On March 29, leaders and representatives from around the world, Korean politicians and Korean members around 10,000 people participated in the 47th True Parent’s Day celebration at Cheonggyeong Heaven and Earth Training Center. The pledge service began at 8 a.m. with the entrance of our True Parents to the main hall.

After the lighting of the candles by True Parents, they prayed and bowed to God. Dr. Kwak Chung-hwan, the chairman of the FFWPU International and IIFWP International, as the emcee guided all the others to fulfill the pledge service.

After that Dr. Kwak and his wife offered a report prayer which was followed by the cake cutting by True Parents.

For hoondok reading, Dr. Kwak read father’s speech from the Chapter 7 of Chung Seong Gyeong, which is about “Life Centering on True Parents”, emphasizing the meaning of this important day and its influences in blessed families daily lives. Rev. Kwak read Father’s speech: “...Today is True Parents’ Day. You have to establish True Parents’ Day as your True Parents’ Day and your family have to establish as your families’ True Parents’ Day, society has to establish it as societies’ True Parents’ Day, that nation has to establish it as the nation’s True Parents’ Day. Then international True Parents’ Day can be established. see PARENTS’ DAY on page 4
The rejection of Jesus at the time of Jesus was the greatest Father wept and prayed slowly through and especially at the time of Jesus. This has come because the position of True Parents has been established and fulfilled, and it can never be reversed. On this foundation, all will be blessed. This is the 47th True Parents Day in history.

Father shared yesterday that we all must understand that we are in a huge war between good and evil. This is the time we have prepared for since the beginning; all of our training has been for this time.

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it is your parents’ celebration, should it not be a gift? I am so busy today, I am juggling so many things. We also have many international women who are with us. I want to talk with you so that we can have a good time together. What is True Parents’ Day? It is a great day and a very serious day.

We need food and preparations for the celebration. However, what is the most important thing? It is the love of the parents, whose blood and flesh mingle and create the heavenly blood lineage. The human fall was the breakdown of all these relationships: between God and humans, man and woman, parents and children. Everything was broken. Can you say that anyone is free in this situation? Is there no way to have happiness without relationship and without an object? This is what arises from the breakdown of the Fall. Can you live without the relationship of a man or woman? No matter how great a man or woman is, he or she cannot stand and be happy alone.

Can anyone buy True Parents? Can money buy the way to heaven? No. The most important gift is receiving the lost love that is recovered. The greatest gift you can give your parents is the love that they have sought from their children.

Some people cannot get along together. We search for our root lineage. If you put shit behind the word, it means seed and it also means respect. We are looking for our root lineage. Has there ever been a day like True Parents Day? God has been longing for a true object for a child, a youth, a middle-aged person and an old person. God has been longing for a true relationship on any and all levels. Have you truly loved your sons and daughters, wife or husband? Have you loved fully? If you get elected president but have not loved fully, then you will be like a thief.

Have you ever seen True Parents? Have you ever seen a true person? You might be the smartest kid who has done nice things and excellent work such that everything you do is fragrant. If God finds someone like that, would He be upset with that person’s teacher? What about Adam and Eve? The fall was such a great calamity. Dr. Kim, do you know about God? (No, not like you do). You are right, so you must listen, correct? Many persecuted me and many people were taken away from me. Even recently someone I really loved was taken away from me.

There are great things that can come on the level of the individual, family, nation and world. As you are going up the ladder, a friend may actually try to obstruct your way. There are times when people who were closest to me and went through the most hardships were taken away and went through suffering and great hardship on my behalf. I have found that if you over

come in that situation, God will come down to you. There are those who consider themselves VIPs who are not really VIPs. You should poke them in the side and ask, what kind of thing did you do to be called a VIP? I have spent my life and have not been loved much. Many rumors and much gossip still swirl around. I think I don’t hear the rumors, but I do. If they are false and you spread them, you must apologize. I never thought about keeping any thing to myself. If I find someone who is more deserving than my own family, I will give everything to him or her.

That’s the reason why I did a lot of things that caused a huge clamor. All the things that I did were just amazing. Satan can accuse about anything that is not right. He also has to testify if there is nothing wrong. Satan will try to oppose me. Why is that opposition necessary? Because we are going the way that Satan could not be forgiven, so he will be bitter persecuted and accused by Satan. Satan doesn’t want to let go. If you persevere for 30 years, your purity will be proclaimed, your fruit will be abundant, your lineage will be blood lineage. The fall happened in an instant, yet because it changed the blood lineage, it was the most serious crime of all history. Imagine if a bride whose marriage is taken away even by thieves and raped the night before. There would be no forgiveness for the thieves for staining the lineage.

The human ancestors stained and destroyed God’s blood lineage. I know the details of what happened. I had to allow the war for even Satan to be forgiven, so that there would be complete liberation for God. If Satan sinned but Adam could bring him to a natural surrender, bring him before God, and ask for forgiveness, then he could forgive.

Even Satan is in a miserable position. He wishes that he could be killed. If Adam comes up and says, “I will take upon myself all the sins of Satan and find a way of forgiveness for him,” God would say, “Go ahead.” Do you from Japan understand? How about the former army generals who are here? We must create a heavenly police force. “God’s Ideal Family: The Model for the Peaceful Kingdom of the Ideal World.” What is the purpose of all of this? We must reestablish the hometown of Adam and Eve.

What was the first thing that they lost? Lineage! Westerners don’t know about this. Do you understand? We have to reevaluate Adam from his bitter regret. If Adam is going forward to dance with God, would God regret that? What if Eve says, “I would like to dance with God.” Who would say, “I’m not going to dance with God”? If that kind of dance would occur, it would spread. But if I want to dance, I can’t dance easily because of the rumors that could try to oppose me.

Why do we call the True Parents the savior? Because they have found and

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connected the lineage of God. Why “messiah”? Because he is the one who comes to establish God’s true nation. He must connect with the chosen people and build the true nation of God. Was Moses God? He was God’s representative. The Jews have the Torah and the prophets, and yet they are still looking for the messiah. If they miss the messiah when he comes, they will lose so much. The Bible talks clearly about these ideas. Even communists can abandon their ideology when they understand the Principle. Even the communist people in the spirit world have testified to the Divine Principle and to me.

What is the only thing that has self-autonomy and creativity? True love that can give these qualities. (Father spoke very seriously to the Korean dignitaries.) I look upon you and to me.

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After we establish international True Parents’ Day, God’s ideal of creation, which is to establish True Parents, can be complete and we can liberate resentment of God who didn’t establish True Parents’ Day because of the Fall. After we establish True Parents’ Day in all of heaven and earth, resentment of restoration can be released completely.

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Many are still concerned about what I am doing. That’s the root of the Schen- gen treaty in Europe - it’s based on a special providence behind it. We have raised the banner to reform the UN. I went around to all the nations of the world to check everything. I could see that not all nations are under Amer- ica’s protection. If some can say that the savior of the communist world is Russia, what will happen? Many say the commu-
nist world is evil, but I have enormous trust in them there. The Japanese women who were trained at Yeou, please come for up. (Several trained ran up quickly). Soon these people will become the moth-
er flies in the presence. These women can be mobil-
ized with their Korean hus-

bands and can be mobilized with the kings and queens of the Ocean. (Father then asked for one sister to lead them in an Ocean song. The sisters sang like they were rowing a boat.) We have 12,000 Japanese women married to Koreans. We can make an army out of them.

Do not forget the three things lost at the Fall. (Then Father gathered the women Ambassadors for Peace from Korea represent-
ing Abel [about 250] and then all the police and mil-

itary generals that were there representing Cain. Father asked that they pair up and work to stop the corruption, violence, and prostitution in the various churches.) True Mother, please come and sit with me. Rev. Kwak, please explain the rallies that have gone on since Geneva. Geneva was the true birthplace of Christianity in Europe. It was also the place where the end of Communism was announced.

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ish, blood lineage.

What was the second cardinal sin that was committed? It was Cain killing Abel. The third thing that was lost from the Fall was the right of ownership. People are fighting over material and the Fall.

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tice of free sex, which is destruction. When you know that there is some-
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The event was organized by the International and Interreligious Federation for World Peace (IFWP) under its Chairman, Dr. Chung Hwan Kwak. Many prominent figures in Korean society participated in the rally that day including Lee Cheol-seung (Standing chairman, Korean National Congress for Freedom and Democracy), Kim Min-ha (Chairman, Association for Korean Ambassadors for Peace), Kim Bong-ho (former vice Speaker of the House), Yang Joon-gyu (former vice-president, Han-nara-dang), Cho Cheol-gyun (former minister of labor), Kim Yoon-deok (President, Korean Women’s Leaders Federation), Park Siül (former member of parliament), Lee Jin-seol (President, Central City), Huh Moon-do (former minister of National Unification), Na Yong-keun (Head of the Buddhist Limje Order), Pak Gang-soo (former president of Pai Chai University), Cho Nam-poong (former army commander) and Shin Eun-sook (President of Korean Women’s Political Caucus).

Participants listened to reports on the activities of IFWP followed by a special address by Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon, founder of IFWP. At the end of the rally they made a resolution to play a role as Ambassadors for Peace in bringing about world peace.

In the congratulatory address, Dr. Kim Min-ha spoke about Rev. Moon saying “What her: Dr. Sun Myung Moon has done throughout his entire life was initiating a movement toward peace based in true love so that all humanity could live in peace and happiness.” He called on all participants for their support in Rev. Moon’s efforts saying, “When you, as ambassadors for peace, contribute your experience and wisdom accumulated in each of your respective fields in this movement for peace, I am sure that it will help advance Rev. Moon’s cause for peace and will play a significant and meaningful part in bringing peace and prosperity to the Korean Peninsula.”

On this day Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon spoke on “God’s Model Ideal Family and Nation, and the Peace Kingdom.” In his address Rev. Moon emphasized about the ideology of true love which shows that peace was not in the distance but could be found in each person’s family.

Rev. Moon explained that “a world of peace is where people live together in harmony” and that “the family sets the pattern for living together in harmony.” He stressed that “we should all create and live as ideal families based on true love.” He reminded those there that “expanding the ideal family is the mission of an Ambassador for Peace as well as God’s desire,” and that “when the model ideal family is anchored, that is when the peace kingdom in other words the world of peace will be ushered in.”

Explaining that “The age in which the unreasonable and corrupt world plays havoc, allowing those who are evil to live better than others, is passing away,” he urged them to “become the proud ‘peace kingdom police’ and ‘peace kingdom corps’ of the Universal Peace Federation, and protect the blessed families of the world,” and to “fulfill our roles as the sentinels watching over this blessed land that is our planet.”

Three ambassadors for peace, Lee Cheol-gi (vice chairman, National Elders Council), Kim Joo-seok (former executive secretary to the prime minister), Seo Dae-seok (former international vice president, Lions Club International), also took the podium and talked about their successes in educating the Korean people through their lectures that they gave on peace as they toured the nation. IFWP will host similar rallies on the 22 and 23 for ambassadors for peace in the field of society, education, religion and journalism, and those involved in politics, the economy, security issues and gender equality respectively. From March 25 to April 3 a series of education on peace in Korea will be held in the major cities in Korea including Seoul and Cheonan for 1 million people.

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**Partnership, Peacebuilding and Sustainable Development**

*by Rev. Dr. Chung Hwan Kwak*

This address was given in Tokyo, Japan, on March 19, 2006.

Welcome to the Asia-Pacific Island Nations Summit sponsored by the Universal Peace Federation. The topic we are here to discuss and take action on is Partnership, Peacebuilding and Sustainable Development: Strengthening the Community of Asia-Pacific Island Nations.

As you know, the Universal Peace Federation is guided by two primary principles. The first is the principle of true love; that is, unselfish love, and living for the sake of others. The second is the principle of unification through give and take practices such as dialogue, service, reconciliation, harmony, and cooperation.

The purpose of this conference is to apply these core principles in our thinking about partnership, peacebuilding and sustainable development in Asian-Pacific Island Nations.

Father Moon has visited the islands of the Asia-Pacific region many times. He lived in Japan as a young student, in his youth, studying electrical engineering. Although he was an ardent resister to the Japanese occupation of Korea, he has a deep love for the Japanese people, and feels as though they are close relatives. This love and respect extends also to the other.

He stated that the island nations of the Pacific have a central role to play in God’s providence to establish lasting peace. In 1996, he established the Federation of Island Nations for World Peace, with a purpose of promoting increased dialogue and cooperation among island nations. More recently, he has been reinvigorating the need for the island nations of the Asia-Pacific region to work together. In fact, he has recommended that these nations form a stronger alliance for the sake of peace and stability in the region.

One concern he has, and this is also a concern of Koreans, is the power and influence of larger nations in the region, the so-called superpowers. Although the Cold War era has passed, the pursuit of national self-interest remains strong. Many very powerful nations are seeking to influence smaller nations, and often these motives are not entirely altruistic.

In addition to the problems related to global political affairs, island nations, as illustrated by both the Barbados SIDS meeting in 1995 and the Mauritius SIDS meeting in 2005, have many shared concerns: climate change and global warming, sustainable development, capacity building and human resource development, health issues and especially HIV/AIDS, cultural identity, etc. We will address many of these issues during this Summit.

All around us, in many respects, we see a worsening global situation, characterized by the growth of interreligious discord, global tension, conflict, terrorism, and poverty.

This is why the Founder launched the Universal Peace Federation on November 12, 2005, and proceeded to embark on a 120 nation speaking tour to spread the vision of the UPF. He took up the world tour at the risk of his very life, saying he could not sit back and watch as the windows of opportunity for peace were closing one after the other. “Even if it costs me my life,” he said, “I will not hold back.”

In the message he carried around the world, he defined his movement as an “Abel UN,” as “a United Nations whose efforts for peace are offered to Heaven, investing itself ceaselessly in living for the sake of others.”

The root principle of UPF is true love. If UPF does not embody the spirit of true love it has very little value, and it will not be the agent of peace we hope it to be. Let us always keep this in mind.

Where are we to get this substance, true love? It has to come from each of us, based on our relationship with God, the original owner and source of true love.

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**Japan Conference on ‘Abel’ United Nations**

*by John Elsegodd*

A t the Universal Peace Federation’s Asia-Pacific Island Nations Summit, held in Tokyo March 27, 2006, the chairman of the organization, Rev. Dr. Chung Hwan Kwak, called on the world’s great religions to restore and repair damaged relations.

Lasting peace could not be established without this important religious ingredient. Good governance needed the input of the great faiths working for the eternal goal of interreligious dialogue and harmony. Spiritual and moral dimensions could not be divorced from the socio-economic dimensions of human life, he argued.

Accordingly, the UPF is committed to a renewal process of the United Nations which must include an interreligious council of that body.

Drawing on the story from the Bible of the two brothers, Cain and Abel, Dr. Kwak said it was time that the domination of human history by carnal opportunists like Cain came to an end; and instead, an Abel-like transformation of persons and institutions was needed. This living for others’ would promote reconciliation—and ultimately peace.

Dr. Kwak’s address had added resonance, considering the current situation of the Christian convert Abdul Rahman who was facing the death penalty in Afghanistan for converting away from Islam, just as the UPF conference met in Japan. Indeed, President George W. Bush’s comments about the disturbing violation of the universal values and the inalienable right of an individual to choose, serve to highlight the need for continual inter-faith dialogue.

The secretary-general of UPF, Dr. Thomas Walsh, said that Regional and National Peace Councils would be formed and peace initiatives in both the Middle East and Northeast Asia—where the Koreas meet—would be intensified.

In addition, stronger ties with the media, the establishment of special working groups, and the development of formal relations with governments, NGOs and intergovernmental organizations would follow. The Peace Corps-styled peacemakers would go to trouble spots to negotiate and assist the process of reconcilia-

In addition, UPF’s expanding corps of Ambassadors for peace would continue to be active in character education programs and HIV/AIDS prevention.

Concern was also expressed at the amount of Chinese penetration in the Pacific, with island nations being drawn into the PRC’s web of influence with capital works projects being funded by...
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cative of China’s efforts to modernize itself and “to embrace China with true love and work on bringing mutual prosperity for both China and Japan.” While touching upon the many tragedies, threats and global con-
lict that befell humankind, Rev. Oya-
mada strongly affirmed that the only way in resolving these conflicts is through a “life of liv-
ing for the sake of others based on true love” and of “forgiving one’s enemies through a parental heart.” He went on to introduce True Father and True Moth-
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gratulatory remarks. From Japan, Mr. Tatsuo Sato, a member of the House of Representa-
tives, came up and expressed his enthusi-
asiasm of having come to know Rev. Moon saying that he was truly a great and amazing person. From Korea, Mr. Bong-
ho Kim, former deputy speaker of the house, commented on Rev. Moon’s endeavors with the Jochangryun and lauded his popularity in Japan. Representing the 120
diplomats from 26 island nations attending the Asia-Pacific Island Nations Summit, Sir James Richard Mancham, founding president of Seychelles Republic, thanked Japan for its warm and generous hos-
pitality and applauded Rev. Moon for the success of his recent world tour for inaugurating the Universal Peace Fed-
eration worldwide. On this note, the program moved on to a congratulatory song by Ms. Fumi-
ka Goto who gave an excellent perform-
ance of ‘The Lord’s Prayer.’ A video presentation followed show-
ning the details of the inaugural rally of the Universal Peace Federation.
By this time the participants were ready to accept the message for this day’s main speaker.
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versial speech, addressed the sensitive issues of nuclear power for some nations but not oth-
ers in the region of Northeast Asia, and how it impacted the geo-political relations between governments.
It cannot be said that the root system. However, if we wish to truly establish God-centered marriages and lineage is it possible to build a world of lasting peace. As such, we wish to bring about profound changes in our world, for the sake of lasting peace.

As much as we would like to look back at the past and consider the tour, I want instead to share the UPF’s vision for the future.

Building an “Abel UN”

The Universal Peace Federation is committed to renewal of the United Nations, including the work of establishing an interreligious council as an organ of the United Nations. At the same time, the UPF seeks to develop an independent institution which functions in the world as an “Abel UN.”

As we know, Cain and Abel are the sons of Adam and Eve, born after their parents had been expelled from the Garden of Eden. The two sons both sought the favor of their parents and of heaven. Of the two, Abel’s heart toward heaven was more sincere, humble and sacrificial. Abel was a filial son who sought to serve the will of God. By contrast, Cain was driven by passion, wisdom and courage.

Governments fail when the practices of religion are not followed; on the other hand, the UPF has established “Peacebuilding Commission,” and waste no time in establishing an interreligious council on equal footing and in relation to governments.

In his world tour speech, Father Moon called for the formation of a kind of interreligious and international “peace corps,” made up of activists and volunteers guided by the principles of true love and unification. They will serve in trouble spots around the world. Already the UPF has developed several partnerships, in the Middle East, in Northeast Asia, and in South Asia. The problems of conflict, however, are not unique to those areas. As such, we will be expanding our peace initiatives in the coming year and beyond. We will be exploring relationships, partnerships and support.

In relation to the peace initiative, we are also developing a peace education institute. We are developing a peace curriculum that embodies our unique vision, principles, and methodology, so that we can educate and train leaders around the world in the way of reconciliation, cooperation, true love and co-prosperity.

We will, finally, as we engage in our work we must continually pause to reflect on the core values and guiding principles that we have learned. Our work will be in vain if we simply carry on according to conventional patterns. Each one of us must awaken to our own inner light so that we might see even more clearly through the eyes of love, compassion, respect, and understanding.

As we work in this way, I believe we will be making a meaningful contribution to peace creation among the island nations of the Pacific.

In particular, the UPF, together with the FINNP, is prepared to support you in developing a coalition of island nations dedicated to peacebuilding and human development in the Asia-Pacific. Even this year, we will initiate several programs in Oceania, working in partnership with a wide variety of NGOs, for the sake of peace. Through this process we can then build an island alliance for peace. I hope we can begin this process here at this summit.

Thank you for your support for the work of the Universal Peace Federation. We have a great opportunity, and we have a great responsibility. Let us support one another, living for the sake of others, and promoting vision and leadership for a world of lasting peace.

Never forget that there is a great prophecy that says the real enemies of peace are not alone. Truly the living God is with us. Moreover, our ancestors, the saints who have gone before us; the old men and women stand with us and share our vision and our work. Let us be ever determined and move forward in the next few days. Thank you.
Rallies for the Restoration of the Homeland

March 25, 2006

The Universal Peace Federation Rally for the Restoration of the Homeland were held from March 25 to April 3 in Seoul, Gwangju, Asan and other major cities in Korea. As an educational vehicle for peace, these rallies are to lead the way toward the reunification of North and South Korea and the realization of world peace and the creation of a kingdom of a peaceful, ideal world through humanity as one global family.

The rallies are hosted by the Universal Peace Federation, Interreligious and International Federation for World Peace, and the Family Federation for World Peace. The purpose of these rallies is to send a message to the Korean people that the short-cuts for resolving international conflict and strife can be found in a life of living for the sake of others based on true love, and that this lifestyle should be expanded to become a movement for peace on the Korean peninsula and the world.

A couple of days prior to the first rally on March 25, a series of rallies were held for Korean ambassadors for peace consisting of prominent and leading figures from each sphere of society. Four rallies were held calling upon the Korean people to take interest and join this movement for peace. As the founder of the Universal Peace Federation, True Father presented a solution to all conflict and strife can be cut for resolving international conflict among citizens of Seoul city and other major cities in Korea, gathered at the Olympic Stadium in Seoul to take part in the Universal Peace Federation Rally for the Restoration of the Homeland. With the success of this rally, Korea has 120,000 who are now part of a growing peace initiative in Korea. Starting from the rally held last year on December 7 at the KINTEX Convention Hall in Gyeonggi-do, a total of 11 UPF Rally for the Restoration of the Homeland have been held in Korea, ending with this rally in Seoul. Performances by Korean singers Tae Jin-ah and Joo Hyun-mi and “Strong Africa,” a group consisting of Congo members livened the atmosphere before the start of the rally. The pre-event entertainment was followed by a Holy Wine Ceremony where participants drank Holy Wine and promised to be true to true love by pledging their purity and fidelity to never divorce or commit adultery. A standing ovation was given to True Parents as they took the stage. In the special speech Father gave that day, titled “God’s Ideal Family and the Kingdom of the Peaceful, Ideal World” he strongly criticized self-centered individualism and materialism prevalent in modern society and underscored the need for UPF as an international institution for peace in the private sector for the sake of world peace.

In his speech Father stated, “The United Nations, founded in 1945, has made important contributions for peace. Nevertheless, at its 60th anniversary there is a broad consensus, both inside and outside the organization, that the U.N. has yet to discover the way to fulfill its founding purposes.” He emphasized that “the Universal Peace Federation should overcome the limitations of the existing United Nations and fulfill its mission as a UN on the private sector that can realize world peace based on religion and spiritual enlightenment.

True Father presented a solution to overcome the deep-set conflict among religions and races and bring reconciliation, saying, “Only the exchange marriage transcend the barriers of race, culture, nationality, ethnicity and religion to empower Whites and Blacks, Jews and Muslims, Orientals and Westerners, and people of all races to live as one human family.” He called upon participants to “eliminate all manners of national borders and walls that have reigned supreme on the earth through true love, which gives with no expectation or condition so that we may build a world where all people can live together in harmony.” He also proposed the construction of the “World Peace King Bridge Tunnel” as an actual means.
the dignitaries present that day were introduced, followed by an address by Dr. Chung-hwan Kwak, president of the Interreligious and International Federation for World Peace. In his address, Dr. Kwak said, "In the human body, the white blood cells and red blood cells prevent the invasion of foreign elements while purifying the blood. As we move toward creating a peaceful, ideal world, let us not stand in a distance like observers from True Parents: let us take the lead in opening the way for True Parents' noble and lofty cause and [like white and red blood cells] let us become responsible peace police force, peace corps, and forerunner of this movement for peace."

Following the address a video presentation was shown under the title ‘The Peace King and the Blessing Ceremony.’

After the video presentation True Father took the podium and delivered his address, 'God's Model Family: The Kingdom of the Peaceful, Ideal World.' In his address he stated that "The Universal Peace Federation’s mission is to renew the existing United Nations or the Cain-type UN and provide a new level of leadership as the Abel-type UN, which functions on the cosmic level and can serve as the kingdom of the peaceful, ideal world,' and that "this message should be engraved in the hearts of humankind. 'He warned the participants that his message is Heaven's special blessing and warning that "we take this message to heart and act accordingly in this Age after the Coming of Heaven.'

To the ambassadors for peace present that day he asked that they ‘take this opportunity to make a new determination to be Heaven's envoys prepared to uphold Heaven's command' and emphasized that 'now is the time when the new Abel realm, which is on the side of Heaven, must digest the Cain realm on a cosmic level, and that we should 'make a new beginning toward establishing the New Heaven and New Earth—or the Kingdom of God on Earth and in Heaven—with Heaven's complete authority.'

At the end of his address True Father explained the failures of the United Nations in its capacity as the army for world peace, and revealed his firm conviction in the creation of the kingdom of the peaceful, ideal world through the establishment of the ‘peace kingdom police force’ and the ‘peace kingdom corps.’ He expressed his hopes that the participants ‘put on new 'true love armor' in this new age and be wise and brave activists in this peace kingdom corps for heaven and earth, for the sake of humanity’s future.” He reminded the participants that ‘the only way to inherit Heaven’s lineage by establishing the realm of liberation and complete release is through the Holy Marriage Blessing established by the True Parents. Furthermore, the Holy Marriage Blessing provides the means to establish God’s ideal family and the kingdom of the peaceful, ideal world.'

The next rally was on the 26th again at Sunmoon University, this time for residents from South Gyeonggi province and Gangwon province: on the 28th at Changneung Complex for residents from South Gyeongbuk province, Busan and Ulsan city; on the 30th at Kwangju World Cup Stadium for residents from Gwangju, Jejudo; on the 31st at Sunmoon University for residents from South Gyeongsang province, Daegu city, and North Gyeonggi province; on April 1st at Sunmoon University for residents from North and South Jeolla province, Gwangju, Jejudo; on the 31st at Sunmoon University for residents from North Gyeongsang province, Daegu city, and North Gyeonggi province; on April 1st at Sunmoon University for residents from North and South Chongch’edang province, Daegu city; and finally on the 3rd at Seoul Olympic Stadium.
The recent UPF-Jewish-Christian Dialogue (Jerusalem, March 13 - 14) comes not a moment too soon. The pursuit of peace in the Holy Land, and by extension the region and world, continues to be a pressing matter for the Middle East Peace Initiative (MEPI, founded by Reverend Moon).

The region and the world abound with peace initiatives for the Holy Land and rightfully so. Not only for the obvious, humane reasons, but further for the pressing social and geo-political realities there to which the entire world is closely tied. Each initiative has its own signature and special insight. All are urgently needed.

MEPI proceeds along a handful of core impulses which make it an indispensable partner in the shared pursuit of peace. These include full affirmation that all religions are born of God, the fact that conflict is spiritual in nature above all, and finally insistence that success requires broad and close integrated collaboration among the key spheres of influence including the religious and spiritual, political and social, media and education, and other centers of human striving.

This particular meeting extended a monumental moment in peace history based on spiritual leaders going to places of extreme trust and vulnerability for the sake of peace. The formal signing of the Jerusalem Declaration, took place May 18, 2003. On that occasion Christian and Jewish leaders took the all but unheard of position of repenting to one another. The courage and humility of these leaders far exceeded the routine conventions and norms of polite interfaith dialogue. These leaders managed in this moment to put the cause of peace, and true love as taught by Jews and Christians alike. Furthermore, the bonds formed marked the beginnings of a world-important community of leaders forged in the intimacy of this conversation.

The final session examined social and political implications derived from the prospect of increasing harmony and collaboration among Jews and Christians. Special emphasis and particular interest was given to applying solutions to conflict in the Holy Land. The guidelines for this applied session urged the dialogue partners to assess the nexus and respective roles of the US, Europe, and Israelis and Palestinians in the pursuit of peace in the Holy Land.

The prominent and influential part-takers of this dialogue are not named in this report as this project is meant to create an enduring and effective community of religious leaders. These meetings are not designed to create symbols of unity, nor are they to designed create public relations activity for the MEPI.

This public act rocked the firmament. When the dust settled, doubts and shadow scrambled to re-divide these communities, but minor setbacks aside, it was too late. The die was cast. The die was cast. The true relationship preferred by God for Christians and Jews had been irreversibly fixed in this moment.

This month’s dialogue continued the work to expand this relationship of repentance, forgiveness, love and togetherness by bringing together influential scholars and leaders from both communities to tackle in a substantial way the challenges facing the possibility of increasing cooperation and collaboration among believers from these two religious groups (namely Jews and Christians).

20 or so leaders and scholars of approximately equal number spent a day and a half in 5 sessions of serious dialogue and discussion. Session 1 provided the occasion for self introduction and for all gathered to discuss in general terms the premise for the dialogue. The premise in part included the view that peace issues beyond Jewish-Christian relations, including peaceful relations with Muslims, requires that Jews and Christians transcend their a terrible history, and knit ourselves together as enlightened world leaders.

The other four sessions treated scripture, tradition, theology, and social and political implications respectively. All but the final session was deeply grounded in scripture and source documents. The scripture session took up a comparative analysis of the Jacob and Esau story. The session compared the obligations of charity in each tradition. The theology session examined imanul dai doctrines intrinsic to each group.

All sessions were rich beyond our best imagination. This is not exaggeration. Once the spirit of harmony prevails, content and inestimable value inside each tradition pours forth for the other. What is gained in profound. Surely all involved left far richer and wiser each better equipped as Jews and Christians alike. Furthermore, the bonds formed marked the beginnings of a world-important community of leaders forged in the intimacy of this conversation.
At what could be the shortest notice yet, seventy women from at least 37 nations convened in Seoul, Korea from 28th – 31st March for the first Women for Peace Summit. This gathering was living proof of the capacity of women to respond, even under challenging circumstances, to bringing the strengths of women in peacemaking and peacebuilding to the fore.

Focused on the topic “Building a Culture of Heart and a World of Lasting Peace” the Summit produced a commitment to addressing root causes and to supplementing and enhancing existing approaches with practical, doable steps that help solve critical global problems at the family and community levels.

The “Seoul Commitment” came out of the discussions of the women Ambassadors for Peace as they considered the implications of UPF’s approach to peacemaking and peacebuilding. Because of the strong affiliation of the internationally recognized women’s organization, the Women’s Federation for World Peace (WFWP) with UPF, and the personal involvement of a number of the delegates themselves with WFWP, it was highlighted as a significant partner in the work ahead.

The Summit’s visit to the international peace center in Cheongpyeong on March 29th provided a clear conceptual framework for the discussions that followed. At the Cheongpyeong international peace center, the women joined about 5,000 Korean nationals to commemorate “Parent’s Day,” the principal vehicle through which the UPF and its affiliates stimulate awareness and deeper understanding of the significant role of parents in the practical work of developing the human capacity for peace. It also provided an opportunity to enhance greater attention, understanding, and action related to this often overlooked and underestimated root of peace.

Many delegates remarked that in the course of the Parents’ Day presentations and ceremonies, they acquired new insights and understanding of the relevance and value to global peace of parents, family and especially the unique strengths and responsibilities of women.

Further, it became clear that the strategy of focusing on strengthening the capacities of families to provide a “legacy of peace,” the “barriers” of religion, ethnicity or nationality dissolved and instead became sources of additional insight. After all, family issues and concerns for children, family relationships and healthy environments (physical and social) are of common concern to all no matter the religion, continent, economic status, ethnicity or age.

Therefore the Summit resulted in a common commitment to mobilizing women in peacemaking and peacebuilding, and to expanding awareness of the significance of women’s strategic and far-reaching contribution to peace through our families and communities. This commitment is documented as the “Seoul Commitment.”

Leadership Seminar for Peace and Unification

On February 28 in Cheon-nam Hampyeong Gun, Dr. Chang Shik Yang, the Continental Director of America, held the first Leaders’ Rally for Peace and the Unification of North and South Korea in the Cultural Sports Center, with an attendance of over three thousand people. Dr. Yang gave a special lecture on the Blessing Ceremony and True Parents’ worldwide peace and unification movement. The rally, which lasted for two hours, was a success.
As an ambassador for peace, I went to Jerusalem, the West Bank, and Amman, Jordan, meeting courageous Jewish, Muslim and Christian leaders who have found common ground to work together for peace while facing scary opposition from their own people. Let me tell you briefly of the Universal Peace Federation that sponsored this event (the 17th since February 2003).

Rooted in universal shared values and selfless service, this organization seeks to transform the hearts of individuals, families, societies and nations by advancing the ethic of “living for the sake of others.” Judaism, Christianity and Islam all come from the family of Abraham. God is taking this common thread to weave and to repair the broken human family. He just needs our faith and participation to make it happen.

We visited a senior home called The Golden Age Home in Amman that houses about 70 men and women who either have no relatives or relatives who cannot take care of them. After meeting the staff and some of the seniors, hearing the welcoming speeches and enjoying a most wonderful Jordanian meal, our director donated $2,000 to the home. This so moved Daryl Gray, a black Baptist minister from Canada, he began passing the hat, loudly telling us donations begin at $20 and if you donate $50, I will sing a song.

Soon his singing filled the room. I don’t think our Jordanian friends ever heard black gospel, but their faces showed they totally loved it. We raised $1,200 more for the home.

Upon hearing this, a young man began singing in Arabic with music to accompany him. First one lady began dancing and clapping her hands, than another, until the room was alive with celebration. There were no Americans, there were no Arabs, there was no religion or theology, creating barriers, there was only the joy of a large diverse family enjoying our unique lives together.

The power of love, the power of serving others, first, is the power to change a person’s heart from hatred to love, and from the heart the head can begin to think differently. Yes, there is hope in this incredibly complicated tangled history we call the Middle East. Peace will come, not easily or quickly, but it will come if enough of us are willing to serve and love even our enemy.

“In order to enter the Kingdom of Heaven, the world has to go in one line through the one blood lineage. However, in the fallen world, there is no way for people to enter in one line. Thus, in order to connect them together, God had to first find Abel.

The starting point is Abel. Through Abel, Cain has to surrender voluntarily, not by compulsion. We have to restore Cain by living sacrificially for Cain’s sake. Based on the unity of Cain and Abel through natural surrender, all the mothers of the realm of Cain have to be restored voluntarily, not by compulsion. This is the formula of the providence of restoration.

—Sun Myung Moon
East Peace Initiative is in Jerusalem now. The Church of the Holy Sepulchre: As we prayed at Gethsemane, we felt hope for the unity of Jews and Christians. As we prayed we felt the spirit of God descend upon us. The moonlight was so bright you could see the Olive Trees and their shadows. From where we prayed you can look upon the Eastern Wall of the Old City of Jerusalem and the Golden Dome of the Rock, the third holiest site in the Islamic Faith stands brilliantly and proudly above us. Clearly, as Jesus prayed he felt the spirit of God descend upon him. He wept profoundly, because God’s will for Jerusalem could not be realized because of his family and the rejection he received. Even his disciples slept. The cross would become his destiny.

However, on this night, though we felt deeply touched, no one cried. Bishop Stallings prayed that the realization of the one lineage of God centering on True Par- ents would now be realized, and that Jesus would be comforted. Shuki recited scripture in Hebrew and Rev. Gray gave a mes- sage offering gratitude that Jesus never gave up and that he called for us to come and to love our brothers. Because the joy and the absolute con- dence that the Peace Kingdom is com- ing is too immense we did not weep. We can feel that Jerusalem is now years of joy because his work has been completed and now his family is begin- ning to understand. Jesus is moving with us with deep hope that finally the time of completion has come. God’s ideal Fam- ily is the Model for World Peace. The blessed family is now being realized in every race, religion and culture. Here we stand, Jews and Christians in the spirit of Unification, with one heart and with absolute conviction that we are one family before God. Here in Jerusalem, with each journey we take, the walls in people’s hearts are coming down. The turmoil is great, but the people of faith are not in turmoil, we bring calm and stability based on True Love and the confi- dence that all people, Jews, Christians and Muslims are engrafting onto the True Olive Tree—as the scriptures say, the Tree of Life.

Our focus on this jour- ney is to concentrate on the bond of the first and second Israel. We are going deeper now to find the common begin- ning from one God. We are seeking the end of division and fear between Jews and Christians. From America and Europe we join with Christians and Jews in Jerusalem. We are taking on a task that has been worked on by many with great faith for 2000 years. The task of repairing and healing what should have never divis- ed, the family of Abra- ham. We are starting with Christian leaders, together with Jewish elders and religious leaders, reminding us that our faith is divided, the family of Abra- ham. We are starting with Christian leaders, together with Jewish elders and religious leaders, reminding us that our faith is no longer divided anymore. On December 22nd, 2003 a condition was made in Jerusalem in which Jesus family was reunited and historic representatives of Judaism welcomed Jesus back home and crowned him King of Peace. Because of that this historic moment, there is no condition left that can divide us. Now we must go forward to embrace our Jewish broth- ers and sisters and heal our long centuries of sep-
that there was there that was the fall of man, destroyed Paradise and that was the pur-
pose of the formation of the various faith
traditions. To bring us back to the Gar-
den of Eden. Dr. Joshua Ben Ami stat-
ed that he has been in many Jewish Chris-
tian dialogues but this was the highest
level academically and the most rich and
meaningful he has ever experienced. We
concluded the dialogue on Tuesday evening.
Delegations have arrived from the U.S.,
Canada and Europe and we are in
full swing. The Muslim and Jew-
ish, Ambassadors for Peace from
Palestine and Israel are testifying
to the incredible impact that the
ambassadors for Peace are hav-
ing on the state of things between Israel
and Palestine. The continued MEPI pro-
grams (now the 17th major pilgrimage
and the 20th direct activity) since 2003
are continuing with greater strength than
ever. About three forths of the 150 Ambas-
sadors for Peace are here for the first time.
It has become one of the most effective
ways for the Ambassadors for Peace to
‘experience’ the work for Peace directly.
They bring it back to their parliaments
and to their leaders and eventually engage
their nations to contribute to this central
crossovers for peace here in Jerusalem.
Each and everyday we have come was
always during a time of great turmoil.
We are sent to diffuse tensions and allow the
communications and the give and take
between all peoples to continue.
Mr. Walid Sadiq shared sincerely tonight
as a Muslim Ambassador for Peace and
former member of the Israeli Knesset said
that this process is opening the way. He
also shared honestly as to how difficult
it has been to stand as a Palestinian and
an Israeli at the same time. He finds hope
in the MEPI process for peace. Dr. Eliezar
Glaubach shared that surely this is the
central place for peace to be achieved, this is
Jerusalem the root of the Abrahamic faiths.
Dr. Glaubach shared sincerely and gave a
sense of urgency as he strongly asked us to
increase our efforts now, the spiritual and
academic dimension that goes beyond all
boundaries is critical now for the political
means without the compliment and the
leadership of the faith based involvement
will always get stuck. He encouraged us to speed
up our efforts, that the delegations become
more frequent because they are bringing the
changes needed to achieve the peace that
everyone in Jerusalem longs for. Lasting and
enduring peace.
The faith based process never gets stuck because it is not
bound and hindered by the restrictions that
governments face. The faith approach contin-
ues even though governments say we can’t talk or recognize each
other. The faith based approach is bound by
the principle of loving ones enemies and seek-
 ing to reconcile with our brothers based on
the fact that we have
one common God.
We are grateful for
our Ambassadors for
Peace who come to the
Holy land during this
time to work even in
instability and turmoil.
They bring stability and
have the power to dif-
 fuse the turmoil. It
takes time and under-
standing. It takes love
That’s why Father
Moon sent us. To bring
love to this suffering
land. True Parents
main strategy is to bring
True Love.
Thanks to Europe,
Canada and America our
Ambassadors of Love. We especial-
ly thank our Ambas-
sadors for Peace who
live here in Palestine and
Israel.
The last presentation was given by Rev. Kamiyama, special advisor to Ocean Church. He shared Father’s words about ocean providence for success.

One-Day Seminar on Ocean Providence

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International Women’s Day Seminar Honors Women Peacemakers

by Caroline Betancourt

That “Women are essential to creating world peace” was the theme and consensus of a luncheon seminar held in Washington, D.C. in honor of International Women’s Day, March 9, 2006. The seminar was sponsored by the Women’s Peace Initiative for the Middle East and South Asia, a project of Women’s Federation for World Peace -- an affiliated organization with the UPF.

On March 9 at the Capitol Hill Club in Washington, D.C., the elegant Presidential Dinner Room was filled to capacity with 140 participants. Paintings by Colombian artist Ethel Bustamante punctuated the sunlight-filled room with explosive color, capturing the organic qualities of femininity and motherhood. Networking abounded as hearts opened and tears flowed as women contemplated the essential role of women in creating peace.

Dr. Gulnara Rashidova, wife of the Ambassador from Uzbekistan and Mrs. Bushra Al-Eryani, wife of the DCM from Ghana, both emphasized the essential role of women in creating peace.

Mrs. Alexa Ward, President of Women’s Federation for World Peace, USA, said that the future is fast moving toward the time where women need to take leadership roles in many more capacities; but the question women need to take leadership toward the time where the future is fast moving for World Peace, USA, said the president of Women’s Federation for World Peace.

In bringing peace, women receive the role women play in peace-making.

Dr. Caroline Betancourt, emcee, at the podium with panel comprising Susan Fef- ferman, Moderator, Karim Asher-Biran from Israel, Nafisa Bhabha, Persian Fawzia Etemadi from Afghanistan; and Katrin Michael from Iraq.

The highlight of the seminar was the panel from the Women’s Peace Initiative for the Middle East and South Asia, a project of WFWP. Katrin Michael, Ph.D., from Iraq, Fawzia Etemadi from Afghanistan, Israel, Karim Asher-Biran and Palestinian Nazih Kabbani each spoke on women's issues in their specific countries, as they shared their personal testimonies. Moderated by Susan Fefferman, the panelists each emphasized the essential qualities women can bring to the peacemaking process, especially that of a mother’s heart.

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**IN MEMORIAM**

**Timoteo Yokpore**

Dee Yokpore’s husband, Timoteo passed away in his hometown of Ivory Coast. Their daughter Cindy is truly a beautiful child of God.

I want to speak of my Father. He passed March 7th 2006. I feel his spirit is with me, I feel that he is finally free from fear, the fear that so many in this world live with everyday.

The fear of losing the only thing you have ever known. The fear of challenging the despair of the everyday for the fulfillment, the true security of tomorrow.

I have an amazing family. My parents came together without hesitation because of their faith and understanding of who True Parents are and what the mission of life is for them. I have been given so much, love and for that they pledge undeniable love and for that they pledge undeniable love.

We sincerely ask that all join in to fulfill the desire of the everyday for the fulfillment, the true security of tomorrow. I have an amazing family. My parents came together without hesitation because of their faith and understanding of who True Parents are and what the mission of life is for them.

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**Rev. Henri Blanchard**

Therese Heizinger, were also present.

Flowers and messages from the whole world continued to arrive as the ceremony got under way.

At 2 pm, Dominik Dedours, the dynamic Master of Ceremonies, inaugurated the ceremony by leading cheerful holy songs intended to assist Henri’s ascent into the spiritual world.

Jean-François Moulinet, National Leader in France, read a short biography and some passages of a book of testimonies written by Henri in 1985, one of which had been extracted from an article which appeared in Today’s World.

Then Didier Guignard, responsible of the Blessing Department, offered Henri’s favourite song “Dieu tout-puissant”.

Then the most important messages were read. First the moving and deep message of True Father himself given that same morning “Henri Blanchard has been faithful to his duty. Henri has been an absolutely honest, sincere and faithful man”.

Then came those of Rev. Kwik, president of the International FFWPU, Dr Yong Cheol Song, Continental Director of FFWPU in Europe, and also those of other personalities and friends of Henri like his spiritual father, among whom particularly Reiner Vinzenz, his spiritual father.

There were also testimonies; Dr Colette Takigawa recalled some experiences with Henri, and Mark Irmann recalled Henri’s marvellous character experiences through close experiences with Henri over many years.

The most touching was when, at the end, Jin-I, one of Henri’s daughters, gave a testimony of her father, relating everyone of his high standard of living for others, of his relationship to God; then Hilde, his widow, very brave, yet frail at the same time, concluded with simple and deep words, all full of Heaven’s deepest love.

At the end sticks of frankincense were lit, as the farewell homage of the participants, for Henri’s ascent. After a last song and a concluding prayer, the procession went to the neighbouring graveyard for the interment of the coffin, sig- nifying the end of the journey on Earth of our dear Henri.

It was another moving moment: all joined in song once more, family and friends alike. This day was so sunny, it was as if God Himself had sent a message to Henri, by giving us all a really bright and sunny day. Nature looked resplendent under a bright sun as though all creation were smiling at Henry’s ascent. Then after a final prayer, Hilde invit- ed all participants to a coffee shop for a time of sharing. It was about 6 pm. on this January 24th, 2006.

If you want to send a message to his wife, HILDE, and their children, you can do so by mail to: Mrs. Hilde BLANCHARD, 4 rue Auguste Le Goff, 56000 VANNES, FRANCE.
Seattle Celebrates II Shim Education

by Rev. Mary Anglin

II Shim literally means One Heart. II Shim education is personal growth education united with the heart of God. Our church first emphasizes the heart of God in our education. We lost that heart at the Fall. Our blessing is really clear in that it centers on True Parents, true lineage and true life. Without connecting the blood line to God, it doesn’t have value. The broad way of II Shim is how to unite with the heart of God. The parent-child relationship is blood. It is not a social relationship. This is eternal. With that relationship we develop elder sonship, ownership, etc. Without that clear point we cannot properly establish other things. Through Principle, we can see how parents should be. The parent-child relationship is a vertical line. This was the guidance given to us by our regional director, Rev. Hun Sook Lee, as we began preparations for the first II Shim program in Seattle in two years.

Taking into mind his guidance, we developed a clear study program based upon the parent-child, one-on-one education system. Utilizing the study topics developed by Brian Sabourin and Kathy Winings, we developed a six-week program including individual study, group study, group fasting and service projects.

The program opened with an orientation on Sunday, February 5th, during which each participant received his “II Shim Packet” of study materials, reflection forms, calendar and all information necessary to successfully complete the program. Throughout each week, parent and child studied together. We offered the option of each parent-child group coming together each Friday evening for group study, small group study in homes, or going together each Friday evening for group child studied together. We offered the program.

Rev. Shim’s Packet was developed by Brian Sabourin and Kathy Winings. Once we were prepared by our Kodan Blessed Wives. A beautiful song entitled “True Love” was offered by one of our 2075 couples, Brian and Chieko Granstrom. Parents presented True Love Waits rings to their children, with three representative families at the front.

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by Charles and Eleonore de Watteville

This is a link to our web site posting the video of Rev. Jenkins presentation in San Leandro, California for the Ambassadors for Peace banquet, http://www.unificationstudy.com/AFPSanLeandro.html

The video is split into 6 parts and is posted on the website: youtube.com. So the world can see it. We added a lot of video in parts 3 and 5.

We find the video very inspiring and we pray that this can be useful for spreading the word. Here are direct links to each part on youtube.com: Part One • http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=htzoSug6Qjg

Universal Principles of Peace: First Principle: God is the Parent of Humankind. Second Principle: Humans are Essentially Spiritual in Nature Part Two • http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UJsemPU3NY

Universal Principles of Peace: Fourth Principle: Marriage is a Sacred Institution. The Family is the School of Love. Fifth Principle: Intergovernmental and International Cooperation is Essential for World Peace Part Three • http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=II-DR1setV0

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The current editorial team is now working extremely hard to generate a body of knowledge so that the general reader will learn information, not just for its own sake, but for its utility to the world as a whole. The underlying goal of the encyclopedia is to promote true knowledge that leads to human happiness, well-being, and world peace.

Rev. Anglin reminded the youth of their value as the ever-hoped-for true children of God. She concluded her talk with a quote from Spiderman as she concluded them, “With great power comes great responsibility.” She encouraged them to do great things with the promise that the first generation will always be behind them to support and empower them in their great task of life.

Each family had truly invested during this time, and the young people so seriously sought to understand the content of the materials and what it meant in their daily lives. It was deeply moving to sit in on their study groups as they expressed their understanding and asked questions to deepen their understanding.

This was six weeks that bound the community together more strongly, as all were focused on a common purpose with a common heart. At the concluding ceremony, two standing ovations were offered: one to the Regional Directors, Rev. and Mrs. Lee, and another to the coordinator of the program, Rev. Anglin. It was truly a sincere and heartfelt expression of gratitude from the community.

The conclusion of a beautiful day was a delicious banquet which had been prepared by our Kodan Blessed Wives.

We express our gratitude to Rev. and Mrs. Lee, who gave so much support, guidance and love to our community as we pursued this education course and as we celebrated our youth’s graduation. As Rev. Lee said in his concluding remarks, “This is only the beginning.”

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Mister & Miss University Peace Project in Cambodia

As the prize for the titleholders of Mister & Miss University International 2005, Miss Natalya Savelyeva of Russia and Mr. Seong Jin Lee of Korea, visited Cambodia for a peace mission as Campus Peace Ambassadors for One World Family along with Miss Hyang Im Yoo, Miss University Korea 2005, and 13 other volunteers from the DMZ Service Project Team of Korea from the 8th to 19th of February 2006.

The DMZ Service Project Team is an NGO established to help landmine victims near the North/South Korean border, and this was their first mission overseas. The project decided on Cambodia as it is a nation crippled with landmines, and to help the landmine victims there.

In conjunction with Jesuit Service Cambodia, the group helped serve Dae Wit, a landmine victim living in a village on the outskirts of Siem Reap, who had lost a leg by stepping on a landmine while walking to school in 1989. She also lost her husband last year and is now living with her four children.

The DMZ service group helped build a house, did some farming, and made baskets for Ms. Dae Wit to sell in the markets.

After the service work, Seong Jin and Natalaya paid a courtesy call to Prince Norodom Sihamou to convey their message of peace.

24 Hour Extreme Movie-Making Workshop at BAFC

On March 17-18, thirty BCs participated in a 24 hour extreme movie making workshop at the Bay Area Family Church. The workshop was staffed by multi-media fanatics Ted Allen, Eric Scharf, Josiah Larson and Theo Townsend.

The workshop started Friday night with a viewing of the classic movie Yojimbo by Akira Kurosawa. After morning service and breakfast the next day, three presentations were made. Theo Townsend covered the basics of shots, angles, movement, and composition. Eric Scharf made a presentation about the importance of content, and how the quality of artistic expression is linked to the quality of the artist’s spiritual life. Ted Allen demonstrated practical applications including the importance of sound, use of color, and advanced post-production techniques.

Right before lunch, all participants were divided into five groups for a movie-making challenge. Each team had to meet, plan, shoot, and edit a five minute movie by 7:30 pm that evening.

After meeting over lunch to plan, the teams began shooting video. Some stayed at BAFC using various rooms and offices. Some went downtown to shoot exterior footage. One group even shot their entire movie at a nearby bus stop.

After shooting came editing and post-production using computer workstations scattered all around the dining room at BAFC. As the afternoon went on, each team imported their shots and began to edit, add titles and music, and create special effects.

After a pizza dinner and many last-minute adjustments, everyone met in the sanctuary with friends and parents for the competition. Josiah Larson showed some of the video projects he has been working on, including a cloning experiment with his brother and some animated golf clubs (you had to see it to believe it). The movie made by each group was shown, and each participant had a chance to vote for their favorite — the winning team received a cash prize!

The workshop ended group pictures and cheers of Mansei. Plans are already underway for the next workshop at the end of April. Hope to see you there.

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Experience A Global Community While Attending High School

by Nora M. Spurgin

On June 2nd, fifteen seniors at Bridgeport International Academy will walk down the aisle as part of a commencement ceremony and enter a new phase of life. They are an impressive group of youth from such nations as Korea, Japan, Taiwan, Guatemala, Uruguay, and the United States of America. Three of them are non-United States citizens; twelve are second generation. We are proud of this outstanding group - most of whom are planning to go college after attending BIA. Under her capable leadership, this accreditation process is taking shape. Many people helped with the accreditation visit scheduled for this summer. We are excited to have a plan in place, and we are sure that members of the staff will make a beautiful school, located adjacent to the University of Bridgeport campus. Although everything takes time, we are excited to watch construction begin this summer.

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As BIA grows, there is a need for additional faculty and office staff. The Academy is looking for a vice-principal, a bookkeeper, and teachers of mathematics, physical education and English as a Second Language. For further information, please contact Mrs. Nora Spurgin at: (203) 334-3434, (203) 260-6801 spurgin@bridgeportacademy.org

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Laurel's Top 10 Advice For a College 2nd Gen

1. Be yourself
2. Be upfront about your faith, values, etc. For some people lucky enough to live in an area with a large church community, it may be the first time that you are the only BC in your school. It is important that you feel like you are being true to who you are as well as experience acceptance from others.
3. Read HDH/DP
4. Anything that keeps you centered. There is a lot of free time in college, and in a time where things are turned upside down and you are dealing with stress, doubt, and all of the emotions you face it's good to have something stable.
5. Go back to the basics.
6. Talk to your parents
7. Surround yourself with positive people.
8. Get involved in activities/ clubs
10. Plan for the Future

College is a time where you can try new things, figure out what you want to do in the future and what kind of person you want to be. It is a unique time when you can completely focus on yourself. Take advantage of that time to invest spiritually as well as intellectually.

Enjoy it!

If you think of college as an opportunity to discover new things about yourself, and to build a strong foundation for you to go out into the world then it can be a wonderful chapter in your life.

Take every challenge as an opportunity to grow.

I'm often asked my opinion on STF versus College. While I went the college route, and certainly experienced the ups and downs it has to offer, I struggled with the decision up until the end of my sophomore year. The conclusion I came to, and the answer I give to this question, is that it does not matter which option you choose, the important part is taking responsibility and ownership over your choice. Knowing the challenges that come along with our decision can help us to overcome those struggles and to grow from the experience in a positive way.
Serving Our Community: Philadelphia CARP

by Brendan Williams

Philadelphia CARP has had the opportunity to serve the community and our blessed families.

Through 2005 and 2006, CARP has led various service projects, DPFS’s (Divine Principle Study Nights), SSG’s (Student Support Groups), and has hosted events for our younger Second Generation. We have felt many of the blessings that we could experience through the idea of living for the sake of others, and through the brotherhood and sisterhood we have developed together.

In November, CARP and Philadelphia Church family hosted Dr. Yang’s speech at the Bala Cynwyd Hilton Hotel in Philadelphia, where Dr. Yang elaborated much of Father’s life and work to the local Korean Church family. The event was student based interreligious discussion with panelists representing various religions (including a Unificationist) giving their views on the subject.

Our most important focuses have been our efforts to unite our younger Second Generation brothers and sisters together and form a new WAIT team. Second Generation from the Pennsylvania, Delaware, and New Jersey area have come together one weekend each month to practice here at the Philadelphia Church Center. WAIT is an international youth group whose purpose is to educate others on HIV/AIDS prevention through abstinence with use of skits and break dance. This has been an exciting opportunity for our younger brothers and sisters as well as CARP kids, and has really allowed us to come together for a great cause.

In addition to WAIT workshops, CARP has recently implemented Youth Group meetings the third weekend of every month, so that Second Generation can further unite through Student Support Groups and enjoy each other’s company. We also hope to invite our Second Generation into the habit of studying Principle and Father’s words regularly and plan to incorporate service projects into the Youth Group itinerary. Philadelphia CARP has been successful in the unity we have gained amongst ourselves and between our fellow brothers and sisters, and has worked to make a name for true love in this world. We hope to continue our projects; connecting a network of love and faith to our community and families.

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by Jen Tamayo

The Blessed Teens Academy is an incredible place. As each day passes, I am more and more amazed at the wonder of God and His handiwork. Seriously, the children are growing in leaps and bounds, and I am so moved by the wonder of it all.

We just had an incredible weekend workshop here in Denver. About 25 of the Denver Blessed Children attended. This was the first time that BTA students have organized, prepared, and given lectures as well as given personal testimonies that illustrate how the students’ lives are awesome. So about the least. On Saturday night, the kids split up into four groups and discussed the topic of Second Generation and by ages 13 and 14 and 14 older. They opened up and shared so much. It was fantastic, and the bond that has been formed between the community kids and the BTA kids is truly a sight to behold.

The program we have is remarkable, and I have seen the heart of God nurturing His children in the environment that has been created here. Also, as each year passes, the older students take more and more ownership of the program and make sincere efforts to raise up their younger brothers and sisters in the love and traditions of True Parents. Though, this program is not something that can become small or disappear. It must continue to grow and develop. These children are given by legitimate blowhards, and God is inspiring more children to attend. I really believe that we have to begin to talk on a higher dimension.

I believe one of the reasons this program has been so successful until now is because of the natural culture of heart that is created through teaching and practicing a Principling board to come into compliance with the zoning regulations of our house. Tomorrow, I will be going to the zoning office to request papers for rezoning for our land-lords. This can temporarily slow down the process of our moving, but honestly, we are going to have to move sooner and we need to purchase a property. However, right now the funds we receive for the students’ room and board cover only just that. We have no extra money. The program is totally supported by students’ fees, which we try to keep as low as possible for the parents’ sake. So yes, we have a bit of a money problem.

On that note, I am beginning to reach out to you, the parents, and our greater Blessed Family community, as well as the larger church entity, and seek your support in helping us continue to build a school that can reflect the heart and teachings of our True Parents. We have found several nice properties with some land and sizeable buildings that could be a good starter for our school. How, you can help here, I don’t know, but I know that we need your support for this. I am confident that when you come to visit the home of the BTA, you will be moved by the atmosphere of love, dedication, and harmony that is created here. We really want you to visit.

Yes, I am putting a call out. If you know of anyone who you think would like to help support this program, please forward this letter to them. Please view our website, which is being updated on a weekly basis at www.blessedteensacademy.com.
I'm afraid that's true. indiscriminate. It is simply what we believe to be the truth. The church is simply the 2nd generation’s attempt at creating a church. We want to create a church that is inclusive and welcoming to all. It is our desire to create a church that is based on love and acceptance, not on rules and regulations. We want to create a church that is rooted in God's love and that is able to reach out to all people, regardless of their background or beliefs. We want to create a church that is able to provide a sense of community and belonging for everyone who comes to it. We are committed to creating a church that is truly inclusive and welcoming to all. We believe that everyone deserves a place in our church, regardless of their background or beliefs.

The New Voices of Our Generation

By Jason Williams

There is one question that has been asked throughout the tumbler enough times to have lost much of its original face value, it has to be the long-standing query: “So where do 2nd Generation belong amidst the operations of this movement?” You can only ask a question so many times without receiving an answer, before words begin to lose their luster.

There has been recent talk of developing new programs: alternatives to STF, public mission internships, developing curriculum that teaches the practical application of the Principle, and so on. I’m all for it. I love it. I think it’s great! I can’t wait to see this stuff unfold and I hope that I can contribute to the process.

But what about all those blessed children who don’t even consider themselves as members? What about the blessed children who hate this church of don’t believe in any of it? Or what about those of us who don’t necessarily believe in it or not believe in it, but are just uninspired, jaded, and bored? When first started to get serious about this movement, there was one thing I couldn’t help but notice about blessed children. They seem to be an especially creative assembly of people. I believe that a large part of the 2nd generation’s driving force is creativity. I think that the community is bored though. Now, I’ll admit, if our hearts and minds were in the right places, then maybe nothing would be boring. I believe in this: the truth that as the band Harvey Danger once sang, “if you’re bored, then maybe nothing would be boring.” But what about all those blessed children who don’t even consider themselves as members? What about the blessed children who hate this church of don’t believe in any of it? Or what about those of us who don’t necessarily believe in it or not believe in it, but are just uninspired, jaded, and bored?

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I would like to share my testimony in hope of conveying the power God and the Principle have of bringing people back to Him, despite their situations. God has made such powerful changes in my life, something I could never have predicted before. I grew up not really knowing God or the movement, and I am so glad to have been led here.

To put it shortly, my family did not have a direct relationship with the church in the early years of my life. As a result, I only remember a few random glimpses of the church as a child. Sunday school singing “You are my sunshine,” and some kids whom I later learned were called Blessed Children. Around the house we had a couple pictures of True Parents, who I always thought of as my parents’ weird Eastern religious leaders, shagging them off as Buddhist. It wasn’t even until I was 13 or 14 when I realized my parents were matched.

My older brother grew up more aware of the church than either my sister or I, but had little exposure as well. One day, he decided to look up into this “cult” he heard our parents are in, mainly out of curiosity. Searching the Web, he stumbled upon a testimony of an old childhood friend. The words were so inspiring and made him want to learn more about the movement. He has been building a relationship with God and True Parents ever since.

Some of us are familiar with the idea that this world is not as it was meant to be. To me, the idea of a degraded world does not mean just necessarily an existence of “evil”; it also means drab and insincere. The world around us, in the eyes of this majority, is a picture of what it originally was, and much duller than I believe it will be in the times of tomorrow. But despite a seemingly blasé existence, I am actually coming to believe more and more that for those of us who are somehow able to tap into the original perspective, these days are the most exciting times to be alive simply because there is so much to do and we are on the very verge of making it all happen for real.

The majority of people aren’t “evil”, I don’t think, they are merely bored and mundane. The lack of inspiration in their lives whetters their energy down to casual actions, the bare minimum to survive their days. This unproductive, dispassionate, and unreceptive existence breeds “evil” action, but once again I don’t believe that the people are actually evil themselves. They are only disconnected from their hearts and conscious. Now, the people who are a little less bored and a bit more sincere who can create things which matches this small amount of desire and takes innovative approaches in accomplishing progressive feats, might be considered an artist, or at least until we coin a deeper term.
Announcing the birth of an Internship Connection Program under the Blessed Family Department. It is the brain-child of several people and their hopes for the future of our movement toward God’s Ideal. The main purpose is to create a place where my brothers and sisters could find an opportunity to explore, experiment, and experience just what the First Generation is doing in the world for True Parents.

The focus is learning to live a God-centered life in this age of Chun Il Guk. There are so many fields of interest that our members are working in and the chief pioneer of them all has been Father, himself. He has worked with Scientists, Journalists, Artists, as well as Clergy and other groups.

So this new Ministry and webpages are going to be a connection point where potential interns and companies can find each other. I hope that it can be useful to you and others and I pray that God can use this program to create a better and hopeful world.

You can find the link to “Internships” on the main BFD site at: www.familyfed.org/bfd/internships.htm

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