This Week in History: August 25 - 31, 2013

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'This Week in History' briefly lists significant events in the history of the Unification movement, the lives of the Founders and events in the secular world that are of moment to Unificationists. Most items are marked according to the solar calendar.

July 7 - August 30, 1991

Soviet Union Nationals Attend CARP Workshops

More than 2,000 students, parents and professors from Moscow, St. Petersburg, Kiev, Donetzk, Odessa, Yaroslavl, Tver, Nizhny Novgorod and Tashkent participated in one of. 24 workshops from July 7 through August 30, 1991. The workshops were implemented by the Collegiate Association for the Research of Principles (CARP).

August 19-30, 1992

The First World Culture and Sports Festival Held in Seoul, Korea



Chajeonnori, occasionally translated as 'Juggernaut Battle,' is a traditional Korean game resembling a jousting match. Two of Rev. Moon's son's--Hyo Jin and Hyun Jin--stand atop large log frames that are maneuvered by their teams during the highlight of the opening ceremony of the First World Culture and Sports Festival.

True Father stated his intention of sponsoring an "Olympics of World Culture" following the conclusion of the Seoul Olympics in 1988. The World Culture and Sports Festival essentially represented the culmination of Rev. Moon's worldwide activity, bringing together representatives from all of the organizations he had initiated. The Festival included the 19th International Conference on the Unity of the Sciences (ICUS), the fifth International Congress of the Professors World Peace Academy (PWPA), the 12th World Media Conference, the fifth Summit Council for World Peace, the first Women's Federation for World Peace convention, the third Assembly of the World's Religions, and the eighth CARP Convention of World Students, which included the Hanmadang Sports Festival.

August 24-30, 1980

True Father Hosts World Tuna Tournament in Gloucester, Massachusetts

True Father created a fishing tournament to bring attention to the potential of fishing to remediate world hunger and to gather support for revitalizing American seaports. From August 24-30, 1980, the Unification Church sponsored the "World Tuna Tournament" in Gloucester, Massachusetts with the largest prize ever awarded in a tuna-fishing tournament.

August 25, 1992 and 1995

Anniversary of Blessing of 30,000- and 360,000-Couples



30,000 couples received the Blessing from True Parents on August 25, 1992 at the Olympic Stadium in Seoul.

The Unification Church hosted the 30,000-couple Blessing in 1992 and the 360,000-couple Blessing in 1995, both on August 25th in the Olympic Stadium in Seoul, South Korea. This year is the 21st Anniversary of the 30,000 Couple Blessing to be celebrated on 7.17 according to the lunar calendar, which is September 2, 2013. This year is also the 18th Anniversary of the 360,000 Couples Blessing to be celebrated on 7.29, according to the lunar calendar, or September 4, 2013 by the solar calendar.

August 26, 1972

Creation of the Mobile Fundraising Teams (MFT)



A member of the One World Crusade (OWC) Evangelists fundraising in Manhattan as part of the creation of the first mobile fundraising teams (MFT).

The first full-time mobile fundraising teams (MFT) were organized to raise funds to purchase the Belvedere Gardens Estate in Tarrytown, New York. The teams used brandy-sniffer candles that they manufactured themselves.

Existing centers, pioneers and One-World Crusade (OWC) Evangelical bus units all undertook fundraising campaigns. The mobile fundraising teams moved with eight or nine fulltime sellers.

As reported in *Pioneers' Progress* in 1972, "Since the end of August, 29 members from across the nation have been traveling on two mobile teams — one on each coast — and selling candles full time."

August 26, 2006

Inter-religious Rally for Family Values and World Peace in the Netherlands

On Saturday, August 26th, the Dutch Chapter of the Universal Peace Federation (UPF) held an Inter-

religious Rally for Family Values and World Peace in the Bijhorst Hotel, Wassenaar, near The Hague. True Mother was invited, but her entry into the country was denied.

August 28, 2006

Holy Blessing of the Third Generation



True Parents officiated a Holy Wedding Ceremony for the third generation, which included some of their grandchildren (seen on stage).

On the foundation of True Parents' victory in entering the *Cheon Jeong Goong* and in realizing God's kingdom of a peaceful, ideal world, a Holy Wedding Ceremony was officiated by True Parents on August 28, 2006. Most of those in the ceremony were True Father's grandchildren.

August 31, 1973

Teams Formed for Day of Hope Tour

By the end of August, 1973 more than 400 members gathered to prepare for the Day of Hope talks scheduled to begin at Carnegie Hall on October 1st. A five-member Day-of-Hope planning staff consisting of a campaign coordinator, PR director, media director, technical director, and logistics coordinator helped generate public visibility.

August 31, 1989

True Father Conducts Pal Chong Shik

True Father performed *Pal Chong Shik* or "The Ceremony of the Settlement of Eight Stages" on August 31st. According to Father's speech, titled "Royal Family of True Love," on July 28, 1991, *Pal Chong Shik* was a blood-lineage transformation ceremony. *Pal Chong Shik* was an important ceremony to transfer an individual's satanic, stained blood lineage to God's side. "You were previously connected to Satan's love, Satan's life, and Satan's lineage — a satanic trinity. Through this ceremony the blood lineage is now connected to a parents' life, which is centered on love. Man and woman become parents centered on love. The father and mother's love have give and take, forming a sphere of love. At the center point of that love, life is conceived. Centering on the parents' love and life, the blood lineage is connected. Even though a woman divorces her husband, she and her children cannot be easily separated, because children are the fruit of love", True Father said.

The speech on August 31, 1989 can be read here. http://www.tparents.org/Moon-Talks/sunmyungmoon90/SM900831.htm