

This Week in History (July 24-July 30)

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Youth Federation for World Peace Inaugural Conference (July 26, 1994, Washington D.C.)

Only July 26, 1994, the inaugural conference for the Youth Federation for World Peace took place at the Omni Shoreham Hotel in Washington D.C., in the United States. Representatives from 163 nations attended this conference, which was held with an aim to build a community of true peace, which goes beyond ideologies of left and right. True Father said, “As fruits of a new family and new school education, the youth need to become people who instruct and take responsibility in their families and societies.” The Youth Federation for World Peace was registered as a social organization in Korea on February 22, 1995, and is actively developing its activities.

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124-Couple Blessing Ceremony (July 24, 1963, Seoul, Korea)

The 124-Couple Blessing Ceremony took place on July 24, 1963, in Seoul's Citizens' Hall. Around 3,500 guests partook in the event. This was the first time the Blessing Ceremony was held in a public building, and it attracted a lot of attention from Korean citizens. True Father said, “The president of this nation cannot achieve this. This is something only the Unification Church can do.” After the Blessing Ceremony, the brides and grooms rode in 150 separate ‘New Country Cars,’ paraded around the city with police vehicles guiding the parade.

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**The Family Federation for World Peace Inaugural World Convention
(July 30, 1996, Washington D.C., United States)**

On July 30, 1996, the Family Federation for World Peace Inaugural World convention was held at the Washington D.C. National Building Museum. Over four-thousand leaders from around the world attended in this convention under the theme, 'Global Implications of Family Values to the 21st Century.' True Mother gave a speech with the title 'The Principle Sphere of the Providence of Salvation.'

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**True Mother Speaks on Capitol Hill
(July 28, 1993, Washington D.C., USA)**

On July 28, 1993, True Mother gave a speech in the Dirksen Senate Office Building in Washington D.C. Around a hundred senators and representatives came to listen to her speech, “True Parents and the Completed Testament Age.” She emphasized that by understanding the holiness of love between a husband and a wife, we will possess the moral strength to stand strong against infidelity and promiscuity. Senator Orrin Hatch introduced True Mother as a great mother. His fellow congressional representatives, who seemed to agree with the description, gave True Mother a loud round of applause.

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