict experienced during the world wars and the Cold War era.

International conventions, the League of Nations and the United Nations are manifestations of the human thirst for peace. Yet mankind has begun to realize how fragile these foundations are that were created for global peace, security and national and international accord...”

At the congratulatory banquet on the third day of the conference, Rev. Byung-woo Kim, the continental director of Asia, was the MC. Following were a video presentation, the entrance of True Parents, a prayer by Geoge Hyo-akim, greet- ings by Dr. Chung-sung Kwak, a congratulatory speech by Hon. Seoh Chaendra Neemang (a former lawyer of the supreme court and congress man in Nepal) and Mr. Tseveejab, a former congress man from Mongolia. Then True Father spoke. The banquet came to an end following the presentation of roses or flowers, the cutting of a cake and three cheers of manse.

Father said in his address: ‘...In the Bible there is a verse that says, ‘But new wine must be put into fresh wine skins.’ (Luke 5:38) Even before you realized it, the era before the coming of heaven—the old wine skins—has passed away, and already the time after the coming of heaven—the new wine skins—has opened its gates to us. With the advent of the True Parents, heavenly fortune has arrived here on earth. With the beginning of the twenty-first century, the destined, absolute providence to establish the kingdom of heaven on earth—which is God’s ideal of creation—is being actively advanced. For all of us, who have received Heaven’s call, there is only one path to follow, and only one task to perform: to establish the peace kingdom here on earth.

The spirit world has its gates wide open, and not only the four great saints but also millions of good ancestors are pouring down like a great storm. They are coming to watch over everything you do, and are eager to break down the thousands of barriers and national boundaries throughout the world. They are coming to establish God’s kingdom of ‘Cheon Il Guk,’ as we say in Korean, the era of the liberation of true heart. All of you reborn as true olive trees should receive your good ancestors with new eyes, new ears and new hearts, and become front runners in putting into practice the True Family Principle.

The Second Assembly of the Mongolian People’s Federation was a great success, offering a great hope to make an end to the world of war, destruction and suffering.

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Coronation Ceremony for the Yang Clan

by Rev. Michael Jenkins

To extend the grace of August to the families of the world, religious and civic leaders came to Seoul representing their nations in the coronation. Now we are to connect this grace and spirit of the Coronation to all of our families and tribes.

It was with this understanding that Rev. Eui was the first to conduct a Blessing and Coronation for the Eui tribe. Rev. Kwak and many key leaders in the Fatherland have followed this path. On Foundation Day for the Nation of the United World True Parents held a special Holy Wine Ceremony inside the 12 Families (Tribes) from the Fatherland – Kim, Pak, Lee and many others. Most had completed their Tribes’ Blessings in the United World.

I was privileged to attend this event for the Yang family in Korea. Recently, an article in Namwon, the area of one of the most famous Korean legacies in which all Koreans take pride, the story of Cheong Yang. Cheong Yang was betrothed to a young man, but the evil magistrate tried to make her husband. He used many devious and evil tactics to break her, ultimately throwing her in prison and threatening to take her life. She refused to lose her purity and did not bow, preferring to die rather than lose the love, which she was keeping pure for the one to whom she was betrothed.

The young man became a high official within the dynasty, and knowing of the capture of his bride-to-be, he came into the community disguised as a commoner. Only the seal of the King could reveal his true identity, which he kept hidden in his beggar’s clothes. He visited the families of the community and found that the evil magistrate had severely abused his position and caused the people great suffering. In a dramatic public confrontation in front of the whole village, he courageously challenged the magistrate saying, “The wine you enjoy is taken from the blood of the people and the food you enjoy is taken from their flesh. You are evil and must be brought to justice!” As he was about to be killed, he showed the seal, thus revealing his true representative of the King could possibly possess, and he saved the community and ultimately saved his bride. This is the pride of Namwon, and it is the pride of the Yang clan, which makes up the majority of residents in the area.

After Hoon Dok Hae with Abonim we arrived and were greeted by the head of the Yang clan for the area, whose face showed a profound look of joy as Dr. Yang arrived. This was a major event in the Yang association’s history. Someone who had worked so much internationally and was doing such important work in America had come home to honor the family!!!

We immediately went to the traditional grave site of the Yang clan. There, 33 generations could be traced. As we approached the Won Jeon another elder came forth wearing a yellow windbreaker, excited and overwhelmed with expectation. Somehow he thought Dr. Yang would get out of the passenger side of the car (actually Dr. Yang was driving and I was on the passenger seat) and he came running up and bowed looking at me. “Yang Chang Shik Mokou Nmu!” he proclaimed. Such a look bewildered me and shock as he took my hand for a hand shake and gazed upon my face!!! He looked at my western face and was totally stunned: “Yang Chang Shik?” “No, here he is,” and brought him to Dr. Yang. What relief? From the confusion and excitement exploded. “Yang Chang Shik!! Yes, Yes.”

Dr. Yang’s sister Yang Shil (who is the Korean counterpart of Mrs. Won-Ju McDewitt and personal assistants to True Mother) accompanied our party. Also, our local Namwon Church leader (a former Regional Director) who had moved back to his hometown upon Father’s Tong Ben Kyok Pa Providence, led the way.

We climbed a small mountain to the beautiful Won Jeon area of the Yang Family. A stainless steel engraved sign commemorates the family’s history. Then we went to the Won Jeon, which has rows of symmetrical, grass-covered, meticulously manicured mounds which are established on a circle of fine white stone. The grave markers were outstanding with black marble columns with white marble tops. Engraved in white is the name of the ancestor and other history. (This is very similar to the distinguished Won Jeon for Unification saints in our International Won Jeon.)

Before the hillside stretching upward with row after row of ancestors was a huge marble altar which is used to show respect and love for Dr. Yang. Dr. Yang mentioned that I needed a memory stick for the laptop, and the Yang elder (with the cream-colored windbreaker) who didn’t have much experience with computers, was determined to get what we needed. Dr. Yang got on the phone and explained that we needed a 128 MB memory stick. Then the elder Yang went off in a flash. He came back in ten minutes with exactly what we needed. (Korea’s IT development is most advanced.) He insisted on paying for it himself. He would have had it in the car, but he was ready to sacrifice anything for this great occasion.

We went to the place where the Yang family Crown of Peace awards would occur. It was a wedding hall, traditionally throughout Korea. As we arrived we noticed a giant banner that said, “Yang Chang Shik Dr. Professor – Crown of Peace Awards.” One beautiful aspect was to see the cooperation of all the local leaders of our church and family members. Not only did they have many families from the Family Federation, but also the local leaders – all well-known international leaders under True Parents came. These included Rev. Yang Oh Seuk, pastor of the Family Church of Namwon and former regional director; Rev. Rev. Moon Pyong Rae (4300 couple), vice chairman of the Moon Family Association. Elder Yang Ri Soon greeted them and informed Rev. Kim Seung Ju, one of the Seed region directors, that he was a member of the Yang clan, was emce. The program began with Rev. Kim giving introductions of the leaders from Elder Yang Ri Soon (now chairman of the Yang association for that region) to Dr. and Mrs. Yang; he fervently thanked the Family movement for this occasion of respecting the ancestors. Elder Yang is very dignified and really gave beautiful support to us throughout our time there. I asked to speak, and Dr. Yang translated. I gave testimony concerning Father Moon’s work in America and how he had chosen him. Not only was he the memorial director, and especially concerning the interreligious work with the 14,000 churches with the work in the nation’s capital, and also the work for peace in the Middle East.

Following that, Rev. Moon Pyong Rae spoke very powerfully, stirring the soul of the audience of over 400 young family members and even the seniors. He introduced and was welcomed with such a warm feeling of respect and love from all present. You could see in the expressions on people’s faces a great desire for unity and some curiosity as to what this was all about.

Dr. Yang gave a summary lecture of our work with the United Nations, 191 countries, the United States and the Holy Land. He gave some new, unique special presentation at our international leaders conference, which went into depth about the Principle and about the True Parents’ work for blessing marriages and unifying all religions. It concluded with a work to unify North and South Korea done by our True Parents, Father’s extensive foundation in North Korea, and the work for reconciliation, peace and understanding that is going on there. This deeply moved the audience and they came to feel the spiritual atmosphere got very, very excited. By the time Dr. Yang concluded, the audience was totally won over and they were excited about every aspect of the program that followed. Dr. Yang’s presentation concluded with pictures that see CLAN on page 13
The Parents are guiding us directly through each step of the dispensation. Father’s all mighty prayers and speaking tour directly impacted the atmosphere of our nation. God is now seeking to bless and raise America into the role of the True Elder Son Nation, which will bring peace and reconciliation in each continent.

To do this God always needs a key condition on our part to unlock the fortune and providence of heaven. When we fulfill our portion of responsibility and prayer, we will take the role and bring the nation to the next level.

The key condition at this time is the Eight Million Couple Blessing. This is where our efforts should really be concentrated. Each family is asked to be responsible for at least 4,000 couples to focus on your neighborhood and the churches of ACLU. Also expand into your community and towns in the area. The more we conduct the blessing in ways in which we can follow up, the more clearly will be the growth of our movement as a result.

Please continue. America. Your reputation is in trouble that True Clergy and Ambassadors for Peace and the ACLU Clergy could initiate repentance among Rabbis, Imams and Pastors and the reconciliation that resulted allowed True Parents to form a New Israel - the fourth Israel - a Universal Israel that is composed of Muslims, Christians and Jews. All people of the Book who have a desire to form a new "Covenant" through the sharing of grace and language of blood lineage. America was at the center of the historic Peace Pilgrimage of all nations. Calling on all to repent before God and unite the sons of Abraham. This time America and the nations of the world joined as one family with a firm reliance on the faith that the Lord will bless all of humanity and that He is the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. He is the God of Judaism, Christianity and Islam. He is the God of love. True Christians who are touched by our prayers do not judge others but rather march to the beat of the voice of God that says we must win the graces of heaven and share the graces for the whole world.

Please continue to fast and pray and to speak out that the day of the Lord has now come. Please be encouraged that God has seen it fit to guide America based on your prayers. Your prayers and your sacrifice as well as the sincere prayers and efforts by the ACLU Clergy and the Ambassadors for Peace can and will determine the destiny of our nation at this time. When George Washington prayed during the trials facing the founding of our nation God heard his prayers. I believe that God is now about to answer to the prayers and works of faith of the True Parents and Ambassadors for Peace that are being offered earnestly for this nation and our leaders. In 1973, Father spoke of such prayers in his speech entitled, "God's Hope for America."

George Washington, Commander-in-Chief of the Continental Army, tasted the bitterness of defeat in many, many battles. When he finally faced the last heart-breaking winter at Valley Forge, he was serious. I am sure George Washington prayed like this: "God, it is You who led our people out of Europe and brought us here over to the New World. You don't want us to repeat the dull, gray history of Europe. You liberated us and gave us freedom. You don't want to see the mistakes in Europe repeated in this land. Let me give you my pledge. I will build one nation under God."

Thus George Washington made his battle God's battle, and then the victory won was a victory for God. I know that this victory and the independence of America came because God accepted George Washington's prayer, along with the prayers of many other Americans. God knew that His champions would work for His new nation. But George Washington had nothing to work with, and the British army had everything - power, authority, tradition, and equipment. They were proud of their military strength. The American Continental Army had no weapons and only one thing - George Washington finally had one weapon only: faith in God. I believe that George Washington's position paralleled David's in his fight against the giant Goliath. David won his battle in the name of God. They both let God vanquish their foe. Each of them put his whole heart, his whole being, his whole sacrificial spirit into the battle, and won. Now it is a significant fact that throughout history, God's people could never be blessed on their own homeland. God moves them out of their homeland and sends them into foreign lands, and there they can become a people and a nation of God. According to the pattern, the American people journeyed in faith out of their homelands, came across the ocean to the New World, and there they received God's blessing. God had a definite plan for America. He needed to have this nation prosper as one nation under God. With God, nothing is impossible. We can be a people who can vanquish the brutality of the independence of America, and we can achieve a high foundation, great prosperity can come.

The British army fought for their king. For them, the British crown was supreme. The American army fought for their king. God was their only King, and He alone was supreme. The New World was pioneered in the name of God.

For us, the world has been united for any nation in the world. The world has been united in its desire to feel and experience a new spirit of faith and family to the whole world.

The rise of the issue of Morality and True Family Values was a direct result of the violent nature of people of faith. The seriousness of American people concerning faith and family was exhibited in the last week before the election. Yet we must be vigilant at this time to see this nation through to a new level of faith and reliance upon God. We must now transcend all boundaries and divi- sions and become one people for the sake of saving all the nations of the world. America has been blessed by God as the Second Israel. America is now on a new path in history. America's role as the Peace maker will fully emerge now if we fulfill our responsi- bility at this time. Through the Pilgrimage the ACLU Clergy could initiate repentance among Rabbis, Imams and Pastors and the reconciliation that resulted allowed True Parents to form a New Israel - the fourth Israel - a Universal Israel that is composed of Muslims, Christians and Jews. All people of the Book who have a desire to form a new "Covenant" through the sharing of grace and language of blood lineage. America was at the center of the historic Peace Pilgrimage of all nations. Calling on all to repent before God and unite the sons of Abraham. This time America and the nations of the world joined as one family with a firm reliance on the faith that the Lord will bless all of humanity.

The candles of our blessed families burn late into the night as they sincerely pray that God will guide America. We are united as one and all of our leader- ship is working with one heart and one mind. The level of cooperative effort is the best in our history. We will bring the fulfillment of the Will of Heaven for America and the World. How grateful we are for our blessed family, the C1eng and the Ambassadors for Peace who have maintained and developed their faith in God and trust in True Parents through many trials and tests.

With one providence after another we are gaining greater strength and power to advance God's Kingdom. Through the fulfillment of the two million blessing and prayer tour a new spirit came over America. True Parents and the tour巡 a new spirit came over Ameri- can families. This really tour saw that it brought a substantive change to the spirit and direction of this nation. Now the time has come of the 8 million blessing will allow America to bring this new spirit of faith and family to the whole world.

Rev. Michael Jenkins in the President of the American Church

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were just taken hours before of our visit to the Won Jeon and the importance of honoring the ancestors and making strong families that don’t divorce. This is cer- tainly a major concern in Korea at this time, as modernization is taking its toll on Korean families. This is certainly a major concern in Korea at this time, as modernization is taking its toll on Korean families. This is cer- tainly a major concern in Korea at this time, as modernization is taking its toll on Korean families. This is cer- tainly a major concern in Korea at this time, as modernization is taking its toll on Korean families. This is cer- tainly a major concern in Korea at this time, as modernization is taking its toll on Korean families. This is cer- tainly a major concern in Korea at this time, as modernization is taking its toll on Korean families. This is cer- tainly a major concern in Korea at this time, as modernization is taking its toll on Korean families. This is cer-
North Carolina Crown of Peace Awards & Leadership Summit

Rev. Burgi Hutcherson

On Saturday, October 30, North Carolina’s FPWPU hosted a Crown of Peace Award Ceremony at the Christ Rescue Temple in Winston-Salem. Attending the program were 22 guests, 24 FPWPU members, and 24 second generation, which made a total of 70 people.

It was only two weeks prior that we aired about the providential significance of honoring True Parents with a Crown of Peace. Every state in America was asked to host this event by the end of the month of October. Our families decided to hold the event in Winston-Salem, which has a strong foundation with ALCCL. Mrs. Sharon Pace, president of the American Family Coalition of North Carolina, was the Master of Ceremonies. She introduced Bishop Willie Davis, Jr., pastor of the First Resurrection Temple Apostolic Church in Winston-Salem and a chairman of ALCCL in North Carolina, who gave the invocation and opened the event. He shared his appreciation for the work of True Parents and encouraged everyone to gather to recognize the presence of his faith in our lives such as a family and an apostolic church. He also mentioned that history was being made.

Then Rev. Byung Seok Cho and his faithful wife Yampyo touched the audience with a wonderful musical presentation. All hearts were brought together in accord with a beautiful duet.

Rev. Tim Davis from the Raleigh FPWPU shared in all of us in a special marriage reeducation. With joy and deep gratitude we welcomed the keynote speaker of the evening, Rev. Phillip Schanker, vice president of the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification, from Washington, D.C. He arrived just by plane from Miami, orinda, where he delivered a keynote address for the Florida Crown of Peace Award Ceremony at luncheon. Rev. Schanker was able to convey deeply to all ALCCL clergy and members the historical significance of this event. He did a great job teaching the truth hidden in the Bible by sharing the Divine Principle. I saw the smiles and appreciation in the faces of our ministers and Ambassadors for Peace.


Making done by Father and Mother Moon, especially in the Middle East.

Mrs. Sharon Pace called her husband, John Pace, and myself on stage to give the Crown of Peace Award to three leaders who have done exceptional work in the community in peace making and leadership. We recognized Bishop Willie Davis, Jr., Rev. Fermin Bocanegra, pastor of the Spanish Christian Wesleyan Church, and Evanghelish Cynthia Hill. All had been Ambassadors for Peace and did their assignments well.

The highlight of the evening arrived when True Parents were recognized as “King and Queen of Peace.” Bishop Legrand from the Progressive Apostolic Church in Winston-Salem and Mrs. Janette Milner, wife of Rev. Harry Milner from the St. John Apostle Church, offered the crowns to Rev. and Mrs. Cho, representing True Parents.

With prayerful hearts, Rev. and Mrs. Cho put the beautiful crowns on a special prepared table: “Then our newest blessed central family, Donnie and Sun Niles, presented flowers to True Parents. Evangelist Cynthia Hill offered the song, “The Lord’s Prayer,” which touched our hearts. Then Rev. Fermin Bocanegra gave congratulatory remarks. He pointed out that we have to be peacemakers in our daily lives.

The near always opportunities that come up challenge us to give the best of ourselves. It is good to work for peace in the world, but peace begins with us.

Rev. Byung Seok Cho gathered everybody in a large circle and offered the benediction with a sincere heart. The spirit was warm and filled with love.

We cut a beautiful birthday cake and shared fellowship with all the participants while enjoying the nice snacks and refreshments that our families and friends brought.

In reflection I would like to say that this event was difficult to organize. I was challenged with uncertainties up to the final moment, even to the point of offering the crowns. The giving of the crowns, as imperfect as it was done, represents today’s humanity with its ignorance and shortcomings. Rev. and Mrs. Cho, in the role of True Parents, performed a great task. Their hearts were peaceful and calm in the midst of problems, which helped put me at ease. I felt so grateful for heavenly Father’s abundance of love, forgiveness, and grace, which cover all the shortcomings and imperfections on the side of humanity. Through True Parents, Heavenly Father could receive our efforts.

I want to express my deepest gratitude for the successful completion of this ceremony, especially for Rev. and Mrs. Cho, Rev. Schanker, and the ALCCCL clergy. I thank all blessed central families for their support, especially Sharon Pace for organizing under difficult circumstances and Mrs. Gail Davis for handcrafting the two beautiful crowns.

Witnessing & Education

On October 31st the North Carolina Family Church of Peace gathered for a summit on Witness and Education at the Christ Rescue Temple Christian Church. The program included a morning session dedicated to understanding the importance of witnessing and education and a break-out session for a thorough study of the Principle and receive guidance from our regional director, Rev. Yu. Our goal this year is 36 blessed couples at the Clergy Blessing and 12 new Peace Family Churches.

Rev. Timothy L. Henning

Saturday, November 20, was the first day of a two-day seminar preparing candidates for the Clergy Blessing on December 18 at the Pasadena Headquarters.Seventeen clergy attended a Day-Principle overview that day, starting from 9:00 am and ending just after 5:00 pm. The presentations were given by Rev. L. Henning. The Unification Worldwide Seminar, a 14-week study course of 3-hour lessons, was condensed into a shortened version of just 30 slides for this 2-day seminar covering the chapters of the Principle from “Creation” through the “Second Advent.” Each of the two days is broken up into four sessions with a lunch being served and some breaks for refreshments and a short discussion period.

Seventeen of the candidates for the Clergy Blessing in Region 21 of 2004 attended. Those who could not attend the session are being followed-up at their homes by special appointments during the upcoming weeks.

The reaction to the presentations was very encouraging. Several ministers mentioned that they could understand the lectures better as a systematic whole when presented together. Detailed questions of how the fallen nature and original sin are transferred through the relationships between Adam, Eve, and the Serpent were discussed.

A follow-up course specifically on the Life and Mission of the True Parents, the Meaning and Value of the Blessing and Change of Blood Lineage will be offered on the Saturday following the seminar, December 4. The Clergy Blessing is open to candidates who recognize the mission of the True Parents through a thorough study of the Principle and receive guidance from our regional director, Rev. Yu. Our goal this year is 36 blessed couples at the Clergy Blessing and 12 new Peace Family Churches.
The Northern California Church Community News

The Northern California Church Community held its first Community Of Faith Breakfast in San Francisco on November 21.

Imam Muntaz Qasmi gave a wonderful speech about the real meaning of being a Muslim and testified to Father’s work to bring together different religions. He spoke of his heartache after September 11th when the media seemed to fuel the hatred against Islam and he wanted to point out that the term jihad has many meanings and mostly means a Holy War within oneself.

Kevin Thompson gave an introduction to ACUL and their work in Israel, pointing out that the Democrats or Republicans cannot solve spiritual problems, that is the task of the spiritual leaders.

November 27th Community Of Faith’s B breakfast at the Bay Area Family Church (BAF) featured Donn Lane Drury, Donn Lerner. Donn Lane who together with her husband the late Rev. John Lane, were early supporters of our church going back to the mid 1970’s. Mrs. Lane told everyone assembled that she and her husband predicted in 1977 that the Unification Church would be the church of the 21st century and that she was glad to see that coming true. Drury was now coming true. Kevin Thompson spoke about the efforts to bring Democrats and Republicans together centered upon True Family Values. A beautiful spirit was in the room, and many of the guests testified that they look forward to this monthly gathering.

INTERNATIONAL CHOIR

The BAF International Choir (with ten nationalities) sang with great power and professionalism at the ceremony to give Mother Wright her honorary doctorate degree. They also were at our Gospel Harvest. Under the direction of Zita Perniere, the international choir has quickly built up a reputation and is in constant demand. Reverend Leland of Gospel Harvest came to the Bay Area Family Church to offer his thanks to the choir and testified that through knowing our movement he has been able to find deeper faith.

IL SHIM CEREMONY & WORKSHOP

Sixty 2nd Generations participated in the IL Shim ceremony and pledged their loyalty to purity and the ideals of True Parents. They each fulfills the requirement of receiving their IL Shim “True Love Wows” ring. At the closing ceremony where the parents bestowed the ring upon their children, Rev. Burgert said that he was moved by the youth and Blessed Families and that is what gives him hope for the future. During the IL Shim work shop the participants marched through the local streets and displayed their commitment to purity. They also went visiting and inspired local residents with their spirit. The staff for the workshop testified to the seriousness of the 2nd Generation and how the elders took great responsibility for their younger brothers and sisters.

YOUTH MINISTER INSTALLED

Kenritsu Yamamoto was installed as the youth minister of the Bay Area Family Church. He has set up team leaders for the high school students. In his address, Kenritsu shared his vision of the future and thanked the parents who have invested so much into their children. Many parents were very comforted to hear Kenritsu share that even though he was often rebellious, it was his parents’ unchanging love and attention that kept him on track.

PRINCIPLED ACADEMY MULTI-CULTURAL NIGHT

Over 100 guests attended the multi-cultural night at Principled Academy. Everyone was treated to Mexican dancing, a Japanese dance and a Tong Il Moo Do demonstration and wonderful food from many countries. The Principled Academy is the character education of the Bay Area, promoting harmony, cooperation, and understanding.

TONG IL MOO DO

Tong Il Moo Do school was opened at BAF and classes started also at Principled Academy. Every one was treated to Mexican dancing, a Japanese dance and a Tong Il Moo Do demonstration and wonderful food from many countries. The Principled Academy is the character education of the Bay Area, promoting harmony, cooperation, and understanding.

WFPW ANNUAL FUNDRAISER

WFPW held its annual fundraising event for Sun Of Mesaquem school at Marin Community Center, raising $8,000.

Rev. Hoeye Bratcher, a photographer specializing in nonprofit organizations, told us that our event was the best he had ever seen. As proof of that, WFPW-SFBA Chapter has been developing to reach out to other religious groups through the interfaith activities.

DIVINE PRINCIPLE WORKSHOP

On November 13th a one-day workshop was held at BAF. Five guest, including one Imam, attended. They heard Principles Of Creation, Fall of Man, and an introduction to Father and the Blessing. One of the guests was so inspired that she went home and asked her live in boyfriend to move out after she understood the Fall. With lectures taking place after church each Sunday Service, there will be many workshops in the area.

Ongoing Spanish Divine Principle workshops and lectures are taking place. The Hispanic church recently bought translation equipment for their guests to be able to participate in Sunday Service and other events. Many guests have heard the Divine Principle and are currently preparing for membership.

Soccer

The Bay Area family Church Soccer team held its one-year anniversary with a commemorative game. Recently the soccer team held a PEACE CUP tournament with STF, CARP and 2nd Generation teams. The team has competed against other church soccer teams and remains unbeaten.

SERVICE FOR PEACE

BAFC 2nd Generation participated with CARP and STF members to do a service project of planting daffodils in memory of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and councilwoman Nancy Nadal. Many of the II Shin participants were able to help out and fulfill their service requirements.

Under the capable direction of Markus VonEwak, Service For Peace has been able to build bridges with the local city governments and especially with the office of the mayor of Oakland.

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concluded by speaking about the birth of the Triad Church. Dr. Tyler Hendricks addressed us with a great PowerPoint presentation on the issue of effectively defining our church. It truly broadened our horizon about who we are.

After a short break we began the second session, called Heart of Witnessing: Open the Gate!, which was about getting excited about our faith, creating gates, and becoming gate openers. Mr. Bob Huneycutt gave a testimony, speaking from his heart about his own challenge to witnessing and his desire to be united with God’s Providence despite personal obstacles. Dr. Hendricks concluded the session with another great PowerPoint presentation, inspiring us and offering our own gifts and talents to offer to the heavenly Providence.

Although a working lunch was on the schedule, most families decided to mingle freely and catch up with old friends.

In the afternoon Mr. Takamatu Sakawa and Bruce Hutcheson led the youth in sports and games, and Rev. Schanker had a session with them.

The third session dealt with the Heart of Witnessing: Sharing our Faith, which was about developing introductory programs and witnessing through worship. Dr. Hendricks led that session.

In the break we dedicated all the October birthdays, which included those of Bruce Hutcheson and Dr. Hendricks, with cake and ice cream.

The final session dealt with community building and family-based outreach, as well as integrating new members. Our dear brother Hiroshi Goto, pastor of the Northern Virginia Family Church, led the whole session. He had just arrived that very afternoon in order to give us some very practical understanding of his growing community in Virginia. Pastor Goto did a good job answering all of our many questions.

Time was moving forward so quickly; we had to come to the conclusion. Rev. Byung Seok Cho, our regional leader (Region # 8) shared his appreciation and gratitude for the workshop. Pastor Schanker challenged us to write personal evaluations and take at least three action steps. I would like to say thank you to all who made this seminar possible. I thank Rev. Cho for their consistent effort to guide our witnessing outreach. Because of their vision, we have a consistent witnessing program on campus. I thank Rev. Schanker for coming to our region and sharing his love, compassion, and heart with our families, and our guest leaders, Dr. Tyler Hendricks and Pastor Hiroshi Goto. Thanks also to the North Carolina leaders who helped to organize the event, Sharon Fong for organizing the meals and snacks, Donnie Niles for working hard as a taxi service, Takamatsu and Bruce for helping with the youth, and all the volunteers for child care.

I appreciated the workshop. It was good for us to expand our horizon about the role and mission of Triad Messianism. We want to do our assignment well. Witnessing overall is a big challenge for many families. In order to be successful, we need to resolve all family issues and marriage matters. I am planning to have another workshop that will cover marriage and family issues, and Rev. Schanker told me that he would like to come back to support our families.
Twenty-one students from eight countries—including Jews and Arabs from Israel—participated in this Service for Peace pilot project in Israel from July 30 to August 11, 2004. The program aimed to understand the Arab-Jewish conflict first-hand, engage in community service, and become leaders capable of helping to solve this con-

The group visited Jerusalem, Beth-

them, Beit Shemesh, Haifa, and also

ad the chance to experience the Dead Sea and the Negev Desert.

Participants worked with children in summer camps and in an orphanage, stayed with the elderly in a senior home, tended vegetables, cleaned up archeo-


gical and a bath and an Ark of the Mt.

armel. The project combined service

learning in a unique way through community service and visits to various

cultural neighborhoods and ethnic groups experience life as the locals do.

managed to finish the project success-

fully. The participants started out as

strangers and became a family by the

end. Many of the local students want-

ed to continue similar projects and start-

ed to create an action plan to engage

Arab and Jewish students together in

service activities creating more Peace-

makers. We have agreed to hold the next project early next year.

Testimonies

Zvi Ravir - Israel

Each and every culture has its own

moral system. What Christians regard

as moral might not be seen as such by

Muslims, and we are well aware of the

basic differences between religions. But

some values are universal, and shared by

all people: we all want the best for our

siblings, maintain our way of life and

live in a clean environment.

Now I’m 25 years old. In the army I

served in an infantry unit, and since I

finished my army service my social involve-

ment has been growing con-

stantly. The subjects that

interested me the most are those concerning

peace between people, and peace between

people and their environment.

When I first saw the advertisement for the

program, I thought it’s going to be some

type of summer camp for grown-up

people from all over the world, but when the

lectures and the activities began, I understood

how the principles of the program are close-

ly related to the subjects I find interesting.

The first day in Beit-Shemesh includ-

e d other activities, and presenting

visiting groups don’t internalize prejudices - while work-

ing with them I feel how I left the world

values, we should act together against prejudice and intolerance.

While working with children I noticed

how curious they are about other cul-

tures - they showed great interest in the

Japanese culture, and since there is a

great influence of the Latin-American culture in Israel, seeing how much the Arab and Jewish children wanted to learn Spanish was fascinating.

During the following days I met very

special people: Gil, a local environment

teacher in Beit-Shemesh, who works with

his students in order to preserve archeological sites around Beit-Shemesh. We can see how the students are com-
mitted to the things he teaches them by

the fact that even during the summer

holiday they came, and helped him to

protect the sites, and organize the meal

he made for the visiting groups. While

we were visiting the desert, a monk called

Jacques joined us - he works for human-
titarian causes in Palestine. He showed

us what real commitment to a goal is, and

explained us the philosphical meaning

of life in the desert. In the desert we

had a presentation of the main charac-

teristics of the monotheistic religions

which started in the Middle East, and it

made me feel great respect towards other

religions. My university is located near Mount Gerizim. As a biology student, who has great

concern regarding my environment,

seeing the condition of the park in the Carmelite Monastery

makes me furious. I felt as if some-

one came to my backyard and threw there his garbage. When

we decided that the last activity of

the group would be to clean up

the park, I felt as if I were cleaning my own house. Seeing the

group working for a common goal, and the way the place looked when we finished made me very

proud.

Making the children part of the activ-

ity during the program, and present-

ing daily cause showed the best in the peo-

ple of the group.

I believe that the group should

learn some language together, even if it’s only a few words. For

example, we could have learned some

words and phrases in Arab-

ian, in order to break the ice

between the Israelis who have
different native tongues, and the

people of the international com-

munity.

The Service for Peace organiz-

ation made this program in a way

that enabled everyone, regardless of culture and reli-

gion, to make a contribution - if

you would like to see the

seashore clean, the side roads

free of garbage, or see a smil-

ing child, and you are willing

work hard in order to achieve it, we

should like your help.

Tareq Ghaith - Palestine

I will try to express my feelings about

this camp because it’s important for me

to tell my feelings, and what happened to

me in 10 days to my friends and to

the world.

It’s very necessary to change the sit-

uation in this land - the holy land, and

try to find the solution and fix the com-

plications between the Palestinians and

Israelis, and try to change the bloody-

way, killing way to a peace-way and

love-way. All of this encouraged me to participate and to be peacemaker in this

Global PeaceMakers Camp, and to help myself and everyone around me to get

out from the pains and suffering, which all of us are living in, and to live in free-

dom, equality and peace like other peo-

ple.

On the first day of camp, I felt it was

my responsibility to show this group

the Palestinian and Arabic side. This feel-

ing came after a lesson was presented to

me when a doctor came to the hotel

in Jerusalem and told us about the sit-

uation between Israel and Palestine.

Then I said to myself, “Where is the Ara-

bic side, where is the Palestinians vision?”

He was talking about many things, but

I didn’t agree with him and I think many

Palestinians people like me feel the same way.

Here I’ve said to myself, I must talk

and show this group our side, our vision

for peace and the future.

Now I want to write just one special

experience. In the first night in Beit-

Shemesh, when the families - we were about to stay with - were talking about

themselves, a mother mentioned that

her son was a soldier in the army. I said

to myself, “Please God not with this fam-

ily, not with this mother.” But against

my wishes, I was chosen to stay with

this family. In the same night, I talked

with this family all night about the occu-

pation in Palestine, the wall, bombs and

The Service for Peace approach of

outreach campaigns, and in an orphanage, already proven in the US, was brought to Israel and tested with our four Israeli students and four Palestinian Arab par-

cipants, who came with very different

responses and a lot of skepticism, but

with an open mind that they quickly

change their hearts and look at service as a way of building relation-

ships and bringing peace to this

outraged land. They could also see

their situation differently through the

eyes of the international par-

cipants.

We managed to break some new round. We were officially hosted by the cities of Beit Shemesh and Jaffa, who arranged many of the

programs for us. Beit Shemesh organized home stays for our group, and this was the first time residents welcomed Palestinian youth into

their own homes in this very con-

servative Jewish city.

We also had our share of diffi-

culties starting from the cultural differ-

ences between the United States and

Israel. Volunteer service is viewed dif-

erently here. Quite often we had a

ntime convincing our hosts that we

really wanted to get our hands dirty and

at just do traditional tours? The logis-

tics were also more difficult to organize.

But in the end, we learned a lot and

of grown-ups, in which I have to con-

stantly care about things as image, and

cover myself with cynicism. Working

with the children helped me. Later on

that day, when we went to the holocaust

museum, ‘Yad Vashem’, I tried to explain to the participants of my group that the

Nazis weren’t only against Jewish peo-

ple, but against universal values as civil

and religious rights- if we believe in those

WORLD PEACE PILGRIMAGES TO THE MIDDLE EAST

SFP Global PeaceMakers

y. Norbert Szalensky

served in the following days, told me what

puzzled me most

During the presentation of the

main characteristics of the

monotheistic religions, the participants

were astonished. They showed me how

to be open-minded and how

to be respectful of others’ beliefs.

I was impressed by the way the

participants were able to relate their

experiences to the subjects we were

learning about. They were able to

understand that there are many

differences between cultures, and

that it is important to appreciate

those differences.

I believe that the Service for Peace

organization has done a good job in

providing a platform for people

from different backgrounds to

come together and learn from

each other. This experience has

helped me to understand the

importance of dialogue and mutual

understanding in resolving conflicts.

In conclusion, I believe that the

Service for Peace program is

very beneficial for young people

who want to make a difference in the

world. It provides an opportunity

for them to learn about different

cultures, and to develop skills that

can be applied in their future

careers. I would recommend this

program to others who are interested

in making a positive impact on the

world. Thank you for the opportunity

to participate in this meaningful

experience.
World Peace Pilgrimages to the Middle East in Israel & Palestine

many things, and then I felt better. We grew very close to each other and this mother called me "my son" at the farewell party.

Finally, I left Beit-Shemesh with love for this family, and hope to see them again.

Jarka Antlova - Czech Republc

First of all, I’d like to express my deepest gratitude that I was given a chance to participate in this Global PeaceMakers project in Israel. I had the most impressive meeting of local people because this helped me to understand their situation which I would never be able to grasp up to that time. I had the chance to meet different people such as a hotel manager, waiters, a director, a member of the parliament, students, representatives of local authorities, businessmen, shopkeepers, soldiers, security guards, a previous advisor of the Israeli ex-prime minister, a political science professor and a priest, all Jacques, who was our guide in the Negev desert, people in the streets etc. We even had the opportunity to stay at the homes of Israeli families for a few days.

I’m sure that it’s very good that we made something substantial for the country e.g. cleaning the sea shore in Israel, visiting an orphanage in Bethlehem and performing a cultural program or them, playing with kids at camps, making sandwiches for them, farming in a garden at one ecological farm in Israel, building a house for the Palestinian refugees, visiting a house for elderly people and spending time with them, eventually making sure that they haven’t done that much, but I think just to be such colorful group of 4 continents counting 25 people with different cultures, languages, color, religious background (Christians, Muslims, Jews, atheists, Buddhists ...) mentality, being able to become friends and overcome all this diversity and being able to overcome these differences together for two weeks was a real victory we all experienced at the end of the project. We didn’t know each other at the beginning but at the end it was so difficult to say goodbye. We made new friends, with some more, with some less, but in the end we became big family knowing that we are going to miss each other hoping to meet again another opportunity of serving this country which became my new home really felt the desire in my heart to help this country and its people, bring peace through serving and I strongly believe that people who are in charge of important political decisions will feel inspired to really serve this country by having a deep desire to find good compromise to live together in peace. Because I realized very strongly

because the camp included both Arabs and Jews, it brought together people who had had little interaction with one another despite the fact that they are virtually neighbors. Several of the participants attended universities in which both Arabs and Jews studied together, but the level of contact each group had with the other prior to the camp was generally low. Through their shared experiences in touring, performing service, and enduring long bus rides, Arab and Jewish participants had deep conversations, developed friendships, and exchanged email addresses at the end of the camp in order to stay in touch in the future.

I saw the most poignant example of new relationships established between one Arab camp member and the Jewish household in which he home-stayed for four nights in Beit Shemesh. His Jewish "mother" introduced herself to the group the first night and mentioned that she had a son in the Israeli army.

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any of us have had the chance to experience a variety of wit-
tnessing methods. Of course, the standard when Father has described to us is not depend-
ent as much upon an external method as it is upon a heart to witness. Unfortunately, that burning heart of love for our fellow man is less than con-
stant in most of us, and more than slight-
ly out of reach in others of us—and you can’t take it. Whether we have the prop-
er heart to witness or not, all of us know we must do so.

The local bus station has often been designated as “the place” to meet new people. However, in our community of Casper, Wyoming, the 12-seat bus car-
ries more packages than passengers (that is, if it ever comes through town). Of course the more alternatives to the bus station—for instance the junior college, where the dorms are tiny apartment-style struc-
tures, and everyone else drives to and from classes. We enrolled in social clubs and spent lots of time meeting very few people. We tried serv-
ice-style home church, and found that middle-class neighborhoods can make service-style witnessing quite challenging.

When it comes right down to it, we only need one person to successfully witness, so there are no good excuses. And, if we are serious at the price of our lives, we would break through in any situation, as Father did.

What Is the Best Approach

Unfortunately, however, when we look at the reality of ourselves and our movement plus our track record for the past dozen years— we see the need to take
stock of ourselves and re-think our direction. There is likely roth-
ing wrong with our purpose and motivation. This is what prompt-
ed my husband and I to serious-
ly analyze our traditional wit-
tnessing strategies.

On a practical note, I am Japanese, so I have my own chal-
 lenges on top of those of native-
born Americans. My husband spends a lot of time as editor of a newspaper, and we have two small children to care for, which is naturally a major responsibil-
ity which falls mainly on me. Per-
haps our situation is not unlike many others of you.

Three years ago, I began to go around our home church area with our daughter, Minu, dur-
ing the few hours her older broth-
er, Michael, was in kindergarten. I met lots of people, but I wasn’t always clear about my reason for meeting them or about my relationship with Father. Af-
fter a while, I would often feel bad about that. I thought I would bake cookies for them and make friends—gradually getting to know them.

To my surprise, however, I found that people—especially the good people—kept moving away. Often, too much time would pass between my initial and subsequent visits. My spiritual energy level was not the highest either at that time. I was los-
ing power.

Then we decided to try what my hus-
band had begun doing with members earlier in Nebraska—taking a portable video player door-to-door with the tape “Faith and Reality,” and very directly offer-
ing to show it to people in their homes. (Rev. Sun Myung Moon: Peace-
maker and Unifier” is also good for many viewers.)

This began one of the most invigorat-
ing and reviving experiences in wit-
tnessing I could have imagined. I found it was not so difficult to introduce myself and ask people at their door if they would like to see a video about Reverend Moon. Witnessing only about two hours a day, it became a regular occurrence for peo-
ple to invite me and my daughter (or son, on weekends) inside for a showing. Some weeks I would show the tape to several new people. Within a few months, I had shown Father’s life-forty people in our small community.

We shortened the video to a 37-minute version, omitting some portions which were not essential to the introductory purpose of my visits. People responded in jail. A growing number have not even heard about Father. We have found this method of wit-
tnessing to be great—and to produce, in a very real sense, one hundred percent guaranteed results.

For one thing, while people do not automatically join the Church after see-
ing Father’s life, still, the spiritual impact on their individual lives, as well as on the spirit world of the entire commu-
nity, is readily apparent. Also, Father’s name being resurrected with each and every showing.

And, rather than bounching off street contacts after reach-
ing a disagreement within a few short moments of theological conversation, you find yourself catapulting each newer up to a greatly resurrected relation-
ship with True Parents—in only 45 min-
utes time. It is precisely direct and to the point, like jumping into the deep end of a swimming pool. With the presence of God being so far ahead of us, there appear few viable alternatives to being as direct with people as possible.

Mastery of English? While it is not a problem for me, it is not even a factor, with this method. Even a person holding a paper sign at the door, introducing them-
selves and the name, should be perfectly sufficient with this method.

Just as beneficial as the witnessing effect is the impact that watching Father’s life over and over again has on me and on my children as we visit people’s houses together. It is so valuable for my five-year-old and seven-
year-old to be part of something so actively and consciously with me in my home church work.

It is not a service-orient-
ed home church approach, but rather a master-
ed home church method of initiation. We find it to be perfectly appropriate in even the fanciest of neigh-
borhoods. You just dress up a little more—that is all.

We have not brought lots of spiritual children who have signed membership, yet. But without a shadow of a doubt, as I now pass the eighty-man home church show-
ings, the impact on this small community is becoming pro-
bronounced. Long ago, I became the talk of the town, espe-
cially in the Christian church-
es.

We need to be out there, publicly telling people about Father. We need to be re-
surrecting Father’s name, effectively. We need to be re-
surrecting people’s spir-
its, including our own. We need to be fulfilling our home church mission, effectively. We need to give the spirit world a substantial founda-
tion through which it can work. We need to start bring-
real results and resurrect our movement.

In our experience, door-
to-door home church video inductitions do all of those things, without fail. You know when you go out the door that you will soon have substantial results to feel good about and build upon. There is literally no way to lose.

Make a plan and try it yourself. We pray that such an effective way to wit-
tness might be just the shot in the arm the American movement needs now.

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True Family
Life
Winter 2004
The Tacoma News Tribune wrote about the event (brief excerpt): “More than 50 people came to Windmill Gardens to hear messages of peace and love from different faiths presented by The Paige Ami World Peace Foundation.

Her parents, Gerh and Paulette Wiesinger, created a peace foundation in her honor as a way to help heal the wounds of Sept. 11. The girl was born in Japan in the hours following the terrorist attacks and adopted by the Wiesingers. “Take the love we have here today and spread it in our communities and our families,” Paulette Wiesinger told the crowd.

Paige Ami Wiesinger was born in the hours following the terrorist attack on our country. In prayer, Paulette received the vision, because of her very special birth date, should have a peace mission, initial. Playing away the book “World Scripture A Comparative Anthology of Sacred Texts” to religious and community leaders. The motto of The Paige Ami World Peace Foundation is “Building a world of peace through understanding others’ spiritual beliefs.” Future projects of the PWPF include workshops promoting reconciliation and understanding between leaders and followers of different faith traditions. Education is the long term vision is the founding of the Paige Ami World Peace Institute.

Paige Ami enjoys her “work” as she calls it. It teaches her to bring joy to others. It is also an excellent way to get out into the community and share our message of peace.

The Wiesinger family is grateful to Rev. & Mrs. Lee, Regional Directors of the Seattle Region, for their support and encouragement as well as to the many brothers and sisters who helped promote the event or helped with the many tasks surrounding the event.

WANGO: Play Soccer Make Peace

by Julie M. Johnson, Jr.

ight youth, community based, and voluntary groups have completed a series of Play Soccer Make Peace! in Liberia. The tournament was held from 24-26 September 2004 at the Youth Soccer Field on Lynch Street and the Stephen Tolbert Estate Sports Field in Gard- nersville, utilizing under-19 teams. In the final match on Sunday, the Perfect Gen- tlemen of Stephen Tol- bert Estate defeated an under-19 selection of the Press Union of Liberia two goals to zero.

In the Third Place Match played earlier that day, the Center for Media Studies and Peace Building (CEMESF) defeated the Liberian Ex-combatants Anxious for Development (LEAD) 6-4 in post-match penalty kicks. Other participants in the tournament were the J.J. Roberts Schol- arship Students Association (LJSSA), Youth Movement Against the Prolifera- tion of Small Arms, Optimist Youths of Smirk and the Sea Pro Under-17.

Later in the closing program, Play Soccer Make Peace! badges were issued to players, regional officials of the participating teams, game officials, and special guests. Participating teams earned awards of US$600 each, while the fourth, third, second and first place winners took cash prizes of one, two, three and five thousand Unit- ed States dollars, respectively. The par- ticipating organizations are expected to utilize their prizes in developing peace related projects.

Guests at the occasion included Youth & Sports Minister Wheaton Donn Barnes, Dr. Oumar Ndiogo of the Momo River Peace Forum, Sidi Diawara of the National Democratic Institute, UNMIL Media Consultant Dr. Alhasson Quahtpe, officials of the participating organizations and thousands of residents from the Gard- nersville area.

Other personalities who graced the tournament were the Ministers of Edu- cation and Gender and Development, as well as the Secretary General of the Liberia Football Association, and the Secretary General of the Liberia Women Initiative.

Play Soccer Make Peace! is a project of the World Association of Non Govern- mental Organizations (WANGO), with funding from the Sun Moon Foundation to help encourage and develop youth soc- cer in 44 different countries around the world.

It is a model to teach youth of vari- ous cultures the basic skills in sport along with a foundation of ethical behavior and sportsmanship. An emphasis is placed on creating a culture of peace through teaching the principles of shared vision, discipline, teamwork, and respect for the opponent.

Brazilian soccer legend Pelé is a sup- porter of the initiatives of the Sun Moon Soccer Foundation, and supports their work to develop youth soccer.

The goal of Play Soccer Make Peace! is to hold tournaments in 44 different countries using established youth soc- cer teams and associations. All partici- pants see SOCCER on page 21
China: Art Festival for World Peace

by Benny R.V. Andersson

The second Art Festival for World Peace was held at Lutai Su Art Museum in Shanghai, Nov. 11-17, 2004. One hundred eighty artists from 16 countries participated (11 from USA); among them were Jan Parker, Shigeyoshi Watanabe (Wabu), Benny H.V. Andersson, Cynthia Tofey, and Dennis Holcomb. Also, Julia Moon, from Universal Ballet, participated in the opening ceremony at the museum.

The first Art Festival for World Peace was held at the Seoul Art Center in 2000.

The 2004 event was organized and sponsored by Bijutsu Sekai, founded by Rev. Moon in 1984 in Japan. This also marks the 20-year anniversary for Bijutsu Sekai which has organized numerous exhibits in Asia, most notably the Art Fair for Asian Peace, the Korean Art Fair, and a New World of Art. In spite of political difficulties, Bijutsu Sekai has also been able to include and invite artists from North Korea and China.

This festival was part of the 6th China Shanghai International Art Festival which held shows at several art museums and exhibition halls in the city during the month of November. Shanghai Bien-nale could be seen at the Shanghai Art Museum. The Shanghai Art Association, a professional academic community of artists in Shanghai with 1251 artists-members, also supported the Art Festival for World Peace.

Under the theme “World Peace,” this exhibition showcased artists with many different styles and from different cultural backgrounds. Nevertheless, one can feel that each artist carries the fire of creativity in his/her soul and a burning desire to share their art, and their thoughts regarding peace, harmony and beauty. This affords the viewer an opportunity to see tendencies and varieties of art developed in different parts of the world.

Another important aspect of this festival is that many artists came to the exhibition site and participated in a 3-day program, including the opening ceremony, a banquet, a 2-day tour to historical sites, and a visit to an art school. This helps to provide a platform for exchange among artists from different backgrounds, to learn and understand each other’s art, compare thoughts and progress together. It is not about unity in terms of artistic styles and aesthetic criteria; rather, one could call it a celebration of diversity in fine art, and that is one of the unique aspects of exhibition projects sponsored by Bijutsu Sekai. The world of fine art does not know any borders.

It was also agreed that the third Art Festival for World Peace would be held in Tokyo in 2008.

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Left Artists Benny Andersson (USA), Julia Moon (Korea), Shigeyoshi Watanabe (USA), and Teruyoshi Matsumura (Japan). Right, the opening ceremony, below, the Chinese Children’s Choir
CIG Holy Wine ceremony in Antelope Valley

by Isabelle S. Davati

I find National Parents Day as an excellent tool to reach out to my community, Christian pastors, Synagogue and even the City offi-
cials. This year, I planned for the NP Day event six months in advance; because I was new in the Antelope val-
ey/Kern county area. I needed more time to get to know my way around. Every weekend I would attend /Christian churches and I get to know the pastors of each church. Then I attended the Ministerial Alliances in my city. Soon I become a member of Ministerial Alliances, using NPD as my ministry!

Then I was asked by the presi-
dent of the Ministerial Association to give a talk about NPD. I pre-
cented Parents Day as a project of American Family Coalition, but I had a summary of True parent’s ermons to them!

In the next opportunity to meet Mayor Frank Roberts, the mayor of the city of Lancaster. He expressed to me that because I was the friend of the gallery owner. As Mayor came to talk to me as they were new in the city. I introduced them to my NPD event, asking him to be the honorary chairman for the next year. The Mayor was delighted to be our honorary chair-
nan for NPD 2005.

Someone told Helen Denis a dedicated /Christian at California City Com-
mission. She loved my art works and encouraged me to continue. She has been Mayor Larry Adams secretary for many years. I introduced her to my idea, she put me in, for the next City con-
cil meeting to present Parents Day and ask Mayor Larry Adams to be the chair-
nan for NPD 2004. Mayor accepted it with pleasure and he also recognized ‘Parents’ Day publicly, by issuing a proclamation.

Also we received public recognition if Parents Day through proclamations and resolution from the other major cities of Palmdale, Tehachapi, Senator Bill Maze, Senator Barbara Boxer, Roy Ashburn and etc.

In May I started to travel across the interior of California. It took me two hours and half around trip to go from one city to the next to visit churches and invite their participation for the next year. I needed church choir, piano players, singers and Master of cer-
mony, in addition to the nomination committee and etc.

Then I got together with more other Chris-
ian church’s in involve in assisting me or the event. Since I was all alone and pioneering this project single handed-
ly.

I continue visiting churches in Bak-

crfield, Quarts hill, Mojave, Lancast-
er, Palmdale, Rosamond, California City and etc. It was very expensive to trav-
el for hours and gas also was very expen-
sive. But I knew that this is God’s will and He would provide for His projects. Besides, I felt a heart felt of the Father, Jesus, to do everything I needed.

In June, I got few churches to par-
ticipate but still they could not lend me their Music department. So I had to find at the heart of the beautiful and calm golf course, sitting at the edge of the lake. That’s where 2004 national Par-
ts/award ceremony was held. For,

my projects, besides a few best employers of the project.

I got the Middle School to open their door for the event. I also got Antelope Valley High School to open their door for the event.

My efforts were to get every one in the community involved not just those who are parents. My main aim was to inform the public about the True Parenthood of God andifold centered families. For that reason, this year Parent’s Day was started from one year ago.

Because, I wanted to share True Parents Blessings to my community. So NPD was a golden opportunity for this high cause.

So I planned a Chun IL Guik holy wine ceremo-
y for all the particip-
ants in the end of the pro-
gram. I had the idea some-
time I got the pure grape juice and multiplied the wine and brought them to the guests for the holy wine. But still I did not have any family member confirmed to help me for the holy wine ceremony.

But One thing I knew absolutely. That this event and the wine ceremo-
y was precious. It will and I knew He would bring me helpers.

Mayor Larry Adams (who has a big family of kids, including his four grandchild) was the honorary chair-
man. Master of Ceremony was Pastor Clifford Carter from the church of Emmanuel who is also a chaplain in La County. The National anthem was sung by Sergeant Cerehay Haie, a sergeant from North Edward Air force. The pledged of Allegiance was recited by Master Robert Frech.

We had the children’s martial Arts demonstration that melted every one’s heart. A good combination of children of different ethnicity groups 4 to 8. Their demonstration was a drug and alcohol awareness for the school & middle school age group. It was an awesome choreography well disciplined worthy of recognition. Their teacher Katy O’Brien who was a recipient of the outstanding teacher award was the one who had designed and executed the wonderful choreography of martial art performance.

The Parents of the year were officer for forty years for her church. Certified by the police department and grand parents of the year were pastor Kathryn & Rios Effect, pastor of the Christian Trinity church was nominat-
ed by the city hall. Great grandpar-
tons of the year were Ollie & James Ve-
millions nominated by the radio station in Lancaster. Jonewill was the out-
standing student of the year was nomi-
nated by the Trinity Christian church.

The award was from the solid Rock Baptist church. Outstanding Business of the year was the founder of lovely medical center, Beverly Tharbus, from the Seven Days Adventist in Mojave. Earlier this year, she has been a recipient of an Award from President Bush.

Promotions for the public aware-
ness. With the assistance of Jesus and the Holy Spirit and True parents, we could round up the audience into a cir-
cle and put couple of California cities in order to share their cup of the Chun IL Guik holy wine.

Even the Mayor and the Air force of-
cially drank the CIG wine. It was awesome. I was amazed how God had worked out everything, even all the details for this ceremony to be an absolute victory.

I thank Katrina McCarthy for her assis-
tance and the more’s and the Fund-
sions. The NPD has been celebrated in different cities in Antelope Valley and the resolutions from the congress ion-
al delegates are now displaying at the city hall in California City for the next thirty days to raise public awareness of NPD and emphasis on family values. Thanks to Mayor Larry Adams and his wife Helen Denis and the Mojave Desert papers for its wonderful publi-
city and news oriented agenda. For more infor-
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This morning our MC was Chicago’s ALC/CC president, Dr. A. Harold White. There were many first time par-
ticipants and new friends. Guests were coming from farther and farther away and more and more pastors have been bringing their friends and associates.

First on the program, Dr. Paul Swan-
sen introduced an apostolic minister who won’t be forgetting us any time soon.

Then we were treated to three speak-
ers. The first presentation was a video-
tape slide show presented by our Japan-
ese missionary from Rwanda. It was a National Geographic type travelogue, educating all as to the work of our True Parents and the WFPW in Rwanda.

Then our WFPW leader, Mrs. Kath-
leen Sommers, gave heart felt intro-
duction, educational Powerpoint presentation about her recent trip to Guinea Bissau in North and Africa. Our Bishop Kine is the National Messiah to Guinea Biss-
au, and the Japanese missionaries

visit Chicago on a regular basis. He

usually travels there himself, every year, but this year Mrs. Sommers and her teenage daughter Vicki took on the mis-

sion. Chicago’s WFPW is always doing fund raising and supportive projects to support the schools and education-
al projects of our WFPW in Guinea Biss-
au. Some of Sommers’ job is of presenting a very complex situation (no water, no electricity, schools that close down if it rains), but it’s wonderful hearts

of the native people. I don’t think that there was a dry eye in the house by the time Mrs. Sommers and her family

Our program concluded with a presen-
tation about Service for Peace and the upcoming bi-annual Chicago’s Day of Service next January. One of the brand - new pastors closed out our talk with the testimonial about the three

shock shoes, offered one final Praise the Lord/Hallelujah and we were on our way. ✿
in the weeks since he returned from Israel and Bishop Ri Hun Kim has not lost a step—he has been running and running. From Israel to Chicago’s prayer breakfast without time for a deep breath. Then from banquet to banquet and on to East Garden to welcome True Parents back to America. And even after all that, he mentioned that he felt that True Parents were due to come home very soon.

Call it a feeling, a spiritual connection, or whatever, but the next thing we knew, Bishop Kim was on a jet leaving for Irvington, New York. Then he was back in Chicago, attending Minister Park Juhun’s “Day of Atonement” and blessing 20,000 people there.

In the midst of all this, we began planning for the 9th annual True Family Values Banquet. Bishop Kim felt sure that True Parents would be in attendance this year. It would be held in early or mid December in downtown Chicago. So the Chicago community came together and began planning the guest list (about 1200-1500), dignitaries and VIPs, proclamations, media coverage, the banquet ad book, which hotel to choose, which weekend to hold the banquet, and on and on.

Then a new flash! True Parents were in fact, coming to Chicago. Suddenly we were on a conference call with our entire Midwestenthalbloc. The banquet had been moved up.

from 2 months to 10 days away. And still, I never saw Bishop Kim even flinch! Everything would stay the same. No panic, no worry. Just efficient and effective planning – in order for one thing and one thing alone - to bring joy to our True Parents.

So, basically, on twelve hours’ notice, a new dispensation was begun. Bishop Kim and the center members prepared thousands of bags of holy candy to teach minister would carry home a bag with enough candy to bless each of their members, and we jumped into gear to fill the 1200 seat banquet hall just 10 days away. Once again, Dr. Porter’s banquet hall was filled to overflowing for the prayer breakfast. Jon and Marina Acedo had just returned from their sojourn to the Philippines and had brought Ambassador for Peace and Israeli pilgrimage veteran Rosendo Buciogia and other Hispanic guests. CARP and the Special Task Force were well represented, and as always, several new ministers were in attendance. Our beloved Lutheran pastor, Dr. Paul Swanson, got the spiritual jump on everyone and taught the very first banquet ticket. (Was it for $50.00 or $5000?—as Bishop Kim noted, it had three zeros after the number 5) After a scrumptious breakfast, Dr. White called for prayer. After all, this is a PRAYER breakfast. Three guests were chosen to pray for the family, the nation and the world at war, the specific situation in our own home state of Illinois (two terrible bus accidents have occurred in this past week), and the critical time of this upcoming electoral process.

Now we were ready to receive the word of God. Through the blessing and grace of our very Rev. Michael Jenkins (who is in Jerusalem as I write these words), we were treated to the heart and words of the Rev. Bennet Hayes, who had just flown up from Houston. Texas. Rev. Hayes gave a deep and inspiring homily. He talked about his own testimony: how personal relationship with Father and Mother Moon and his experience at the Divine Principle seminar in Ocean City, Maryland. He talked about his personal struggles listening to and trying to digest Rev. Phillip Schanker’s Divine Principle lecture about the life of John the Baptist. Rev. Hayes then testified about how he had left the lecture hall and returned to his room. Then and only then, God began to work on this Baptist preacher directly. He was pointed to the passages in his very own Bible which demonstrated plain as day that although John was the “greatest born of woman,” he would be “least in the kingdom of heav’n” (Matt. 11:11).

And then, for the first time in his life, Rev. Hayes began to truly understand.
IIFWP International Peace Conference for Mongolian Leaders from Around the World

From September 21 – 24, 2004 the Interreligious and International Federation for World Peace, and the Interreligious and International Peace Council sponsored its first ever “International Peace Conference for Mongolian Leaders from Around the World.” The subtitle of the conference was “Establishing a World Culture of Heart and Lasting Peace: The Significance of Mongolian History, Culture, and Family Tradition.”

The conference concept was a direct inspiration of Dr. Sun Myung Moon. It was called with his typical providential urgency and much of its formulation and development occurred under his direct supervision.

Very important to note is how term “Mongolian Leaders” was used in this context. The closest concept yet even hat not perfect is “people of Mongolian descent.” Furthermore, this notion of Mongolian descent was conceived in the broadest manner possible. Mongolians were considered racially and ethically from the most ancient imaginable origins, well past common points of consensus among ethnographers and scientific historians. Dr. Moon recommends that the earliest Mongolians are descendents of Shem (Noah’s family), and historical migrations brought this race to every corner of the world including Northeast Asia, North and South America, Micronesia, and other locations.

Reverend Kwak in several of his speeches, including his keynote address recommended that Mongolians (in this ultimately broad construct) are descendents of Shem.

God sought to create one race, one nation, world, culture, and language centering on Noah’s family. Through this he could bring a unified world. A world no longer characterized by the kind of confrontation and struggle among races, religious nations, ideologies, languages, customs, and cultures that we see today.

Sadly though, mistakes were made in Noah’s family and ... God had to begin all over again... The eldest son from that new start is the ancestor for the Mongolian people today (The descendents of Shem...)

This observation about elder son has implications.

Reverend Kwak, later in the same speech explained to those gathered:

From a providential point of view the elder son must protect and preserve the purity of God’s lineage of goodness ... He has the responsibility to live for the sake of his younger siblings and the entire creation through true love.

From this point of view, it is clear to see that the inner purpose of this conference has great and enduring significance. Because the operating definition of “Mongolian Leaders from Around the World,” is so broad, the primary constituents were Mongolian, Korean, Japanese, and Chinese. But also representatives from 34 other nations were also present. Participants numbered 300 in all.

Important aspects of the conference were ceremonial, artistic, and experiential. There were heartwarming occasions of song and performance, especially at the opening and closing banquets. One session included a ceremony to dedicate marriage and family to the cause of world peace. In the session prior to the closing banquet a benediction and siblinghood ceremony allowed participants from the world over to meet, establish channels for ongoing communication, and devote themselves to one another across religious and national boundaries to work for peace, in the name of inheriting the mission of the Mongolian peoples. The closing banquet had a great many uplifting moments. A number were given to outstanding leaders, a coronation ceremony for the King and Queen of Peace was held lastly to allow the Mongolian peoples to honor Reverend and Mrs. Moon (in absentia) for their life of dedication to world knowledge and receive the mission of the Mongolian peoples. Additionally the formal inauguration for the Mongolian People’s Federation for World Peace took place.

In addition to these substantial occasions of ceremony, art, experience, and dedication, the conference incorporated a solid foundation of scholarship and intellectual pursuits. Sessions included Rediscovering the Roots of Mongolian Culture: Tradition, Lineage, Religion, Language, and History. Exploring the History and Interaction Among the Nations and Cultures of Northeast Asia. The Culture of Heart and Efforts for Peace, and Addressing Issues of Family Breakdown. These sessions showcased scholars from top universities in China, Japan, Korea, and Mongolia offering excellent research and analysis into the issues at hand.

The initiative has far reaching implications for international and race relations in Asia, the Northeast, and throughout the world. It is an initiative with exceptional vision and creativity with genuine promise for a future world of peace.

Special Works Commemorating the 10th Anniversary of the Cheongpyeong Providence! January 15–19 2005

A special event will be held from January 15–19, 2005 to commemorate the 10th Anniversary of the Cheongpyeong Providence and the 70th Workshop. This significant event will be held with True Parents at Cheongpyeong Heaven and Earth Training Center. We invite you to join us and hope that many people can attend and receive special grace.


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Can We Heal the Wounds of Racism?

by Raven Bradford Gow

I n his book Strength to Love (Fortress Press), Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. tells the story of three black college students who had been severely injured in an auto accident. An ambulance driver appeared on the scene, but he said he would not drive the three black boys to the hospital. However, a Good Samaritan following the ambulance agreed to take the boys to the nearest hospital; unhappily, the attending physician said the hospital served only white persons. So the Good Samaritan had to drive the three boys to a hospital fifty miles from the scene of the accident. One boy died on the way, and the other two boys died within an hour after arrival.

Rev. King observes that the problem is “We see men as Jews or Gentiles, Catholics or Protestants, Chinese or Americans. Negroes or whites. We fail to think of them as fellow human beings made from the same basic stuff as we are, molded in the same divine image.”

The good neighbor looks beyond the external accidents and discerns those inner qualities that make all men human and, therefore, brothers.

Writing about the devastating personal and social effects of racism in the August 27, 2004, Jackson, MS, Clarion-Ledger, columnist Charley Rees said: “One of the worst racial bigotry I know is a man from Brooklyn who was badly beaten by public by three black hoodlums. Instead of recognizing that three individual hoodlums do not represent the whole, he has spent his life hating black people. Some black people, having had bad experiences with white individuals, spend their lives hating whites.”

A member of St. James Episcopal Church, Greenville, MS, says racism exists in the minds and hearts of all people. He insists, “There are black racists as well as white racists.”

What, then, can we do to alleviate the problems of racism in our society? Mrs. Henry Armstrong, a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Greenville, and an employee of Head Start in the city, states: “My husband is a Baptist minister and I am a convert to Catholicism; we both agree the Christian way to deal with racism is put it in the hands of God.”

Human beings cannot solve the problems of racism, she insists; only God can.

Mrs. Carrie Cooper, a retired teacher and nurse and member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Greenville, says: “When I would tell my mother about encountering racism, she would say to let God handle the situation. Our God is a God of justice as well as a God of love; He will see to it that the innocent are protected and the guilty are punished, if not on earth then surely in the hereafter.”

Mrs. Lovie Williams endured racism from patients, doctors and co-workers for being one of the few black nurses in Greenville, MS. She states: “Only Christian love can deal with the problems of racism. I always kept in mind why I was a nurse, and that was to help heal others and save their lives. When people were racist toward me, I asked God to let His love and my faith overcome all obstacles.”

Mary Turner, an office manager for a prominent judge in Chick County, Ark., who attends Catholic churches in Lake Village, Ark. and Greenwood, US, says: “One time my car broke down, and a black Christian lady stopped to help me. I always remembered the kindness shown me by the black Christian lady. So when a couple of years later I saw a Chinese man and his hand-capped relative in their broken-down car, I was happy to help them and return the kindness that had been shown me.”

Like Mary Turner and Lovie Williams, the author of Living in Color (InterVarsity Press), Randy Wool, president of Eagle’s Wings Ministry in Kentucky, insists that only Christian love can overcome racism: “From love flows appreciation for the uniqueness and similarities of others...”

American. My father displayed much spiritual insight and wisdom in his response: “You should always behave as a gentleman and treat others with respect and courtesy. You cannot go wrong treating others the way you want to be treated. Even when people are rude and discourteous to you, you should do the right thing and be courteous and respectful to them.”

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SFP: Make a Difference Day

Service for Peace mobilized its volunteers in six locations to join with thousands of others for the annual Make a Difference Day sponsored by the USA WEEKEND Magazine and the Points of Light Foundation. It was an opportunity to do some good in the neighborhood.

MIAMI, FL

Service for Peace (SFP) Florida kicked off its “Realization of Leileune Gardens (RGLI) Initiative” on Make A Difference Day. This long term initiative will bring the residents together with volunteers in revitalizing the Leileune Gardens community.

PATTERSON, NJ

On Saturday, October 16, 2004 Patterson became a cleaner place to live. All you have to do is walk through the East side Park, take a glance at the Passaic River, or take a drive down Route 30. The world is beginning to look brighter.

Thanks to sponsoring organizations such as Village Initiative, NJ Community Developing Corporation, Service for Peace and the City of Patterson, youth from all around the county came to offer their morning in service. About 100 kids came from different cultures and backgrounds and came excited about making a change in the world they live in. They were so excited that they could not complete their work in less than 4 hours. They really had a chance to experience an impact that they can make especially when working with others. One of the participants commented, “It was incredible to work together with a racially diverse group while helping each other take care of our environment. I feel that working with people from different backgrounds helps me see how alike we are.”

The city of Patterson couldn’t let the amazing work of these young people go unnoticed. Mayor Torres provided breakfast, lunch, as well as providing CD players and small stereo to over half the participants! All in all it was an event worth attending, next time for sure the turnout will be bigger and participants more numerous.

WORCESTER, MA

This exciting day began at 9 AM with a one-hour workshop on Leadership and Service at Friendly House, 36 Wall Street in Worcester, led by Pete Shungu, the Community Outreach Coordinator at Mass. College of Pharmacy. This was a fun interactive seminar designed to inspire young people to volunteer in their community and to believe that they can make a difference.

Representatives from several different schools and church groups showed up with a total of sixty four adults and youth volunteers. Our goal was to reclaim the park and playground behind the school. Friendly House! Friendly House is a non-profit organization which provides a wide variety of services, including a very active after-school program and services for the elderly and the homeless. Over time, due largely to a lack of funds, the Friendly House playground has become dangerous and unusable. Youth and adult volunteers worked hard to demolish and level the old playground. A local business has donated a gazebo that will be built on one part of the playground. In addition, Friendly House has purchased 900 bulbs they will be planted this week-end in that area. As elderly people use FH regularly, the gazebo and garden will be a wonderful addition, a place where they can sit and enjoy themselves. In the park, a lot of work was done by adults with chain saws, and the youth helped to cut back the brush and drag it to the truck for transport to the DPW yard.

This park has been overgrown and unused since 1975. A truck load of garbage was also cleaned up.

Some of the neighbors came to admire the work of these volunteers, inspired that so much energy and effort is being put into making their neighborhood a beautiful place again. City councilor Philip F. Palmerie thanked everyone for the work they were doing and explained how much this effort helped the neighborhood and the city. As the sun went down on the day we met together to reflect and plan upcoming service projects. Of course this project has a long way to go and we will continue working on it every Sat from 9am to noon as long as the weather permits. So if you would like to join us just show up or contact Service for Peace.

NEW YORK, NY

Service For Peace New York joined with the Westchester County Parks department and three local colleges - SUNY Purchase, Manhattanville, and Pace to spruce up local trails and parks along the South County Trail in Elmsford NY, and in Silver Lake Park in Harrison. Like many of the local trails and parks, non-native species are proving a biological threat to the environment that can lead to worse. For example, last year a dead tree fell and killed a couple driveway with their infant child (who survived) on a local parkway. 85 of our volunteers made a difference by removing vines that were choking native hard wood trees, and at the same time opening up new views for the trails many users.

CHICAGO, IL

This year’s Make A Difference Day project was amazing. We were joined by volunteers and staff from the Chicago Forest Preserve. The National Arbor Society, the Phi Sigma Sigma sorority, The Chicago Peace Family Church and World Citizen Project participated in the “Pick the Buckingham” event at Spring Creek.

The morning of the project the group of us headed out to the Spring Creek Forest Preserve in Barrington IL. After taking some time to find this remote location, including a few wrong turns and misread maps, we arrived at the site to be welcomed by lots and lots of rain. Not sure what to think of the situation, we pulled into the gravel parking lot in the forest clearing. In front of us was the view of blurred blue t-shirts gathered in the distance. “Let’s do it.” a girl said as she got out into the rain. Following behind her I pulled my hood over my head and went over to get soaked with the rest of the group. Who knew that this wet beginning would be the start to Make a Difference Day.

The first thing I noticed was the volunteers’ attitudes towards the rain. The wet weather was definitely not dampening anyone’s spirits. The preparation area had been cheerfully putting together peanut butter and jelly sandwiches under the little shelter they could find. A group of guys actually got a game of football going with one of the peanut butter jars for a ball. Then, when Artie, who led the orientation, jumped onto one of the picnic tables and yelled, “You guys ready to cut down some buckthorns?” There was a loud, energized cheer from everyone in response. He shared about what the things we were doing for peace and not only service for service. This included an explanation on how and why we set a challenging goal for the day. We then gathered in smaller, more intimate groups where SFP team leaders helped volunteers define their project.
The 2nd Generation Thanksgiving Workshop was held in Los Angeles, November 26, 27 and 28th - 2004. The theme of the workshop was “Knowing my value and developing my relationship with God.” It has been our tradition here in Los Angeles to hold a Thanksgiving Workshop for middle and high school 2nd Generation students for the past 7 years. This year, with 46 high school students and 31 middle schoolers, our Pasadena House as a location for the workshop took a little wear and tear but survived the challenge.

Nonetheless, Pasadena House is an excellent location to hold a workshop. The sanctified atmosphere and the beautiful gardens surrounding the house help create an excellent place for young people to experience God’s love.

And this year, they especially felt more love from our Heavenly Father. Preparation for this workshop, with its theme “Knowing my value and developing my relationship with God,” went a lot more smoothly this year than in previous years. This was mostly due to Rev. Baek Joong Ku’s encouragement to put in place second generation leadership.

The second generation leadership comprised of Mitsu Kuramoto, Josiah Larson, Shawn McCarthy, Maria Ancey and Jamie Mitchell did a fantastic job of putting this workshop together. Under the guidance of workshop coordinator Elizabeth Manaka, the second generation workshop leaders prepared a very enjoyable schedule for our kids.

Besides the staple Divine Principle lectures such as Principles of Creation, Fall of Man and Restoration, we had lectures on Core Values taught by Shigen Tanaka, Hebrewism and Hellenism in current times taught by Jack Ashworth, and Jesus: who is he and why is he important to us? by Keith McCarthy. In addition to the above specified topics, Rev. Baek Joong Ku gave spiritual and practical guidance to the high schoolers while Rev. Godwin D’Silva gave a motivational talk to the middle schoolers on how to have a bigger vision. Well, it was not all study; there were numerous group discussion breaks interspersed with sports activities such as soccer and bowling. Our youngsters enjoyed good meals prepared by our many parent volunteers who were coordinated by Carol Takhar. Parent volunteers had prepared nice meals such as a delicious turkey dinner on Saturday night and also a wonderful baked chicken lunch on Sunday.

Overall, everyone enjoyed this tightly packed 3-day Thanksgiving workshop. In the closing Rev. Ku gave each family a Korean Language Study CD-ROM as a gift.

Then, at the end, everyone posed for group pictures.

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goals.

We had the same goal in our minds, and even as we broke up into different areas of the prairie, we truly felt like we were one. As the day progressed and the buckthorn started coming down the rain stopped. It really perks up the atmosphere around the volunteers. Throughout the day, rain or not, some people were really working hard. Quite a few girls from the Phi Sigma Sigma sorority, who came out for the project, were great inspirations for other volunteers as well.

The 80 volunteers who came all stepped up to make sure every job was accomplished. Each of us played a unique role. Our tasks became intertwined and dependent on each other which created an awesome sense of teamwork. Stepping back to look over the whole prairie, you could see this great diversity and cooperation spreading threw all the groups; it was a very motivating sight. Tracy Polanski from Phi Sigma Sigma said, “It was a definite good experience. I felt like I did something today and I never got bored!”

Raising sounding like a cliche, this Make a Difference Day truly made a difference for all of us. We got the chance to brave the weather, challenge ourselves, and in teamwork find a rainbow after the storm. I’ll be looking forward to make a difference next year.

BELLINGHAM, WA

The Bellingham Service for Peace kids joined in with the city wide MADD program organized by the Whatcom Volunteer Center. We worked on a salmon habitat restoration project headed up by the Noosack Salmon Enhancement Assn. 5 High School youth, all veterans of the Summer of Service and all other past SFP projects, worked in the rain planting trees along Whatcom Creek.

Our next Bellingham project will be serving Thanksgiving meals to the elderly and disabled on Nov. 23rd.
In Memory of Lady Dr. Kim

by Dr. Cherrie J. Gish

Her Name: "Shin Work" means "Sunrise Faith".
She ascended on 2004/11/16 at age 90.
Sad to say, she wrote a calligraphy on 2004/11/19 with the words of "Attunement to Faith and Attendance to Heaven..." I believe her new life in career in the new Heavenly realm is defined with absolute faith and attendance.

Her name appeared to us many times in 1970’s when I was one of the early members in Taiwan. Through her guidance and instruction, we had done at least 3 spiritual liberation ceremonies at the individual, tribal, and national levels.

Besides True Parents, she is the one whose example and words I shared and quoted most to inspire members and myself in our life of faith.

Her Life: I didn’t know much about the details of the sacrifice and sufferings of her life course, however, I can tell from her profound insight and wisdom into the issues we propose. She told me that she had 7 operations before and was not afraid of being cut again. Her profession is the same as mine—Obstetrician & Gynecologist, she had delivered over 5,000 new babies, among them, 5 are True Children. And she said that later, True Parents gave her a ring as a special gift. She immigrated into America as a mission to pray pretty early in 1971, first True Father wished her to become an Ob-Gyn doctor in the U.S., later assigned her the title and mission of a "spiritual doctor". And she had been doing an excellent job on spiritual counseling with her whole heart and soul ever since.

First Impression: Before meeting her, the image of her in my mind was such like a "spiritual giant", pushing us to fast or making some tough conditions. I first met her in New York in 1989, and during the spiritual workshop and ancestral liberation ceremony time in California in 1991, I served as her assistant.

The true image and real impression of her was: She is a great lady, yet short and slender; she is powerful, yet humble; wise, yet humorous. I was supposed to fast to help the spiritual work, but when she heard that I was fasting, she advised me not to, and immediately shared half of her dinner with me.

Her Lifestyle: Her lifestyle was an excellent example of "living for the benefit of others". She is always serving member and guests. While she lived in New Yorker hotel in 1980’s.

I sometimes stayed with her all day long, and witnessed her beautiful heart and acts of attendance to others. If the visitors came in near the meal time, she must treat them a nice meal: what if it’s the time between the meals? Yes, of course, she would serve them tea and snacks. She moved very fast, in no time there was something ready to serve. So I really appreciated and learned from her the great way of loving people through "service with heart". However, she was very smart, too. For example, if she stayed up late last night, she would put a sign on the board of her room (named "How You Speaking?" saying that guests will be repected e.g. after 10am, so that she would not be overstretched in the next day.

How to be a Great Spiritual Master

I never asked her this question directly, yet I got the answer from her deeds and words:

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by B.J. Brewer

Five Sun Hwa Academy students between the ages of 10 and 19 blessed 3200 people in 15 minutes during the Christmas Parade Dec. 2 in Baytown Texas as part of their 40 day Jr. STP prep condition to become an extended part of True Family.


Students at Sun Hwa Academy Truemy Brewer engaged for two weeks for the Christmas Parade. They registered with the Baytown Park and Recreation prior to the parade and paid a 10 fee. The students decorated the Brewer family 26 foot pontoon boat as a Christmas float with shiny gold and silver fabric, Christmas lights and big red bows and stockings. The students then bought off and Santa hats at the dollar store and red and green T-shirts at Hobby Lobby to wear during the parade.

Rev. George Brewer bought 35 lb. of candy at Sam’s that Aunt DJ Brewer blessed with Holy Wine.

Although the parade instructions forbade the throwing of candy from floats, the students creatively bypassed the rule. The kids ran along side the float and threw out candy to the screaming throngs. Truemy got stopped by a policeman. She feigned drunkenness and mound standing him, and as soon as he was gone, she grinned at the crowd and started throwing out more candy. They laughed and cheered her on, eagerly reaching out to get some.

People were wild with excitement to get the candy. Grown men and women were yelling, "What about us? Where is our candy??"

When they saw Aunt DJ throwing out candy from the float, they would point to themselves and plead for you to throw it to them -- not just kids -- PARENTS! Fathers and mothers calling eager to get candy. Teenagers. Old kids. Teeny kids. The parade was huge.

Sun Hwa students emptied their candy baskets in seconds and returned to walk along side the float and have their baskets refilled. The thirty five pounds of blessing candy went quickly, with people grabbing and eating the candy as quickly as it could be thrown to them. If we would have had 100 pounds of candy and fifty thousand pieces, we could have blessed that many. The students eagerly gave out candy and ran completely out before they even reached the thick of the crowds that day in Baytown.

The throngs at the parade pleaded for candy long after the Sun Hwa Texas students ran out. The students apologized from the float saying, "We will bring more candy next year! Sorry we ran out!"

Aunt DJ Brewer repeated for failing to prepare enough candy, and made an absolute determination that NEXT time to bring enough to bless 10,000 people.

Sun Hwa Academy Texas recommends checking your community to see if there is a parade where you can bless people. Even without a float, you can get a red T-shirt and a Santa hat and walk among the crowds at the parade throwing out candy. It is very effective.

Aunt DJ Brewer attributes the success of the parade to the amazing conditions that the students are doing for 40 Day Jr. STP prep conditions.

After preparing a Thanksgiving banquet for 22 people Thanksgiving Day, the students did an all night hoon dink bae for 6 hours straight, reading hoon dink bae until sunrise. The students decided upon and created a challenging daily schedule for their students during the 40 day Jr. STP change. On Dec. 3 the day after the parade, the students read the Divine Principle all the way through in one day. They are culminating their 40 day Jr. STP prep condition with a 3200 road trip to the Grand Canyon, where they will camp out in the desert 3 days, hiking and rock climbing. They will end the year at the 2nd generation workshop in Dallas. The photo is of the 5 Sun Hwa students who handed out 3,200 pieces of candy in twenty minutes! Posing playfully, left to right are Truemy Brewer age 15; Madison Brewer age 10; Jin Kayadu age 16; Chie Kim age 13; Chris Olsen age 19.

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Another student sported a "I have stopped brainwashing kids yet" variety. See the back page for details.

In Sun Hwa Academy Blessing

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GET MOVING

Paul Carlson

Mr. Carlson’s view on moving and adoption

Moving is one of the most stressful things an adult can do, and leaving for a new and unfamiliar area can bring profound changes for children.

Yet we keep doing it. Californians are the worst, in selling their homes and moving on, every few years. In small Midwestern towns, most of the residents were born and raised there, often in the very same house. Out here, in many towns, it’s hard to find anyone from California, much less who grew up in the neighborhood.

Through history, people have migrated. For some ethnic groups it’s a way of life. Many others left home to escape труд: or to seek fertile land, and paying jobs. In this modern era, we have extra reasons to go. Here in the Bay Area, many families have moved closer to our church and school facility; while some headed for the Sierra foothills, where family life remains affordable.

If you really have to move, there are many things to consider. Will you do the job yourself? If so, you’ll save a lot of money. Will you rent a U-Haul, or use your buddy’s work van? For the furniture and large appliances, do you ask friends to help carry them, or hire day laborers? A big U-Haul will consolidated your trips, and paying your friends is usually better.

You could hire professional movers. Most will do a quick and competent job, but you have to be careful. A few small-dish outfits will be two big guys and one small pickup truck, even if it’s pouring rain. Some companies, especially on the East Coast, might hold your household goods hostage to a sudden, sharp increase in their fees. If you’re moving right in, most companies use vaults [huge plywood boxes] to store your property. But some new (and perhaps cheaper) outfits will create a giant mound with all your stuff, piling it next to many other people’s, filling up some dingy warehouse.

How will you know which company to use? Do your research first!

The same goes for your new neighborhood. Experts suggest an inspection of the area every day and night, touring the schools and shops, and chatting it up with local residents. A few blocks either way can make quite a difference, and you’d never know it from a street map.

freedom

The right to move is an essential freedom. It’s the ability to choose for oneself, and live and work in the best possible location. Its lack would be inconceivable to most Americans, yet this right was denied people for much of history. In some repressive societies, it still is.

Not surprisingly, a few Americans (with too much time on their hands) have taken this to extremes. For example, in claiming that a “Constitutional right to travel” means they don’t need a driver’s license. The police do not agree.

Mass migration has changed the face of the globe. The western hemisphere was probably settled more than once, and by people of different racial backgrounds. Europe was swept, again and again, by its easternmost peoples, when they were forced to move west by marauding nomads out of the Asian steppe.

Today, in Asia and Africa, millions are leaving rural areas to crowd into burgeoning cities. There, they can make some money, and experience the larger world. Due to this trend, agriculture, water usage, manufacturing, and much else has changed. When you phone any corporation’s 800 number, chances are you’ll be talking to a former village in India. (Foreign Policy magazine is a great source of information.)

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Most nations are highly restrictive of immigration. A handful of impoverished countries welcome immigrants, but they aren’t exactly popular destinations. Only one place, the United States, has let immigration get totally out of hand. Hundreds of thousands of Mexicans sneak across the southwestern border, most of them work hard, and a few to join vicious gangs.

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The BFD Adoption

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We are very grateful to Claire Bowers and Rachel Carter for volunteering to be the National Coordinators.

This is a link to the open page which contains contact information for Claire and Rachel:

www.familyfled.org/bfd/adoption

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The Beginning of a Film: An Original Screenplay, The Origin of Evil

by Erling Lea

As I was airing programs on public access cable TV over a 7-year period, I put just an approximately 400 hours of our church programs. I got burned out on it, but I also realized that people in America are extremely affected by TV, so much so that it’s scary. I wanted to go another level, and thought that I could maybe do so through filmmaking. I started to read every book about the subject, I attended filmmaking workshops, and I went to film festivals. I was wondering the best topic for a film would be, so as to have the greatest effect on this world. After thinking and reading Father’s words I realized it must be the Fall of Man. During every speech True Father gives, he mentions that if Adam and Eve hadn’t fallen, then such and such couldn’t have happened. One time I actually picked up one sentence in a speech by Father suggesting that a bail company should make a play about it. Anyway, I started to create a screenplay on my beat-up laptop. A film about this should show the Fall in a modern context and not just as an event that happened 6000 years ago. I decided to tell the original story of Adam and Eve, and include a modern dual story line. The story would be set during Adam’s time, and then move to modern times, and then back. I decided to start the story with the look of a silent black and white film, and show the Fall of Man, right from the Bible when Lucifer is tempting Adam and Eve with a literal fruit, and then jump to a modern story, and then end the movie with the same silent film effect after they eat the fruit.

The film should be made in a way so that people of all ages will want to see it, and not only for adults. Lucifer’s seduction of Eve would be suggested and understood rather than graphically portrayed. I had actors from DJ Streever’s school, the Sun Hwa Academy, and I did not want them to be exposed to any actual touching related to the Fall of Man!

I had wanted to make this movie for a long time, and I realized that I just have to make a start, just as I did to begin with public access television. One day I happened to be visiting Sun Hwa Academy, and there were many students with a little free time. I decided to make a trailer for The Origin of Evil. We spent a whole day at Sun Hwa, and ended up with only 3 minutes of finished footage after editing an hour of raw video footage. 2nd generation student Linda Pederson plays Eve. She is perfect in that role; she has a deep, old-fashioned look. Her fellow student Chris Olsen, with his handsome looks and long blond hair is perfect to play Lucifer.

The Fall of Man is tragic, and has no good guys among the central characters. To make the film more appealing and upbeat, I decided to show several pure and Godly angels working to prevent Lucifer from meeting Eve. I made Lucifer’s battle with Gabriel and Michael a central theme of the story, and show them expelling Lucifer from the Garden at the end of the film. This show of the power of goodness over evil is important so as to leave people with a sense of hope at the end of the movie. Lucifer’s deceit is also emphasized, as well as his ability to confuse and seduce Eve.

The script has been rewritten 5 times so far, and I am just about finished with the version I want to work with for now. I’m still looking for investors and other help anyone feels inspired to offer. I am promising Linda and Marlin Pederson that it will be done soon! I hope they can bear with me.

Actors or actresses near our location in Houston, Texas are needed for the film. I will use DV not film to keep the budget low. Anyone interested in the project please call, write or email me anytime. My address and other contact information are:

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