

**Perry Cordill,
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I joined the Unification Church in Las Vegas on January 21, 1970. In November of 1969 in Las Vegas, Jack Korthuis, my spiritual father, witnessed to me while I was auditioning for the rock musical, "Hair."

I was taken with the truth of *Divine Principle* and moved into the center in February 1970. After moving to Los Angeles in 1971 with the Church, I was eventually chosen to be on Father's first speaking tour in 1972. From there, it was One World Crusade as assistant to Mr. David S.C. Kim. During Father's National Tours in 1973 and 1974, I was one of 10 IOWC commanders, eventually holding several state and regional-leadership positions. After this, I served on the campaigns for events at Madison Square Garden (1974), Yankee Stadium (1976) and Washington Monument.

Mary O'Brien Cordill and I were blessed in 1975 with the 1800-Couple Blessing. In 1976, I was privileged to be in the second class of the Unification Theological Seminary. After a time with IOWC in England as Itinerant Worker (IW) under Rev. Won Pil Kim, my wife, Mary, joined me there, and we were subsequently assigned to Los Angeles, where I had the opportunity to teach Kevin Thompson (today's Regional Director of the Church in San Francisco) his first 2-Day Workshop. From there we went to Rhode Island, One World Crusade, Berkeley, California (where our son, Jerick, was born), Chicago and Las Vegas.

It has been a wild, but happy, ride with our adventurous life, serving with our beautiful brothers and sisters, under the guidance of Our True Parents. My personal experience at meals and meetings with True Parents is a treasure I will carry with me eternally. Thank you, True Parents!