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The Fundamental

You will make living for the sake of others, which is the practice of true love, the standard of your life. You will establish a true family and raise true children who are sinless and pure, thus protecting God’s lineage and bequeathing it intact from generation to generation.

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No matter what the situation, you will live with your mind and body united as one. In my case as well, from the day I first determined to follow Heaven’s path, I resolved to keep this as my motto: “Before you desire to have dominion over the universe, you must first have dominion over yourself.”

God has given you a conscience as your guide in accomplishing this objective. Your conscience knows everything about you. It has complete knowledge of every action and step you take: it even knows your thoughts. Your conscience knows all these things about you before your teacher or your pastor knows. It knows them before your parents know. It knows them even better than God knows. So if you place your conscience in God’s position over your life, and go the way of absolute obedience, of “high-noon settlement,” it is certain that you will establish a realm of resonance between your mind and body and perfect their unity.

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Citizens of Cheon Il Guk, the unification of spirit world has been completed. The issue now is the 6.5 billion people living on earth in the physical body. They struggle in agony in the midst of sin and suffering, yet they are your brothers and sisters. Your third mission is to educate them and bring them home as people of Cheon Il Guk.

You should educate everyone to understand that all human beings without exception are descended from the Fall and must change their blood lineage through receiving the Holy Marriage Blessing from the True Parents. You must continue the work of engrafting people onto the True Olive Tree, by having them participate in

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the grace of "exchange" (cross-cultural) marriage, until the day when all humankind, numbering more than 300 billion souls, is restored to God’s lineage.

You are created to spend ten months in your mother’s womb, about one hundred years on earth breathing air, and then all eternity in the spirit world. You should understand that, just as proper preparation in the womb is required for a healthy life after birth, you must devote your earthly life to prepare yourself for the next stage of life in the spirit world. Never forget that in every time and place, and no matter what you are doing, your ancestors in the spirit world are with you. Be ever mindful to live in harmony with the spirit world. Communicate in prayer with the heavenly world with sincerity and dedication, so that you may become perfected in your spirit self while you are living on the earth.

Your talents and abilities are required for the management and governance of Cheon Il Guk. Now, therefore, cut away and cast off your mask of selfish individualism. It is but a remnant of the Age Before the Coming of Heaven. In order to belong to Heaven, you must change ownership by participating in the Ceremony of Returning Ownership, offering everything you own to God and then receiving it back from God.

In addition, all citizens of Cheon Il Guk will provide funds for the well being and peace of humanity, not by taxation but by voluntary contributions. They will demonstrate the model of offering the first three tenths of their income for public purposes. This cannot be an imposed tax; it has to be a gift that citizens offer willingly to Heaven with joyful hearts.

Beloved citizens of Cheon Il Guk, in the Age After the Coming of Heaven it is possible to recover the ideal world of creation that was lost as a result of the Human Fall. God created all the earth’s creatures as our natural environment; they are absolutely needed for human prosperity. Human beings and nature are meant to share a realm of mutual resonance, with humans as the subject partners of love and nature as the object partner thriving under human management and beautified by human creativity. We can no longer tolerate actions that destroy nature and pollute the environment. As citizens of Cheon Il Guk, please have the wisdom to protect and love nature. Return to nature and enjoy a life of liberation and complete freedom. To love nature is to love God and humanity. When human life resonates with nature, human character can blossom in perfection.

The Age After the Coming of Heaven that God and True Parents have opened is a time of dramatic change. As registered citizens of Cheon Il Guk, you have the mission to make this era blossom and bear fruit in blessing and glory. Therefore, please become Heaven’s emissaries, fulfilling the dual missions of the “Peace Kingdom Police Force” and the “Peace Kingdom Corps.” Serve humanity under the banner of the Universal Peace Federation, which is working to establish the position of the Abel-type United Nations.
Mother Moon and Kook Jin Moon

Mother Moon and Kook Jin Moon arrived in England on July 15 at a private airport, Chislehurst, and went straight to the beautiful Livingston House, the house built for the explorer of ‘Dr. Livingston I presume’ fame, for lunch. Afterwards there was a one-hour into central London to the elegant, very well-lit exhibition hall of the Royal Horticultural Society of the UK. Nearly 1500 people packed the hall. There was a reception for about 100 distinguished guests of all racial, religious, national, ethnic backgrounds. Robin Walsh presided and both Dr. Thomas G. Walsh and Dr. Michael W. Jenkins offered remarks.

The main event was co-ordinated by Mr. David Haininah and Dr. Walsh. The evening opened with performances by several youth groups — ‘Shineok,’ a rock band from Germany, a “WAIT group” of dancers, “Silk Strings” playing oriental instruments — plus one Gospel choir.

Rev. Dr. David Hart gave the welcome remarks, commenting on the beautiful diversity of the audience and the changes in London and the United Kingdom sense since he was born in 1954 — noting that he was born the same year that HSA UWC was formed in Korea. He described the great significance of the movement towards a One Family, and Father and Mother Moon are leading all over the world. He was dynamic, articulate and insightful.

Rev. Chung Heun Rukal delivered the Chairman’s Address with passion and clarity, laying the foundation for Mother Moon and Kook Jin.

The principal speakers were both in their top form. This being the final event for the European tour, and perhaps the last event for this world tour, there was a feeling of accomplishment and emotion in the air, as their presentations were especially crisp, energy-charged and spirited. The audience was both captured and engaged, responsive and grateful.

It was a great day, a beautiful day to be in London.

The British members are wonderful and full of good talent, with all working cooperatively to offer the best service and create a successful event. One example, the group from Birmingham, with David Earle, brought 140 guests to the London event.

This was great conclusion to the European tour through 15 nations. Congratulations to Rev. and Mrs. Song, to Mr. Mark Brunn, Rev. Tim Reed, and all the UPF team and Ambassadors for Peace.

Nairobi, Kenya, July 15, 2006

The Africa leg of the World Peace Tour began on July 18 with the arrival of Mrs. Moon and several members of her family in Nairobi, Kenya. Their welcome party was led by Rev. Riji Tokuno, chair of UPF-Africa, Rev. Mwabhalo Kiiky, secretary general of UPF-Africa, national leaders, and several Ambassadors for Peace.

The following morning Mrs. Moon spoke of witnessing the power of God as she traveled throughout Asia, Eurasia, the Middle East and Europe. “Such incredible grace and blessing is coming through this speaking tour,” she said. She described the messages that she and her son Hyo Jin would give throughout Africa as “a text-book of life,” and encouraged people to study them daily. “There is no liberation through ignorance. You have to expand the realm of truth and blessing.”

“Mother Moon has suffered so much,” Mrs. Moon continued. She recalled the great suffering of the Korean people because of the war in the 1950s. In the early years of the Unification movement, the nation and the movement were very poor. But Rev. Sun Myung Moon inspired the youth to go throughout the country and spread the “New Village Movement,” which contributed to the miracle of development that has taken place in Korea.

At the beginning of this her fourth visit to the continent of Africa, Mrs. Moon urged people to do something similar in Africa. “There are many challenges — family breakdown, political instability and economic challenges. This is a great opportunity for yourselves, your families, your nation and your continent. This is the great moment for Africa and a time to rise up. Do not envy developed nations. The last shall become first.”

On the evening of July 19, Mrs. Moon and her son spoke at the Grand Regency Hotel on the themes of God’s ideal for a peaceful family, nation and world. The audience of 700 people included government ministers, members of parliament, professors, religious leaders, and NGO heads. There was a delegation from the transitional government of Somalia, and also the Minister of Youth and Sports from Burundi.

Rev. Chung Heun Rukal gave the chair-man’s address. Hyo Jin entered looking most handsome and distinguished as he delivered Father Moon’s words with great spirit, heart and passion, to a receptive, attentive audience, setting the stage for Mother Moon’s presentation that followed.

Mother Moon and Hyo Jin officiated at the prayer for blessing of marriage, there was a banquet during which two Members of Parliament spoke. Hon. Raafa Odinga spoke, “The UPF principle of praying for the sake of others which we heard tonight, is so precious and valu- able. If we follow the UPF principles we can change our nation.”

Rev. Moon teaches interracial and intercultural marriage as the way to peace. This is great teaching, and opens the way to creating one universal family.

Hon. Chris Okeno stated: “What we have heard tonight can transform our nation. These are the UPF principles: one God; we are spiritual beings: marriage, family and blessing; living for the sake of others; and overcoming all barriers.”

There was a joyful spirit, with lots of good entertainment, singing and dancing. Rev. Rukal sat at the table with the two Parliamentarians, and at one point all three of them were on the stage dancing to African music.

Other speakers included the Minister of Finance, who stated, “This message of great value to the people who need one here we need in Kenya,” and the Min-ister of Science, Technology and Educa- tion, who added, “Education begins in the family. With these principles Kenya can truly be the hub of peace for Africa and the world.”

The woman who serves as Deputy Min-ister of Youth and Sports said, “It is so wonderful to have a woman, Mother Moon, present this message on marriage and family. All of us go home from this meet- ing as changed people. Women especially need to lead the way to peace, just as we have seen with Mother Moon.”

Mrs. Ida Odinga, who joined her hus-bond for the welcome party at the airport, said: “I do not ordinarily speak, but am very moved tonight. I really appreciate the message that there is truly one God, and we are all His sons and daughters and thus brothers and sisters. Also, we learned that we are spiritual beings and we each can distinguish between right and wrong. God’s ideal is a family of three generations — grandparents, parents and children — representatives ancestors of the past, as well as the present and the future. With this teaching we can put an end to evil, and especially the defilement of women and other evils.”

The following morning, Mother Moon continued speaking throughout the various venues in Kenya: “Many of you may admire the nations of the world. But from God’s per-spective, Kenya has made its own certain conditions of sacrifice that can be accept- ed by God. In a desert, when rain comes quickly, it disappears in a flash. In Africa there is great hope, because you can see the value of UPF’s word and the opportunity we have at this time. You may not have many external treasures or worldly possessions, but you can understand God’s word and your faith is mature, so you can build a movement for a new heart and a ‘New Vil-lage Movement’ in Africa. Have a big dream. Be a totally different person from yester-day. You should be the most developed continent in terms of heart.”

The time of sharing in the morning concluded with singing. A youth choir sang “Hakuna Matata,” based on the Swahili saying “no worries,” and “Saranghae,” a popular Korean love song.

After Mother Moon and Hyo Jin sang “Over the Rain-bow,” the Japanese women also offered a song.

Mother Moon had breakfast with Ambas-sadors for Peace from Kenya, Burundi and Tanzania, Kenya’s neighbor to the south.

Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, July 22, 2006

The UPF Peace Tour party arrived in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia mid-morn- ing on July 21. They were welcomed by a representative of the royal family of Ethiopia, by the Director General of Addis Ababa, and by members of the local TV media.

Ethiopia is an important nation in Africa, with a long, rich and respected history. Addis Ababa is where the head-quarter of the African Union is based, and also the African base of the UN’s Eco-nomic Commission.

As such, all the nations of Africa have Embassies and staff based in Addis. Streets are named after 54 African Nations that make up the African Union.

Ethiopia also has a significant religious heritage that includes many Ethiopian Jews, the Ethiopian Orthodox Church, and Islam. Significantly, Ethiopia is one of the few countries in the world with South Africa which sent troops as part of the UN Peace Force for the liberation of South Africa.

The main event in Ethiopia was a huge success. 1,400 people gathered in the beautiful ballroom at the Liberation in Addis, perhaps the finest hotel in Africa.

Those who gathered were so orderly, so handsome, beautiful, attentive, and high level. 55 Members of Parliament, two federal ministers, several religious leaders, academics, and district govern-

ment ministers.

The invocation was presented by a rep- resentative of the Islamic community and a representative of the Ethiopian Ortho-
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M other Moon and Hyo Jin arrived in Yaounde, Cameroon mid-morning, from Cotonou, Benin. Cameroon is about 75% French speaking and is one of Africa’s most beautiful large halls set high on a hill in Yaounde. 1100 people attended, including 17 cards of parliament, several tribal kings [Fons] and leading figures in Cameroon society.

Hon. Francis Nkwain, former Minister and head of the Ambassadors for Peace association of Cameroon, gave the welcoming address. He mentioned that Cameroon was a nation dedicated to peace, but that it needed UPF’s vision to fulfill its dream of peace and co-prosperity.

Hun. Dr. Ayuk, Arrey Peter [MP] National Assembly, Cameroon: “What pleases me most is that world leaders are focusing on peace. However, world leaders have no clear strategy and some are that the UFF has no weapons or guns, but with true love and living for the sake of others; these are the mighty weapons that defeat enemies. When I read about Iraq and the Middle East, I fear we have truly lost our way in this world. However, if we follow UFF, there will be no war and we will learn to live in peace. I will try my best to promote these ideas in our national assembly, national schools, etc.”

Francoise Fonong, Minister of Territorial Administration and Decentralization: “I thank Mother Moon for coming to Cameroon with this message of peace, to peace through Dr. Sun Myung Moon. His teachings are the same as the core, backbone teachings of the African worldview. We see ourselves as one through his message. We are overwhelmed by these words and see heaven opening up for us. We will spread this news. We can only establish a true lineage when we connect to God.”

Hon. Catherine Eposi Mbekoa, Cameroon National Assembly: “This message is exactly what we need in this country. Before I go to bed tonight I am going to read that speech again. I can now see that women are part of the true form of God! Her very presence is raising up women in Cameroon to a high level. I only want one thing: more copies of the speech, to distribute to others.”

Hon. Doukou Ngui, National MP: We will spread this news widely. Some of my colleagues feared the UPP and thought it was a movement for peace.”

The tour party arrived mid-day in Zambia after flying about 4 hours from Cameroon, and were welcomed at the airport by former Prime Minister Kenneth Kaunda, a key founding father of modern, post-colonial Africa, and former Vice President D.H. and former PM Gen. Malimba Masheke, and others.

The Main Event was held at the Mulungushi International Conference Center, which was packed from two hours prior to the official opening of the event. God’s word was presented beautifully and very effectively to 1000 people.

Former Prime Minister Masheke: “I cannot measure the benefit of Mother Moon’s visit to Zambia. Such a very, very tremendous blessing. When we look around the world from the Middle East to Korea, we see the conflict and struggle, and can see how important is the message we received.”

Bogota, Colombia, August 1-2, 2006

Mother Moon and Jeong JinMoon arrived in Bogota late morning on August 1. After saying goodbye to Yeon Jin who had to travel back to the USA, Dr. Moon was joined by another couple from her large family, daughter Sun Jin and her husband Jo Sup, together with staff from the UPP in Washington DC including Antonin Belcourt, Tomohiro Oga, and others.

At the main program, with about 700 seated at tables, Jeong Jin, the Moon’s youngest daughter presented the Founder’s Address. This was her second opportunity to read, the first having been in Sao Paulo. She read with great emotion, and paused on a couple of occasions to wipe away tears. The reading set a very good tone for Mother Moon’s presentation.

Speaking at the celebration the next morning, Mother Moon said, “The world is always alive with the threats of this country and this region. There is AIDS, family breakdown, drugs, etc. You have to restore the dignity of your country.”

“I don’t want applause; I want practice,” she said. “I want you to practice what I am saying. The only solution to the problems of this region and all nations are the movement of pure love, campaigns for pure love, AIDS prevention, against drugs, and other efforts aimed to restore the dignity of the nation. You know so see TOUR on page 6
Santa Domingo, Dominican Republic, August 2-3, 2006

Going from 2500 meters above sea level to sea level, from winter to summer in the mountains of Bogota to palm trees, sea air, and steamy heat, from the nation named after Columbus to the place where Columbus first set foot in the hemisphere, Mother Moon arrived in Santa Domingo, Dominican Republic around noon, from Colombia, together with Sun Jin Nim and In Sup Nim, and Jeong Jin Nim.

A welcoming party was held at the Renaissance Hotel theatre. Hon. Gloria Gutierrez, Secretary of State, offered the Welcome Remarks. Dr. Walsh presented the Chairman’s Address. Senator Sun Jin Moon presented the Founder’s Address; her first opportunity to present Father’s message on the 180 nation tour.

Introduced by Rev. Regalado as the 9th of True Parents’ 13 children and the 4th of their 6 daughters, currently studying psychology at Harvard University, while also managing business responsibilities in Asia (Korea and Japan), Sun Jin Nim’s presentation of Founder’s Address was bright, spirited, warm-hearted, and perfectly scored. In this land where base ball is cherished, she hit a home run.

Perfectly scored. In this land where baseball is cherished, she hit a home run. Sun Jin Nim opened with a few words of greeting in Spanish and some personal expression, expressing appreciation to the audience and commenting on the beauty of the Dominican Republic, and indicating that the speech she would present contained the essence of her Father’s lifelong teaching.

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Vanuatu, August 16, 2006

A fter a three hour flight from Sydney, Mother Moon, Hyun Jin and Joon Sook arrived in Vanuatu, welcomed by Rev. and Mrs. Chung Sik Yong, Rev. Myung Dae Kim and family, Rev. Andy Linnberg, Mrs. Alla Ameth Willits, Mr. Steven Osborne, and others, including many Ambassadors for Peace. This was the first visit by Mother Moon and her family to this beautiful island nation, rated by the British polling company as the country with the “happiest people.” “Losing” one hour from Sydney time, we arrived only a few hours before the program started.

Vanuatu is an archipelago of 83 islands. Port Vila is the capital. Formerly known as New Hebrides, Vanuatu was an “Anglo-French Condominium” until independ- ence in 1980. One of Oceanica’s Melanesian islands (others include Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, etc.), Vanuatu has populations of 220,000.

The main program began at 3:30 PM. Following the Holy Wine Ceremony, and the Chairman’s Address by Dr. Yong, the Prime Minister, Ham Hut, who attended with his wife and the Speaker of the Par- liament, gave the welcoming remarks, extended bouquet to Mother Moon and Hyun Jin, expressing his regret for difficulties last year which affect- ed the decision to exclude Vanuatu from the 120 Nation Tour. At that time, sev- eral Christian groups were stirred up prej- udicially and emotionally, creating an inappropriate environment. However, Ambassadors for Peace countered effec- tively and courageously, turning the tide.

The Prime Minister spoke of the need for religious freedom, affirming all the peo- ple and citizens of Vanuatu. He spoke about the importance of dialogue and cooperation, citing Vanuatu’s openness of relations with Libya and its relations with Indonesia, another Muslim country. The Prime Minister and his wife stayed through- out the program, and afterwards he did a brief interview for Peace TV, citing an article he had read some years ago which spoke of a prophet from the East who would come in 2006, and he said he believed the Father and Mother Moon were probably those people.

Welcomed enthusiastically by the 500 children’s choirs throughout the tour, “After hearing these great singers,” she said, “I would like to start an Ambas- sador for Peace choir.” Hyun Jin sang an American song about fulfilling dreams, with back up provided by Dr. Thomas Walsh and Jin Man Kwak.

Afterwards, Mother Moon, Hyun Jin and Joon Sook walked on the beach for 20 minutes. As they walked along the shore, there were large schools of small fish swimming parallel to them. Very fas- cinatingly, thousands of these fish would leap up in the air, like dolphins, and splash back in and under the water. The water was crystal clear, allowing 100 percent visibility. These starfish were scat- tered on the bottom.

Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea.

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Mother Moon, Hyun Jin and Jun Sook arrived mid-day in Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea after traveling three hours from Vanuatu. They were welcomed by local Ambassadors for peace and local leaders and members of UFP.

At 1:30 Dr. Chung Sik Yong, Dr. Thomas Walsh, Mr. and Mrs. Giorgio Boin, and Mr. Eirne Jisunbruk visited the Governor General, Sir Paulias Matane, the leading representative and acting head of state of the Pacific nation of Papua New Guinea. She received them warmly and graciously. He knew a great deal about Father and Mother Moon already. He had been his nation’s first Ambassador to the USA, the UN, Mexico and Canada, back in the mid-1970s. He praised UFP and its work and paid honor to Father and Mother Moon.

The first part of the program, emceed by Rev. Ledesma, began at 4:00 PM and featured wonderful performance by local, traditional singers and dancers. At 5:00 PM, the Governor General was introduced and delivered his welcoming remarks. He sincerely and warmly wel- comed Mother Moon and Hyun Jin to Papua New Guinea. He acknowledged Father Moon, even though he could not be present. He spoke of the need for inter- religious cooperation, especially among Jews, Christians and Muslims. He praised UFP’s work to promote unity, harmony and peace, and for its efforts to bring peace to the Middle East. He also men- tioned UFP’s emphasis on the family. [The Governor General and his wife celebrat- ed their 50th wedding anniversary this year.] He encouraged the 600 members of the audience to commit themselves to the ideals of UFP and to spread those ideals throughout the nation. His remarks were very well received and added great digni- ty to the program.

Prior to presenting his message, Hyun Jin said: “I myself was very well in- formed and explained that the speech he was about to give represented the core of his Father’s teachings. He went on to pres- ent the Founder’s Address. Because the speech was so high and the atmosphere so warm, the presentation unfolded easily, clearly and smoothly. As he concluded, the Governor General, who had sat attentively throughout, came to the stage to present Hyun Jin with a spe- cial necklace made of the tusks of wild pig, an important animal in Papua New Guinea.

The atmosphere was at its peak when Mother Moon entered the stage, and every- one rose with applause, refusing to sit down until she clearly insisted on it. The audience remained attentive and respect- ful at their seats throughout her wonder- ful presentation. She was fully at ease, comfortable in presenting God’s word, clearly pleased with the audience, the Governor General and the overall recep- tion she was receiving.

Once again, as her speech concluded, the Governor General came to the stage and presented Mother Moon with a spe- cial gift, the last of the 37 books he has written. She received the book, then was joined by her son and daugh- ter-in-law for a photograph with the Gov- ernor General in honor of the blessing of marriage was celebrated with a high and warm and respectful spirit. After the pro- gram, the Governor General gave inter- view to Voices of Peace TV.

Following the main event, there was a reception for about 300 Ambassadors for Peace hosted by Dr. Yong, Rev. Ledesma and Mr. and Mrs. Boin. Several of the guests shared their experiences, quite a few of whom were meet- ing Mother Moon for the first time or learn- ing about UFP for the first time. They were intrigued and uplifted.

The following morning Mother Moon spoke. “Until now,” she said, “People have lived as orphans in history. Although people are brothers and sisters, there has only been strife, conflict and struggle. Humanity did not know True Parents. God has been work- ing to bring humanity through his providence, but humanity has not understood God’s provi- dence. Even if God finds only one person, then God can move his providence forward. So, even 2000 years ago, Jesus was sent in that position. If Jesus had not had to go to the cross there would have been so many divisions in religion, and the Kingdom of Heaven would have been established at that time. I think you are truly Blessed people. True Parents have shown you every- thing. In front of you there are no more barriers and no more walls. I see so many young, bright faces here, and this makes me very happy. You have the respon- sibility to bring all young people to be restored. True Parents teach true love and living for the sake of others. Practice this teaching. If this nation can practice this and become a model nation, how wonderful it will be!”

The people from Papua New Guinea sang, “We Are the People of the Lord.” Japanese volunteers sang, and the Kore- ans, an impressive concert. Hyun Jin Dr. Yong sang a song about a child’s heart of longing for the parents, longing for the sun when the sun rises and longing for the mother when the moon rises. Hyun Jin then spoke about a pure heart yearning and longing for an ideal world and the aspiration of youth seek- ing to overcome the sorrow of love. “How can we hold on to that truth and that spirit,” he said. “There is a tendency to lose that spirit, but we must keep that spirit, for that is where we find God. If you dream big and have ownership of that dream, then big things will happen.” He invited Thomas Walsh, Jin Man Kwak, Enrique Ledesma and Eirne Jisunbruk to join him in singing “If I Can Dream.”

Honaiara, Solomon Islands, August 18, 2006

Mother Moon, Hyun Jin and Jun Sook arrived in Honaiara, Solomon Islands August 13 11:30 AM and on August 18, welcomed by Dr. Song, Rev. Paul Saver, and other leaders and Ambas- sadors for Peace in Solomon Islands. The hotel and the event service was Solomon Riantus Menadana Hotel.

Solomon Islands was the setting for World War II’s battle of Guadalcanal. the bay around Honaiara, which looks so beau- tiful and peaceful, is known as “Iron Bot- tom,” due to the multitude of ships that were sunk during one of World War II’s bloodiest battles between the USA and the Japanese.

Father Moon visited Solomon Islands last year. There he had a strong vision about the nation’s importance as a cen- ter for the island nation’s providence. The main event was attended by 1500 participants, all of whom sat respectfully and enthusiastically throughout the event. The program featured local performers, welcome remarks from former Prime Minister Francis Billy Hilly, the holy wine ceremony, and the Chair- man’s Address. Hyun Jin, inspired perhaps by the large and enthusiastic audience, coupled with knowing Father Moon loved Solomon Islands, gave an especially dynamic, pow- erful and spirited presentation of the Founder’s Address, his words flowed with a power that energized the audience.

Prior to presenting the speech, he expressed appreciation for the people of Solomon Islands and their beautiful coun- try, adding that his father had great love for the Solomon Islands. He stated that the message he was about to read was the essence of his father’s teaching through- out 80 plus years and represented God’s word; he added that his father had been anointed, appointed and approved by God to bring in the era after the coming of a new heaven and earth.

Mother Moon followed on the founda- tion of her son’s powerful presentation, which had brought the audience to a point of full attention and anticipation for the appearance of Mother Moon. She did not let them down, but gave them the bless- ing of God’s word with grace, glory, beau- tiful and power, all pointing toward, lead- ing up to and concluding with the bless- ing of God’s word.

Following the main event, there was a buffet. Food had been prepared for 700 people. However, some 1300 attended. Somehow, everyone ate well; perhaps there occurred some multiplications of the loaves and the fish.

The following morning, Mother Moon said, “I have visited all parts of the world. including the Middle East. I have seen many faithful, sincere, committed reli- gious leaders, particularly from the Mus- lim faith. Father has invested so much faith. Father has invested so much faith. Father has invested so much faith.”

She referred to the rebuk- ing of Korea after the war, when Father Moon sent mili- tary and school and high school students throughout the coun- try to see its future, and to receive Divine Principle: “Father aimed at establishing a new heart, new mind, and transformation. As I look at the Solomon Islands, I feel the need for this kind of ‘new mind’ and ‘new village’ move- ment here, including protec- tion of the environment. Because Father initiated this movement in Korea decades ago, Korea is now one of the most highly developed nations in the world. Many of the world’s leaders are recogniz- ing that Father’s words are the key to changing this world. They want more leaders and leaders and lecturers who are well trained. So we have to devel- op. I met many righteous leaders throughout this tour. I also feel this nation should have many such righteous people.”

Mother Moon asked the people from the Solomon Islands to sing, and their voices shook the room in a beau- tiful and natural harmony: “You are a mighty God, you are the King of all Kings … you are the melody and you are the harmony and you are the dream and you are the song …”. The Japanese volunteers sang, and then Hyun Jin, and the Solomon Islands sang: “There must be lights shining brighter, somewhere ….

Hong Kong, China, August 19, 2006

For the final stop on the 180-Nation Tour, Mother Moon and Hyun Jin arrived in Hong Kong at about 10:30 AM, after a three to four hour flight from Palau. They were welcomed by Dr. and Mrs. Joon Ho Seuk, Dr. Thomas and Katelyn Hwang, Dr. Dae Oh Sun, and many leaders and Ambas- sadors from Hong Kong, Beijing, Shanghai, Taiwan, and other cities in China. They lodged at the Grand Hyatt, Hong Kong’s finest hotel.

During the day, there was a confer- ence, co-sponsored by UFP-EU, the International Educational Founda- tion, convened at a nearby venue, focused on bringing harmony of the environment, Peace and Development Across the Tai- wan Strait.” About 60 Chinese leaders from Hong Kong, Macao, Taiwan were gathered, along with representatives from Singapore, Malaysia, Thailand, and several other nations in the region. It was co-chaired by Ms. Alice Hung and Dr. and Mrs. Seuk gave the keynote address and Dr. Walsh the open-
O n August 20, 2006, peo-
ple from around Korea
gathered at the RINTEX
conference hall in Goyang
city, Gyeonggi-do to take
part in the “Rally for the Victorious
Liberation of Homeland Restoration
for Cosmic Peace based on the Return of
Heaven and Earth to God.” They came
to be the first members of the True
Family upon their return from the 120 nation world tour
for the Universal Peace Federation Rally for the Restoration of the Homeland
and to inherit the victory and accom-
plishments True Parents achieved in
their course of building the kingdom
of God’s peaceful, ideal world. The rally
was organized by the Universal Peace
Federation. The rally coincided with the 21st anniversary of True Father’s release
from Danbury prison and was held to
commemorate the completion of True
Mother’s 180 nation world tour as the
co-founder of UPF. She successfully
finished the tour on August 19 with
the last stop in Hong Kong, and arrived
in Korea on August 20, at 11 a.m. Over
30,000 participants were there, includ-
ing prominent leaders of each sector of
society, Ambassadors for Peace, and
UPF members.

Rev. Sunjo Hwang, president of
FFWPU Korea, was the emcee for the
day and introduced many guests: Dr. Minha
Kim (former executive vice-chairman
of the National Unification Advisory
Council), Dr. Yoon Pyo Kim (former
Speaker of the House), Dr. Cheolgi Lee
(former president of Cheondongyo),
Dr. Jeongsoo Moon, and Sanghee
Kim (former executive vice-chairman
of the National Unification Advisory
Council), Dr. Wook Kim, Jungsoo Moon,
and Sanghee Kim (former members of Parliament),
and Bongtae Kim (president of Sun-
moon University). Rev. Chungwhwan Kwak, chairman
of UPF, gave an address in which he
explained the significance of the rally, saying, “This rally is to commemorate the
second anniversary of the True Father’s release from
Cheon Il Guk for the Revo-
lation of True Heart and for
complete Freedom, which was
cruciﬁed on the nation-
ally assembly line, and to celebrate the victory of the 180 nation world tour
for the Universal Peace Fed-
eration Rally for the Restora-
tion of the Homeland which
achieved through the
complete unity of heart, body
and mindset of two gener-
ations within the Family Uni-
formly between the True Par-
ents and True Children. It
was a day to commemo-
rate the 21st anniversary of
True Father’s release from
Danbury prison in which he
was unjustly incarcerated in
America.”

“Fortunately for us, we have
come to enjoy the ben-
et ﬁcial power of heavenly
freely while living in the
same time sphere of the
True Parent’s Blessing. During
the entrance ceremony and coro-
nation of the king and queen
of cosmic peace, True Father empha-
sized that a lineage of purity and pure
love is most important. There is noth-
ing more important and of value than
the blessing. Let us become the lead-
ing force in realizing a kingdom of ever-
lasting peace, following True Father’s
instructions for all. Blessed families
should fulfill their mission as tribal
messiahs and national messiahs through
hoendok and blessing.”

After Rev. Kwak’s address a video
presentation titled “Inheritance and
Complete Settlement! One Great Step

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There was a warm, family atmosphere
among the 1,200 participants. Hyun Jin
opened his remarks with expression of
appreciation not only to those gathered
but also to his parents, congratulating
Mother Moon for her incredible accom-
plishment and urging everyone to give
their very best attention to every word of
the message that he and his mother would
present. Hyun Jin was dynamic, lively,
and yet projected a very conﬁdent,
comfortable presence.

Mother Moon entered the stage truly
as the Queen of Peace, the Queen of True
Love and as the True Mother. Her pres-
entation was perfect as she demonstrat-
ed once again that she is the “master”
of the message and the word—not simply
because her presentation is so effective
but because her character and being are
one with the words she speaks.

The prayer for blessing of marriage
went beautifully, and the closing cheers
were jubilant. Following the main event,
there was an extensive banquet on the
ten-course meal and entertainment.

The following morning Mother Moon
spoke with Thomas Hwang translating
into Chinese. “Chinese is a complicated
language,” she said, “and so a certain
number are illiterate. The Korean lan-
guage is both sophisticated and simple.
Korean can even express the sound of a
crying baby. [There was a crying baby in
the back of the room, and everyone laughed.] If you know the 24 characters you can
master the language very easily. When
you feel God is far away, then if call out
in Korean, that will open God’s ears.”

She asked how many people were see-
ing her for the first time and then said:
“I traveled to many continents and nations
and met so many Ambassadors for Peace
who are committed to carrying out God’s
providence at this time. So many are wait-
ing for the spring rain, thirsting for God’s
word. There is one world, one God, one
True Parents and one True Family. All
the nations of the world are like the chil-
dren of True Parents, whether they are
large or small, powerful or not so power-
ful.” She talked about meeting the presi-
dent of India, who suggested that a book
be published of essays by Ambassadors
for Peace describing the impact
Father Moon has made on them.

“The hope of all people of the world is
to meet True Parents,” Mother Moon added.

What fortunate and happy people you
are! You brought these True Parents
and you are alive at the same time as them. The more you share your
joy and happiness, the greater it becomes.
You received the precious Blessing, with-
out any price, so you should share it freely
and openly with your family, friends, rel-
atives, co-workers, etc. Do your very best,
and heavenly fortune will be with you.
This life is like the baby in the mother’s
womb. At a certain point it has to come out,
and come to life on earth. Parents
hope their baby will be healthy and able
to ﬂourish and enjoy life. So too is
God’s hope when you enter the spirit world.
The eternal world is the place where we
shed our physical body. How much we
prepare on earth will determine our capac-
ity in spirit world. So, in order to enjoy
happiness in the eternal world, you should
live 24 hours a day for the sake of oth-
ers.”

In closing, she said she would like to
have many students, but she needed to have
right away for Korea, where a large rally
was planned. Hyun Jin closed the morn-
ing meeting with a song.
by Bonnie Berry

Following the Opening Ceremony for the Original Palace, word quickly spread that Father had announced his plan to have all Korean Regional Directors return to Korea. Though most of us have had challenges over the years trying to bridge the culture and language barriers between our Korean leaders and ourselves, this announcement brought about a sense of sadness that we would be losing our staunch examples of attendance to God and True Parents. In Region 18, having Rev. and Mrs. Hun Suk Lee for the last five years, we were also faced with saying good-bye to our brother and sister who had prayed for us daily, opened our home and hearts to us, offered guidance and friendship, patience and steadfast love. Together with the Lees, we have faced challenges and successes, both sorrowful and joyful times. Above all, the Lees have shown us a consistent standard of attendance, obedience and loyalty to our True Parents.

When Rev. Lee returned from Korea at the conclusion of the festivities, the Lee’s began planning a party for all of us as a way to thank us for our support. On the beautiful and sunny afternoon of July 1st, families of Region 18 congregated at Father’s beautiful Winotermere house overlooking Lake Washington and Mt. Rainier. We were all delighted to have Mrs. Lee prepare a sumptuous Korean barbecue dinner for us. The Lee’s hospitality and show of appreciation to us made us feel loved by them and Heavenly Parents. Families spread out on the lawn in small groups enjoying conversation, sharing memories and making plans. Children ran and played. The sounds of their laughter rang out in the summer air. There was an atmosphere of joy and celebration. In closing, Rev. Lee shared his hope that we would continue to develop the foundation in our community and make stronger unity with one another. He also stressed that we wished to help strengthen our bond of heart with the Fatherland, Korea. He expressed hope that we could continue to stay connected in heart even though he would be in Korea. The next day, July 2nd, was the appointed day for the official transition ceremony. The church building was full to capacity for the event. As we sang, a sense of recollection and anticipation filled the sanctuary. Heaven’s heart and spirit filled us. As new Holy Salt and Holy Candles were bequeathed to us, there was a sense that a new beginning, a new time had arrived.

Washington state leader, Mary Anglin gave a brief official announcement about Father Moon’s direction for all Korean leaders to return to Korea. She encouraged us that this is a time for the American membership to step forward and take responsibility to fulfill our Elder Son position. Brief testimonies were heard about the Lees’ Larry Krishenof spoke of the love and hospitality they have offered us. He also shared about the way that the Lees were able to comfort him in the face of the grief he felt at the passing of their beloved second son, Kwan Jung. This comfort came at a time when Larry felt he should have been the one giving comfort. Larry has a unique bond with the Lees, as his appointed Korean hometown is the community where Rev. Lee is originally from.

Next to speak was Hiroko Sato. Hiroko tearfully shared what we all know. The Lees have prayed for us each and every night, each and every family. She reminded us how they sacrificed. They stayed up late each night and got up early each morning to pray. The final testimony came from Myung Yeeol Keating. She also shared about the abundant love and service we have received from the Lees. In particular, she talked about the offering they made that binds us to them forever. During their course in Region 18, while they were attending True Parents in K lodiah, Kwan Jung was taken to the spirit world while on STF. We shared this transition with Rev. and Mrs. Lee that the time was so shortest intimate way. This period of transition brought our community together. But most importantly, it showed us very substantially the unifying faith in God and True Parents that the Lees have. Although at times, it may seem impossible to continue, they never hid their faces or asked for a leave of absence. They continued steadfastly in their leadership role and responsibilities. Myung Yeeol said it see Seattle on page 13

by Rev. Barry Geller

On July 2, 2006, at the Robert Treat Hotel, Newark, NJ, our New Jersey Region Church membership offered their hearts to our beloved Regional Director, Rev. Dong Woo Kim, Mrs. Chan Ran Kim, and their four children. This truly was a wonderful tribute to the great work of our True Parents in America.

To begin the event the New Jerusalem Band led us in song and Rev. Alan Roghanian, Imam Ameer Pasha Salahuddin, and Mrs. Masako Fedde-ema all shared their experiences of spiritual growth and inspirations in their work with Rev. and Mrs. Kim. Most significantly, this experience was the presence of In Jin Nam and family, who came in support of the work of Rev. Kim over the past three years in the New Jerusalem Community. In Jin Nam came not only to support Rev. Kim, but also to express her gratitude and appreciation to all the Korean Regional Directors in America. She also expressed her appreciation to New Jerusalem and all the regions she visited on the tour for Dr. Pak. We all were moved by her beautiful expression of heart for the efforts of the Korean leaders in America and her hope for America under the new leadership of Chun Il Geuk.

In addition, the three-hour service included a beautiful photo montage and set to music of Rev. Kim’s three-year ministry in New Jerusalem. During his 3-year administration Rev. Kim worked day and night to put in place a structure for our work as owners of Chon B Geuk. He established committees to address both 1st and 2nd generation issues, Sunday worship, outreach, and education for new guests on up to leaders of our community. In addition he established educational programs for our Blessed Central Families, Hoon Dok School for spiritual growth, Leadership School for training in leading Hoon Dok Home Church Groups, and DP School for lecture training in the One to One DP education. Almost every weekend Rev. Kim was busy teaching during the past three years. Although the service was long, the time passed quickly because of the beautiful feeling that affected all.

Rev. Kim also took time to present plaques and certificates of appreciation to the many families who gave of their hearts and efforts during the last three years. In particular, Rev. Dario Ferrabollì was recognized for his excellent work with ALCE. Mrs. Masako Fedde-ema for her work as Hoon Dok Family Church Coordinator, as well as Mrs. Hope Igarashi, Rev. Pan Whe Goo, Mrs. Misayo Bien, and many, many others too numerous to mention here.

Rev. Dr. Michael Jenkins shared his experiences with Rev. Kim advising him to attend the Fishing Tournament this year. Great results emerged for America and Rev. Jenkins as he placed 1st in the Tournament. The culmination of the service was the moment when we all bid farewell to Rev. Kim and welcomed our new acting Regional Director, Rev. Barry Geller, who pledged to continue the good work begun by Rev. Kim in the New Jersey Region. In conclusion, bouquets of flowers and beautiful gifts were presented to the honored guests and to Rev. and Mrs. Kim and Rev. and Mrs. Geller. We look forward to greater things happening in New Jerusalem based on the foundation built by True Parents, Rev. Kim, and Stalt.
Walker Jr. and his wife. The blessing with a beautiful song “Lord, We Need Your Love” was led by saying that we must be significant to the family, restore the community and honor to God. The WestRock family choir created a beautiful atmosphere with three tributes, we came to the close of one era and the start of the next.

It was a bright and beautiful morning as we began our service led by Rev. Michael Marshall, himself a former pastor of our community in the 80’s and now the chair of our advisory board. The Peace Prayer was Chanted by Mrs. Susan Osmond and made up of former New Hope Singers International members and others, led us in the Chen II Guk National Anthem, “Blessing of God”.

As one of his final official duties as Regional Director, Rev. Hong assisted Dr. Chang Shik Yang in the Conferment of the new Holy Items to our Regional Pastors Team. Eight areas in all were represented. Rev. Randy Francis, Washington, DC; Rev. Angerika Selle, New Hope Family Church; Rev. Hiroshi Goto, NOVA Family Church; Rev. Adrien Bayo, Richmond Family Church. Rev. Young Chul Torres from the Bronx. Our WestRock family choir returned again with the beautiful prayer of Francis of Assisi “Make me a Channel of Your Peace”.

After being introduced by the emcee, Rev Lee shared how precious each one is to God and how grateful he was to each minister present. To the ministers he said, “You have taught me a lot, especially in taking down barriers”. Concluding his speech, “Let’s just say good-bye, let’s just say, see you again”. After his talk, Rev Daugherty and Dr. McLeod presented Rev Lee with a plaque honoring him for his investment in the local community. Archbishop Moses de la Rosa said that Rev Lee had qualities that were present in the saints of the Old Testament, that he would not be returning to Korea with a lot of people or great wealth but with great wisdom, knowledge and love. Like Paul, he said, “You have made many missionary journeys for the Lord; now you will be returning to a volatile and tremulous situation.” he ended by referring to Ephesians 4:10 “Be strong in the Lord”.

Rev Levy Daugherty, ACLC Secretary General, began sharing about how Rev Moon instituted the United Federation of Churches (UFC). He stated that a church is not a building but the body of Christ. The core objectives of the UFC are to rebuild the community, restore the community and out in the community and the bait is set. Your hook is you being present, but was unable to due to a prior commitment. Mrs. Beryl Green read excerpts of Rev Moon’s words on Jesus’ life, and Bishop Dreckett read Psalm 23. Rev. Daughetty, pastor of the First Grace Baptist Church of Harlem, said it was a great privilege for him to give the keynote sermon. He reminisced how he and Rev Lee drove around Harlem together and how this provided an opportunity to get to know each other. Quoting a preacher from England, he said the 23rd Psalm was the jewel of all psalms. Acknowledging King David as the writer, he said it had to be someone who walked bug enough with God to know that you could give God all your difficulties and God would give you back something extra special. He explained that the Holy Spirit was a shock absorber. In speaking about Rev Moon, Rev. Keung said he was a shepherd and the shepherd has to have a tender heart. He went on to say that a sheep can distinguish their Shepherd from the rest. He asked, “when you look at Rev Moon’s words on what happened in the Garden of Eden, you realize we need the help of good angels.”

Rabbi Hadrshomi from the Bronx offered a prayer for the youth and a transfer of youth-ful spirit to those who are older. Rev Rosario offered a prayer for the speakers’ offering and wished Rev Lee all God’s blessing for his new mission. Mrs. Beryl Green related how Bishop Cecil Riley wanted to be present, but was unable to due to a prior commitment. Mrs. Beryl Green related how Bishop Cecil Riley wanted to be present, but was unable to due to a prior commitment. Mrs. Beryl Green related how Bishop Cecil Riley wanted to be present, but was unable to due to a prior commitment. Mrs. Beryl Green related how Bishop Cecil Riley wanted to be present, but was unable to due to a prior commitment.
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Rev. Jenkins explaining the history of, and the honor and dignity that each of the regional directors have accomplished in guiding the elder son nation into the proper position for this transition. Dr. Yang then came forward to officially begin the transition ceremony. He explained how he has watched the American church as we have been learning from each of the Korean leaders. He is grateful for many of the struggles both sides have experienced. He said the greatest proof of our success is that True Father has honored these leaders with doctorate degrees. This is based not only on our efforts, but on our entire nation’s success. Now as these leaders go back to the Fatherland and on to new missions, let us keep one obstacle over and one challenge met. Keep pushing for world peace through the MEPI, ACLC, APP, and most importantly Hoon Dok Family Church.

A special national level plaque was then offered to Rev. and Mrs. Hong. Dr. Arnold Howard, our regional Co-Chairman with Rev. Hong gave encouraging remarks and commented that Korea was gaining a powerful voice.

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Just as the Bay Area Family Church blessed central families presented a plaque to Rev. Kim expressing our deep appreciation a week earlier, the local ACLC clergy, and Ambassadors for Peace, this evening presented Rev. Kim a beautiful plaque showing their love and gratitude to Rev. Kim for his sacrifice, leadership, and loving guidance. In addition, Rev. Stephen Goldhamon, an active ACLC member, dedicated to Rev. Kim a most special poem, beautifully written and laminated, entitled "Rev. Dr. Man Ho Kim: A Man of God from Without and Within!" These sentiments summed up the feelings toward Rev. Kim for all of us.

We followed with some lively karaoke singing and dancing. What a night! And, of course, things wouldn’t be complete without the new Holy Wine Blessing. One newly married couple from one of our close churches stood forward to receive the marriage blessing sacrament, and all the rest of us were happy to partake the holy wine right afterward.

Our hearts were with Rev. Kim as he now moves on to his new assignment in Korea. We will fondly and gratefully recall his faith, leadership, and support as we now continue in our providential work here in Northern California.
by Rev. Kevin Thompson, Kenta Leal, and David Rosenblum

On Sunday, July 2nd, after the Chan Euk Ho Wine Ceremony we had a high spirited and uplifting farewell service for our Regional Director Rev. Dr. Man Ho Kim at the Bay Area Family Church in San Leandro, California. The church was packed to the rafters and the atmosphere was one of joy and celebration tinged with a touch of regret. We even had Mr. and Mrs. Joo Chan Choi and Mrs. “Mama” Choo here (36 couples) to share the event with us.

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1. Manifesting God’s heart and love, and inheriting and developing True Parents’ traditions.
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Upon the ending of the slide show, all members rose up to applaud and receive Rev. Ku’s final message. Rev. Ku’s message entitled “The 3 stories” was brief and to the point. Rev. Ku inspired the congregation, that this is a new start for the Elder Son Nation of America to take responsibility to change the world substantially. He chronicled his 7 years as Regional Director here, with the highs and lows. After the sermon and a standing ovation for Rev. Ku, Rev. Joshua Cotter from National Headquarters, several others all gave awards of appreciation to Rev. and Mrs. Ku. After dinner, there were testimonials of appreciation for Rev. Kim’s love and leadership.

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A rather profound and beautiful transition ceremony took place here in the Los Angeles Peace Family Church. Over 400 Family Federation members, several clergy, Ambassadors for Peace and friends gathered to wish a fond farewell to our very much beloved and respected leader, Rev. Baek Joong Ku.

Rev. Baek Joong Ku has served the Los Angeles region close to 10 years. For the first 3 years, it was in the capacity as the Los Angeles KEA director; after which Rev. Ku became the Regional Director for the Los Angeles region.

We had a special guest from National Headquarters – Rev. Joshua Cotter. The special transition ceremony started at 9 AM, with the entrance of the Los Angeles Peace Family choir marching in their long blue robes.

The Master of Ceremonies, Rev. Godwin D’Silva, then invited Rev. Nate Windman, the Educational Director to give the opening prayer. The opening prayer was very inspirational. Rev. Windman stated that while this is a time of change and transition and while we are sad about our leader Rev. Ku leaving, we are also determined to rise up to the occasion to serve God and True Parents more.

At this time, Rev. and Mrs. Ku, true to their selfless and giving spirit, presented 2 Divine Principles books to each family. As each District was called out, several hundred families received a pair of Divine Principle books. These DP books are the color coded ones and the idea of the members’ testimony, outlining Rev. Ku’s concern for all the achievements of Rev. and Mrs. Ku.

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Rev. Henning together with Mrs. Henning stepped up to the podium to receive the Acting Regional Director of Los Angeles, Rev. Joshua Cotter. After his acceptance speech was full of praise for Rev. Ku’s Leadership and promised to carry on the good work. Rev. Henning emphasized that it was due to each and every family’s effort that made Los Angeles one of the best regions in the country.

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Christian minister couples understand core Divine Principle, participate in Blessings and become Peace Family Churches. Rev. D’Silva expressed with great emotion the gratitude he felt towards Rev. and Mrs. Ku for taking care of Rev. D’Silva and his family during the time of his health crisis.

Yoshiko McClellan then stood up to testify about how clear Rev and Mrs. Ku are about in money matters. All public moneys were utilized very efficiently and reported as such. Mrs. McClellan also mentioned that Rev. Ku had a great sense of humor and a talent to tell jokes and that he did not join the church, he would have been a comedian.

The congregation then got a special treat, a special slide presentation showing all the achievements of Rev. and Mrs. Ku. The first testimony was from Rev. Walter Frank, the Pastor of San Diego Family Church. Walter was very eloquent in praising Rev. Ku and Mrs. Ku’s concern for the San Diego Family. Walter testified that once every month, Rev. Ku visited the San Diego church, something that previous Regional Directors had not done.

Rev. Frank also pointed out that Rev. Ku’s Family Life lectures really helped members in their marital relations. Rev. Nate Windman then followed Rev. Frank by his recounting of how Rev. Ku patterned himself for Nate to finish up his family level foundation in order to try teaching Divine Principle again.

Co-Pastor Naoko Harai gave an emotion-filled testimony about the care Rev. Ku and Mrs. Ku gave to each Japanese family and especially how he supported the Kodan prevalent at that time.

When, Rev. Godwin D’Silva gave a moving testimony, outlining Rev. Ku’s great work on education for all levels. Rev. Ku was especially noted for helping over 20
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The commonest action among the Chicago ministers to the news that Bishop Ki Hoon Kim was leaving Chicago was a mixture of joy and sadness. On the one hand they were appreciative that he was being called by God to a greater mission and responsibility, but on the other hand they were also filled with a sadness. A sadness out of concern that Chicago would never be the same, but also out of a feeling of loss, that they were losing a very close and personal friend and comrade. This was beautifully articulated by our twenty five year ACLC contact, Lutheran professor of theology, Dr. Paul Swanson. Dr. Swanson shared that he could fully understand and accept that God was calling Bishop Kim to a greater mission but that he still felt sad because his dear friend would be leaving Chicago.

This writer has been working side by side with Bishop Kim over the past ten years. During this time I have come to know much of his heart and spirit.

My experience, since the news came that he would be leaving Chicago, is that he is at a point in his life where he has given his life over to God. He has done so many wonderful things in Chicago over these past 10 years, but most important he is at peace in his relationship with God. Bishop Kim is not motivated by ego but by a deep sense of filial piety toward God and True Parents. His one overwhelming goal during every event that we have ever had in Chicago has been to bring joy to our True Parents. My experience with him over the past several weeks is that he is internally prepared and at peace go wherever God will ask him to go and to do whatever God will ask him to do. When the ministers come to understand that God is calling him to a greater and more responsible mission and that he is at peace with this calling, then too, are at peace with his leaving.

Much like the father of the bride, they are not losing a regional bishop but they are the gain of a national ACLC director. When they come to understand this, they too, have come to be at peace.

Two weeks ago our Chicago ACLC entourage gathered together to pay tribute to Bishop and Mrs. Kim at our August 16th Family Church Sunday Service. It was a beautiful service, both Dr. Swanson and our city councilman joined the service to deliver warm remarks of gratitude for Bishop Kim’s mission and responsibilities. Immediately after the service our community began to prepare for a farewell send-off for Bishop Kim, which would be held at our July monthly prayer breakfast. We reserved one of the most prestigious banquet halls in the city of Chicago and began to make preparations to receive 300 guests from all over the Midwest. Our reception list included ministers and friends from Detroit (an entourage led by Rev. Mack Vincent and Rev. Donald K. Kowal), Rev. Ike Miller, Rev. Marian North, Rev. Martin Lawrence, the Bishop’s seminary team, AFC leaders Rev. Carl Swanson and Mrs. Susan Oliver, Rev. and Mrs. James Anderson and the spirit of Missouri, and so many more. Illinois ACLC leader Darel Reidel interrupting his family reunion in Indiana to return for the event, and what seemed to be just about every minister in Illinois was present.

I could start listing names, but suffice it to say that the wait crew were busy setting up additional tables throughout the first hour of the program in order to accommodate most of the guests. As always, so many of our members wound up standing in the background. At an attempt at brevity (something that Bishop Kim has been diligently trying to instill in this writer over these past ten years), I will not repeat facts and stories that you have read in previous articles. What I want to primarily focus on here is the spirit of unity and harmony that one could feel from every corner of the room. This was certainly enhanced by Dr. A. Harold White’s leadership from the position of Chicago ACLC Co-Convenor and Master of Ceremonies for the program. It was enhanced through some beautiful prayers and most assuredly through the heavenly voices gathered together as the True Family Voice of Chicago, as Rev. Miltie Coller introduced a music number accompanied by Pastor T.L. Barrett, Jr. on the piano. Bishop Kim’s own program truly came together as Chicago’s native son, the Rev. Dr. Michael William Jenkins (as Archbishop Shin so eloquently introduces him), ascended to the podium to deliver the morning’s message.

Rev. Jenkins’ message was twofold and quite simple. Part one focused on the week that he had just spent in Israel. He spoke of how the Jews, the Christians and the Muslims—really how the religious, the ministers and the people and imams and Muslims must come together under the guidance and direction of God and transcend their cultural and religious differences in order to lead their political leaders to be able to bring a true and lasting peace to the Middle East.

Then he concluded with some very preeventual words about the lessons that he had accomplished through Bishop Kim in Chicago during these past ten years. There was a reverence and a respect for Bishop Rev. Jenkins and Bishop Kim. Each is quick to give credit to the other for much of their success. Bishop Kim gives Rev. Jenkins much of the credit for raising up and leading Chicago’s ministerial community. Likewise, Rev. Jenkins has no hesitation to give Bishop Kim much of the credit for raising him up to the level that he could ascend to the leadership position of our national Family Federation. Many have noted that this example is also the foundation that has given rise to a very similar relationship between Rev. Jenkins and Dr. Yang. As Rev. Jenkins concluded his message, the congregation stood to its feet in applause for Bishop Kim. National ACLC Co-Convenor Pastor T.L. Barrett, Jr., introduced Bishop Kim. Bishop Connie Crawford Barnea brought a beautiful bouquet of flowers, and Elder Charles Horn presented a beautiful photo montage of Bishop Kim’s work with Mayor Daley’s Martin Luther King, Jr. prayer breakfast. Bishop Kim also received a plaque bearing a photo of the City of Chicago (“the Windy City”), and several others offered remarks of gratitude. Representing Bishop Kim’s dear friend and colleague, the Honorable Louis Farrakhan and the Nation of Islam, Minister of Protocol Sister Claudette Marie Muhammad offered a plaque of appreciation.

Bishop Kim’s own remarks were, as always, quite brief. He thanked everyone and gave credit to everyone gathered together for the success that the ACLC has had in Chicago over these past ten years.

All that remained was for the 300 gathered ministers to assemble on the stage for photos. This was a feat possibly more challenging than the entire program. However, True Father has trained us well and the assembled gathering remained together for the banquet hall and outside in the parking lot, for writing the new Chicago story.

Now Chicago is officially ready to move on. We will prepare to give Bishop Kim his due—that is, to take the lessons that he has taught us over these past ten years and put them into practice. The true mark of a great CEO is that the wheels that he has set in motion, the equations that he has displayed, will be carried on by his heirs. Teaching is a fine art. It is often much more difficult that merely doing. The true leader leads by example.

Because Bishop Kim’s true legacy will be felt in the ability of the Chicago community to apply what he has taught us—to put his lessons into practice.

Because of Bishop Kim’s love and his example, Chicago is confident that we will now rise to levels higher than any that was achieved while he was here. Jesus told his disciples that they would do greater works than he could ever do. True Father has spoken those exact same words to all of us. Bishop Kim’s greatest message to Chicago will achieve much greater things in his absence than they could ever achieve while he was here.

Thank you, Bishop Kim. Greater Victories than ever in the future. Bring the Christion model to the world. God Bless you.
National Hoon Dok Family Church Leadership Summit

by Rev. Joshua Cotter

The first National Hoon Dok Family Church Leadership Summit was held at the Sheraton National Hotel in Washington, D.C. from July 28-30.

The 35 participants included Hoon Dok Family Church regional coordinators from around the nation, Rev. Dong Woo Kim (newly appointed FFWPU Senior VP of Education and Witnessing) and Dr. Tyler Hendricks, President of UTS. The conference was convened under the leadership of Rev. Joshua Cotter, National Hoon Dok Family Church Director.

It was a great blessing to be able to hold the summit at the Sheraton National Hotel, where we felt the presence of God, True Parents and True Family constantly. This was the first opportunity for all of the HDFC coordinators to meet face to face and heart to heart, after having spent the last 6 months or more working in the field to develop this crucial providence in America. At our opening banquet, everyone had a chance to introduce themselves. We then gathered on the 15th floor (where there is a spectacular view of downtown Washington) and sang together, then prayed passionately for the elder son nation that we are responsible to save.

On Saturday, our goal was to look at how far we have come in developing the Hoon Dok Family Church movement in America, particularly since the National Leadership Summit at UTS in January of this year. Rev. Dong Woo Kim spoke during Hoon Dok Hae and gave a profound message on the meaning of Hoon Dok Family Church. In our first session, Rev. Cotter gave an overview of the HDFC Providence in America, followed by Jim Edgerly’s presentation of the results of the national situation analysis. Prior to the conference, Jim had sent out a 40 question survey to each region, to help us understand clearly where we stand as a nation and region by region. This information will prove to be invaluable as we help each region to take the next steps in developing Hoon Dok Family Church.

Dr. Yang came to the conference and spoke for over an hour about the direction from True Parents, the importance of studying and teaching Divine Principle, and our national goals as we move forward in this critical transition time. Even though Dr. Yang has such an incredibly busy schedule, he made the time to speak to the HDFC representatives. Every participant felt his commitment to HDFC as the national priority.

We were able to hear 6 ‘case studies’ over the course of the weekend, from various regions that are developing models of Hoon Dok Family Church. These were New Jersey (Mrs. Masako Feddema), New York (Rev. Ikeno and Rev. Compton), Los Angeles (Rev. Curtis Martin), UTS (Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brooks), Northern Virginia (Rev. and Mrs. Hiroshi Goto) and Boston (Rev. James B. Edgerly). A wealth of valuable information and experience was presented and the participants were able to have discussions in small groups, following the presentations. Many, if not all, of those who attended from less developed regions reflected how much they were able to gain from the experience of those who presented case studies.

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Early morning Sunday, everyone agreed to convene on the national level again in 3 months. Everyone departed the summit with a great sense of empowerment and passionate determination to fulfill this historic mission. America will pioneer the successful model of Hoon Dok Family Church and, as the elder son, offer it to the world! Amen!
WFWP-NY Holds Women’s Retreat

The New York Regional Chairwoman of WFWP held their first annual Women’s Retreat in Westchester County in August.

This had been a dream of the NY Regional Chairwoman, Debby Gullery, for several years, and it was very exciting to see it unfold. The theme of the retreat was “Connecting Women of Peace” so the presentations discussed issues that women can inspire and create peace on all levels. Below are reflections from a retreat participant, Jan Goldstoff, with a few comments thrown in by Debby.

The Mattadale Retreat Center is such a special place. With rolling hills overlooking the Hudson River, and a tranquil spa setting, I knew in my heart that this WFWP weekend retreat was going to be powerful and memorable. It was so quiet I could almost hear the grass move in the wind. I don’t remember being places that had such wonderful silence—I did not miss my computer’s tasking, reading and writing thousands of emails, listening to the 24 hour news channel, or reading all the papers I do each day. Everything seemed very far way and I was in the moment. I was in paradise, in nature, with creatures, a roaring and squirrels scurrying, and birds soaring all around. It was all perfect.

Up early on Saturday I found myself listening to many awesome women—women who were mothers, grandmothers and students, from every walk of life and nationality, who were profoundly impacting their communities and contributing to WFWP; who shared from their heart and soul, and whose insights, wisdom and wit were unbelievably inspiring.

Donna Howell was the MC and her energizing voice and cheerfulness was captivating. What a great addition she was to this conference! She described WFWP as being all about peace-building in ourselves and in the world. I knew then I was in the right place. She said she hoped that God would speak to our hearts and give each of us what we needed to grow and be empowered.

The morning began as we gathered to hear from Betsy Jones, a psychiatric nurse practitioner, a reiki and massage therapist. She shared her experiences, and the ideas we had heard, and get to know everyone to feel that they can make substantial improvements and changes in their important relationships. She explained that there are very practical ways to change the dynamics of relationships, especially in our marriages. She emphasized being intentional and reminded us that relationships are circular, meaning that a tiny change in one person’s actions can lead to a big change in the dynamic of a relationship.

Debby also gave a powerpoint presentation about the many activities of the national and international work of WFWP. Many of the participants were encouraged to WFWP for the first time, so this gave them a broader understanding of WFWP.

Following Debby’s talk, Hannah Alexander shared about her moving experience going on a Goodwill Trip to China with WFWP last year. Hannah is a young, dynamic woman who has the ability to totally engage and captivate an audience. She is half British and half Chinese, so the trip had great significance for her. She talked about having a vision of seeing her grandfather saying to her…”I’ve been waiting for you for so long”, and as a result of her experiences in China, she now sees herself as a bridge between the east and the west.

In preparation for our labyrinth walk together. Imagine all of us on a beautiful morning, hands clasped and hearts soaring! What a wonderful experience that started out alone and developed into encounters and hugs along the way. Following the labyrinth walk, we danced and sang a song of friendship together. Imagine all of us on a beautiful summer morning, hands clasped and hearts soaring! What a wonderful way to end our experience.

On a personal note, I shared how she discovered that she received great joy by giving and encouraged us to give and give freely. I find myself thinking about this every day since the workshop!

Before we ended the evening, we gathered in our groups for some creative time. Everyone wrote and performed songs or skits and we enjoyed ourselves immensely! Several individuals performed as well, and Jan had the whole group singing along to an incredible song of peace she had written.

The retreat concluded on Sunday morning with a communal walking of the labyrinth. Gillian guided us through a beautiful experience that started out alone and developed into encounters and hugs along the way. Following the labyrinth walk, we dined and sang a song of friendship together. Imagine all of us on a beautiful summer morning, hands clasped and hearts soaring! What a wonderful way to end our experience.

Afterwards, we gathered for reflections and a celebration breakfast, sharing emails, bringing our guitars and drums and singing some more. It was hard to leave the peaceful surroundings and each other, but we’re pretty sure we’ll have another one next year! Meanwhile, each of us returned home filled with renewed hope, new skills and confidence to become peacemakers in our own circles of influence.

Written by Jan Goldstoff, Jan Goldstoff, Public Relations, and Debby Gullery, Co-Founder of the Center for Marriage and Family of Westchester and NY Regional WFWP Chairwoman.

The Universal Peace Federation, a new stage in the development of the Interreligious and International Federation for World Peace, has been active in promoting dialogue between peoples of diverse religions, cultures, ethnic backgrounds and nationalities. These efforts have been taking place not only through conferences, summits and seminars, but also through sports, culture, community service, the arts, publications, television and more.

One of the critical issues facing our world has to do with bridging the gaps of misunderstanding that exist between the Islamic world and the West. From Professor Samuel Huntington’s thesis regarding the clash of civilizations, to the outrage over the cartoon controversy, to conflicts in Iraq, Afghanistan, Israel/Palestine, we recognize the imperative to understand and heal the rift between ‘Islam and the West.’

The Universal Peace Federation, guided by the interreligious vision of its founder, the Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon, convened a series of Muslim Summits beginning in 2001. Shortly after the tragic events of September 11, chaired by Tajeldin Hamad, these summits highlighted the goodness of Islam at a time when much disinformation and prejudice toward Islam and Muslims was being promoted. Many of the articles in this volume were excerpted from published proceedings of these summits and further conferences over the next four years. The declaration that emerged from the “Jakarta Summit” appears in the appendix.

This small volume offers insight into the minds and hearts of an extraordinarily diverse group of Muslims around the world that are committed to working for peace. The world urgently needs more dialogue between Islam and the West. We hope this short collection of excerpts from essays and remarks by Muslims from around the world will make a modest contribution in helping humankind move forward on a journey to peace.

More information at http://peacefoundation.org

New UPF Book: Islamic Perspectives on Peace

by Alan Saunders

UPF was invited to make a two hour presentation to professors and students at the State University of Santo Domingo (UASD) in the Dominican Republic on July 31st. The presentation focused on the UPF character education initiative and internship program, which has been locally championed by Mr. Cesar Regalado. Cesar has been teaching character education in the Dominican Republic for the last decade based on the lecture manuals, Searching for Life’s True Purpose published by the International Education Foundation.

His work was developed from a character education workshop that was convened in 1997 by Mr. David Stewart and Mr. Saunders.

The students from UASD have been teaching character education in schools throughout Santo Domingo based on the lectures they have received from Professor Rafael Reyes of the Vice Rectors Department and Mr. Regalado. UPF is planning to send interns to the Dominican Republic in 2007 to work with University professors and students to teach the character education textbooks at the community level.

Mr. Saunders also presented a copy of the text, Cultivating Heart and Character: Educating for Life’s Most Essential Goals to the Director of the Library, Mr. Juan Ramon Fiallo Fatra. Further cooperation is planned with the State University of Santo Domingo.

Mr. Saunders also met the President of the State University of Santo Domingo, Dr. Roberto Reyna. President Reyna has recently returned from a tour of Korea, where he met with other University Presidents. A meeting was also convened with the Vice President of the University, Ms. Clara Benedito and student leaders. The University is funded by the State Government of the Dominican Republic and this allows students of challenging economic levels to attend the University.

Building Bridges between Austria and Palestine

by Peter Haider

The Federation for World Peace has invited young Palestinians aged 14 to 18 from East Jerusalem for a summer recreation camp with members of the Austrian youth group HARP during the second week of July 2006. They came from the Burj Al Luq Luq Social Centre in the old city of Jerusalem which is run by Dyaal Hussein. The connection to this centre was made by a member of the Arabic chamber of commerce in Vienna.

“My goal was that these young people get to know each other and that they can spend one week in a nice and peaceful environment. We want to show to our guests from Palestine that there is an alternative to war and terror”, said Ertin Loos, who was coordinating the summer camp in an interview with APA, the Austrian Press agency. “The Austrians should be able to experience that there are peaceful people in the Middle East, not just terrorists. Such a camp is organized for the first time this summer. For me it is a totally new experience, I started small and want to expand this project”, explained Mrs. Loos about her future plans. Next time - this was a suggestion of the Austrian participants - young Israelis should be invited too.

Amineth Palecek, an Ambassador for Peace from the Palestinian community in Vienna supported the project as well as Andreas Bauer, the leader of the youth group HARP. After two day of sightseeing in Vienna the workshop centre „Haus Regenbogen“ in Seebenstein, Lower Austria became the place of many interesting talks and the start of cooperation is planned with the State University of Santo Domingo.

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Why We Should Educate Youth for a reasonable marriage

by Stephen Stacey

O n 20 September 2006, who wants to have a deep, special relationship with one other person for the rest of their life? All hands go up – even the hand of the student who wants to make a million before he’s 25. “Ok, if you were given one wish – and the choice you had to make was to have one wish come true – which would you choose?”

at the research. Even though most single parents do an amazing job raising children by themselves – some of them are still unable to do so. They cannot avoid the fact that by far the majority of these teens with emotional or behavioural difficulties come from distressed families where the father and mother have a really hard time understanding how to build a deep, connecting relationship. These distressed parents, who went through the education system a few years ago, learnt very little to help them become good husbands and wives over the course of the 12+ years. When you count in the long-term cohabitations that also didn’t make it – we now have a situation where 55-60% of the population go through a drastic, life-altering, painful divorce or separation event. Of the 40% who make it till old age, probably half of their marriages are not in the best of shape. None of the reforms proposed in the recent education reforms show that politicians have understood the anguish the majority of the population currently goes through. This being the case we can only expect to see many more years of suffering in the next generation of citizens, with tax payers having to pick up the pieces of family distress while we sit and helplessly watch social decay continue its endless march forward.

From their lack of comments on this issue my guess is that today’s political leaders, leaders who are meant to be guiding society towards a better future, just haven’t understood how important the couple relationship is to partners, children, and society. For example, maybe they don’t understand the structural benefits that a marriage brings.

Statistics clearly show that both children and adults, who are doing well in their setting, are far more likely to come from any other family constellation. Married couples, on average, are healthier, less prone to depression, experience less violence, and are, on the whole, financially better off. The children, on average, do better at school, are far less prone to self-harm, take less drugs, have less behavioural or psychological problems, and commit far less crime. On the other hand, maybe the government doesn’t understand the tremendous waste of energy, time, and money that is being consumed by society’s general lack of competence in this area of life - both in the family and on a national level as well. The couple relationship is such an integral part of the human life cycle – and when we get it right, it can unleash and develop the best within ourselves. If partners get it wrong, their work output may go down by 30-50%; personnel managers often say to me that a person going through a divorce is a lost employee for a year; it often takes about 5-8 years to rebuild lives after a divorce; and the financial cost to the average divorcing couple is immense. Also, what if we could reduce divorce rates by 50% through a reasonable educational strategy - what energy and vitality could be released if the government had more money to spend on useful developmental projects rather than paying just to pick up the pieces?

On top of this, if the government thought about asking parents if they would like their children to be offered some courses that would improve their chances of a successful marriage I’m pretty sure they would find, like I have, that the majority of us would say yes – I want to see my child to be fairly happily married and the grandchildren to have a secure upbringing. When I’m 70 I want to be able to look around and feel proud that my children are doing well in this area too. And if it can be helped, I’d rather not have to spend several years of the later years of my life supporting my child as they go through a divorce; and I don’t see why anyone who make key social decisions seem to not only to be blind to the suffering of many, many young couples but also they seem unable to hear the hopes and dreams of today’s parents - taxpayers who hope for a brighter future.

If you look at the upper secondary curriculum guidelines offered by the National Board of Education there are many important issues there. However, if you look more closely there are no long-term preventative measures to ensure that the next generation will be at risk. Many teachers do a tremendous job trying to teach in really challenging contexts and today - but things are only likely to get more challenging, unless they are allowed to start teaching the next generation for the relationship challenges that they will face. The current predictions seem to show that in 10 years unstable, cohabitations relationships with children will outnumber marriages with children. This being so then we can expect over 50% of the next generation will spend some or all of their childhood years being raised by a single parent. Anyone who has read “The Unexpected Legacy of Divorce - the 25 year landmark study” will know that this will lead to an even larger number of children walking around trying to deal with anger, pain, or low self-esteem, or low levels of self-control or no developed mental blueprints which they can draw upon when they are trying to build their next family. Put simply, there is be no healthy future without reasonably healthy families, and unless social workers and teachers develop educational strategies in this area, social problems will continue to rise.

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Chris Alan Derflinger is a 20-year-old education major at Montclair State University. He will be receiving his bachelor’s degree in education in June of 2007. Chris Alan also teaches piano to 33 wonderful children and is blessed to Ms. Ye Lin Choi. He lives in New Jersey.

I started taking piano lessons when I was five years old. I begged my parents for weeks to play the instrument, and finally my parents supported my decision, and it turned out being a decision I’ve never regretted. I started studying intense classical music by the age of 9 and started teaching piano when I was 15. I started writing music when I was 11 or 12, and wrote my first song with words by 12 which is entitled, “I love you”. When I look back on the songs that I wrote so long ago, it makes me smile, because I can feel my growth through my music. Of course, music was a major method for me to connect to spirit world and I have felt God in many of my song writing experiences. My parents have always supported my musical decisions, and they’ve always given me amazing guidance.

What do your fellow BC friends think about you pursuing this path, professionally (if that is the case) as a blessed child in the secular world? How do you feel about it? What are your personal challenges being a bc trying to make it in the secular world?

Nowadays, honestly, I think it’s a good thing to be a blessed child. Young people do not condemn new religions anymore, and more and more people are embracing non-traditional religion. My BC friends completely support my music, and me and I even have two BC friends that are in my back-up band. In general, the BC community is very open-minded. To sum it up, there cannot be a change in the secular world if we don’t have faith and enter that secular world. Nothing can change the BC community, as BC’s, stay in our little circle. I like being challenged, and I don’t like staying in a comfort zone. I want to meet new people.

I have performed at many events, many for True Parents’ birthday, for political events, for church services, and also many outside of the church circle. Most of the time, for church events, I am asked to perform, and I am always honored to play for True Parents.

To be honest, getting to the performance was a major challenge. There was huge miscommunication, and I was left stranded by myself upon entering the palace, and of course I felt so humbled to be asked to perform for the True Parent’s birthday, for political events, for church...except this time, it was at a huge house!

Do you have any words of inspiration/advice/gained wisdom that you would like to impart on your bro/sis and parent figures out there, as far as putting yourself out there and making your talents known to the world, is concerned?

The one thing that I can offer is to hold tight to dreams and continue having faith, because as BC’s, we’re truly blessed to have an automatic connection to God. We just have to use it. For example, if someone gives you a new phone for your birthday, and you

People don’t seem to care that I’m in the church. They’re actually very interested about my experiences in the church. I look at me being in the church as a major plus.

Performance at The Big House

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Thank you for taking the time to read this message. I have been thinking about how to effectively take the legacy of our True Parents and transfer it on to future generations. There is such a depth and wealth of experience that is so vital to our futures, but it is either not getting passed on, or is being passed on so very haphazardly.

This is an attempt to record a small but extremely important portion of that legacy. I will be following up and adding more components to this project on a periodic basis, but for the moment, I would like to focus on anecdotes of the True Parents and True Family. To that end, I would like to request your stories of True Family be typed and emailed to info@bcyouthgroups.com. Please take the time to share your experiences, or interview your parents or whomever it may be, and record an experience where you/they were able to understand at a deeper level your/their relationship with True Parents or True Family. Please note that these stories will be posted online, and that it doesn’t necessarily need to be providential in nature, but can be humorous or simply gives a small detail about their lives that can make them more real for those who aren’t able to/haven’t been/won’t be fortunate enough to personally experience the phenomena of the True Family. Whenever possible, indicate the time and place that the event or occurrence happened. Thank you for your contribution.

Jin Kwon Kim

Message from the Editors

We are happy to announce a new section in UNEWS dedicated to focusing on the new voices of our generation. Spread the word, communicate, and link yourself to the rest of America by subscribing to the paper and submitting your voice to this section. We are looking to fill this section of the paper with the following submissions: articles written by our first and second generation focusing on second generation – that includes ALL second gen’s!

Please submit: ads for upcoming events; ads for products you have created that are for sale; ads for educational materials/workshops/events and anything else pertaining to education; original works of writing (or excerpts of writing) in all forms including short anecdotes, opinions, comments, write ups on events such as workshops, getaways, and initiatives done by and for second gen; inspirational and thoughtful poignant testimonies.

If you have an idea for submissions to this section, please let us know and send something in. If you would like to send original artwork, please note that they will appear in UNEWS in b&w. All submissions must include name, contact info, relevant dates, etc. Please send all submissions for this section via email to: newvog@gmail.com. Submissions sent in hard copy (cd’s, photos, etc.) will only be returned if accompanied with a self-addressed return envelope.

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never take the time to connect it, you’ll never be able to use it, and it will only collect dust. But if you connect it, and you use it a lot, it fulfills its purpose. I feel that’s how my relationship with God is like. Through my parent’s sacrifice, they kind of gave me the gift of having that connection with God. Obviously, however, it took a lot of faith, a lot of guidance, and a lot of understanding. I think it’s also so crucial to have a strong relationship with parents. A huge chunk of my faith is connected to my relationship with my parents. I understand what they went through to get me where I am, so I’ve always appreciated that so much. It’s quite overwhelming when I think of it, actually. Everything about my life, from my music to my wife, is connected to my parents. So parents, tell your children about your life of faith, and share with them why True Parents and everything connected to True Parents is so important to you. We’ll never know if you never share with us! Connect, connect, connect!

Knowing Korean is the Beginning Point for Establishing the Absolute Culture

“Centering on the absolute love of God, the absolute man and woman must build the absolute culture. In order to establish the absolute culture, above all, we need a unified language and alphabet. That is why I am over and over again emphasizing that you must learn Korean language and its alphabet and that the creation and development of the culture are built by the unified language and alphabet.” (True Father, 1985.11.12)

Companions for Your Youth’s Divine Principle Studies

While the essence of the Principle remains the same, its contents have been presented in various ways according to the readership to which it is addressed – be it adults or youth, university level or younger students, or the very young. It is recognized that the Principle content needs to be organized in ways that make for easier reading and study. This two volumes, were prepared in particular for people in their mid teens. Younger people – and indeed anyone wishing to systematically study the core precepts of the Principle – will no doubt find this book beneficial too. Efforts were made to avoid an over abundance of information, without omitting any core areas of the Principle. The books particularly seek to light the way for those from the younger generation of our Unificationist community, so that they may lead their lives based on True Parents’ guidance. Father’s words are therefore juxtaposed to the relevant text from Exposition of Divine Principle as additional materials for greater understanding. Each chapter has a page of exercises that prompt reference to the original texts and also deeper thought. It is hoped that the reader will find much to inspire him or her to live an exemplary life, and, as a young leader of the future, to be well positioned to play a substantial role in shaping a world of hope and peace in the new age now unfolding.

Dear Reader,

To understand the God of Heart, and True Parents, who are advancing the Providence of restoration on the earth in God’s stead, we must inevitably pass through the words of Divine Principle. Published as a manual to help younger people to grasp the inner workings of the Principle, Principle of Heart and God of Heart can be a solid stepping stone for them in the quest to understand God and True Parents.

I am very happy and grateful that these meaningful volumes could be published in English at the time of the commemoration of True Parents’ Day, 2002. In conclusion, I would like to offer my deep gratitude and give glory to God and True Parents who have cared for us unceasingly with loving-kindness up to the present day.

Hwang Sun Jo
International President
Family Federation for World Peace and Unification
Youth Volunteers Bring Relief to Guatemalan Village

by Walfred García and Jong Iwo Bessell

The RYS service project started on the 1st of July, in the center of the 500-year-old capital city Antigua, Guatemala, with an orientation. Thirty-three volunteers from Cuba, Germany, Guatemala, Honduras, United Kingdom, and the United States participated in the project.

For the work period participants traveled to the community of Santiago Atitlán, where some parts of the town had been buried underneath mudslides caused by hurricane Stan in October 2005.

A dilapidated primary school in Antigua became the venue for the 10th Service Project of the Religious Youth Service in Malaysia. Dr. Hyun Jin Moon, president of World Peace, officially launched the 10th RYS in Malaysia at the service project site. The RYS secretariat, led by the Chief Project Coordinator Madam Shanta Venugopal, kicked off the project.

Thirty-three volunteers from the host nation and participants with half from the host nation launched the event with Dr. Hyun Jin Moon, president of World Alliance for Harmony and Democracy. There were opportunities to visit several small villages around the lake by boat and to swim in the clear blue water.

The RYS service project constituted some heavy work assignments included pouring a concrete roof, painting the classrooms, building drains and a septic tank, and cleaning the waterfront of the gorgeous lake Atitlán, which is surrounded by three large volcanoes and many tiny Mayan villages.

Afternoons were filled with sports and competition, or leisure time to explore the community, interact with the local people, and discover the intriguing crafts practiced throughout the area. One day children of Santiagoatitlán, a bicultural school in Santiago, joined volunteers of the RYS for a cultural event and a mini UN activity. Participants felt the joy of selfless service, virtues of cooperation and working beyond the barriers of language. Practical peace building skills were learned.

On June 3, 2006, RYS participants put up a cultural night with multi-cultural performances for the surrounding community. Dr. John Gehring in the closing remarks stated that RYS in Malaysia has grown to a new level as “Formal education in Central America and Democracy.” There were opportunities for the audience, “Who will organize the next RYS in Malaysia?”

All answered “me!” There is indeed much hope for RYS in Malaysia. The seed of peace has once again been firmly planted.
This article about freedom. A popular topic indeed, and one which has nearly as many definitions as people attempting to define it. One thing everyone seems to agree on is, they either have it or should.

L et's review the topic itself. What is freedom? Seems obvious. Mainland China says its people have freedom, in that a strong government provides stability. Friends of your author, who work in China, report that local students agree: a firm hand is needed to preserve social order. My response would be, is their society really that fragile?

Saudi Arabia claims to give women freedom. Some Wahabhi ladies agree, saying their morals are preserved, and that they're protected by the veil from the improper attention of men. My impression is, in general, their men and society must have some awful Chapter Two (sexual) problems.

Ask and wonder if they have sufficient freedom, and then (in private) ask their parents the same question. No need to spell out the answers here.

America provides a lot of freedom, and most people agree. Maybe even too much, granted to people who then race to pervert it—in a very literal sense. Libertarian and classical liberals say we don't have enough freedom, fundamentalists and socialists say too much.

Freedom is often assumed to mean 'personal choice.' Americans see it that way, but not the group-focused Japanese. Both are correct, as with the famous example of two wolves and a lamb voting on what to have for lunch. Social standards and inviolable rights are key factors.

ISSUES

Is it easy to figure this stuff out? Are you sure you know the answers? Consider abortion. Should it be allowed at any time, and for any reason? Or only in cases of rape, or seri- ously endangering the mother's health? What about when the parents only want a boy, or when a healthy baby is just minutes from birth?

How about schooling? Should parents be free put their children in any school? With public tax vouchers? What about when the parents only want a son? Or only in cases of rape, or seri- ously endangering the child? How about tradition. To begin he asks, "And how do we keep our balance? That I about in a future Heavenly Nation?"

TRADITION

In Fiddler on the Roof, "Tevye sings about tradition. To begin he asks, "And how do we keep our balance? That I can tell you in one word: tradition."

Traditions have done much good, else the people who upheld them wouldn't be around. Only in modern times have so many questioned so much. How did women fare in the Pale of pre-revolutionary Russia? In the Chins of Pearl Buck? Consider the Africa of Joseph Conrad, or of Wilbur Smith.

In the Roman Empire, under the doctrine of Patria Potestas, a father was expected to punish his errant off- spring, up to and including the death penalty. These days, in some European countries, it's illegal for parents to spank their own kids.

Religious differ. Strict Jews are very gentle, and won't even step on a bug. Islamic radicals slammed America for gentleness, and won't even step on a bug. My impression is: in general, their men and society must have some awful Chapter Two (sexual) problems.

Freedom implies privacy, but gov- ernments are installing surveillance cameras all over the place. Some just record passers-by, some actively scan each face, and some photograph traf- fic violators. Hopefully they will catch a lot of crooks and terrorists. We are also supposed to believe we are innocent, you have noth- ing to fear." Hah!

F reedom and property are now threat- ened by an all- en-compassing animal track- ing program dubbed NADIS. It plans to "tag" every farm's livestock, every 4H kid's show animals, and even every household pets.

In this article about freedom. A popular topic indeed, and one which has nearly as many definitions as people attempting to define it. One thing every- one seems to agree on is, they either have it or should.

Paul Carlson was involved with many aspects of the Providence in the Bay Area Unificationists thrive in a variety of cultures, from secular Europe to spir- itual Africa, and from the freeswimming West to authoritarian Asia. What is the Ideal? Rev. Moon has said that "true nation "needs no authority figures." What more freedom could anyone desire? For that to work in reality, there must first be a society with a true Heavenly tradition.

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We also need training—not random training, but well-planned and prac- tical training."—Reverend Sun Myung Moon, July 8th, 1973, Tokyo, Japan

"If Reverend Moon knows anything, he knows that no good comes from mere inter- pretation from above. Good can only result from personal investment, heartfelt self-sacrifice, and
Thinking on Top of the Box

Diana Sardella

centuries ago, when one of the foremost scientific intellects of all time, Isaac Newton, was asked what factors contributed most to his historical and breakthrough level of success, he answered (probably paraphrased), “I have stood on the shoulders of giants.”

Are we not challenged to do the same/better?? We have all heard about thinking outside of the box – I suggest a different take going forward/beyond–

Thinking on top of the box?? How can we get, and consistently keep ourselves, on top of the box?

Sow a thought, reap an action; Sow an action, reap a habit; Sow a habit, reap a character; Sow a character, reap a destiny

We are what we continuously learn about and focus on. How very basic, yet so true.

Thinking on top of the box?? How can we get, and consistently keep ourselves on top??

As is being echoed elsewhere, I also advocate/suggest a focused on new/fresh look at old/permanent challenges – that we strive towards more innovative and systemic approaches towards bringing forth the Kingdom and a Culture of Love, Heart, and Peace.

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If you have not done so already, I highly recommend you read what Hyun Jin Nim had said in 2003, in the last two transcribed speeches from his recent trip to South Korea, to accomplish all the Holy Spirit God designated mandates, to function under a protected anointing, and to preserve their personal lives. This is action directed through practical application how to instruction and skill development in advanced Chief Executive Leadership principles, methods, processes and systems.

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What would you say all this is gleaning to?? I would say, in simple terms, that we could view it as a vita-

“there is no substitute for training. There is no substitute for training. There is no substitute for training. There is no substitute for training.”

A business that is not training is a business that is not growing. For a business to grow, it must train its employees. The training (training) is now a major component of any business's success. The lack of training can be a major problem in any business. Training can be used to improve employee skills, knowledge, and productivity. Training can also be used to improve employee morale and job satisfaction. Training can be used to improve employee retention. Training can be used to improve employee performance. Training can be used to improve employee innovation. Training can be used to improve employee creativity. Training can be used to improve employee problem-solving skills. Training can be used to improve employee decision-making skills. Training can be used to improve employee communication skills. Training can be used to improve employee leadership skills. Training can be used to improve employee team-building skills. Training can be used to improve employee customer-service skills. Training can be used to improve employee sales skills. Training can be used to improve employee marketing skills. Training can be used to improve employee financial skills. Training can be used to improve employee accounting skills. Training can be used to improve employee legal skills. Training can be used to improve employee information-technology skills. Training can be used to improve employee human-resources skills. Training can be used to improve employee safety skills.