## My Experiences at the August 30 Unification Sanctuary Blessing by Rev. Thelma No Lumbus – 172 Representative #58

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In my spirit, I struggled with the heavenly direction after reading one of True Father's sermons. The sermon was related to who will give the blessing in future. After True Father ascended many discussions took place regarding Foundation Day January 13, 2013. I begin to pray and ask God, who is True Father's successor? Where is your true Kingdom? Can your Kingdom be in many places? Where should I go and whom should I listen to? On May 23, 2012, True Father said, he has the "Master Key" and anyone who follows a mirage will come to naught. These words resonate within my spirit as a guide in the right direction. In the meantime, I began to reflect upon my 2015 vision board. At the beginning of the year, I wrote the words "year of restoration". Although, I wrote these words, I thought the phrase was an insinuation of material things. But now, I realize it meant spiritual restoration in terms of "Returning to True Father's Authority."

One week before the Blessing Ceremony, I had two dreams about Hyung Jin Nim two nights back to back. This was my first time dreaming about any of the True Children. I woke up wondering, "why am I dreaming about Hyung Jin Nim? Why am I feeling so restless with a sense of urgency?" Friday, two days before the Blessing ceremony, I was walking into a room in my



home and all of sudden, I heard the song "Blessing of Glory." Was this a sign from Heaven? Was True Father striving to get my attention? I began to sing along with the song playing in my mind. During the Blessing Ceremony everyone began to sing the Cheon IL Guk Athem, "Blessing of Glory." Yes, the song played in my mind was a clear sign from Heaven, this is the place to be. Previously, I was not cognizant this song is the CIG Anthem because in Ohio we sing a different song.

Before coming to the Newfoundland, PA, the spirit nudged me to wear the orange jacket and hat that True Father gave to me while in Korea in 2011, as a 172 Representative, with the Korean clan name "No". (This name is derived from the Chinese characters, sun and fish (Roh), meaning Saint). It might seem like an insignificant gesture, but I felt a sense of protection wearing this hat and jacket. After the blessing ceremony we began to engage in other activities. In particular, the Holy Baptism, in which we walked through the woods for about a mile to reach the baptism site. The walk through the forest was a challenge, but we endured to the end. Finally, it was now time to be baptized in the water by Hyung Jin Nim. He asked the question, why are you wearing a jacket? I explained that Father gave me this jacket before he submerged me in the water. Initially, I was apprehensive to participate in the Holy Baptism because I was baptized in the Jordan River in Israel in 2006. I was questioning everything and wanted to know the purpose of the baptism? Then I thought, "Which is better, being baptized in the Jordan River (where it was a symbolic gesture) or being baptized by the Heir of the Lord of Second Advent where it is a reality?" Ha!. Enough said. Some folks back home question the ritual stating that the Blessing

took the place of the baptism. For me, it is not relevant which one is greater but the fact that we are living in a providential moment in history to receive the Holy Baptism, not only by a clergy, but by the Lord of the Second Advent's Heir! It's a double blessing to say the least.

It seems that coming to the Sanctuary Church in Pennsylvania was a last minute decision but in reality, it wasn't. Our spiritual senses can become a little dull at times, but God is always cognizant of Satan's ability to sabotage. Therefore, God could not share this information (with me that is), it was sealed to protect against unfamiliar spirits and principalities in the high places. That's the favor and grace of the Most High God! The moment I walked into the Unification Sanctuary, a sister came up to me and said "I was praying for you to be here". We never know who God will use to get us to the place we need to be. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much (James 5:16).



I am truly humbled and grateful to God for True Father's undeniable love and guidance. The spirit of holiness also manifested itself through Bobby and Srijuana Maull who made it possible to be present at this 3<sup>rd</sup> Memorial of True Father's Seonghwa. It was one of the most blessed and joyful experiences of my life. The highlight was the authoritative reading of "The Historical Providential Declaration" by the Heir of The Lord of the Second Advent, Hyung Jin Moon with his wife Yeon Ah Nim Moon by his side. At that moment, it became clear that only God's sons and daughters know His voice. It was earth shattering and mind blowing to hear the unadulterated Word of God declared.

The entire ceremony was filled with True Father's authenticity of love and authority including the Holy water sprinkling. We made it back home on Monday night, and I began to praise God and did a holy dance to the song "Never Would've Made It" by Marvin Sapp. The spell is broken! As a result, God's love shines forth His amazing grace and sent the Archangel packing! This mission is accomplished. According to True Father, the age of the Second Coming is complete. God is now in charge. Aju, Aju.

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