



UNIVERSAL PEACE FEDERATION

Inaugural World Tour
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Removing Boundaries, One at a Time

The Universal Peace Federation (UPF) was founded by Dr. and Mrs. Sun Myung Moon as a global alliance of religious, academic, political and civic leaders joined together to promote peace and to work for a unified world where all people live together in cooperation and co-prosperity as a global family without boundaries.

The UPF provides a mechanism for cooperative peace-building efforts among governmental, religious, cultural, education and civil society representatives working together as 'Ambassadors for Peace' with mutual respect and a shared commitment to cooperation and good governance.

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Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon and his wife, Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon, known affectionately as Father and Mother Moon, lead a movement active in 190 nations, encompassing the realms of religion, academia, the arts, media, sports, agriculture, technology, ocean enterprises, and more.

The heart and soul of Rev. and Mrs. Moon's ministry is the re-establishment of God's ideal of the family as the foundation for harmonious societies and the cornerstone of world peace. The "Cross-Cultural Marriage Blessing" movement has reached millions of couples of every race and religion.

Today Father and Mother Moon are proposing a revitalized, renewed United Nations with the help of the newly established Universal Peace Federation. Over 50,000 diplomats, clergy, civic leaders, current and former heads of state have already been appointed as "Ambassadors for Peace."

Dr. Moon speaking in Busan, Korea the city where he began his ministry while a refugee during the Korean War in 1950

“The time has come for the countries of the world to pool their resources and advance toward the world of peace.”

GOD’S IDEAL FAMILY is the model for world peace

Excerpts from the Universal Peace Federation Inaugural Address

When God created Adam and Eve, He invested His entire being with the standard of absolute love, absolute faith, and absolute obedience. He gave them the seed for their love and life. But the realm of the lineage given to them by God was lost through the tragedy of the human fall. Today we must understand with certainty that all human beings without exception are descendants of the fall.

This is the reason that humanity needs to complete the restoration of God’s lineage through worldwide exchange cross-cultural marriages. What other method will empower Whites and Blacks, Jews and Muslims, Orientals and Westerners, and people of all races to live as one human family? For this fundamental reason, you should receive the Holy Marriage Blessing from the True Parents and establish Heaven’s tradition of ideal families.

Peace among nations can never come when those entrusted with the task have not even resolved the Cain-Abel struggles between the conflicting desires of their own minds and bodies. The time has come for people of faith and conscience to launch an Abel-type United Nations, the Universal Peace Federation, that will finally establish a world of peace on this earth by removing all national boundaries and other barriers.

For the sake of peace and human welfare, and also for building God’s fatherland and original hometown, I propose

that we build a passage for transit across the Bering Strait. Carrying out this project will bind the world together as one village. It will tear down the manmade walls of race, culture, religion and country, and establish the world of peace that has been God’s cherished desire.



Father and Mother Moon with their grandson Shim Joon, who accompanied them throughout the tour as the youngest, “Ambassador for Peace”

Some may doubt that such a project could ever be completed, but where there is a will, there is always a way—especially if it is the will of God. Think of how much money the world is wasting on war! Now is the time, as the prophet Isaiah taught, to beat our swords into ploughshares and spears into pruning hooks. This is the desire of God, the Master of this great universe.

I am leaving you with a choice. The message from Heaven that I convey to you today is both a blessing and a warning to this generation. Will you join with me as I rise and gain strength in accordance with heavenly fortune? Or will you remain captive behind the

same old walls, all of them Satan’s handiwork: the wall of your religion, your culture, your nationality and your race, and spend your time on earth in agony and regret?

Heaven is calling you to be leaders who will set aright this world of evil and establish a new heaven and new earth. I hope that you will be wise and brave activists in this worldwide peace force, for the sake of humanity’s future, and I ask you to devote your best efforts for the development and success of the Universal Peace Federation.



World Tour OVERVIEW

How do you start to describe something as extraordinary as Dr. and Mrs. Sun Myung Moon's sense of passion, divine calling and personal commitment to undertake a grueling speaking tour of 100 cities in 67 countries in just 100 days to launch of the Universal Peace Federation? Would Father Moon, only a month shy of his 86th birthday, even have the stamina to get up on the stage each evening when it came time to deliver a message that sometimes ran longer than four hours?

And what of the lofty goals of the Universal Peace Federation, (UPF) which, in the words of its Founder, should solve some of the thorniest problems the United Nations has wrestled with for the past 60 years, and even help reform it?

Despite the fact that both the schedule and the agenda seemed to defy convention and logic, especially given the high walls of caution, suspicion and bureaucracy in a post 9/11 world, the tour not only took place, but was so successful that many other countries were inspired to hold their own programs, bringing the final tally to 120 nations.

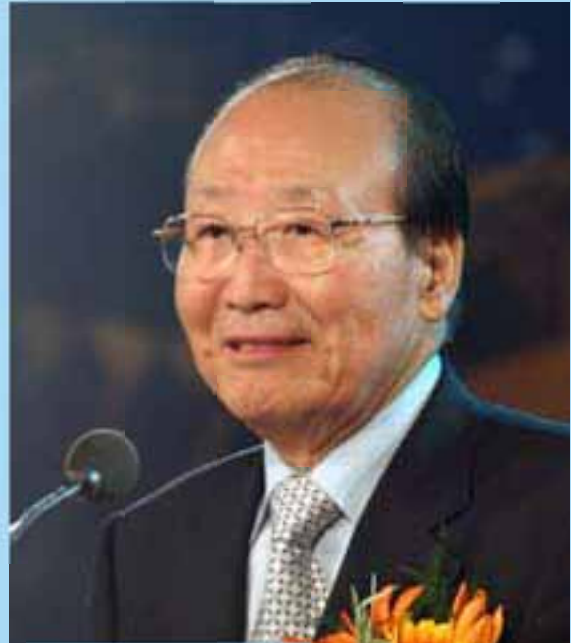
The tour started at the Lincoln Center in New York and concluded in Toronto a little over three months later, after a journey of more than 70,000 miles, 280 hours of airtime, and 60 time zones. As it turned out, Dr. Moon proved to have more stamina than most of the crowds and all of his traveling companions, sometimes speaking long after midnight. "I'm sorry if I make you suffer," he would say with a smile, "but I may never meet you again, so I have to share everything that is in my heart."

The essential thrust of the tour was, of course, the founding of the UPF with its challenging mission to help the United Nations renew itself by engaging the collective spiritual wisdom and insight of the world's faith leaders. This difficult task is made even more urgent and necessary, because so many of the world's most intractable disputes are actually being made worse by religious tensions.

Another important theme was the challenge of breaking down the barriers that divide people, as well as nations. After all, before any country can think about ending conflict and making peace, the citizens of that nation, its individuals and families overcome

A TURNING POINT

Dr. Chung Hwan Kwak, UPF CHAIR



We are living at a most challenging and exciting time in human history. At this moment, New York is at the center of the world's stage. Just as we have assembled for this convocation, other world leaders are gathering across town for the 60th General Assembly of the United Nations. In many ways, we share the same concern, namely, to address the "crises and challenges" that exist both for civil society and for the institutions of global governance.

While on the one hand, history often seems ordinary and routine, with days flowing by one after the other, there are turning points in history. Within any given life, for example, there can be significant, life-transforming moments. Sometimes these are called "rites of passage." Many times a single moment in a person's life can be of profound and lasting significance. For example, a seemingly chance meeting with another person can form the basis for tragedy or good fortune. The outcome depends not only on the circumstances and nature of the opportunity, but on our ability to see clearly, recognize what needs to be done, and take the right course of action.

I believe with absolute conviction that we stand at the most critical juncture ever to befall the human community. The entire world is truly standing on the threshold of an age of peace. The hope of all ages, for a unified world of peace, is about to be realized. The day of its arrival depends on us.



The Universal Peace Federation party arrives in Majuro, capital of the Marshall Islands and the 82nd city on the tour.

divisions based on race, religion, ethnicity and culture and language. Only through loving one's enemy, even to the point where the children of hostile nations and peoples intermarry and create new families of love.

Political reform and strong families are not enough; there must be social and economic justice as well. Rejecting the concept of a 'clash of civilizations,' the UPF is working to inspire new, world changing links that bring civilizations into oneness, through visionary projects like the Bering Strait Tunnel and the International Highway Project, and through service and relief work wherever there is urgent human need.

"I leave you with a choice," Father Moon said, "I ask you all to devote your best efforts for the development and success of the Universal Peace Federation. Will you join with me as I rise and gain strength in accordance with heavenly fortune? Or will you miss this chance and risk a lifetime of regret?"

“The UPF promotes ethical values and the improvement of good governance for the benefit of the people. Bosnia is not such a religious country. But Rev. Moon’s message holds meaning far beyond the religious sphere. It is one of universal harmony, love, and the need for true families to create peace in the world.”

Dr. Anto Domazet, Former Finance Minister of Bosnia

“I can say categorically that Rev. Moon has been misunderstood. The activities and organizations he has started prove to me that he is a man dedicated to bringing faith communities together to reconcile.”

Kailash Puri, London
Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts

“Dialogue and engagement are the only possible way to succeed, however impossible it may seem, and the Universal Peace Federation is providing the way to start that conversation.”

Dr. Abduljalil Sajid
Muslim Council for Religious & Racial Harmony



UPF WORLD TOUR

In Brief

“I have deepened my conviction that world peace can be attained by fostering mutual understanding between religions through dialogue, thus nipping in the bud the plot of conflict.”

Prof. Hiroaki Kobayashi
Professor of Public Law, Nihon University



“When you understand the fruits, you’ll understand the man. By his fruits you will know him, and I’ve come to know that his identity is clear.”

Archbishop George Stallings,
Imani Temple, Washington DC

“The Universal Peace Federation and its network of Peace Councils will be helpful in developing anti-terrorism peace task forces, with a focus on prevention.”

Sir James Mancham
Chair, UPF Presiding Council

“This is an important initiative contributing for world peace ... we praise all the efforts invested by the sincere people of good will in favor of peace and the strengthening of the family.”

Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva
President of Brazil

by the
NUMBERS

81,136

Total miles traveled

178

Total flying hours

12

Pilots needed for the journey

33

Languages used in translation

442

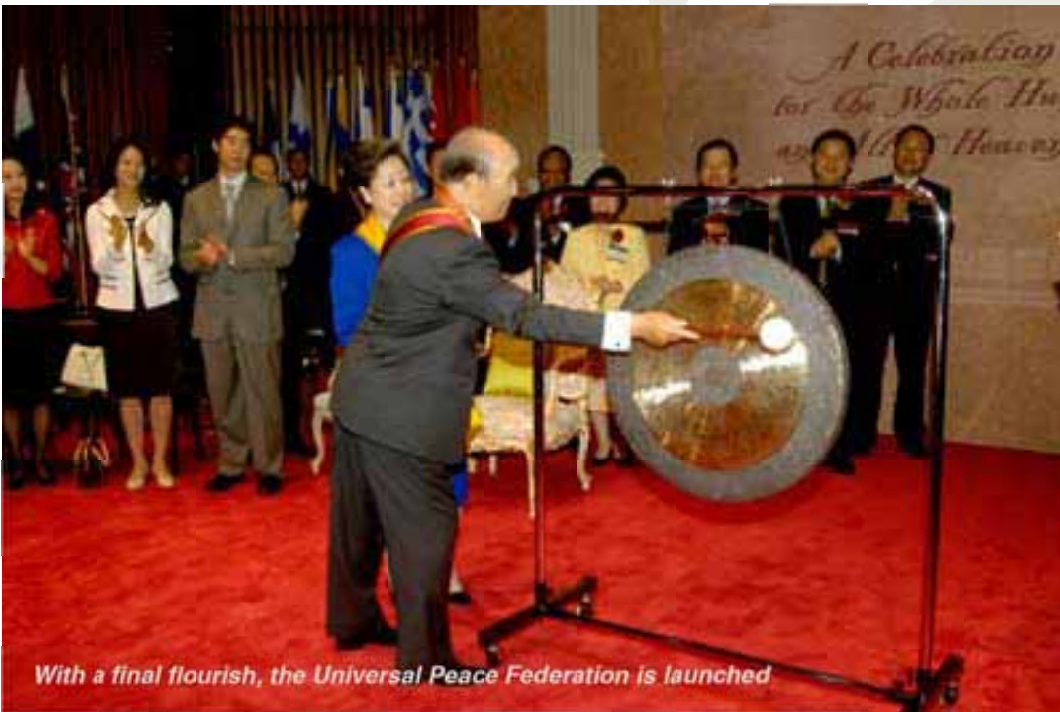
Media articles about the tour

INAUGURAL CONVOCATION

New York City, September 9-12
Alice Tully Hall, Lincoln Center

“We are changing the global conversation about how nations work together beyond the traditional channels.”

Sir James Mancham,
Founding President, Seychelles



With a final flourish, the Universal Peace Federation is launched.

The launch of the Universal Peace Federation (UPF) was the high point of a week-long convocation, “Challenge and Change for Global Governance and Civil Society: From Peace Councils to Peace Nations,” a gathering of 350 participants from 128 countries that coincided with the opening of the 60th General Assembly of the UN in New York.

People found themselves celebrating a vision that transcending religion, culture, and nationality, drawing them to work together for peace. Leaders with a long history of contributing toward building a more peaceful world through politics, religion, or social services, recognized an unprecedented opportunity for advancing the cause of peace through working with the UPF.

Of special note were the sessions on root causes of terrorism;

inter-religious dialogue; and the vision for a civilization-changing Bering Strait tunnel. Other conference sessions addressed the roles of the family, civil society, and religion in promoting a culture of peace. Throughout the convocation, participants maintained close interaction with their respective UN delegations, and heads of state from Burundi, Marshall Islands, and Palau attended the UPF proceedings.

Delegates held regional meetings to solidify plans for developing their own peace councils and projects. The extended time together enabled a deepening of relations, commitment, and trust. Two evidences of that were the drafting of a Resolution on “Human Rights and Responsibilities” and its acceptance by unanimous consent, and the formation of a new organization,



UPE Delegates in the Lincoln Center, Alice Tully Hall

Journalists for Justice and Peace.

Declaring the world to be at an “historic turning point,” Reverend Dr. Sun Myung Moon asked a standing-room-only house in Lincoln Center’s Alice Tully Hall to **join him in** creating a new organization for peace.

“I have always prayed sincerely that the United Nations would be an institution of peace in line with God’s Will,” he said, “but the member states have been unable to go beyond their own interests. Advanced countries seem to believe that material goods are all that matter, while ignoring the misery of tens of thousands who die of starvation every day. My hope is that the Universal Peace Federation will serve and help renew the United

Nations and provide leadership for a world in crisis.”

The Honorable José de Venecia, Jr., Speaker of the Philippine House of Representatives, expressed his hopes for the success of the new Universal Peace Federation to bring harmony and dialogue among the world’s religions. “We say no to the clash of civilizations and we say no to the clash of religions,” he said.

The call for drastic change found support from an unexpected source: the UN itself. At the opening of the 60th General Assembly two days later, Secretary General Kofi Annan said the UN is at ‘a fork in the road’ and needed to fundamentally reexamine its purposes if it is to continue for another 60 years.

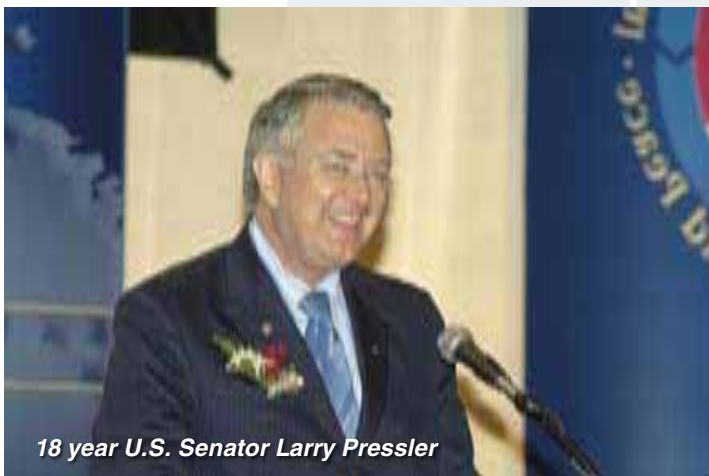
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

September 12, 19–30

New York Newark Bridgeport Boston Washington D.C. Chicago Atlanta Dallas Denver Seattle

“I commend the UPIF for its ground-breaking work around the world, especially the Middle East Peace Initiative, which has brought more than 10,000 participants of all faiths to the Holy Lands in the last three years.”

Sen. Larry Pressler



18 year U.S. Senator Larry Pressler



Former Congressman Rev. Walter Fauntroy

Rev. Walter Fauntroy, six-term congressman from the District of Columbia and noted civil rights leader, testified that Father Moon is truly the real king of peace, because he is working in every hot spot in the world with love for all people, making such enormous impact. “He is fulfilling the ideals first taught to me by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.” he said.

U.S. Senator Larry Pressler, who served four years in Congress and 18 years in the U.S. Senate, gave a strong and uplifting perspective on the peace work of the Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon. “I would like to urge you to take up the momentous challenge that history has place before us - to break down the barriers and work to create a world of genuine peace and brotherhood,” Pressler said. “It is the kind of world that we want our children to inherit and to live in. And I believe that it is the world that our Father in heaven wanted for all of his children.”

Representatives of the three Abrahamic faith, Imam Pasha Salahuddin of New York/New Jersey, Rabbi Mordechai Waldman of Detroit, and Rev. Dr. Jesse Edwards of Philadelphia explained

that the goal of the UPF is not simply a hope or an ideal, but fast becoming a reality. Rev. Edwards called upon Rabbi Waldman to stand close to him, testifying that just a few years ago he couldn't even imagine being near a rabbi, and even if he knew one, he wouldn't feel comfortable to speak to him. Then he called upon Imam Salahuddin and said, ‘He is my Muslim brother.’ The walls are coming down and I see the reality of people of faith coming together to work with one purpose to build a world of peace.

In Washington Dr. Moon renewed the call for 36,000 students and young people to combine with the Ambassadors for Peace and religious leaders to become a new ‘Peace Force,’ an army of compassion that with the power and the backing of God will end violence and bring about peaceful resolution of conflict.

He announced that the UPF would donate \$1m to the Points of Light Foundation to help the victims and evacuees of Hurricane Katrina, and that UPF affiliated organizations were already working in Mississippi, Alabama and Texas to give relief and support.

“Through the efforts of Dr. Sun Myung Moon and the Universal Peace Federation, I have come to love Jews and Christians as my brothers and sisters. We are working together to bring peace.”

Imam Haitham Bundakji
President, Orange County CA Muslim Association



Following the speech in San Francisco

“**The role** of the prophet is to speak truth to power,” says Dr. Amos C. Brown, Sr., Pastor of San Francisco’s Third Baptist Church. “The prophet is always misunderstood at first. It happened to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., and the same thing is happening to Rev. Moon.”

The age of misunderstanding may soon be over. Rev. Moon’s various peace initiatives garnered increasing support for the often controversial leader from a variety of religious and political sources as the tour moved across the United States.

Father Moon’s claim that he has a divine mandate has generated controversy, but many support it. “He speaks with the authority of God,” Archbishop George Stallings told the *Connecticut Post*, adding that he doesn’t mind that Moon is controversial.

“I’ve never met anyone like him,” said Reverend Darryl Gray, former Communications Director for King’s Southern Christian Leadership Conference. “The man is hitting on all the spiritual hot buttons of contemporary society, including racial and interfaith relations, marriage and family, homosexuality, fighting AIDS, peace in the Middle East, and what is more, he’s never pulled his punches.”



Dr. Michael Jenkins with a letter of welcome from the city

KOREA

October 3-14

Seoul Changwon Busan Incheon Daejeon Daegu
Choongjoo Chooncheon Kwangju Iksan Soowon

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25 27 29
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Father and Mother Moon traveled separately in order to cover 24 cities in Korea and Japan in just 12 days. Father Moon visited all the provinces of South Korea, beginning and ending in Seoul, and Mother Moon simultaneously spoke in Japan, starting in Fukuoka and finishing in Tokyo

JAPAN

October 3-14

Fukuoka Hiroshima Takamatsu Kobe Osaka Nagoya
Sapporo Sendai Saitama Nagano Yokohama Tokyo

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32 34 36



Mother Hak Ja Han Moon encouraged audiences throughout Japan to expand their thinking beyond their own shores and offer their resources and commitment to the world.

A crowd of 11,000 attends the inaugural convocation in the Olympic Fencing Gymnasium, Seoul Korea

MONGOLIA

Ulaanbaatar, October 16
Mongolian Hall of Government

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Well wishers line the highway from the airport in Ulaanbaatar

Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia was the beginning of the great adventure of visiting a new nation almost every day.

Former Prime Minister Mendsaikhan Enkhsaikhan and Chief Cabinet Secretary Sangajav Bayartsogt waited at the airport with a red-carpet welcome for Dr. and Mrs. Moon's first visit to their country. Police escorted the convoy to the official residence for state guests and the road was lined with thousands of young Mongolians cheering and waving flags and banners.

"Dr. Moon is well-known to us in Mongolia," said Minister Enkhsaikhan. "His world peace federations for family, youth, women and interreligious cooperation have made important contributions to Mongolia, by helping us join the international dialogue and discussion."

The launch of the Universal Peace Federation was carried on Mongolian National Television, who reported "Dr. Moon, now 85, experienced a long time when few accepted his ideas. If we look back at his past life, there were lots of misunderstandings, obstacles, and sorrows. He has overcome this situation and is now recognized as a man dedicated to goodness and peace."

As the Moons departed, the media was abuzz. The *Zuunii Medee* newspaper reported "The universal peace king and queen planted the seeds of love and harmony in the hearts of Mongolians."



Meeting with Prime Minister Tsakhia Elbegdorj

"He has been called many names: religious leader, politician, businessman, but the title that fits is 'Universal Man.'"

Unuudur Daily Newspaper

GEORGIA

Tbilisi, October 18
State Conservatory Grand Hall

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“The ideal of peace proposed by Dr. Moon implies a transformation of the effort for world peace beyond politics to be become a global, cross-cultural and inter-religious movement.”

Edward Shevardnadze
President of Georgia, 2001–2004



Professor Giorgi Tsagarehshvili, UPF Georgia

About 40 minutes out from the Georgian capital, Tbilisi, having flown from Kirgizia over the Tien San mountains and the Caspian Sea, the flight attendant on the plane said there was serious turbulence ahead and to brace for a rough ride. But somehow the storm never appeared. That’s just the way the tour has been going—smooth, and lots of sunshine.

500 curious delegates packed the newly restored Grand Concert Hall of the Tbilisi State Conservatory, a classic and dignified venue, the Carnegie Hall of Georgia. The program began with traditional songs of welcome from “Varazi” a popular group of Georgian singers.

Ambassador for Peace Dr. Giorgi Tsagarehshvili, a professor of mathematics and classical guitar—and the person who translated Father Moon’s speech into Georgian—spoke about the work of Universal Peace Federation throughout the world and the region, giving emphasis to its potential for Georgia.

“The ideals of the UPF are very well suited to Georgia as a nation both strong in its faith and family values,” he said. “And we need new ideas to find a peaceful resolution to our conflicts with the Abkhazia and South Ossetia republics.”

HE Rahim Huseynov, former Prime Minister of Azerbaijan, one of several high-ranking visitors from the Caucasus region, gave the formal welcoming address.

Given the logistical and cultural challenges presented by the need for translation from Korean to English and then from English to Georgian, Dr. Moon delivered his address with great care and focus, without the further elaboration and commentary added to his presentation in other cities on the tour.



International meetings are still rare in Tbilisi

EUROPE & THE MIDDLE

Poland Romania Czech Republic Hungary Slovakia Bosnia
Slovenia Netherlands Ireland United Kingdom Denmark



Geneva became an important base. In addition to the inaugural speech, the UPF convened a seminar in the UN Palais des Nations to discuss the contributions of civil society to peace. Two weeks later 1200 Ambassadors For Peace formed a European Association. After the success of the inaugural event, the Geneva Tribune newspaper dubbed Dr. Moon the "Peace Messiah."

35 nations in Europe worked together to make sure that the 13 available tour dates were as successful as possible and that all regions would be represented. The old tensions were put far behind as former enemies worked together.

Nowhere was the message of peace more keenly appreciated than in Bosnia, until recently ravaged by civil war and strife, with its buildings still bearing the scars of war. The UPF was warmly welcomed by former President Ejup Ganic, who said its work would help his country find peace and reconciliation.

The trend of government recognition and interest continued in Albania, where both President Alfred Moisiu and Prime Minister Sali Berisha invited Rev. Moon to their offices for meetings. The UPF inaugural speech was carried in full by several TV channels. Dr. Moon was introduced to the 3000-capacity crowd

in Tirana's main Congress Hall by the popular former President Rexhap Meidani, who surprised everyone by reading his own translation of Dr. Moon's poem, "The Crown of Glory," written when he was just sixteen.

Of course, there were challenges. In Bucharest, Romania, the power went out for two days before the event. The Bulgarian government decided at the last minute not to issue visas for the tour party. The event in The Hague, Netherlands took place on less than 24 hours notice after two court decisions required the Dutch government to open its borders.

The European segment of the tour revealed an enthusiasm for the goals of the UPF and a new level of acceptance and appreciation of Dr. and Mrs. Moon's work for world peace.

EAST

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Albania Switzerland
Turkey Jordan Israel

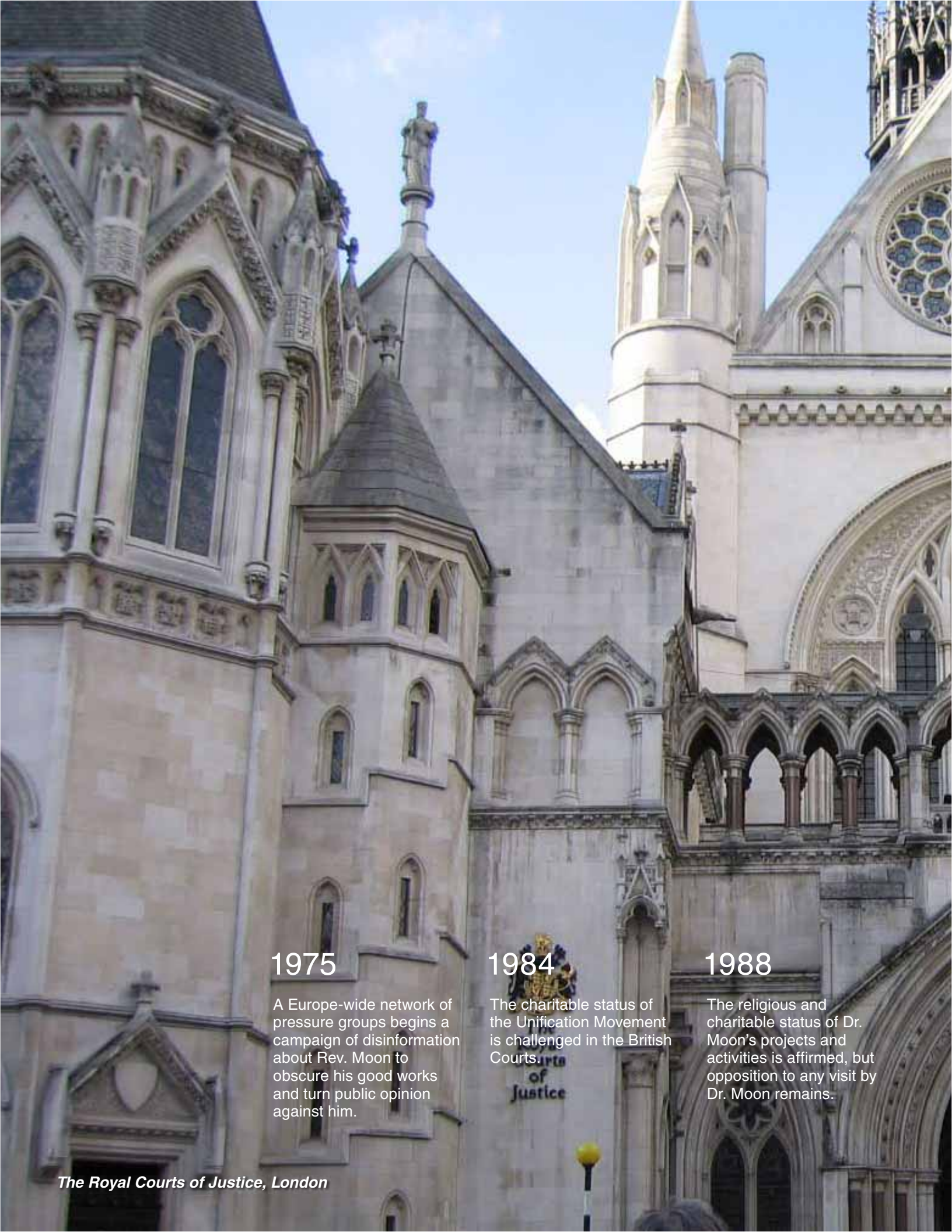


Ambassadors for Peace at the Dome of the Rock in Jerusalem, a holy site for Christians, Muslims and Jews

Suicide bombers struck in Amman just the week before the UPF inauguration, killing more than 30. The event in Beirut was held as Lebanon mourned the assassination of a popular leader. Despite the ever-present threat of violence, the UPF has been active in the Middle East for years, with a focus on bringing the Abrahamic faiths together. Ambassadors for Peace from all over the world have traveled to the holy land, where they have visited hospitals and orphanages and participated in many service initiatives.

“In the early 1990s, when the Western world began once again to find reasons to regard Islam as a hostile religion, Sun Myung Moon made staunch efforts to engage with Muslim scholars and religious leaders, in his quest for a universal message for our times.”

Rev. Dr. David A. Hart
World Congress of Faiths



1975

A Europe-wide network of pressure groups begins a campaign of disinformation about Rev. Moon to obscure his good works and turn public opinion against him.

1984

The charitable status of the Unification Movement is challenged in the British Courts.

1988

The religious and charitable status of Dr. Moon's projects and activities is affirmed, but opposition to any visit by Dr. Moon remains.

Victory

IN THE EUROPEAN COURTS

1995

Bans on Rev. Moon entering Britain and Germany are imposed. Germany places him on the Schengen Treaty list on the unsubstantiated grounds of being a “threat to public order.”

2001

The US government formally urges Germany to lift the ban and begins to mention this human rights violation in its yearly reports on International Religious Freedom. In 2003 Britain is added to the report.

2005

June

The leading British immigration judge rules that there was “no sound reason” for the ban and that the human rights of Rev. Moon and his followers have been infringed upon.

November

Home Secretary Charles Clarke lifts the ban and 1750 people, including many leaders of society, are able to hear him speak for the first time for 27 years.

A Dutch court orders an exception to the Schengen ban that permits Dr. Moon to come to the Hague on 24 hours notice. 500 Dutch VIPs gather to hear him.

Prominent citizens in Denmark support a motion granting a Schengen exception enabling Dr. Moon to visit Copenhagen for the first time in 40 years.

These developments were followed minutely in the world’s media, with the British victory making headline news in 144 nations. The *Daily Mail*, a London tabloid long critical of Dr. Moon, reluctantly conceded that he had won ‘a significant victory’ and invited its readers to express their opposition in an online poll. No doubt to their surprise, more than 75% voted in favor of Dr. Moon being free to enter Britain at any time.

NIGERIA

Abuja, November 7
Shehu Musa Yar'adua Conference Center

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“Please use your great influence to talk to the world to come to the aid of Africa.”

HE Olusegun Obusanjo
President of Nigeria

President Olusegun Obusanjo appealed for help on the problem of debt relief as the Universal Peace Federation was launched in Nigeria.

“The world is not helping Africa enough,” Obusanjo said, in a message delivered by his personal representative, Chief Kanu Agabi. “Unfortunately, the rest of the world is sitting in judgment over Africa . . . Dr. Moon, the appeal of this country to you is that you should use your great influence to talk to the world to come to the aid of Africa.”

In reply, Dr. Moon urged Nigerians to “live in accordance with heavenly law,” outlining his urgent vision of God’s providence for Africa and the world, “If Africa focuses on its internal development rather than external circumstances,” he said “then the lives of Africans will improve automatically.”

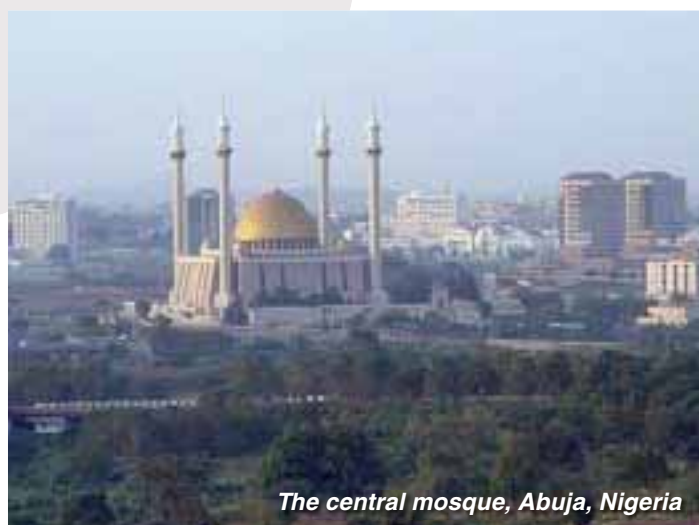
Nigeria is Africa’s most populous nation, with 150 million people. Christian/Muslim interreligious conflict has been a great concern, and Dr. Moon’s arrival was widely anticipated, with the *Independent* newspaper welcoming him as a “leading advocate of global peace.”

National trustee of the UPF Mr. Segun Olusola said he joined the organization after seeing former Zambian President Kenneth Kaunda championing the cause of peace with Dr. Moon at the United Nations in New York. “I made up my mind there and then that I was going to reinforce my connection,” he said.

According to *Radio Nigeria*, the assembly included Minister of Communication, Chief Cornelius Adebayo; Deputy Senate President, Alhaji Ibrahim Mantu; Inspector-General of Police, Mr. Sunday Ehindero, Deputy Governor of Kaduna State, Patrick Yakowa and many others. Diplomats from other West African nations were also in attendance.



Africa must focus on internal development rather than external circumstances



The central mosque, Abuja, Nigeria

AFRICA

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Mali Benin Cameroon Angola South Africa
Tanzania Burundi Kenya Ethiopia



UPF Inaugural in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, at the regional United Nations Headquarters

“We do not seek peace with ammunitions and weapons any more, thanks to Father and Mother Moon’s philosophy of peace.”

Hussein Aideed
Deputy Prime Minister of Somalia

After completing his work in Nigeria and Mali, Dr. Moon suffered an adverse reaction to malaria medication and was ordered by doctors to take an immediate rest.

In the meantime, Rev. Chung Hwan Kwak, Chairman of the Universal Peace Federation, and Dr. Thomas Walsh, Secretary General, went ahead to all the scheduled cities in Africa.



Local volunteers on board the plane in Benin

SOUTH ASIA

Nepal India Sri Lanka

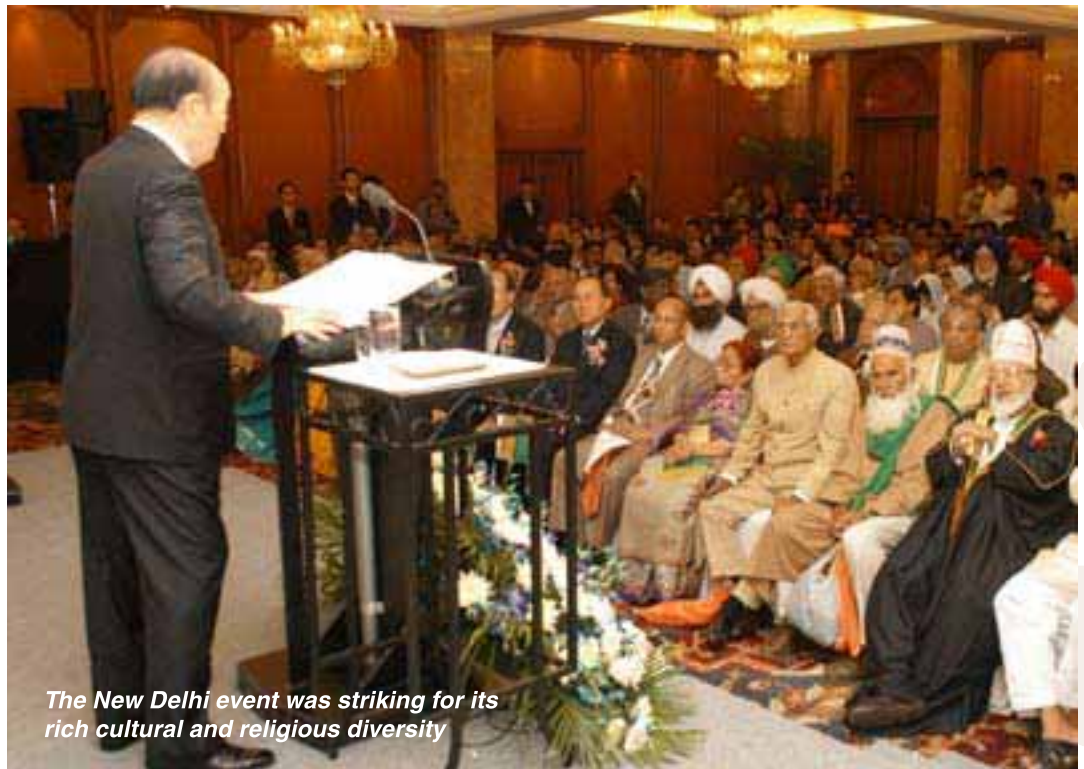
The South Asia portion of the tour included Nepal, the land where Buddha was born; India, where he reached enlightenment; and Sri Lanka, today the only Buddhist nation in this region.

Historically, India has been open-minded towards all faiths, but today the region suffers from many religious conflicts. Marking the commitment of the UPF to peace, the inauguration began with representatives from Hinduism, Islam, Sikhism, Buddhism, Christianity, Jainism, Zoroastrianism and Judaism joining together to light a traditional “oil lamp of peace.”

Dr. Moon departed often from the prepared text to share his vision of India as an emerging world power. “India’s sustained development does not depend only on computers, internet technology and out-sourcing,” he said “The center of Indian life is the deep-rooted conviction which advocates the necessity for both harmony and spirituality in all things.”

Five specially constructed “Welcome Gates” stretched across the main road into the Nepalese capital of Katmandu and enthusiastic supporters waved flags in welcome to the Himalayan kingdom.

4,500 people packed the Birendra International Convention Centre with thousands more watching on video screens outside. The Founder’s address was broadcast live for three hours over the national government television (linked to 44 nations worldwide) allowing millions more to participate.



The New Delhi event was striking for its rich cultural and religious diversity

Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Hon. Taranath Ranabhat, introduced Father Moon and escorted him on stage, where he was greeted by four former Prime Ministers.

The distinguished audience also included Cabinet Ministers, religious leaders, Members of Parliament, University Vice-Chancellors, representatives from diplomatic missions, officers from the Royal Nepalese Army and Police, artists, educators, human right activists, justices, lawyers as well as NGO and women’s group leaders.



A huge crowd starts to fill the Birendra Center in Katmandu

“The theme for the world tour is both universal and timely. The UPF focuses on living for others as one of its core principles. It is natural and good to emphasize universal family values.”

Mahinda Rajapaksa
President of Sri Lanka

The Universal Peace Federation in Sri Lanka has a large network of friends developed over decades through the efforts of the Religious Youth Service and the Interreligious Sports Peace Festival, both founded by Dr. Moon, and developed by Dr. Chula Senaratne and Mr. Kularatne, Deputy Director of Education.

The spirit of youthful support continued in the cultural program which included the Friends in Harmony choir and the Musaeus College dance troupe. Ven. Dr. Kotte Pannindria offered greetings and Speaker of Parliament, Hon. Loku Bandara, welcomed Dr. Moon on his first trip to Sri Lanka.

“Suppose we have hundreds of millions of young people educated in this ideology that I am teaching tonight,” Dr. Moon asked the audience, “Do you think we could ever imagine war taking place? If you want your nation to prosper, then let me educate your youth in this vision.”

Later UPF Chairman Rev. Chung Hwan Kwak accepted an invitation to meet the newly elected Sri Lankan President and Ambassador for Peace H.E. Mahinda Rajapaksa.



Dr. Chung Hwan Kwak meets with Ambassador For Peace and President of Sri Lanka, H.E. Mahinda Rajapaksa

INDONESIA

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Jakarta, November 25
Ritz Carlton Hotel

Welcome Address by HE Abdurrahman Wahid
President of Indonesia, 1999-2001



We come here to welcome Rev. Moon and then to listen to his speech. This is actually a simple schedule, a simple thing to do. But simplicity doesn't mean that the result is simple. Because in the speech and in the person of Rev. Moon, we can find a whole long life, a very, very long struggle to establish peace in a peaceful way.

Religion does not permit the use of violence. Under Islamic law, only if you are abducted from your home are you entitled to physical defence. Christians are admonished to give the left cheek if the right has been struck. All religions insist on peace. From this we would think that the religious struggle for peace is simple... but it is not. The deep problem is that people use religion wrongly in pursuit of victory and triumph. This sad fact then leads to conflict with people who believe differently.

For this reason Rev. Moon's call for peace though religion is something of great nuance and profundity. We are deeply fortunate for the chance now to hear him and observe his life-long struggle for world peace through religion. We can see how he lives peace so fully in his life. He has endured unspeakable persecution. I know this. This puts us all in his debt. If he can continue, we are the beneficiaries. This is why I harbor an inner hope that this visit will bring about that peace he lives and gives through his life and his speeches. He has travelled so long to be with us here today.

Former Indonesian President Abdurrahman "Gus Dur" Wahid, himself a noted pluralist Muslim cleric, said that people can learn a lot from Moon's long struggle for peace.

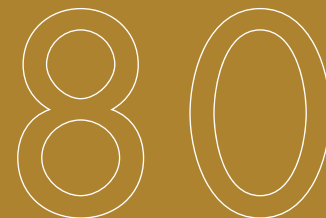
The Jakarta Post



Traditional entertainment starts the evening in Jakarta

PHILIPPINES

Manila, December 1



“Reverend Moon is a pioneer of dialogue and peace-making.”

José De Venecia Jr.

Speaker, Philippine House of Representatives

Speaker of the Philippine House of Representatives José de Venecia Jr. and Undersecretary Josephine Dominguez headed the official delegation of government and Ambassadors for Peace in giving Dr. and Mrs. Moon a royal Filipino welcome, complete with the Air Force Marching Band. Afterwards, UPF Chairman Rev. Kwak and Secretary General Dr. Thomas Walsh went to lay a wreath at the memorial of the country’s founding father, and national hero, Dr. José Rizal.

Speaker de Venecia accompanied Father and Mother Moon to the Malacanang Palace for a warm and affectionate meeting with the President Gloria Macapagal Arroyo, who thanked them for their work for the Philippines and for humanity.

“I know that you face many challenges to bring this big country into harmony,” said Dr. Moon to President Arroyo, “and if I may give you just one piece of advice it would be this: make fuller use of the advice and resources of the many religious leaders in your country.”

At the inaugural event, Speaker de Venecia spoke passionately about the many trouble spots in the world where religious discord has contributed to conflict, and confirmed the Philippines’ support for the Universal Peace Federation’s inter-religious council initiative at the United Nations.

Father Moon was inspired to see a great many religious believers in the audience, including thousands of bishops, priests and nuns from the Apostolic Catholic Church and hundreds of representatives of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal, and the National Council of Churches.



President Gloria Macapagal Arroyo greets Father and Mother Moon

“Cross-cultural marriage is the instrument or tool for bringing about restoration most quickly,” he told the audience. “This alone will bring about the harmony of people of different races, nationalities, religions and ethnicities. I tell you today that the era of celibacy is over, and it is time to marry and have children.”

Hundreds of nuns and priests were encouraged ‘it is time to marry and have children’



OCEANIA

December 2–8

Palau Marshall Islands Solomon Islands Samoa Australia New Zealand

“This message is an exciting model for our youth and can help change the future of our region.”

Sir Peter Tapsell

Speaker, New Zealand House of Representatives 1993–1996



Dr. Walsh leads a blessing toast in Sydney



A farewell to Oceania

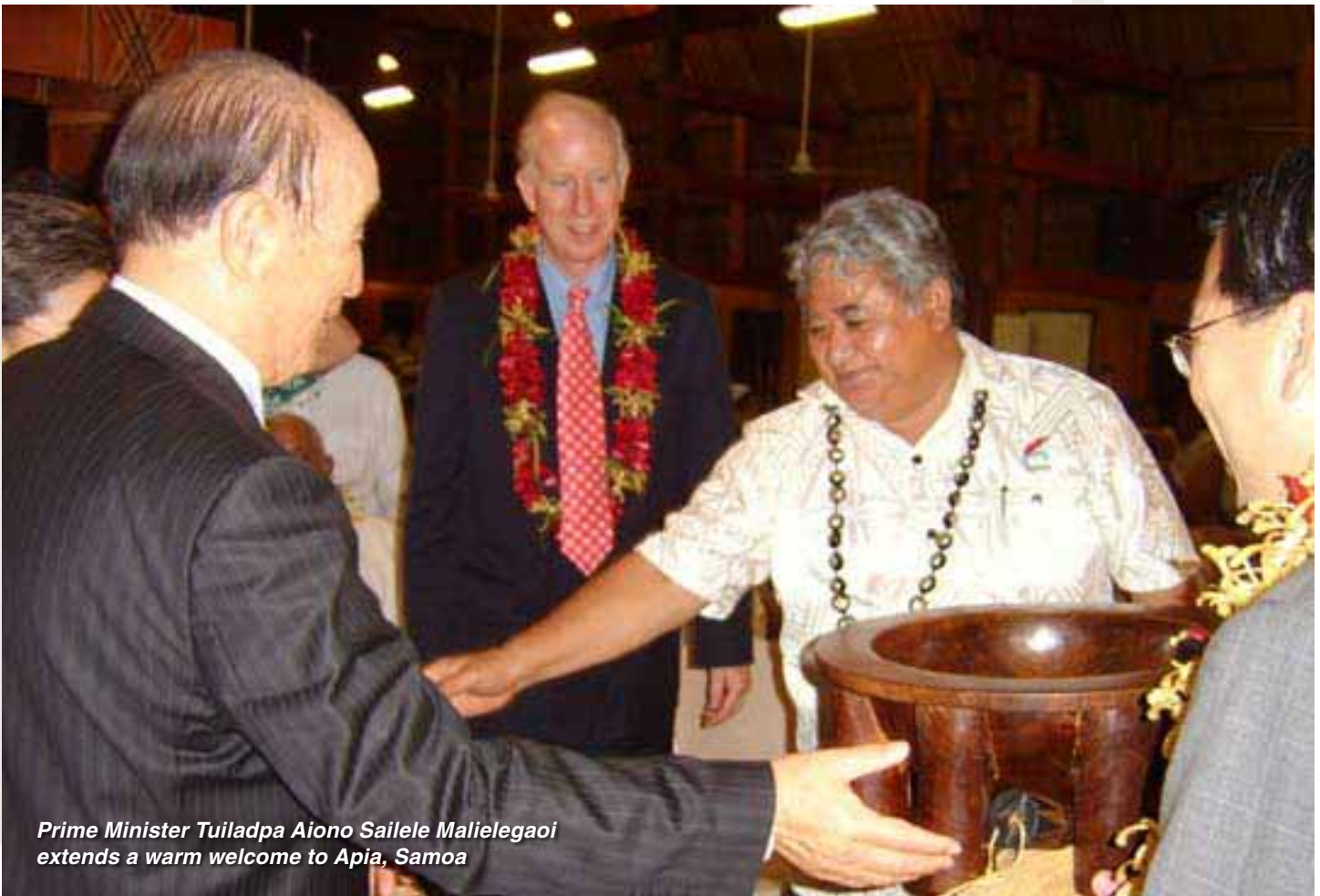
In the Bible, Job pondered why the rain falls equally on the just and the unjust. That’s just the way it is with rain, and also with people who come bringing messages of hope from God. The arrival of Father and Mother Moon to the island nations of the South Pacific was greeted with a diversity of reactions as the small tour group skipped across the water, touching down at Palau, Marshall Islands, Solomon Islands, Samoa, Australia and New Zealand.

Though today it all looks like paradise, off the beaches of many nations lie the watery graves of hundreds of U.S. and Japanese warships sunk during World War II. The blood of hundreds of thousands of men once soaked the sand. In this part of the world, where the fiercest battles were fought, Dr. Moon spoke passionately about the need to resolve human conflict.

“Your future lies in being one Pacific nation,” he would tell his audience. But not everyone wanted to unite. In Fiji, opposition by Christian clergy forced the cancellation of Dr. Moon’s visit. But opposition was narrow and the Fijian government quickly came under international criticism.

Religion has sometimes had an unfortunate tendency to divide rather than heal, but the message of unity was generally received with overwhelming enthusiasm by people throughout the region, especially in Samoa where a large ecumenical choir from the Council of Christian Churches made the rafters of the Government Prayer House ring.

“There is a need today for religions to contribute to global solutions through cooperation rather than being part of the problem,” says Dr. Nazir Gul Daawar, an Australian representative of the UPF Global Council. “There is a general mood and willingness out there to find new strategies to combat some of the world’s ills, especially overcoming conflict and poverty. Religious and spiritual values should be part of the solution rather than the problem.”



Prime Minister Tuiladpa Aiono Sailele Malielegaoi extends a warm welcome to Apia, Samoa

“The Universal Peace Federation and Dr. Moon have made it possible for so many Solomon Islanders to participate in international conferences and debate.”

Allan Kemakeza
Prime Minister, Solomon Islands

SOUTH AMERICA

December 9–15

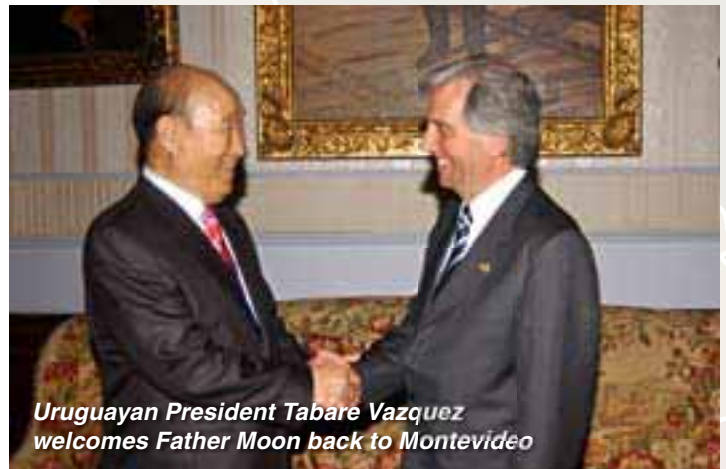
Uruguay Argentina Brazil Bolivia Ecuador Peru Guyana

“He started earnestly speaking about true love, filial piety, the beginning of human conflict, Cain and Abel, not even lifting his head until the applause started”

La Nación, Buenos Aires



A springtime walk in the gardens of the UPF Peace Embassy in Montevideo



Uruguayan President Tabare Vazquez welcomes Father Moon back to Montevideo

The task of peace seemed to gain new urgency for Dr. Moon after the 18-hour flight from Polynesia to Uruguay, first stop in South America. In a meeting with President Tabare Vazquez, Dr. Moon spoke about the need to discern God’s will and timetable and to guide people accordingly. “Time waits for no one,” he said. “In the next eight years we can accomplish what would normally take hundreds of or even a thousand years.”

The Inaugural Event was held in the ballroom of the Victoria Plaza Hotel in Montevideo. Outside in the lobby there were many literature displays with materials from Tiempos del Mundo and the UPF, including newspapers, newsletters, brochures and pamphlets. The welcoming address was given by Dr. Rafael Addiego, a former president and long-time Chief Justice of Uruguay.

Although it was winter in the Northern Hemisphere, the boulevards and gardens of the great cities of South America

were in full bloom. In Buenos Aires, 1,200 people heard prominent Hindu community leader Mahatma Sergio Griffa and Protestant Bishop Rubén Contreras offer prayers for peace.

Argentine Undersecretary of State Hon. Julio Rubén Ledesma, sent a plaque presented Dr. and Mrs. Moon recognizing “a life dedicated to the permanent fight to bring true love between human beings.”

The audience responded warmly as Father Moon spoke of the challenges of his mission. “It is not that I am better than everyone else, or that I have no defects,” he said. “I simply made a great determination to attend God, and became close to Him.”

In Sao Paulo 2500 people filled Anhembi Center with the kind of applause given to Brazil’s soccer team when it scores a goal, and the president of the Paulista Soccer Federation, Marco Polo del Nero, gave the welcoming address and read a letter of support from Brazilian President, Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva.

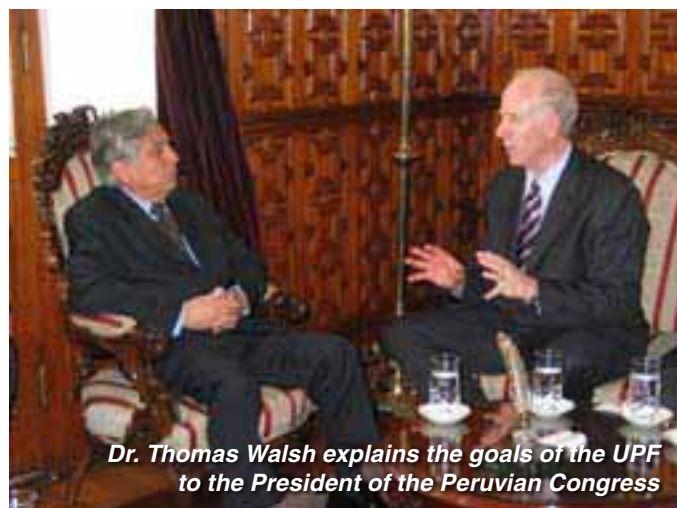
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An audience of 1,200 welcomes the Universal Peace Federation to Buenos Aires, Argentina

“My course has not been easy,” Dr. Moon said, “Even my mother and father opposed me. My entire nation opposed me. I asked God am I doing something wrong? God said, No, you are not doing anything wrong. The only way to build peace is to love your enemies more than you love your own children.”

Dr. Moon’s warmth, candor and sincere faith stirred heartfelt responses in many other South and Central American countries. In Guyana Dr. Moon announced a major gift to support an orphanage, and in Peru the President and Vice President of Congress of Peru were appointed Ambassadors for Peace. “We are now members of this great family,” they said.



Dr. Thomas Walsh explains the goals of the UPF to the President of the Peruvian Congress



It's over! Canadian Korean War Veterans and North American Ambassadors For Peace with a commemorative trophy in Toronto

THE LAST M I L E

The final stages of the tour took the party through Central America and the Caribbean with a grand finale in Toronto Canada.

The Moon's youngest daughters, Yeon Jin and Jeung Jin arrived in Bridgetown, Barbados for the final leg of the tour, and were clearly a great support. "I have thirteen children, and tonight my youngest daughters are here," Dr. Moon remarked, "They may not completely understand their father's mission and work, but they do appreciate my hard work and dedication. In the future they will be going around the world in my place."

"Many leaders in the past were misunderstood, and later recognized as true heroes by Barbados and the world," said



“The decision to visit 100 cities on a world peace tour is an initiative that is divine in origin and calculated to change the world.”

Howard Cook,
Governor-General of Jamaica

former Prime Minister Sir Lloyd Sandiford as he introduced Father and Mother Moon, “Even though some oppose Dr. Moon now, they will see the truth in the future.”

In the Dominican Republic, Father and Mother Moon had to turn down an invitation to visit President Leonel Fernandez due to the very tight schedule. “I wish I could speak only beautiful things to you today,” he told the crowd that evening, “But we cannot sweep the truth of the human crisis under the carpet. I knew that incredible persecution, hostility and opposition would come. In the future, instead of me, I want the presidents of nations to give this message to the people.”

“I will mobilize billionaires in America to end poverty and starvation, to stop the outrage of tens of thousands of people a day dying of starvation, many of them children. Think of the heart of God towards these people! Think of how their mothers and fathers feel! I started the Universal Peace Federation, the Abel UN, to solve these kinds of problems.”

In the language of one of Canada’s first nations, Toronto means “meeting place,” and today every religion, culture and language on earth is represented within the city’s boundaries. A microcosm of the whole world, the city was a fitting location for the final stop on the world tour. More than 1,500 people came from as far away as Vancouver, Quebec City, Montreal and Ottawa to support the inauguration of the UPF.

The Honorable Gurbax Mahli, MP, told participants that the goals of the Ambassador for Peace movement resonate with Canada’s role as a peace loving country and urged them to vigorously support the cause. Religious leaders from Aboriginal, Jewish, Christian, Muslim, Hindu, Buddhist, Sikh and several other faiths were also in attendance.

Father Moon emphasized that Canada should embrace the ideal of cross-cultural marriage in order to break down the barriers that have kept the world’s people apart for so long. With its cultural mosaic of peoples of all races and creeds, Canada could even lead the way in this God-given task.

Flowers and gifts were presented by the Canadian Veterans of the Korean War, the Korean Community of Toronto and by Deacon Ron Boyer, representing the largest native community in Canada. Finally, since this was the final stop on Rev. Moon’s 100 city speaking tour, the Ambassadors for Peace of North America presented Reverend Moon with a commemorative trophy.

Rev. Darryl Gray of the Montreal Imani Family Church called the audience to take Reverend Moon’s challenge to heart, and the program continued with a veritable spiritual feast of word and music, including performances by Heaven’s Call, the Uptones, the World Education College Choir, vocalist Adrian Gibson and Gospel star Zina Edwards.



WELCOME HOME

The peaceful reunification of the Korean Peninsula is one of the priority goals of the Universal Peace Federation.

A few days after the end of the 100-city tour, around 50,000 people gathered in Ilsan City to welcome Father and Mother and Moon.

The event included a moving opportunity for reconciliation between more than 20,000 Korean residents in Japan from Mindan and Chochongnyon, two rival associations supporting Seoul and Pyongyang.

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