

How and Why I Joined Sanctuary Church

A Personal Sharing from Beatrice Clyburn, Warsaw, Poland

1- HOW I JOINED SC (my husband walked his own road too- which luckily ended up at the same point!)



-October 1996 our American/French family came to Poland as national messiah. 20 years in Poland as pastor (UTS '83), European 15 day WS lecturer, counseling, etc...

-Fall of 2007 Hyung Jin Nim began his ministry at Mapo Church. I started transcribing his sermons at that time. First he gave us new hope. Then he made so many conditions and inspired us to follow. So I did, the fasting, the 21,000 bows... Through transcribing I was getting into his heart during

his process of recognizing that his father was the Returned Christ, and his Savior. Many tearful hours! Their father/son relationship moved me so deeply- which then became the central axis of the church. I could imagine how proud True Father was of his son; how much hope Hyung Jin Nim gave Father. During that time, in the Warsaw HQs church that I was pastoring, it was actually the International President that was our Pastor! For 2 years, I also headed a prayer ministry in his international online ministry.

-During this time we were also watching the Korean drama Jumong, the history of the founding of the Korean Kingdom of Koguryo (37 BC- 668AD). I felt I was watching the founding of CIG, with Jumong and Haemosu (his father), playing the part of Hyung Jin Nim and True Father. One day a shocking thought zoomed through my head: "In the CJG Palace they must have to restore all these historical palace intrigues!"

-Shortly after January 18, 2015, God guided me to find "Breaking the Silence!" and my world shattered. Such a shock! But I did get my answers about the palace culture! From then I did not miss any sermon- some of them inspired me so much, I watched several times in one week! I even transcribed five sermons in the spring of 2015.

- I could never accept the OBD theology; I knew it was against Fathers' teaching ... But it took 21 months of 'nights of the soul', constant conditions, two 7-day fasts to finally leave FF! Why so long?

* I could not imagine leaving all that foundation that we made for 20 years, all these people that we cared for. We were responsible for them! Maybe we could stay underground? So all my sermons then were only about Father.

*It took me a while to change some of my concepts about love and understand that if you love you must hate evil!

*I wanted to leave with Amos, my husband, and he too was not yet ready.

I remember my last sermon, "*The Cost of Discipleship*," based on Dietrich Bonhoeffer's book & example. God was calling us to a new level of discipleship and we had to heed the call,

regardless of the cost ('costly grace')! And our deep joy and hope when my husband and I joined SC the next day; the feeling of freedom and victory finally able to answer our call from Father after almost 2 years on this battlefield of the soul!

2- WHY WE ARE ACTIVE IN SC?

TRUST: After all the years transcribing the King's words, **I trust him**. My husband does too. His total focus is to make True Father happy and proud, and to establish God's Kingdom on earth centered on God's lineage. / His trust & oneness with Father. / His courage, righteousness, honorable character as a son who would rather end up exiled in the PA wilderness, with his True Cain, than betray his Father and Savior. / The King's love for Jesus! His deep respect and understanding of the Bible, that without this hermeneutic grid we cannot understand True Father. / He challenges us intellectually, theologically, philosophically. Has practical solution. / The King & Queen have a wonderful, united, exemplary family. / The King's appreciation for the old-timers who have lived their lives in attendance to True Father, and his need of us as Warriors in the army of the King of Kings! / The Rod of Iron: of course if you build an earthly kingdom, you'd better defend it! For me that's kind of a no-brainer! / All the education he gives us & the world, to create God's Kingdom on earth. / A man's man, a coach, afraid of nothing, of neither hard work, nor training, who demands the best of himself & others on all levels. /

TRUE CAIN & ABEL: The love and support of Kook Jin Nim towards his younger brother and King blows my mind! God never saw this in human history! I see him through the tears he shed during True Parents' cosmic blessing. / The King's and Kook Jin Nim's deep appreciation for the Founding Fathers, the US Constitution, for God's plan for America, and hence the Constitution of CIG! / Their courage in fighting society's evils. / The True C/A's respect and love for people in society who are also fighting against Satan's culture. Through their honorable character, their unity, their testimony about True Father and his CIG teaching, they are attracting righteous and/or Christian warriors. This is amazing to watch; it gives my husband & me great hope and reinforces our resolve to help.

OUR TRUE MOTHER: In the Unification Church Mrs. Hyun Shil Kang was the woman I respected the most. In WSs I always taught about her moving life of passionate attendance to Jesus and Father. That is why I transcribed all her words on the King's Report before she even became our True Mother! How much she is comforting True Father; how much True Cain and Abel love her because of that!

PLUS: We were raised by AAs. Now the King is challenging our many warped understandings and practices. I have had to wrestle with some of the education he has given us. But trust being my bottom line, when I sincerely study, listen, and pray, eventually I surrender! Living in attendance to and the presence of True Parents & the Three Kingships is a blessing we and our ancestors could not have dreamed of. Every day we wake up, and know that we are building God's nation on earth! Doesn't that blow your mind????