On Thursday morning, Jan. 18th, Dr. Chang Shik Yang, chairman of Universal Peace Federation of the North American region, Rev. Dr. Michael Jenkins, president of FFWPU, and Archbishop George Augustus Stallings, Jr., Co-president of the American Clergy Leadership Conference, met with Dr. Hyun Jin Moon and Rev. Jin Man Kwak and other key leaders to make the final preparations to launch the special Peace Tour to 12 Cities in America. The tour was entitled: “A Call to Action: God’s Kingdom of Peace is now at hand!”

Dr. Moon (affectionately known as Hyun Jin Nim) is inspired to go forth across the nation of America to embrace the 120 religious leaders who traveled as Ambassadors for Peace throughout 120 nations of the world last year. Hyun Jin Nim was inspired by the spirit and the heart of these Ambassadors for Peace who gave Father Moon’s peace message throughout the world. True Father suggested that Hyun Jin Nim meet these leaders in one place. True Parents were deeply inspired to find out that we have decided to do a 12-city tour which will allow the key leaders of America to meet Hyun Jin Nim on the front line of the efforts to bring unity and love among all people.

Archbishop Stallings, Rev. Fauntroy and other key pastors of ACLC have shared how inspired they are to see the son of Father Moon taking up the mantle of responsibility to bring God’s word and love to all humanity. Nothing moves a pastor’s heart more than to see the pastor’s son and family sharing in the vision and commitment of love for all. Last year not only the sons and daughters but the grandsons and granddaughters toured the world with Father and Mother Moon. They toured sacrificing to go to 40 countries to bring the example of three generations standing firm together to create blessed families in which divorce and infidelity is eliminated. This three generational realm of unity is a model that gives eternal stability.
MARCH 2007

Ahn Shi Il • 5th, 11th, 19th, 27th

5 Shin Jung Nim's Birthday (1/16/83)
6 Shin Man Nim's Birthday (1/17/00)
7 Middle East Time Founded (1983)
9 Kwon Jin Nim's Birthday (1/20/75)
12 Shin Sook Nim's Birthday (1/23/94)
15 Dong Sook Nim's Birthday (1/30/65)
26 Martial Arts Federation for World Peace Established (1997)
27 New Ecumenical Research Association (New ERA) Inauguration (1980)
28 Shin Won Nim's Birthday (2/10/88)
29 Declaration for the Blessed Family (1995)

APRIL 2007

Ahn Shi Il • 4th, 12th, 20th, 28th

3 New Hope Farm Declaration (1995)
4 Dedication Ceremony for the Chung Shin Tap Memorial Tower & Jeong Shin Won Prayer Hall (2000)
5 Jin Sung Nim's Birthday (2/18/62)
6 Shin Ye Nim's Birthday (2/19/00)
7 42 Couples' Blessing (1989)
8 138 Previously Married Couples' Blessing (1989)
9 Declaration for the Blessed Family (1995)
10 Cheom Il Guk Established (2/22/2001)
11 Grand Liberation of 6,000 Years of Providential History (2/22/2002)
12 1265 Previously Married Couples' Blessing (1992)
14 Women's Federation for World Peace Established (1992)
15 Family Federation for World Peace and Unification Established (1996)
16 36 Couples of the Second Generation Blessing (1986)
18 Shin Chul Nim's Birthday (2/27/92)
19 Kwon Jin Nim & Hwa Yun Nim's Blessing (1995)
20 Sun Jin Nim & In Sup Nim's Blessing (1995)
21 True Parents' Day (3/16/60)
22 Interreligious (144,000) Clergy Blessing (2002)

JUNE 2007

Ahn Shi Il • 6th, 14th, 22nd, 30th

1 HSA-UWC Established (1954)
2 43 Couples' Blessing (1969)
3 Ceremony for the Total Dissolution of Resentment (1975)
4 Day of Victory Over Resentment (1974)
5 True Parents' Blessing (3/16/60)
6 Professors World Peace Academy Established (1973)
7 Shin Joon Nim's Birthday (3/22/2004)
8 Unification Theological Seminary (1977)
9 Shin Rye Nim's Birthday (3/28/05)
10 Choeunju Harbang Shik: Ceremony for the Liberation of the Universe (1999)
12 36 Couples' Blessing (1961)
13 Citizen's Federation for the Unification of the Fatherland (1987)
16 Shin Bok Nim's Birthday (4/3/82)
17 Professors World Peace Academy Established (1973)
18 Shin Il Nim's Birthday (4/4/51)
19 118 Couples' Blessing (1978)
20 American Clergy Leadership Conference Established (2000)
21 Hyun Jin Nim's Birthday (4/10/69)
22 Declaration of True Parents' Global Victory (1999)

Due to the manner in which the lunar calendar corresponds with the solar calendar, Yun Ah Nim's and Un Jin Nim's birthdays are not celebrated in 2006. Contact me if you come across any errors. (c) 1999-2004 Kathryn Coman [KathrynComan@worldnet.att.net]
Generation in Korea

Father personally matched 2nd generation at Cheon Pyeong February, 2007 for the February 23rd Blessing in Korea. Pictures were taken by the European Second Generation Department.
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to the family and becomes the cornerstone for your tribe, clan and nation. The following are excerpts from some of the reports of the events in the different cities:

Los Angeles, Jan. 20th

We begin the tour on Saturday, Jan. 20th, in one of Los Angeles' prominent churches, Founders Church of Religious Science.

The morning event of January 20th was attended by all blessed couples and their children who came to Hoon Dok for the 12 city USA speaking tour.

Houston, Jan. 23rd

On Tuesday evening, January 23rd, Gloryland Baptist Church in Houston was the setting for a joyful celebration of God's love. Dr. Hyun Jin Moon, third son of Rev. and Mrs. Sun Myung Moon, came to Houston with his beautiful wife, Jun Sook, as part of his 12-city tour of America. He came to meet religious leaders and Ambassadors for Peace from the area who had traveled throughout the world in 2006 as part of the 4th World Tour for Peace. Dr. Moon, affectionately known as Hyun Jin Nim, wanted to meet them, as well as their colleagues and members of their congregations.

Pastor Dr. Bernitt Hayes and First Lady Ethel Hayes hosted the gathering with obvious pride and joy. They hold a deep appreciation for Father Moon and the revelations he has given his life to share. Pastor Hayes requires his leaders to study the Divine Principle as the key to unlock the Holy Bible. When one of his elders passed away recently, the man's dying words to Rev. Hayes were to thank him for teaching him the Divine Principle so that he could be better prepared for spirit world. The successful outpouring of attendees this night would clearly be the result of this spirit in Gloryland's leadership and the body of people who was touched by such an outpouring in the hands of different people, having them stand, embracing them and asking them to repeat into the microphone the words: "One Family Under God!" Christians, Asians, a lady from the Order of the Eastern Star, American and Middle Eastern Muslims, old and young were all embraced by Hyun Jin Nim and joyfully repeated the phrase "One family under God!" He reminded everyone that Jesus' message and his life were, at their core, about love, and that this is actually the deepest message of all religions. So if we are to be true believers in any religion, we must practice love for the entire human family. In other words, we must come to see all people as brothers and sisters, regardless of their religion, race, or ethnic background.

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STF choir sang a special upbeat arrangement of “United Son of God” which was praised by Hyun Jin Nim. The Hoon Dok, well read by Stacy Cho, was from Father's speech about Absolute Morality. Then Hyun Jin Nim told about an incident that happened in the Green Room the night before at Gloryland when one of its elders, (Minister Krischen, performing the duties that evening of a security guard), asked him to sign his book. Hyun Jin Nim assumed he was handing him a copy of the Bible, but when he looked closer, it was the man's Divine Principle. Clearly moved, Hyun Jin Nim reminded us that when Father began his ministry in Korea, his revelation was rejected and he was harshly persecuted by Christian pastors. The same pattern occurred in America. But now a Christian elder held Father Moon's revelations in such high esteem that he wanted his copy autographed by the son of Reverend Moon. "We have come full circle," said Hyun Jin Nim.

He also spoke about the need for a sparkling and youthful spirit. We should not let our dreams be tinged by the fall- en world, but rather ground our dreams in the will of God. When he first came to America, he observed members working for Yankee Stadium and Washington Monu- ment. He saw the sparkling, hopeful eyes of people working together for God's will. Now he sees that same sparkle in the eyes of the second generation. He feels encouraged about the future because he urged the first generation to become young in spirit again.

Before he left to go to Minneapolis, Hyun Jin Nim again, made himself so accessible. Over breakfast, more than

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12 CITY USA SPEAKING TOUR
The people of Minneapolis had basically no idea what lay in store for them on January 24, when Dr. Hyun Jin Moon, son of Rev. and Mrs. Sun Myung Moon, landed there in his fifth stop of a 12-city tour across America. Dr. Moon is a man of many interests and many talents, but on this day, he wanted to share with all those who came to listen—a more natural understanding of relating to God, creation and humanity. It was also portrayed in its power and simplicity.

The host pastor, Rev. Jesse Griffin of True Vine Missionary Baptist Church, was scheduled to be in Louisiana at a national church board meeting but cancelled those plans in order to welcome Dr. Moon and open the doors of his church to receive him. It can be very cold in January in Minnesota, but in that church, on that evening, it couldn’t have been warmer or friendlier.

The banner hanging in front of the cross in the sanctuary read: ‘A Call to Action: God’s Kingdom of Peace is at Hand. Rebuild the Family, Restore the Community, Renew the Nation, and the World.”

With that symbolic image, the message he would then deliver was one of looking forward, beyond the cross and the suffering in this world, to the time when God will dwell with His children, to a time when families everywhere will proudly proclaim, “God is the head of our household. We are one family under God!”

“I like the name of this church, the True Vine Church,” Dr. Moon began. “Jesus said, ‘I am the vine and you are the branch.’” He went on, “Old wineskins could not contain what Jesus had to bring them. In a like manner, you, too, must become new, much like a child, if you wish to receive what God wants to give you. Youth has nothing to do with how old you are, it’s more about your attitude. In fact, one of the youngest people I know is my father, almost 88 years of age.”

Dr. Moon then shared with his audience: “Picture small children of different races playing together in a sandbox. It would never enter their minds to judge one another based upon skin color. Prejudice is something that is taught, it is not picked up naturally. In that sense, we all need to become young again and get back into the sandbox, where we will not judge one another based upon race, creed or culture.

“When you think about old people,” he said, “they spend their time thinking about the past, the good old days. Young people see basically in one direction, straight ahead. How about you? Look at yourself. Do you think more like an old person or a young person? This is what Jesus meant when he spoke of us becoming like ‘new wineskins.’”

In the audience, sitting in wheelchair, was an elderly man listening intently to the speaker. Dr. Ahmed Eid came to America 5 years ago and had been tortured to the point he couldn’t walk. He had been a medical doctor from Syria. Dr. Eid became an Ambassador for Peace 3 years ago and had begun his own organization, Interational Movement for World Peace, and was gathering a group of supporters in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Dr. Moon came over to him during the talk and allowed him to share some words, “I am here to testify that this movement and Rev. Moon have been chosen by God to lead the world to true peace!” he exclaimed.

Then Dr. Moon went around to different people in the audience, challenging them to think and live in a new way. “In God’s eyes, we should be one family, so let’s become one family under God. Repeat after me, ‘One family under God, Ajut!’” Say it again, but louder, “One family under God, Ajut!” A revitalizing spirit descended over the church by the time he concluded.

Dr. Moon then handed out pins to those who traveled to other countries on the world tour. Also, Ambassadors for Peace were appointed, and 10 pastors received framed Family Church of Peace certifi- cates for their outreach efforts in the community.

The conclusion, the Golden Swans had everyone singing and dancing in the aisle, bringing an appropriate ending to an inspiring event. Rev. Ray Hill, who drove 400 miles from Omaha just to hear the talk, reflected, “He definitively made my trip worthwhile!”

The following morning, he again met with members and leaders, discussing the difficult and encouraging process of laying the foundation to carry this message to the community and throughout the world.

In those few short hours, hearts were lifted, songs were sung and eyes watered. All were grateful to have crossed paths and drunk the new wine with Dr. Hyun Jin Moon and his beautiful wife, Jun Sook Moon. Heavenly Father, thank you for your unyielding love, and thank you for the “hugs” you give us along the way. We were truly embraced by your son when he came to Minneapolis.

Minneapolis, Jan 24th

Chicago, Jan 25th

As Hyun Jin Nim walked through the congregation during our morning Hoon Dok Hae he was looking into the eyes of each and every member and asked everyone to examine the fire of their faith. How is it right now? compared to 20 or 30 years ago? How much did we really believe that we could bring about the establishment of the Kingdom of God in this Earth in our own lifetime? Hyun Jin Nim shared his own life of faith, for example, how much he believed in the principle of creation. And he shared a little bit of his own life as an Olympic equestrian rider. He would challenge us to return to our energetic, heartistic, youthful selves and to always dream dreams and to always look forward. Saying that we are only as old as we feel, he pointed out how young people are always looking forward while old people are always remembering the past.

Finally, he led us through a tunnel of youth, reminding that we would one day have the energy of an 18 year old when we emerged at the other end. Ponce de Leon and the fountain of youth, step aside.

Hyun Jin Nim and Jun Sook Nim had arrived less than 24 hours earlier from a tour that had already covered Los Angeles, San Francisco, Seattle, Houston and Minneapolis.

Chicago was on fire in the middle of a very cold January, and we were excited and ready for our rebirth as we were also prepared for the coming of Daem Nim in just 3 more weeks.

We had chosen the Life Center Church of Christ, pastored by our ALCN national co-convenor, T.L. Garrett. This was the very same church that had hosted True Mother the very first time that she had spoken in this country. The Life Center had since then hosted a nation-wide tour of 12 cities.
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all-level blessing. Daे Mo Nim’s visit to Chicago and Sook Nim’s 3-generation speech this past fall. The church had also recently undergone a multi-million dollar renovation immediately after which it had invited our own Rev. Dr. Michael Jenkins to deliver one of its first sermons in the new edifice, just 2 weeks earlier.

One major difference in this event was the active participation of Chicago’s ACLC ministers. Together with Rev. Rendel, the ministers had participated in a planning breakfast one week earlier. There they had volunteered to take responsibility to bring their fellow ACLC ministers to the event. This action resulted in the eventual diversity of our guests.

In the words of several of those traveling with Hyun Jin Nim, they had never seen him so relaxed and comfortable as he was during the Chicago event. He spent most of the time walking throughout the congregation and, in fact, never returned to the lectern until it was time for the awards ceremony. He made eye contact, hand contact and spiritual contact with the congregation. His energy, power and presence filled all those assembled. He walked through the congregation, selecting participants from every age, ethnic group and religion. Then he would have them repeat the words, “One Family—Under God—Aju!”

As the program concluded, the entourage traveling with Hyun Jin Nim returned to the hotel for a quiet and intimate evening banquet. Testimonies were shared, but most notable was that of our beloved Korean rock-and-roll song that he remembered from his youth. Hyun Jin Nim connected especially with the Davidson family. Father Alan has always been True Parents and now Hyun Jin Nim’s driver in Chicago. And it was Alan and Ritsuko’s 2 daughters that had provided much of the front of his apartment in Harlem. Since coming to Chicago, he has become an Ambassador for Peace and has traveled to Korea on a number of occasions. During his last trip to Korea, he was roommates with Archbishop Stallings and they have developed a very deep friendship ever since. Another testimony came from Ms. Pat Arnold, a Chicago native who was responsible for the positive media campaign during True Parents’ 50 city tour. Each of the World Tour participants had some chance to share with Hyun Jin Nim, but the final testimony might very well have been the most moving. It came from Rev. William Revelly from Detroit. Rev- erend Revelly first met our movement 2 years and so beautifully.

They were enjoying probably the first quiet moments that they had experienced in the past 24 hours. They could almost sense the angelic aura that surrounded them as they enjoyed their typical humble sushi, seaweed and rice break- fasts after serving Hyun Jin Nim’s couple such beautiful meals over the past 2 days.

Then I turned to the main room where we had just enjoyed such a delicious morning. I realized very quickly that the tables had been removed and all that remained was the incredible view of Lake Michigan and downtown Chicago. The room now looked so small and so empty.

One could feel the immensity of the absence of the power and the spirit that had filled the room just a few minutes earlier. It was hard to believe that this was actually the same room. The power and the spirit had moved on toward the next 6 cities in the tour.

By the time you read this, the victorious tour will have been successfully completed. But one must believe as we now prepare for Daе Mo Nim’s arrival in America and for the events leading up to True Parents’ birthday in Korea that this 7th year of the Cheon Il Gook will bring many new great happenings to the world in 2007.

Dayton, Jan. 26th

On the 26th of January, Hyun Jin Nim arrived in Dayton, Ohio. At 2 pm we held a lunch meeting at O’Charleys restaurant in Dayton, Ohio for ACLC clergy and Ambassadors for Peace who are working in the district and who were participating in the 4th World tour. There were 27 attending the luncheon. The spirit was so warm and uplifting as everyone shared their testimonies from the tour and about their growing relationships with our movement.

Archbishop Stallings, to the delight of all, became filled with the spirit and jumped from pew to pew to pastor, chanting together “One Family under God, Aju!”

Hyun Jin Nim stressed the theme “One Family under God, Aju!” and in his presentation, his conviction that this vision is God’s vision became clear. The vision was immediately adopted by those attending as people chanted together “One Fam- ily under God, Aju!” in unison for minutes.

Hyun Jin Nim also poured out much love and concern to the leaders and mem- bers in Ohio and from the World Tour. He visited the airport, in the hotel, and everywhere he went. Hyun Jin Nim shared his heart and expressed to everyone how much love True Parents have for members and the world. As we know, you can judge a man by his fruits. Hyun Jin Nim’s heart was filled and for the world it made easy to know True Parents. They see the fruit of True Parents’ work in America and the world and have great hope in the Cheon Il Gook.

At Hoong Doeh in Columbus on the 27th Hyun Jin Nim’s couple continued to share their hearts and love with the members. After the reading of Speech F10
by one of our 2nd Gen., David Young, Hyun Jin Nim shared his heart and his passion for America with the members and guests. Everyone was amazed at how much Hyun Jin Nim knew about the depth of his understanding about the people of Ohio and the Ohio University. Jun Sook Nim is truly a Queen of Heaven. It is hard to imagine that she and Hyun Jin Nim have a matured beyond her years.

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One of the sisters commented about Hyun Jin Nim’s message and the love he so freely gives.

Atlanta, Jan. 27th

“One Family Under God, All”. God’s ideal of a family of universal love, undivided by nationality, race, religion or even age, was proclaimed in Atlanta on Saturday, January 27th. Over 450 people packed the Atlanta Family Church to overflow during a late afternoon program. Extra chairs were brought into the sanctuary, and people stood lining the walls to hear the joy-filled message of Dr. Hyun Jin Moon. All were touched by his youthful energy and profound love for those present.

Pastor Mark Abernathy, of New Life Assembly, said, “Dr. Moon connected with every person in that sanctuary. That is so powerful. He is so full of passion, and you could feel it. He profoundly loved everyone. Some of my church members attended, and they are now on fire. They loved the message.”

One Korean minister, a pastor of the United Methodist Church, said that while Dr. Moon spoke, he heard the voice of God answer many of his questions about how we must work to realize God’s dream on earth.

Even upon his arrival, Dr. Moon demonstrated an uncommon concern for others. In his hotel suite, he invited all the sisters who were serving on the hospitality team to come into his room. He asked each one of them their name, and asked about their husband and each of their children.

The hospitality was also delighted to meet Hyun Jin Nim’s wife, Jun Sook. Jun Sook Moon. She radiated a royal dignity and beauty, and a maturity beyond her years. One of the sisters commented that Jun Sook Nim had an uncommon humility and was like a kind mother to the members. It is hard to imagine that she and Hyun Jin Nim are parents of eight children of their own. Jun Sook Nim is truly a Queen of Heaven.

Four ministers shared about their experiences of reading Rev. Moon’s Peace Message in countries around the world. The ministers from District Five who participated in the Fourth World Tour included Bishop Shirley Cotton, Bishop W. Wayne Pugh, Pastor Mark Abernathy, Minister Carolyn Parker, Imam Furqan Muhammad, Mrs. Juanta Fuller-Scott, Rev. Mariam Wadhams, Rev. Byron Flips, Princess Julia Horton, Pastor Shawna White, Evangelist Ronnie Bailey, and Rev. Tom Cutts.

Minister Carolyn Parker was one of only eleven ministers who went for the entire 60 days, speaking in Japan, Korea, Europe, Africa, Asia, Oceania and South America. She said, “When I read the part about Reverend Moon’s difficult course, it felt like fire was shut up in my bones. I wanted to apologize for America, a nation divided by race, he said that God’s dream was also of a united family of humankind, beginning with Adam and Eve. The family unit centered on God’s all-embracing vision to participate in the process of creation through procreation,” while God himself could experience the joy of family life through man.

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The Lord’s Prayer” was sung by Mrs. Emily Delahaye on the keyboard, and Mr. James Anderson and Mrs. Angie Kifiri on the violins.

Bishop George Augustus Stallings Jr. introduced Dr. Moon in a powerful testimony to the fulfillment of God’s promise and the joy of three generations of the True Family on earth. He got so excited with the joy of his proclamation that he started walking across the tops of the pews, starting and delighting the congregation.

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Mrs. Opal Muhammad said, “Dr. Hyun Jin’s message was so inspiring. It was the embodiment of a truth I heard many years ago, when I decided to embrace Islam. One of the things told by the people who were sharing with me about the tenets of Islam, was ‘I will listen as long as you don’t offend Jesus.’ Then they spoke to me about the universal love of Jesus. I heard this message again tonight. It really touched my heart. It brought tears to my eyes.” In December Mrs. Muhammad had given a presentation at an ACLC prayer breakfast. She and a Jewish lady role-played the biblical characters of Sarah, the mother of Isaac, and Hagar, the mother of Ishmael. They played the part of Hagar.

Pastor Solomon Odoh commented, “It was great. It’s about bringing the children of God together as one. All people on the earth should hear this.” Almost all people on earth shall hear this message.

One guest commented that she was not interested in the long introduction of Dr. Moon. All the accolades and external accomplishments did not impress her. She was more interested in the character of the speaker. She saw a man of incredible humility before God, and a divine goodness of character.

The message also touched the congregation. Mr. Charles Liverpool said, “It was heartwarming. It made me feel very good inside. It brings out the best in me.” It was truly relevant to all people in attendance.

As the message concluded, the Children’s Day speech, and then all the barriers came down. The Atlanta Family Church youth choir sang an original Korean song and the Gospel song, “There’s a Wheel in my Heart spinning Round.” From the Alabama Family Church of Bayou La Batre, came The Band, which sang two songs, and then forty SMTP members came up and sang some rock-and-roll songs that got everyone to their feet. Then Hyun Jin Nim gave a most emotive message welcoming all the young people, not just those in age, but those young in heart. He moved around the room, reaching out to young and old alike. He acknowledged the sacrifices and original passion of the first generation. And he took care of the young missionaries from Japan, Korea, Russia and Mongolia, who were not able to speak English.

To conclude the celebration of one family under God, Hyun Jin Nim had all present dance through a tunnel that the SMTP members and other young people formed by standing in two hands linked. The bands played—“When the Saints Go Marching In.” Yes, beyond race, religion, nationality, and even age, we are one family under God. Aju.

Reverend Moon came to America over thirty years ago without a single friend, and not speaking a word of English. He was already fifty years old. Rev. Moon poured out his love for the people of this nation, trying to help America understand Jesus’ universal message of love and to bring hope and power to each area of our district’s endeavors. “They are not to be stand alone organizations; they are to be united in kingdom building. You need to understand this vision and work toward it everyday. With that in mind we moved into high gear to prepare the hall for the afternoon event.

The foyer was filled with photos and women of great stature, loudly conversing with each other. When Rev. Levy Daughtry presented the seal to order, the seats quickly filled. As he entered the stage, there was a standing ovation. He grabbed the wireless mike and went into the crowd to address them all personally. All of us could feel this was a deep and soulful talk from the bottom of his heart. He started off saying, “I have many hats and responsibilities, and today I stand here in my proudest role, as a son.” You could sense the audience resonating with this deep reflection. He went on to explain the course of God’s history through a biblical prospectus that was truly relevant to all the people in attendance.

To conclude, Dr. and Mrs. Moon went into the crowd and had many stand and proclaim loudly, “One Family Under God, Aju!” This is the one banner that we can unite with and stand together. He then awarded the Crowns of Peace pins that were prepared by True Parents as a thank-you gift to all that went on the world tour. As a finale, we awarded the family church of peace flags and appointed new Ambassadors for Peace.

One of the first comments heard after the program from one of the clergy was, “I came here thinking I was going to hear a Korean. That was no Korean. That was a black preacher I just heard.”

On Monday the 29th of January, the morning Sam devotional Hoon Dok service read by Amadeu Degroot, Dr. Moon again spoke to a group of 350 made up of mostly FFWPU members and a few clergy and Ambassadors for Peace. He asked us to seriously look at where we are, where we have been and where we want to go. We need relationships. The youngest person I know, he said, is my father. He is 88 years old but lives his life as a teenager. Do you want to go to spirit world as an older or a younger? He then led us through a “tunnel of youth” with all the SMTP and WCAP members making a tunnel/bridge, proclaiming, if you go through excitedly you will emerge at the other end with the energy of an 18 year old. It works!

At 7am we gathered for breakfast with 47 of our leadership group of clergy and Ambassadors for Peace. Everyone introduced themselves and shared how hopeful they are to see the son of Rev. Moon and the younger generation that both True Parents and we ourselves have started should move toward working together to create the peace and presence that is needed to bring hope to those areas of our district’s endeavors. They are not to be stand alone organizations; they are to be united in kingdom building. You need to understand this vision and work toward it everyday. With that in mind we moved into high gear to prepare the hall for the afternoon event.

Pastor Solomon Odoh commented, “It was great. It’s about bringing the children of God together as one. All people on the earth should hear this.” Almost all people on earth shall hear this message.

One guest commented that she was not interested in the long introduction of Dr. Moon. All the accolades and external accomplishments did not impress her. She was more interested in the character of the speaker. She saw a man of incredible humility before God, and a divine goodness of character.

The message also touched the congregation. Mr. Charles Liverpool said, “It was heartwarming. It made me feel very good inside. It brings out the best in me.” It was truly relevant to all people in attendance.

As the message concluded, the Children’s Day speech, and then all the barriers came down. The Atlanta Family Church youth choir sang an original Korean song and the Gospel song, “There’s a Wheel in my Heart spinning Round.” From the Alabama Family Church of Bayou La Batre, came The Band, which sang two songs, and then forty SMTP members came up and sang some rock-and-roll songs that got everyone to their feet. Then Hyun Jin Nim gave a most emotive message welcoming all the young people, not just those in age, but those young in heart. He moved around the room, reaching out to young and old alike. He acknowledged the sacrifices and original passion of the first generation. And he took care of the young missionaries from Japan, Korea, Russia and Mongolia, who were not able to speak English.

To conclude the celebration of one family under God, Hyun Jin Nim had all present dance through a tunnel that the SMTP members and other young people formed by standing in two hands linked. The bands played—“When the Saints Go Marching In.” Yes, beyond race, religion, nationality, and even age, we are one family under God. Aju.

Reverend Moon came to America over thirty years ago without a single friend, and not speaking a word of English. He was already fifty years old. Rev. Moon poured out his love for the people of this nation, trying to help America understand Jesus’ universal message of love and
a sand box as toddlers is very relevant. They do not see each other as an enemy, even if they are of different faiths or colors. It is only after growing up that we take that sand and make walls that divide us. Let's work to breakdown these walls and build a Godly Kingdom for all of his children. We are “One Family Under God, A.J.U!”

Newark, Jan. 29th

New Jersey was the 10th state for Hyun Jin Nim’s 12 City Tour in America. The speech happened at United Missionary Baptist Church. The spirit was very uplifting!

Next morning at Sam Hyun Jin Nim and Jun Sook Nim led a breakfast for more than 300 1st and 2nd generation gathered in the Sheraton Hotel in Newark, New Jersey. By this time in the tour Hyun Jin Nim’s tunnel of youth is becoming famous. After hearing from the Carpenter Band, the New Jersey Wait Team, and the New Hope School Choir, we all felt younger! Hoon Dok Hae ended with a gift from Hyun Jin Nim. He blessed New Jerusalem Community with seed money for ACLC work in our district. The AFP breakfast followed, with more than forty AFP religious leaders, FPWPU members, and guests gathered. After breakfast we all introduced ourselves to Hyun Jin Nim, and Hyun Jin Nim shared his vision for ACLC and Ambassadors for Peace, saying that we should study at the newly developing interfaith center at UTS. Those gathered had a chance to ask questions and make comments. Hyun Jin Nim directly counseled one pastor, encouraging him to attend UTS in order to find answers to the questions he was asking. Shortly after the breakfast Hyun Jin Nim and his wife departed for the airport.

Boston, Jan. 30th

The location selected for the Boston event was Faith Christian Church, a newly constructed facility in Dorchester with seating for 400 to 500. This church has been the sight of several of ACLC events and a Seung Hwa Ceremony. The hotel selected for Hyun Jin and Jun Sook Moon and their ever expanding entourage was the Double Tree Suites Hotel, overlooking the Charles River in Boston.

Our district was blessed to receive support during the two-event day by three STF teams and 70 CARP Students. Both groups stayed overnight at the Boston Family Church. During the afternoon of January 30th, the STF team worked to clean and prepare the church, serve food and manage parking. They were assisting Mr. Tetsuaki Takeda, who was the event’s Technical Manager and Shelley Watanabe, who was responsible to prepare the hall, organize guest seating and prepare the evening’s extensive gifts, plaques and awards.

Initial Lunch During the lunch, the Report Book for the New England District was briefly reviewed. Hyun Jin Nim asked questions about the Hoon Dok groups in Massachusetts, Service for Peace activities, and about the Protection of Marriage campaign. Hyun Jin Nim emphasized that

Hoon Dok groups need to focus on multiplication, and the importance of a two-pronged outreach strategy - one focused on new members, the other focused on nonconversion-oriented public activities such as Service for Peace and Ambassadors for Peace. Rev. Jim Edgerly explained that Massachusetts had a comprehensive development plan; however, priority was placed on succeeding in two activities: Hoon Dok Groups and Youth Ministry.

Warm greetings to the large group of Swedenborgians attending with Rev. Stephen Ellis of the Church on the Hill in Boston. Two participants in the 120 nation speaking tour then testified about their experience reading Rev. Moon’s speeches on the front line. The first speaker was David N. Schott, a theological writer and researcher at the Gordon Conwell Seminary who traveled on the tour to Japan, Korea, and Western Europe. The second speaker was Bishop Errel Sleyers of the Sahlah Apostolic Church in Bridgeport, who testified about his experience on the tour in Japan and Korea. The intensive buildup to Hyun Jin Nim’s arrival on the stage was rewarded with a clear, well constructed message that presented both the Biblical and logical basis for the theme of the speaking tour: “One Family Under God, Aju!” Hyun Jin began by explaining the basic elements of God’s design, the creation of His own family on earth, as revealed in the Book of Genesis. He presented the message of Jesus as the second Adam, the one who God sent to fulfill the same purpose of establishing one human family under God. Hyun Jin Nim then spoke powerfully because it was passionate, uplifting, scriptural, and logical. There appeared to be no resistance to the message whatsoever. The atmosphere create by his words, speaking on behalf of his father, was one of unity and great hope.

Finally, Hyun Jin Nim admonished the faith leaders to no longer focus on their own denominations but the work towards the fulfillment of God’s will – one family under God. He went throughout the audience, embracing clergy and asking them to shout with passion: “One Nation Under God, Aju!”

Hyun Jin Nim’s address, presented without notes, was masterful as a “heartwasher.”

As the 7:00 starting time approached, the emptiness of the sanctuary was ominous. However, once Angle Climb of the Emanuel Baptist Church in Worcester started singing (accompanied by Sam Wada’s band and Arlena Ferrabolli, Jim Edgerly and Rev. Levy Daugherty on vocals) the crowd started migrating from the first floor, where food was being served. As Rev. Jenkins began the program, the crowd in the sanctuary at Faith Christian Church was quickly reaching full capacity.

Rev. Jenkins did masterful job as Master of Ceremonies for the event, creating an energetic and joyful atmosphere that warmly embraced the highly diverse group of guests, including clergy and congregations from approximately 50 different churches, mosques and synagogues. In particular, the audience appreciated Rev. Jenkins’ acknowledgement of the Prophet Mohammed as a messenger from God and his proclamation of the role of Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. He welcomed leading ACLC faith leaders of New England, including Imam Seifullah, Father Cecil Cozier, Rev. Eduar do Pinto, and Rev. James Bradshaw. He also gave a
I can see you better this way,” he said. “I can feel you better this way. Will you be with me on this journey tonight? What was the will of God? In order for us to be united we need to know the will of God. When we open the first pages of the Good Book, in the Book of Genesis we find God outlined His Plan as the Heavenly Father of all humanity and creation. God bestowed his three blessings on man. God wanted man to inherit his divinity, to multiply and have dominion of life over the creation. However, something went wrong and instead of unity and harmony, discord and conflict emerged.”

He continued, “The first Adam was unable to substantiate the will of God. As a result a second Adam was needed. Jesus came as that second Adam. Jesus’ message was a message of true love, your enemy. Jesus in and of himself was victorious in true love. In Genesis God’s will and purpose was to create an ideal family filled with true love, true life, and true lineage. Jesus came to establish this ideal true family. Isn’t this why Christians see them selves as the bride awaiting the bridegroom? The ideal of building a true family was central to the ministry of Jesus. That work was cut short by his crucifixion. “We have to go back to the will of God,” he explained. “The mission of Jesus was to establish a true family that would stand as a true olive tree so that all the false olive trees could engralt to the divine lineage of God.”

We have the son of Reverend Moon in this house and my father Reverend Moon is known as an accomplished brainwash er. However, I can tell you as a son that my father has no interest in your brain. My father is the master heart thirsts for, longs for, is true love. Yes, my father is a washer and so am I. I am here to wash tonight, but it’s not your brain. It’s your heart! You want to set the record straight. My father is the master heart washer because he was anointed, appointed and approved by God to carry out the mission of bringing the human family together as one. We have Muslims in the house tonight. What did Mohamed teach? To bring peace through love. Hate cannot bring peace. Let’s set the record straight before we can break down the walls. We have to understand what the will of God was in the first place. If Jesus and Mohamed were here tonight and we were to ask them, was your mission to create a religion, what do you think they would say? Jesus was the begotten son of God. He came to fulfill God’s mission, not our mission, not the churches’ mission – God’s mission. God’s will is to create one family under God.”

He pointed out later that “Christians have been waiting, standing in the post-religious conflict in this era could potentially be more dangerous: “We need to take back America so that America can show its true face to the world.” He believes that if Islam sees the true face of America, they will not hate it. “The leaders of the faith traditions, those in positions of responsibility,” he advised. “This nation has a providentially responsibility for God. Those of you who want to take back this nation for God,” he declared, “stand up and proclaim with me, ‘One Family under God, Aju.’”

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Following the address, Hyun Jin Nim and Jun Sook Nim received flowers from Imam and Mehna Seifullah of the Al-Baqi Mosque in Silver Spring, MD, and Jun Jin Nim and Jun Sook Nim presented beautiful ACLC pins to eight clergy who had participated in the 120 Country Speaking tour.

**New York, Jan, 31st**

Dr. Hyun Jin Moon, accompanied by numerous bishops and pastors representing a broad spectrum of races and denominations, swept into New York on Wednesday, January 31, for the final stop on his twelve-city speaking tour across America. “A Call to Action: God’s Kingdom Of Peace Is At Hand!” was the theme of the tour.

The location for culminating speech was the Freedom Hall Church of God in Christ, Brooklyn, NY, pastored by Bishop Cecil Riley, Co-Chair of the ACLC, New York.

Dr. Moon began his remarks by asking if people could believe that Bishop Stallings was a Catholic priest, who is African American, and Reverend Jessie Edwards, who is Caucasian American, were recognized by him as leaders in the effort to break down racial and denominational walls. He mentioned that he had noticed a picture of his parents in our host pastor’s office and how this made him feel at home. Then he asked permission from the congregation to come down from the podium and mingle among them, to which all agreed.

Dr. Moon shared the example of children from different races and religions playing in a sandbox and how they don’t treat each other differently. Somehow we learn the wrong things as we grow up. We need to be reborn, as Jesus said. We need to be like children to enter heaven. In order to substantiate the will of God, we need to know the will of God. He again noted how central the family is and how we describe all our relationships in familial terms: she is like my older sister; he is like my father, etc. He explained that we need to open our hearts to the expectation that God has for this day. Let us have one clarion call, he cited. “One family under God! Aju, Aju, perhaps an unfamiliar term to some, means the settlement of God with man. Dr. Moon called on several people in the congregation to repeat this rallying cry. In commenting on the night’s venue, Freedom Hall Church of God, he said we need to set our Heavenly Father free. By talking about the Cold War era, he noted that the rationality of the two sides keeps them from pulling the trigger. However, he said, “I have come tonight to announce that potentially is more dangerous: “We need to take back America so that America can show its true face to the world.” He believes that if Islam sees the true face of America, they will not hate it. “The leaders of the faith traditions, those in positions of responsibility,” he advised. “This nation has a providentially responsibility for God. Those of you who want to take back this nation for God,” he declared, “stand up and proclaim with me, ‘One Family under God, Aju.’”

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n the evening of Friday, February 2nd, over 100 young people arrived at the Bay Area Family Church in San Leandro, California. High school and college students, as well as members of the STF program, came to participate in the Blessing Workshop. This was the second blessing workshop, following last week’s workshop at UTS, in New York. Many of the participants were from California, but participants came from as far as Colorado and Nebraska. The workshop lasted only two days finishing just before the kickoff of the Superbowl on Sunday! But the insight, guidance, and love we received were very valuable for our eternal lives.

Rev. Kevin Thompson, together with Rev. Joshua Cotter from the Bay Area Family Church, made the workshop possible and warmly welcomed us all. Rev. InGuk Seo, the Director of the Second Generation Blessing Department, coordinated the workshop and embraced all of the participants as an elder brother.

Some of the main keys to the success of our workshop were the sincere, urgent, and relatable presentations by Rev. Phillip Schanker. Rev. Schanker helped give us a new perspective on the idea of the Blessing, by looking through the lens of God’s viewpoint – the ideal of the Blessing, the Fall and breakdown of the family, and how God has been investing throughout history to establish his lineage. After each of these presentations, participants divided into groups of 7 or 8 people to discuss the lecture. This was a very valuable time for all of us to reflect on how God has been working in our individual histories. Also, it gave us an opportunity to think more seriously about steps we can take to prepare for our futures.

As a part of the workshop, participants were given the opportunity to write confessions in preparation for their Blessing. We could sincerely repent for mistakes we have made, times we have missed public things, or hurt people’s hearts. Through writing these confessions and receiving personal counseling from several elders (for those who wanted counseling), many participants could experience the liberation of their hearts and determine to make a fresh start.

The last morning of the workshop, we were “blessed” to hear the testimonies of Meadow Talakson and Megan Patterson. These two Second Generation sisters shared their experiences of being matched and blessed – the preparation they made, the challenges they faced, and how they overcame. They both touched upon the point of being real in your relationships - with God, your parents, and yourself. Megan shared deeply on how she strengthened her relationship with her husband by uniting on a higher goal centered on God. Her clarity in this point expressed a deep understanding of the meaning of the Blessing that was very valuable for all of us.

The last morning of the workshop, Rev. Schanker gave us a heartfelt understanding of Father’s course, followed by guidance on substantial steps we can take to prepare for the Blessing. He really challenged us to think about the lives we have been living, what we can do to develop our mind-body unity, how to get rid of bad habits, and to BE THE RIGHT PERSON (which was the theme of the workshop) Overall, the message given was not to worry about trying to find the right person with the kind of looks, character, or qualities that we would like our spouse to have. Instead, it was focused on how to develop the heart and character that WE would like to offer to God and to our spouse.

Before the graduation, participants reflected on and testified to their experiences during the workshop, expressing gratitude, hope, and new determination. In closing the workshop, the participants received their certificates, which is a requirement to attend the Blessing.

In conclusion, the workshop was a success, as it addressed many issues, questions, and concerns people may have had about the Blessing. We were all very inspired and uplifted by the vision and ideals of the Blessing, and it gave great hope for the future of the second generation.

PASTOR WANTED

The Family Church of Omaha, Nebraska is seeking a qualified blessed couple in good standing, with high English proficiency and demonstrable pastoral experience (especially in youth ministry), to lead our church. References will be required.

The Omaha church consists of approximately 20 First Generation adults and 30 Second Generation children aged infant through 18.

We have our own small church building with a 3-bedroom house attached for the use of the pastor and his or her family.

For more information, call Eugene Curtin at (402) 201-2509
Participants arrived on the opening day of the Blessing Workshop to the crisp, clear air of pastoral Barrytown. They gathered here this weekend from as far away as Ohio, Massachusetts, Florida, even Italy and Norway. The opening day found much enthusiasm in the UTSC kitchen and dining room as people got themselves situated.

Many of the participants were younger, like sixteen or seventeen, and most were not thinking of going to the Blessing or matching this year, but perhaps in one or two years. The attendance was surprising in its number, far beyond the normal expectation for a blessing workshop. We had over 140 people total in attendance. It was a great pleasure to all who were there that over thirty First Generation parents attended as well. Their presence was an inspiration, giving the workshop a new and welcoming feel. The participants were urged not to blame their parents but try to understand that they are not perfect and are trying their personal best.

In addition to the guidance, organization and preparation of Rev. Inguk Seo and Mr. Takamitsu Sakuwu, who worked day and night to prepare for the event, elder Second Generation couples shared their testimonies, giving the participants an insight into what life is like after the Blessing and after having children. David and Lenissa Byrne shared what it was like living apart, as David was deployed in Iraq for many years.

David shared how he felt so good that he could trust his wife to be faithful, as he watched his fellow soldiers around him being torn apart, hearing from their wives and girlfriends that they had found someone else. The testimonies were concluded with an entertaining portion that showcased the amazing talents of Mitsuru Kubo on the viola, Zeth Bell (the man of many amazing talents) and how his own parents’ faith had helped him in that.

Rev. Schanker’s lectures were a pleasure to watch, and made the entire lecture series much easier to understand. He serenaded the workshop with heartfelt songs taken from popular culture, with powerful lyrics that showed the current state of many of our youth. He also had some examples of songs which reflected the false impressions of what is normal that is spread and perpetuated by the media. The use of music and imagery was refreshing and moving. Rev. Schanker shared, many times with tears, how much, how important the blessing is, and how crucial it is for Second Generation to know their identity and continue the tradition of True Parents in the blessing.

For Hoon Dok Hae, participants read Father’s words and guidance on marriage and blessing. The topics we read emphasized guidance on the ideal marriage and blessing of Second Generation. In addition, Rev. Schanker personally invested in the Second Generation parents who had deeper questions and even confessions to share with him. All of the participants partook in a written repentance and confession.

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Unification News

(Official notes taken during the European Tour in January by Absentee Clipbards)

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From 2005-2008 the spiritual world and spiritualical world must become one. must work together hand in hand to liberate God and the spiritual world. This is God’s heart that all mankind must work to follow God’s will. In 2005 Blessed couples must know which God wants to reach out to outside people. People are suffering in the spiritual world. Those of us who know God’s will, must talk to people about God and True Parents. God told me that all members must know this from 2005. The way to live well is to be united with God and True Parents, to teach the Princes to all mankind, and to give three hours a day to God. 2005 is this time.

Why did I come to Europe first? You worked hard in the 90’s; you will not have such difficulties now. In the 90’s you got lazy, lost a lot of time, focused on your families and yourselves. God is sad. You have such ability. If you could have heavenly fortune, you could be effective and successful. You can be even better after receiving heavenly fortune. That is why I say so.

Can you do it? Can you give three hours a day to God? Can you promise? Amen.

Myself, when I started the CP provi- dence I said, “Yes I will do it”, that’s why I keep working. Heung Jin Nim and 800 billion spirits are here. If you say, “Yes!” they will believe that you will do it. Absolute faith means that we practice what we say. If you said yes and don’t do it, this is also not absolute obedience. All of you promised, please keep your promise. After I leave, will you work hard to talk to people outside? If I hear that you do, I will come each year; I will even come one more time this year.

Before we enter the spiritual world we need to remove our sin. You have financial problems and other problems so come to CP. Also you can gain good fortune when I come. Don’t sit at home worrying about your family, worrying about what you will eat but think about being a mouth for God. Bring good fortune for those out there.

Even though I don’t have much time I will come here to you. I will come here 2 or 3 days. I want to share words from Heung Jin Nim. Please understand my heart. You must know how God is; God is near us. It is not like in the past in the 70’s and 80’s you will not have such difficulties as you had before. God is liberated; He has power. He comes to us with it. Absolute good spirits were created, and we must understand our obligations.

All of you, beloved brothers and sisters, I came to Europe. I also made many conditions. You, if you witness about God and True Parents, you will be blessed. Good fortune will come to you naturally because you have absolute good spirits and we have good angels.

If someone says, “I am doing poorly”, that’s what’s wrong. It means we must have absolute faith, love and obedience. The way to do well is to live with God and True Parents and to give God and True Parents 3 hours a day.

As I work in CP, often get so exhaust- ed because I do so many things, but I have power from good spirits, and power from God. I regain my power and I work hard. God will come to us; evil spirits belong to us because of love.

I built so many different buildings. I was worried about money, so Heung Jin Nim said, “Follow me”; he took us to an area filled with rich people. “Are you wor- ried about money, look at all these peo- ple there, they have money.” If they come to us they will give us, they will give on Sunday, they will come to workshops and give God and True Parents money. I deeply thought of that. If you have financial problems, then create spiritual chil- dren, you will have no more problems.

If you have a great number of members in Europe. True Parents will be able to do it; Mary and I are the determina- tion to bring True Parents here to Europe. Can you do it? Can I trust you?

I am happy. Do you remember the last time I came, I yelled at you a lot. Today I see many new possibilities, I see many second generation, I feel happy. I love Europe; I don’t want to change my heart for Europe. I believe in you, I saw your heart for God and True Parents. When you unite with that, that power can stay with you.

We will now do the holy song session, please work hard and hit from top to bottom. 200 billion spirits are with you; do you do it. I will help you to have your wishes fulfilled. Sometimes on wish papers I said “please help me have better health” and I can see that behind this health prob- lems there are more problems. So a few days later greater problems may come up.

The fulfillment of wishes is so good, they are not simple pieces of paper; they are light from God. If you ask for fulfill- ment of wishes but you are not united with God, God cannot receive your papers. I said go to witness, take some wish papers with you in your bag, have people write on those papers so that their problems may be resolved. I will receive those cards. I will carry them to CP and help fulfill those wishes.

At the Blessing you can talk to your ancestors; work hand in hand together to recover the brokenness of yourself and daughters of God. Dear members please give 3 hours a day for God; become per- fected. I will be here tomorrow. If you think it is too difficult please write me a letter. There are three possibil- ities. First if you write to me, I will come; I will write back or I will pray for you. What will you do? Do you want health and to be happy? I sincerely hope you become God’s sons and daughters. Amen.
USA Workshops by Daemonim: New

Newark NJ, Feb. 15-16 • Washington DC, Feb. 16-17 •
Beginning for CIG Blessed Families
Chicago IL, Feb. 17-18 • San Francisco CA, Feb. 18-19
I was raised in Wales and attended college in England. I became a research scientist with Lilly Pharmaceuticals. In 1975, I left England for a vacation in America where I bumped into my spiritual father in Berkeley, who introduced me to the workshop up in Boonville and decided to join this great crusade and not be a research scientist anymore. I was about 25. For the next 7 years I was in the Oakland church lecturing Divine Principle. I used to do the 7 day workshop in camp and I was assistant director there. Then in ’81 when Dr. and Mrs. Durst became president of the church, I transferred to New York to lecture in Jersey for a year, and eventually ended up with the paper. I had started my Ph.D. while doing research in England and probably in the late ’80’s I picked it up again and finished that.

My first memory of the Unification News is at Belvedere, February 1982. It was very cold. We were all packed into the Belvedere space. Father announced right out of the blue that he was going to start a new newspaper in Washington. The News World had already been established in New York and there was a lot of work being done for that, people going door to door, for instance. He spent two hours, 5-7 o’clock in the morning, talking about The Washington Times that he was going to create; I had nothing to do with it at the time. I just lists and lists of names. I would wax the backs of these people, stick that on a letter, and stick that in an air conditioned room. This massive thing, like long rolls of three-column type which I would then change, then walk down Fifth to the News World and manage a subscription list and renewals and stuff like that. We had companies that actually did all the mailing. The printers just sent them sheets with instructions on who to add and who to take off the subscription list and mailing until then. The printers in china Town sent the paper to the mailing company in New Jersey who managed the mailing list and got the newspapers labeled and mailed. I just sent them sheets with instructions on who to add and who to take off the subscription list and how long so and so wanted the paper for. Things like that.

In the ’80’s, in one of those periodic belt tightening and restructurings that we had been through in the last thirty years, the funds from News World got cut first in half and then entirely. This is when we started asking people to subscribe. The paper was free up to this point and distributed to the members of that time. I had to learn how to manage a subscription list and renewals and stuff like that. We had companies that actually did all the mailing and mailing until then. The printers in china Town sent the paper to the mailing company in New Jersey who managed the mailing list and got the newspapers labeled and mailed. I just sent them sheets with instructions on who to add and who to take off the subscription list and how long so and so wanted the paper for. Things like that.

We’ve been subscription now for quite a long time. The mailing company didn’t deal with renewals, so every month I would get a stack of 32k of memory, which meant that you could type in one story. But the nice thing about this was that I could plug it into the phone with little cups that could make these cheeping sounds into the phone. Then I’d dial up the system at the News World, plug my Model 100 in and it would speak/screed to the mainframe and download an article to the Logicom system.

So instead of having to walk over to the News World and type in the article, I could just type it in here and then download the text to the Logicom. Then I’d go there and type in all the codes and print it out and bring it back over here, cut it all up, wax it, stick it on the board, put the little bits of rubblish in where the illustrations go, and then get my photos all marked up for the man with the camera to make the screens to put into the newspaper. Then I would paste everything up until all the pages were done, put it into a box and then I would take the box down to the printers, just off Canal Street.

Now this is in the mid ’80’s before New York got cleaned up so Canal Street back then was kind of like walking into something out of the Terminator movies or the Mad Max movies. You really went in fear for your life. I always tried to take someone with me.

Then the next technological development was when the News World replaced the old system so that instead of printing out rolls and rolls and rolls for you to cut out and paste, this new system actually printed the text in columns and reserved little squares for photos. This new system could print out articles with certain legends of different kinds. The specifications you commanded the system to print, but not full pages. So now, there was a whole new technology to learn. I would take those out and put one or two articles on a page that has already been designed. So less cutting down. It took a while because back then, all the commands that needed to be typed in but it did speed up the process.

In the ’80’s, in one of those periodic belt tightening and restructurings that we had been through in the last thirty years, the funds from News World got cut first in half and then entirely. This is when we started asking people to subscribe. The paper was free up to this point and distributed to the members of that time. I had to learn how to manage a subscription list and renewals and stuff like that. We had companies that actually did all the mail lists and mailing until then. The printers in china Town sent the paper to the mailing company in New Jersey who managed the mailing list and got the newspapers labeled and mailed. I just sent them sheets with instructions on who to add and who to take off the subscription list and how long so and so wanted the paper for. Things like that.

We’ve been subscription now for quite a long time. The mailing company didn’t deal with renewals, so every month I would get a stack of printout on green and white computer paper with just lists and lists of names. I would wax the backs of these lists and cut out the names of these people, stick that on a letter, and stick that in an interview with the Editor on page 17.
envelope. It was a very complicated business. Now I can just print the names directly onto the letters, takes ten minutes to do a whole stack. We still have to stuff the envelopes ourselves for subscription renewals and invoices but that’s nothing compared to then. In the late 80’s, here Dr. Hendricks was president and Sin Moon Kim was Continental Director, we had a lovely visit. It was just a usual day when word flashed at the speed of gossip through the building, “Father is coming today!” Father toured around the building. He went into everyone’s office and everyone got to speak and say what it was they were doing. I was waiting in my office and Father came in with a big crowd of people all trying to squeeze into my office behind me. I had my easel and paste board set up. Father spent about half an hour chatting about balance and design and symmetry and harmony on a page. Utterly delightful! He chatted in Korean and Colonel Han translated. Then I would make some questions or comments. Totally delightful half hour! Just chatting about symmetry and Harmony. He didn’t like the thick line bordering the page, so of course the very next issue, I used a thin line, for instance, around the page. After Father left, Zin Moon Kim popped back into my office and he said, “What’s so special about the Unification News? Some instance, around the page. After Father left, Zin Moon Kim popped back into my office and he said, “What’s so special about the Unification News? Some instance, around the page. After Father left, Zin Moon Kim popped back into my office and he said, “What’s so special about the Unification News? Some instance, around the page. After Father left, Zin Moon Kim popped back into my office and he said, “What’s so special about the Unification News? Some instance, around the
God’s Wisdom and Power Look Like Foolishness and Weakness

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Br. Tyler Rodricks

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love people based on superficialities. We’re all way, acknowledge all I’ve done for you, come IF you treat me as I deserve, look at me in the right have the right political opinion, I will love you. IF believe the right doctrines, I will love you. IF you is better than yours.” We practice cultural marry. We practice religionism, saying “my religion is exalted. In our own lives, we practice racism by wicked and perverse, the self-justifying and arrogant kill themselves; whole populations are murdered; our children gets accustomed to the way things are. Our children realize how lost we are; but that’s pretty rare. We everyone is using us and betraying us. At times we cares about us; no one understands us and be like.

unique expression of love upon us. That dim passed from mother to father to elder brothers and infancy, being showered with unconditional love, the memory of the Garden. Perhaps we tasted it in our experience of being the dwelling place of God. Sin intervened by the fall of the first teenagers. We lost God’s word; our lives became lonely and lost. Think of your most lonely moment: abandoned and forgotten. I think of my hitchhiking trip across America, being left in the middle of the night at the intersection of two interstates out in the Great Plains; exhausted, sleeping in the grass between the highways. We did not have cell-phones then; I was 2,000 miles from home and no one knew where I was. I probably had $30 in my pocket. I could have disappeared and no one would have known. The next day I caught a ride to L.A., so I knew Someone up there cared about me.

There was no one to pick up Adam and Eve. They caught a ride from an evil driver and couldn’t get out. They remembered their days in the Garden, maybe one day ago, one week ago, one year ago, forty years ago—but could not get back. The door was shut to them. The memory of the beautiful Garden was tinged with regret and remorse. Pain and shame; we have that same memory of the Garden. Perhaps we tasted it in our infancy, being showered with unconditional love, passing to our brethren and sisters, to aunts and uncles, each pouring out their unique expression of love upon us. That dim memory sets our compass, tells us what life should be like.

But our reality is that we often feel no one cares about us; no one understands us and everyone is using us and betraying us. At times we realize how lost we are; but that’s pretty rare. We get numb, generations come and go and humankind gets accustomed to the way things are. Our children kill themselves; whole populations are murdered; the good, true and beautiful is trampled and the wicked and perverse, the self-justifying and arrogant is exalted. In our own lives, we practice racism by where we choose to live and whom we choose to marry. We practice religionism, saying “my religion is better than yours.” We practice cultural imperialism. We practice conditional love, “IF… love.” If you wear the right clothes, I will love you. IF you speak the right way, I will love you. IF you believe the right doctrines, I will love you. IF you have the right political opinion, I will love you. IF you live in the right neighborhood, I will love you. IF you treat me as I deserve, look at me in the right way, acknowledge all I’ve done for you, come through for me when I need you, I will love you. We love people based on superficialities. We’re all political. How can God accept us like this? We don’t tell others about Him. We don’t share or testify to what God has done for us, for me. We leave Him out. We get audge to pray with someone, that someone is no need of prayer: that God wants to come into the conversation, and we ignore it. We don’t let Him into our life. We block Him from the lives of those around us. We don’t trust in God, but we trust in money. We think we’re better than others, than our spouse.

The gap between us and God is huge. We’ve been believers for five, ten, twenty, thirty years and this is how far we’ve gotten. The gap is even growing wider than it was when we first believed. Satan pulls into a false sense of security. We fail asleep, spiritually. We relax. We think that we’ll change, we’ll grow, later. There’s plenty of time. There’s plenty of time to devote my life fully to political.

But God is too far away. I can’t reach Him. If it’s up to me, to my power, I have no hope. I can’t even get through the pile of work on my desk, and I think I’m going to bind myself with God? I can’t even generate the energy, the desperation, necessary to do a 3-day fast and get it straight with God and myself. I can’t even get myself up at 5 a.m. for a week to read God’s Word. When spiritual leaders say I’m covered with sin, that sin is in my body, I try to evade it. I criticize the person who tells me that, as if that will take care of my sin. Because I can’t deny it. I know I can’t even control my mind. And my mind is supposed to control my body, so I can’t gain dominion over my mind, there’s no way I can control my flesh and my words. Satan still owns me, based on my results, my quality, my effort. I can’t place hope in myself, I can’t place hope in this world—its political parties, its think tanks, its magazines and art and literature, its science and technology, even its religion, its rituals and rites and dogmas. I can place my hope only in God.

But God is too far away. I can’t reach Him. All I can do is cry out, go to the mountaintop, face my sin, admit it, cut away from this world, hate myself. Even then, it is only by God’s spirit that I can see the truth. “Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God.” (1 Cor 2:12) Understanding starts with belief, and belief starts from the Spirit of God. Without the Spirit of God, to those who are at rest in Zion, God’s Word and work is not clear to us.

Christ was foolish, weak. He got himself crucified. He was executed as a criminal, blasphemer, glutton. The Messiah? Him? He’s a flash in the pan. John the Baptist had his moment of delusion, but he could see through Jesus. John was a reasonable man. They all had their reasons to reject the Son of God. They had their reasons to call him crazy. His mother had her reasons to leave him unheard. Jesus had his reasons to drop him. The disciples had their reasons to run away, fall asleep, say they didn’t know him. The lawyers had their reasons to refute him. The Sanhedrin had their reasons to turn him in. The Romans had their reasons to crucify him. They all had their reasons. If we were there we probably would have agreed with them.

And their reasons probably had some validity. A young woman annointed him with ointment that cost a year’s salary, and washed his feet with tears and her hair. What if a beautiful girl came into your house and washed your 18 year old son’s feet with her tears and her hair? What would you think? What if Reverend Moon spent a week in Arapahoo with Angelina Jolie? What would you think? Jesus was a business community, with a whip! In the Temple! What if Reverend Moon stormed into the offices of the National Council of Churches with a whip? What would you think? Jesus said that the Kingdom of Heaven is like a king who was disabled by some of his subjects, and he told his people to bring those subjects before him and kill them. What if Reverend Moon said such a thing? What would you think?

Yes, the messiah is a man, like us, but with God implanted within each of us a high and that is bound to get him on the wrong side with just about everyone. He is Noah lying naked, and drunk, and passed out. Ham judged the father who had saved him. In a sense, Ham crucified Noah. Noah woke up and cursed him. They judged Jesus too, but when he woke up he sent the Holy Spirit. We judge Reverend Moon too, but he loves us and proclaims the Peace Kingdom on earth for all to enter freely. Christ breaks through the curse by taking it on himself. That’s his job, and then sends us the Spirit of God—the mother, the bride, the Blessing. This allows us to call God our Father. This makes us part of God’s family. It is not our doing, it is the doing of the new Adam and Eve, the True Parents. The Messiah engrafts us into God’s family. The Messiah works through Jesus. The Messiah works through Reverend and Mrs. Moon.

We have an advocate before the throne of God who argues that we, even my wife and I, stand as unfallen Adam and Eve. We didn’t do it; the Messiah did it for us. We fight and bicker, but he calls us a blessed central family. We don’t like other races, but he calls us Ambassadors for Peace. We don’t share our faith, but he calls us Tribal Messiahs. We give credence to worldly wisdom, but he calls us citizens of God’s Kingdom. We criticize and find fault with him and his family, but he engrafts us and brings our children into God’s lineage. How do we own this? It begins in prayer. We build our relationship with the Messiah through asking him, asking True Parents, into our lives.

Father, I fight and bicker with my spouse, but I want to be a blessed central family. I don’t like other races, but I want to be an Ambassador for Peace. I don’t share my faith and blessings, but I want to be a Tribal Messiah. I listen to whatever is on the street, but I want to be a citizen of God’s Kingdom. I criticize and find fault with my own family, but I want to be engraved and my children end up as True Parents. We all have reasons to do these things, but I claim what I have done for me and for all humankind. I claim Your choosing to see Youth on page None

There’s plenty of time to start that small group ministry. There’s plenty of time to have that talk with my son about life, to really get to know my children, to make my marriage truly rich. And the ministry. There’s plenty of time to start that small group with my son about life, to really get to know my children, to make my marriage truly rich. And the ministry. There’s plenty of time to start that small group with my son about life, to really get to know my children, to make my marriage truly rich. And the ministry. There’s plenty of time to learn Korean.
The “Lagoon” at Barrytown, NY — A full moon is rising on a quiet cove of the South Tivoli Bay besides Father’s Trail. The wind is suddenly broken by a pickup truck winding its way through the trees. Strapped on a steel rack of the truck bed, is a load of long, heavy wooden poles and planks extending over both ends of the truck. It backs across a frozen stream next to the trail and stops. Three dark figures jump off the bed of the truck while two more emerge from the cab.

The five men begin to unload in pieces, the historic “Vixon” iceboat, once owned by F.D.R.’s uncle John Roosevelt. Carefully they carry the long heavy wooden mast, cockpit, runners and other parts down the slippery slope to the icy cove. Ricky Aldrich, one of the last remaining “American aristocrats” still living on a Robert Livingston estate minus the “serfs” who have long since fled, leaving the “aristocrats” still living on a Robert Livingston estate.

The Hudson River Ice Yacht Club is seen driving through the field adjacent to Father’s Trail — opened to the public last May as a NYS Greenway Trail — unloading their cargo. By Saturday morning, 15-20 iceboats are set up on the cove, and begin to test the south wind in the bay.

The next day more members of the Hudson River Ice Yacht Club were seen driving along the railroad service road, and then crossed the tracks to the ice. This was illegal and dangerous for them as well as the public.

At last, they feel free and at ease. The iceboat club has found a home.

The club dates back to around 1885, when wealthy families, such as Astors and Roosevelts entertained themselves in the winter months with iceboating, races and parties. Today, some of the members sail those very same historic boats, such as the “Vixon” and “Kris”, both once owned by the Roosevelt family.

The smaller, man boats are called DNs. They were named after the Detroit News, which sponsored a contest in the 1930s to see who could come up with the best design for a single man iceboat.

For about 10 days in February, it was heaven on ice at the “Lagoon” at UTS. Friends and family of the club members came along, getting rides, ice skating, playing ice hockey, and staying warm by the large steel barrel set up in the cove to dry out clothes, and cook food.

President Franklin Delano Roosevelt’s family stored their boats for many years in a iceboat house on the Hudson River, a couple of miles south of his estate in Hyde Park. The old house is presently being used as an office for a boat storage region. The club could then boast that two presidents, Theodore Roosevelt and F.D.R. have a presence on this historic property.

Interview with Editor from UTS

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UTS Praised by Iceboat Club Community for Granting Access to South Tivoli Bay

Club member John Sperr takes UTS Community Relations Director Henry Christopher out for a race across the South Tivoli Bay. John has reached speeds of more than 70 mph, but this day we gilded along at a mere 40.

by Henry Christopher

The iceboat club has approached UTS to ask if a new home, along Father’s Trail, and near the cove could be acquired for this historic iceboat house. It would require a place by the club to purchase, move and restore the building, which is in poor shape now.

If successful, it would be a wonderful addition to the UTS campus, a great service to the community and a victory for the preservation of a historical building. The iceboat house would serve both as storage for the iceboats and a museum for the public.

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This is because the ads are sent too late. An ad should be sent 4-6 weeks in advance for a monthly newspaper. I’d like the paper to become the home newspaper, but again that requires involvement of the readers.

For the future, I hope we can have part-time regional correspondents paid to cover news every month in their region, looking beneath the surface of what goes on. The resources that we have at the moment cover only a basic outline of what the movement is doing, which is more than enough of a challenge at the moment for the paper as it is staffed right now.

It’s been quite a challenge. I’ve had my elbow broken and in a cast twice; I’ve had galloping pneumonia and was hospitalized for weeks; I’ve broken my wrist as well, but I’ve always managed to somehow get a Unification News out twelve times a year. Occasionally I’d have to do a double issue just to catch up.

It was very different from how things work now.

I’ve asked Richard many times why he continues to work at Unification News rather than pursue his desire to contribute to the unity of the sciences and religion full-time: he’s always falling into heated discussion with co-workers here about God, Divine Principle, the universe and science. Every time he answers, “I am responsible for UNIEWS. I believe it is God’s direction for me, my way of contributing to the Providence.” He always responds with a rather serious smile and an intense stare.

He’s still typing with just two fingers. I bring that up to show how hard Richard’s worked that he never found time to learn to type properly. I know that some things in the movement take many years to progress forward but that doesn’t mean there isn’t someone or a team of people working very hard to ensure that their task is being fulfilled to the best of their ability. Richard is one of those people.

Right now, we are working together to improve the paper and move it forward. We recently sent out a survey on Rev. Jenkins behest, which many of you have kindly responded to. Please continue to send your support and suggestions to us at UNIEWS and I hope this short interview was an eye-opener, or at least an interesting read.
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**Godwin D’Silva**

One of the finest sons of our True Parents in America, passed away on February 12. He was a man of God who together with his family served many providential missions and responsibilities. He will be honored by True Parents and our American movement with a National Level Seung Hwa. We ask that all in America pray for our beloved brother and his wife Darlene and their family.

On Hyun Jin Nim’s 12 City tour, Hyun Jin Nim personally went to his home to convey True Parents and the profound appreciation for this Beloved Son of True Parents, Husband and Father to his family and Brother to us all. Dr. Yang and I went with Hyun Jin Nim and could not believe the high spiritual atmosphere and heart that was created by Godwin’s trust and faith in God and True Parents. His family is totally united with one heart. We are grateful for beloved Godwin.

IN MEMORIAM

**Godwin D’Silva**

Hyun Jin Nim Visits Just before the His Transition

We should be forever grateful and sing Heamen in taking part in the Holy Wine Ceremony.
Forgiveness of Sins and a New Beginning

by Dr. Chung Hwan Kwak

The Holy Wine Ceremony is for Cheon Il Guk blessed families to make a fresh start. We were asked to go through the Holy Wine Ceremony many times. What we have already received in the grace of the blessing is a precious gift. Once we fulfill the purpose of the blessing and completely realize the mission of blessed families, never again will the Holy Wine Ceremony be needed. It was not meant to be a grace that God and True Parents would bestow twice or many times to this person and that. For fallen man, the blessing is the highest, most precious providence and opportunity. As we know through the Principle, due to the Fall, humankind lost God's true love and became devoid of true life, not worth even a handful of sand. Being ignorant of the precious life and love from Heaven is enough to qualify us as worthless; we fell and became miserable beings that had lost God's true love, true life and true line- age. We were forced to pass Satan's false love to our linear descendants instead of God's true love. True Parents' providence of restoration allowing fallen man to inherit true life and true lineage and be transferred from being under Satan's dead dominion to being under God's live dominion. There is no greater grace or more valuable blessing.

If Heaven could freely give the bless- ing and easily bestow it on anyone, why were the people who longed for salvation for- gotten? Why were countless people who longed for salvation abandoned, and fell and became miserable beings that had lost God's true love, true life and true lineage? Because the people who longed for salvation and sought “the way” were not perfect in their actions; that is our situation. We create cliques, say bad things, eat in the morning, noon and evening; we are like the people in the satanic world. What is special about us? We eat in the morning, noon and evening; we do not digest. That is why True Parents have struggled alone, unable to speak of them. This is why Dae-mo nim and Heung-je nim in heart and circumstance to take us with them. This is why Dae-mo nim and Heung-je nim have earnestly requested many times for a path of forgiveness to be opened up. Yet, because of our transgressions, and because of the difficult situations of blessed families, there was no means or path for us to be forgiven unconditionally and thus this was not allowed until now. However, after Heung-je nim and Dae-mo nim's relentless requests, this event was pre- pared from three years ago, so that we could be forgiven through drinking the holy wine. This fact alone shows how much the grace we are about to receive is for our preparations.

However, this is not possible without True Parents' permission. True Parents are the only ones who can give us true love, true life and true lineage. That is why, if after we received such precious grace, we later became stained again, all the people in the universe who should cleanse us. That kind of grace cannot be given without some condition. Can it? True Parents entered the Cheon Jeong Peace Palace; they bestowed the means of sal- vation on humanity as a part of their mis- sion as the Messiah, Savior, and Return- ers.
The American community needs to be free to experience their own sense of heart. What is most disheartening to see in our 1st Gen is that they lose their passion and they forget why they joined the church and why they are still in the good fight. If our church could get to the point where we look forward to going to church, we look forward to going to another speech, we look forward to go witnessing or whatever it is we’re doing. I think we’d be that much closer to the ideal of Cheon Il Guk. What I believe that a major reason why these new people rarely become involved is because too often, we as a church expect or depend on the idea that the message and principles of our church will cause people to reconsider their lives and want to become involved. I strongly believe, though, that we as a movement need to become a functional and exemplary community that others want to be a part of. Feelings of alienation have caused countless BC’s to leave the community; these feelings continue to exist across our movement both by new people being introduced to our movement and by current BC’s and members. The most attractive feature for most of our parents when they joined was the amazing family and community they saw actualized. It may have been a component of the hippie revolution and the general time period, but I think that if we can get back towards having that much joy and love in a welcoming community full of friendly people, I think we’ll make much more progress both in growing and preventing the loss of people from our church family.”

From a sister in her late teens from Maryland.

A s a continuation of my queries into the minds of BC’s in America, I asked BC’s what changes/improvements they thought was needed; they would like to see happen over the course of 2007 for the American Unification community and I received responses I wasn’t quite expecting.

I was expecting BC’s to target change or improvement in administrative areas and so-called hierarchy issues in the church. I was expecting BC’s to be focused more on these less important details mainly because I’ve heard so many concerns this past year that begs the question, are BC’s so far gone in their angst that they have lost sight of what is important? Of the ones who did respond to my question, they prove that there are BC’s who are well aligned with Father when he speaks about home church or Hoondok church and what that actually entails. Taking care of each other in our immediate community of Blessed Families and building this movement from the inside-out.

I found it rather funny to read responses that spoke about “empowering the local community” and ---- as these terms I’ve read in church growth texts and most of the people who responded have not picked that term from a book. These individuals speak from their personal experiences and involvement in educating and caring for our BC community using what few tools and know-how available to them. Their collective experience is not much and that tells me that these individuals have observed with great care and from a desire to provide opportunities for internal growth the situations in their communities and they have been assessing for quite some time what needs to be done to improve the state of their blessed family communities. I am pleasantly surprised by the responses below and I think you will be as well. They are a random group of BC’s from different parts of America desiring to see similar changes for this year. Though you will notice a clear difference in the state of heart and mind of each person and in which each individual is coming from in their responses, you will also notice that they are all doing the same thing. 

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A Message from the Assistant Editor

The New Voices of Our Generation has now been running successfully for over a year and the editors at UNEWS would like to thank all those who have contributed an article to this section. Spread the word, communicate, and link yourself to the rest of America by subscribing to the paper and submitting your voice at newvog@gmail.com for 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! Be as subjective as you please, but keep in mind, that as this is a public paper, be respectful in your opinions.

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more exemplary communities, which makes people want to be a part of it when they see it.

On another note, I think the most crucial factor that determines whether, or not BC's are involved in activities is a sense of purpose and fulfillment. The majority of BC's I know see no hope in convincing any of their friends in joining a weird and ritualistic group that has extensive criticism and cynicism from much of society, especially one that fails to actualize its own principles. Being included in the mass of BC's that feel this way, I've found myself becoming distant from those hardcore BC's that are so determined to "save the world." I have, though, found meaning in investing in younger high school second graders who are falling away from an organization that has so much potential to better their lives.

I've found meaning and purpose in this and it's a core reason I haven't left the church. So despite my lack of faith in many theological areas, I've found faith in my capabilities and the potential of BC's as people. It's not uncommon to discover that the majority of first graders that are still around found the church from organizers or even as charismatic or cooks, and through their service they found fulfillment and purpose.

I think we, as a dynamic organization, need to recognize this and aim towards finding roles that BC's can take, through which they can find fulfillment: focusing only on trying to lead them, encourage them to witness and read HOSD, and be active in a stunted movement, does not capture the hardcore from everyone else.

From a sister in her early twenties from California
What would I like to see change?
1. "Living for the sake of others" means sacrificing my own wellbeing.

More hope, less feelings of victimization.

From a brother in his late twenties from New York
In this year 2007, I would like to see development made on three key issues in the American church. I believe we are severely lacking in these key elements, to the point of endangering the survival of our movement. The issues that are lacking are: 1) spiritually healthy individuals and families, 2) vibrant communities of faith, and 3) being a movement focused on spirituality over ideology. Since we are not strong in these points, the movement is not growing. If we fail to grow, the movement will fail and die.

I believe one key to this growth is a renewed focus on healthy individual spiritual life. When people joined our movement in the past, it was a matter of life or death that they joined and accepted the Principle. People showered them with attention and studied the Principle fervently to help them work through any spiritual problems they had. During their center life as a member, the environment was one of constantly striving to apply the Principle in their daily lives—to live the Principle, while receiving ever present support and guidance from those around them, members established families, all of this support fell away, and people were left to fend for themselves spiritually. In terms of spiritual support, all we have is a once a week Sunday service. The church is not a place you drag your kids to every Sunday morning and leave as soon as the service is ended, but it should be a place where we celebrate the fruit of God's 6,000 years of history—the Blessed Families. Our Blessed Families, functional or not, are the greatest victory of God and TP according to the Divine Principle. We have been reclaimed from Satan's leftovers, and it is tremendously significant for the entire universe! We should act like it! If our families are far from ideal, we need to work on making them closer. Our membership should be a testament to our faith. People should be coming to us, asking if it's possible for them to be a part of what we are.

Over the course of 2007, I would like to see more spiritual support and guidance for our families. We need guidance on how to build spiritually healthy families. I would like to see marriage enrichment programs. In order to reach the Japanese membership, you would have to make such programs mandatory. We also need programs on parenting. These should definitely be mandatory to all members regardless of their relationship to their children.

I strongly believe that if we can nourish our individual members, it will help them to be a better spouse, parent and member of both the church and non-church community. If our Blessed Couples can become closer and more harmonious by resolving their differences and working through the discord, they will be an inspiration to all. If they can be guided with spiritual and practical support in raising their children, we will have healthy families. If we are successful in these things, our Blessed Families will not only be the victorious culmination of God's providence, but we will actually look like it. If this is true, how difficult would it be for people to want to join our movement? I believe this is the root of God's and True Father's vision.

I believe our movement needs to become a spiritual movement again. For whatever reason, our movement is less focused on the spiritual growth of our membership. This is why the Dae Mo Nim movement has been so successful—it gives our members a connection to the Divine Principle in an ordinary and/or fashionable way. Dae Mo Nim is able to give our members something they have not been receiving from the church. It is a spiritual food that they sorely need.

However, with due respect the DMN events are not for everyone.

There are many who receive deep and profound spiritual experiences from attending Cheon Pyeong Loke and other DMN such as the recent tour, but there are also those who are turned off by the CPL provision for various reasons. If we are interested in holding on to the hard won efforts of God and True Parents, we should be able to reach that minority of membership as well. Also, members cannot participate in the CPL on a regular basis. Americans and others around the world, it is a big investment to pay for the flights to Korea and take the necessary time off of work to go. We need spiritual support on a regular basis that is accessible to local members.

This is common sense, based on what True Father has been teaching. Regardless of what is happening on the providential level, our most precious asset is our Blessed Families, so it makes sense that we do our best to cultivate them. Without our Blessed Families, nothing will be accomplished on any providential level.

From a sister in her late teens from New York
I've realized something about our movement by looking at politics. Although the republican party has always had a strong hold in politics for most of the American history, the echo-beamers are being told what to think through subliminal messages that all secretly say 'you're cool if you believe this.' So in fact, in about 10 years, all of the youth today are going to be eligible to vote, and all of them will vote democrat. It's a terrible show place they pay attention to the youth, who will grow to prosperity according to their standards.

I think more money, effort, and attention should be put into our 2nd gen. I see so many BC's falling apart, losing the tradition. If we were to give more of what we have as investment into every BC, imagine how we could grow in 10 years! All I see going on now is our faith faltering, and more and more BC's are dropping out. I feel as if no one else seems to notice or care. The only ones that notice are BC's caught in similar predicaments and who are too scared to do anything about it.

I feel those in a leadership position in the American Unification community should do something to help them. I think more time and money should be invested into caring for these kids. They feel left out, unsure of their own role and identity because their parents are always too busy on the front line to take care of them. So someone has to! Sure there are tons of workshops out there, but that's no way to connect to a BC. You have to talk to them, one on one, show them that you...
THE NEW VOICES OF OUR GENERATION

A Field Trip into Father’s Past

On Friday, January 19, 2007 The World Student Garden (GOP) program visited Heuk-sok dong. This is an area in Seoul where True Father came to when he was 19 and stayed for 3 years.

Up until he was 13, Father was educated with the Seo Dang system. The village kids would all gather at a certain home where they were taught by one teacher. They were taught this way because the “modern” style of teaching (going to a school) was not available.

Then when Father turned 15 a school in his area (10 kilometers away) opened, so Father attended 3rd year Elementary School. At that time True Father’s whole family converted to being Christian, which was not common then. When Father was 16 he taught Sunday School, and on March 16, Easter, True Father received his mission from Jesus. At the age of 19 Father finished Elementary School. At the graduation ceremony he gave a heartfelt speech as the representative of his class. To continue his education in Middle School he came to Seoul, to the area of Heuk Sok Dong. There he stayed in a house that we call Heuk Sok Dong Lodging House, and that’s where we went today!

At the house we were warmly welcomed by Rev. Sung Won Kim who gave us an introduction on the house and True Father’s experiences there. He was jolly and very enthusiastic in what he was talking about. He said Father used to go down to the Han River and give the orphans food and hair cuts. Another thing he said was True Father would sometimes pray for hours, and that house is the only place in South Korea that True Father’s Mother visited.

We prayed, took pictures, and then headed on our way to Dalma Mountain, which is a little ways away from the house. True Father used go there a lot to pray, and now it is a holy ground. At the top, we had a lovely lunch and free time to take pictures and feel the nice fresh air.

It was a good experience, and it was interesting to think of how True Father was there around 69 years ago. We could feel his young spirit in the nature all around. All in all, we had a wonderful time.

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Curriculum Mini-Grant Program

The Center for Education at UTS is announcing the Curriculum Mini-Grant Program. The mini-grants program offers grants between $500 - $1,000 for the creation of professional curricula and teaching tools for the diverse age groups within the Unification movement. The Center for Education at UTS wishes to encourage the development and publication of effective and creative curricula or teaching tools that can be used throughout the country.

There is a tremendous need for effective curricula in each of the target age groups. Currently, some centers are using the national curriculum while others have simply done their best to teach Divine Principle or the Bible or a combination of the two. Then there are other church centers that are not doing any kind of educational program because they don’t have any type of curriculum or outline from which to work. Therefore, we wish to encourage those with the desire, experience or means to develop curricula that can be used in: K-6 Sunday Schools, Youth Ministries, Young Adult Ministries and even Adult Ministries.

In addition, there is a need to create effective teaching tools such as games, activities, specialized felt board teaching tools, dramas and similar creative tools for use in each of these ministries. Have you designed a game or teaching tool that you have found to be effective? Why not professionalize it or expand it so that others can use it?

Those who wish to apply need to review the grant requirements and submit an application. go to www.centerfeducation.net for more Grant Information and details.
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As a 2G, how would you describe the sense of community / lack of a sense of community in your community of Blessed Families and how has it affected you / your friends directly?

I would just like to see our leaders start dealing with the BC problem, because in the end, the BC's are the future, they are the ones who will spread the word and reach out to leaders of the world in the future. But with all of them leaving, the future looks pretty grim.

From a brother in his early thirties based now in New York from the west coast

The way the future is looking toward the immediate community; for us, that community is Blessed Families. Our movements strengths are huge world wide events and serving the outer community. The people (1st gen) in this movement are sacrifices for the world and I am very grateful for that. But for the 2nd and 3rd generation we need to build our inner community (90% inner and 10% outer) that is the future or else there will be no future.

From a brother in his late teens from New York

What do I think needs to change about our movement here in New York? I believe as a BC that we could have accomplished so much more if we didn't just see that there was an opportunity to share, it is either not realized or not followed in that same path. I believe we have a responsibility to make things right, that was represented and felt the loss of. We have big dreams, high hopes, and when reality hits hard, we feel betrayed...our world is not what we thought it was.

In a movement that preaches True Love, we all must still learn how to love each other better. To me it is equivalent to the scenario of when a child realizes their parents are not perfect, that they are human and make mistakes. We have big dreams, and high hopes, and when reality hits hard, we feel betrayed...our world is not what we thought it was.

With that said, we can either hold on to that resentment, or we can realize that we are only hurting ourselves by continuing to be angry or apathetic and move on. If others have not been good examples of love for us, then we must strive to be the examples of love for our younger brothers and sisters and even for those who have hurt us, and not follow in that same path. I believe we have a responsibility to make ourselves heard (within and out of the movement), but only when we let go of our own baggage will we see the hope and value of doing so.

I missed the boot on the last article, but I'm glad to see the opinions that were represented and felt compelled to at least respond.

So, Here’s What I Thought of...

In our February 2007 issue of Unification News, I asked readers to respond to the article “A Snapshot of the BC Mind.” Here are the follow-up responses I received for your viewing.

Wonderful article. The BC’s were articulate and spoke exactly what we are all thinking. For me, it helped solidify the fact that no matter where you’re from, all BC’s are going through the same thing, more or less. Good eye opener right before Dae Mo Nim’s special grace ceremonies.

Thank you for the wonderful article. I wanted to echo the sentiments of why it seems so hard to get 2nd gen to share. From my experience, whenever I get into a discussion with other 2nd gen or 1st gen about “what needs to change” or how they feel on a certain issue, there is always a lot of talk, heavy venting, strong opinions, but at the end of the day what has really changed? Nothing. I think it is more in the lack of response than anything.

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If you would like to respond to this article, please email your response to newvog@gmail.com. All responses will be posted in the next issue of UNEWS in the NEWVOG section of the paper.

NEWVOG wants YOUR 2G opinion!

As a 2G, how would you describe the sense of community / lack of a sense of community in your community of Blessed Families and how has it affected you / your friends directly?

EMAIL YOUR RESPONSE TO NEWVOG@GMAIL.COM by March 21ST, 2007
Humans are idealistic. Unlike any other creatures, we can envision the future, in many aspects, and far beyond our immediate circumstances. All but the most oppressed or troubled children have great hopes for the future. The details will, of course, be shaped by their parents and peer group, as well as their culture and education. These ideals often track the cycles of human life. Boys will hold out for a coveted new toy, while girls may dream of a perfect mate. Many college students envision an ideal society, based upon whatever belief or ideology they favor. Some adults, whose likenesses are given a grander scale, still hope they’ll win the lottery, or that their favorite sports team gains the championship.

Unfortunately, idealism can be misguided, and even good ideals can be taken too far. Our Religion teaches us about the difference between ‘fans’ and ‘fanatics,’ whether it concerns sports or religion. (This article is based in part upon the 1995 version of my article ‘Principle Paradox.’)

**DETAILS**

How does idealism manifest in today’s society? Let’s use some familiar examples.

Health and safety advocates stand for the betterment of all people. They want us to eat healthy foods, and to maintain a positive lifestyle. They also warn against the nuclear, genetic, chemical, and other fields that society composed of self-sustaining towns, living in a limited ‘steady state’ economy. Places such as Prince Charles experimental village of Poundbury. The inhabitants are supposed to be in harmony with nature, and care for themselves. (Ernest Callenbach’s seminal ‘Ecotopia’ books best depict their version of Paradise.)

Doubters question whether such an ‘idyllic natural’ society has ever existed—yes, they point out, it’s a picture of beauty, sanitary, and healthy primitive’s life. They also fear the fanatic ‘deep ecology’ extreme, which sees modern humanity as ‘the AIDS of the ecosystem.’

Apart from those extremes, the debate over human-caused global warming has taken on religious overtones. Skeptics are branded as ‘deniers,’ while the public is openly called upon to ‘believe.’ There are prophets and sinners, and the goal is avoidance of global disaster. It seems more likely, the final salvation of the ecosystem, has been left for the New Agers. While the Aquarian Age is said to be scheduled for the year 2012. They see Prozac, calming drugs, among other things ushering in a time of universal ‘good vibes.’ Some claim this will end crime of all kinds, and for entire cities at once.

Skeptic fear an Aquarian Conspiracy, by hidden occultists run society, enforcing their rule through r.p.c. police: ‘Who already flex their muscles on campuses and at large companies’ in real life, goes very often dissolve into ‘new age gull’ when lifetime’s insurmountable losses and imitations can no longer be rationalized away. (Read Larry Burkett’s novel ‘The Illuminati.’)

The Agers hope to envision a peaceful Judeo-Christian America, where all respect the Ten Commandments and live by the Golden Rule. A place where change comes peacefully, in the style of Martin Luther King.

Those who fear aggression anticipate an oppressive society, where technology only aids in the repression of ‘sinners.’ Where self-appointed Elders exercise ruthless control, to ensure ‘purity’ according to their dictates. Where so-called ‘holy terror’ is practiced, cloaked in pious lamb’s clothing. (Henlein and Atwood wrote vivid fictional depictions of such a dystopia.)

**PRINCIPLE**

Let’s take a broader look, from the perspective of the Divine Principle. Idealists will be happy to know we can bring out the best in all these areas, both in theory and in practice.

Mind and body and soul are connected. A Principled lifestyle does not guarantee perfect health, but it does eliminate almost every harmful or dangerous factor.

There can be politics with heart, and an efficient government with honest administrators. Global-scale cooperation with local-level power. Rulers who are strong enough to deal with crises, yet respect everyone’s God-given rights. Open world travel, without the nasties who’d take advantage of it.

Science can be advanced with Absolute Values. Technology allows for transactions with privacy assured. Moral scientists can develop the nuclear, genetic, chemical, and other fields that everyone can find an area in which to contribute.

Building a utopia won’t be easy, but what we can envision we can also make real. God is at the helm, and only he has the guidance humanity steer a clear course into the future.

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