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A counter-countercultural revolution

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Michael Balcomb

he frank consideration of alternative outcomes in history was one of the most exciting aspects of the Divine Principle when I first heard it in 1976. Here was a religious view that stimulated a strong sense of intrigue and was unafraid to explore the "what if's" of God's Providential History. For example, many Christian theologians tend to take the Fall of Man for granted, developing the doctrine of Felix Culpa, the "happy crime," to explain that God wanted Adam and Eve to fall, so that he could later demonstrate the perfect love of Jesus. The Divine Principle not only explores what the world would be like if Adam and Eve had not fallen, but considers that ideal a real possibility in our own time.

As another example, the view of the church I grew up in was that Jesus came to die on the cross. Every Easter we sang hymns about the fountains filled with blood and the suffering lamb, and never looked back to consider what might have been Jesus had been accepted, married, and had children who created the new and true lineage prophesied in the gospel of



Celebration at the Service for Peace rally in New York

Luke. It would have changed everything.

This willingness to explore and reevaluate the past is one of the most stimulating and challenging aspects that Hyun Jin Nim has been bringing to audiences around the world, last year on the *Inheritance and Development* tour and this year with *Service for Peace*, which came to Manhattan July 14th.

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Did you know-

- The Service for Peace world tour travels to cities in China and Korea this month.
- The CARP President's annual meeting will be held in Alaska, Oct. 24th to Nov. 3rd.

More in the next issue

Russian CARP Band Ready to Rock

Marina Pakhomenko

V toroye Pokolenie — The Second Generation is a band formed by several CARP members from Moscow. For several years, we have successfully combined our musical career and our work for the Pure Love Movement. I want to share our story.

First of all, why second generation and not third, for instance? Our parents grew up, under the Soviet system, and that's why their reaction to all the changes that started taking place in our country in 1980s was much more painful than ours. Some people always wanted to compare things with how everything was before, longing to return to the past. It was kind of natural for them to yearn for stability.

We were different, growing in the whirlpool of changes with quite an obscure idea about the benefits of the communism. We had only our own dreams about the ideal world to compare

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By now we all know about God's original plan for America. In 1945, with the end of World War II, God wanted True Father to be accepted by Korean Christians and their American missionary friends. Within seven years, by 1952, True Father would have been recognized as the Lord of the Second Advent, come to the United States and started building the real Kingdom of God. To that end, God had made endlessly delicate preparations in Korea, America and around the world.

Yet it was not to be. The divinely prepared individuals and groups never came through. Korea was divided and fell into civil war and anarchy. Father found himself teaching in secret to a handful of prisoners in a North Korean concentration camp instead of educating world leaders at the United Nations, and in the capitals of the civilized world.

Well, we all know what didn't happen. We've lived through it. Now Hyun Jin Nim is inviting us to consider what our lives, and those of today's youth, might have been like if God's expectation had been fulfilled and Father had been recognized and supported fifty year ago. Understanding that will help us realize just how crucial a time we are living in now, and how the actions of a few people can and will change future history.

For one thing, the first Blessed Children in America would have been born in the early 1950s. We would all have been born blessed children! And then what? By the late 1960s, these youth were in their late adolescence. In God's plan, he wanted these young teenagers to restore the failure of Adam and Eve, and all generation since, by living lives of chastity and responsibility and service for others.

We can see a glimpse of what might have been, through the trials and tribulations of the civil rights movement focused on Dr. Martin Luther King and his young supporters; and from the hope-ful promises of the youthful John F Kennedy and projects like the Peace Corps. We can well imagine what America would be like if millions of young people had really followed King's Dream and Kennedy's call to "ask not what your country can do for you, but what you can do for your country."

The Lost Generation

Yet, without the underpinning of God's Word, the youth of the 60s—the original "Second Generation"— began to go astray, thus repeating and even magnifying the mistakes of not only their elders but also of every generation back to Adam and Eve. The search for spiritual ecstasy and union with God was replaced by the easier but more dangerous high of LSD and other psychedelic drugs. The Beatles, an obviously representative group of young people of that era, went to the East but met the wrong teacher, and came back confused, bitter and divisive. The counter culture, when it came, was a culture of the body rather than the mind. The "Summer of Love" turned into the autumn and then the bitter winter of divorce, sexually transmitted diseases and finally AIDS.

The point of all this speculation is not to wallow in pity or self regret, nor is it to romanticize the sixties and that lost generation. Distance lends enchantment to almost any view, even more so the view back over our shoulders into recent history.

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Hyun Jin Nim gets up close and personal with the audience



Rousing Gospel Music from the New Life Tabernacle Choir





Joni Ang Choi, MC and pioneer STF graduate

Jimi Baughmann, RYS & Service for Peace, Honduras



Revolution

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When we look back now at the Summer of Love, we tend to see only the enchantment: flower children, civil rights, student demonstrations over Vietnam, making love and not war, and running through it all the unforgettable music, of Sgt. Pepper, Hendrix, the Doors, the Monterey Pop Festival, and more. In short, the counter culture doesn't look all that bad.

Take a closer look, though, and the romantic gloss starts to tear away. After 1967, family life was never the same. In American and around the world, divorces rose every year, from 20% then to more than 50% now. Sexually transmitted diseases, then a threat to only a very narrow segment of society, became an epidemic. The inquisitive spirituality and interest in the teachings of the East eventually disintegrated into materialism and selfishness.

To see how tragic a loss this really was, we need to have that internal perspective of what might have been, what God wanted to happen.

TESTIMONY

I was touched when Hyun Jin Nim told us, "The Providence is moving, whether we realize it or not!" It brought home to me how much more effort I need to make to be a part of God's Providence.

Jocelyn Virtuoazo,

Our challenge

And what do we do with this insight into the last "what if" of providential history? We have to make sure that we do not make the same mistake again. Once again it is time for a new generation of Americans, and young people around the world, to take up God's original ideal. That process has to start with a robust spiritual renewal, a call to service and peace.

This, then, was the heart of the message that Hyun Jin Nim delivered with such passion and enthusiasm to the 1200 young members and second generation who crowded into the Manhattan Center last month to hear the World CARP President speak about God's hope for young people of today.

What if we really do live for others, and not for ourselves? What if we make true love and lineage, not false? What if we seize the moment to create a

new world through service for peace? This is no time to stand aside or speculate. Let's get in there. What if?

Michael Balcomb is the Secretary General of World CARP

Young People Taking Ownership is the Measure of Success

Howard Self

Was the event a success? Today there is no question about the enthusiasm and excitement. But the true measure of success is determined by whether we in the audience change our lives. That kind of change cannot measured in the space of the few hours of this event, or even in the days immediately afterwards. I believe the real results will start to be clear a year from now.

Many times out on the frontline we meet young people who ask, "How can I help? I don't have money to offer, but I can give you my time." Through *Service for Peace*, we can convince such good-hearted people to take the next step."

I expect and want to see hundreds, even thousands of these young people taking real ownership of *Service for Peace*, creating and leading exciting service projects throughout America and the world. If that is the case and the counter-countercultural revolution of living for others has firmly taken root, then this event can truly be counted a success.

Howard Self is the President of US CARP













President's Page: How We Learn Peace

Excerpts from the Manhattan Center Speech

hen you visit any nation, you can see in the young people what the country may be like in 20 years time. America has a disease, a cancer that shows most clearly in the young people. They do not have a high vision. How many do you know yourselves that are involved in drugs or promiscuity, playing Russian roulette with their own lives and those of others? How many do you know who are tied up in gang violence? All American leaders realize that there is more than just an image problem for young people of this nation.

A person who lives for their own sake alone will destroy the family, tribe, society, nation and even the world and God's ideal. We've entered an age in which a greater enemy is threatening us than ever before. Do not think that just because communism fell, we have entered into an age of hope. There is greater and greater ethnic strife. Young people in the developed nations are going to the altar of secular humanism and of materialism with religious fervor. They are not unreligious people. They directed their whole life course towards that mistaken path.



Howard Self congratulates Hyun Jin Nim and Jun Sook Nim

In the world, people are living for themselves and going destructively. But living for the sake of others is the course of true love. The mind has a quality of public interest and the body wants self-interest. We should not just understand living for others, but live that way and practice, live and practice. That kind of individual will be prosperous, not destructive.

Today we are going to start a new alternative, a counterproposal that surpasses any selfish individual, family or national dream. And what is that vision? It is a time to create a countercounterculture revolution, a new vision of living for the sake of others. Peace has been a dream that people have longed for from the beginning but they were never able to catch it. Will it come



Pres. Hyun Jin Moon at the Manhattan Center

from an Einstein, a genius? No. History is full of those kind of people but there is no peace. How about military power, or political power? Again, there has been no shortage of politicians and soldiers, but there has been no substantial peace on earth. If there were, we would already be enjoying the fruit of peace.

I mentioned before that there are two main schools of epistemology. One is learning through reason, through concept and abstraction. The other is learning through experience. Both are important, yet learning through experience should be in the subject position.

Why? Only when you experience something can you truly learn it. This is why an uneducated mother with children always knows much more about motherhood than a professor with many PhD's yet no children. Likewise, the search for peace is not theoretical, but takes place in practice and experience.

Experience-based knowledge is the most important component of learning, but it has not been stressed in the education of our young people. Character cannot be learned only through books and in the classroom. Through experience young people must gain their own internal faith and conviction in their ideals.

Service for Peace will provide the opportunity and means to have that confidence and conviction, for we will work side by side and create peace together with our brothers and sisters around the world. " It is only when we experience something directly for ourselves that we can truly learn it"

Hyun Jin Moon

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People in the News

A New President for J-CARP

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On July 9th, 2001, Mr. Takayuki Matsunami was officially inaugurated as the new president of JCARP. The outgoing president, Mr. Eiji Tokuno, will be going to UTS.

Rev. Hideo Oyamada, the new president of the Unification Church of Japan, said that through the victorious rallies he felt the presence of the living God working with World CARP. He encouraged everyone to follow Hyun Jin Nim's s example and make a new beginning with the change of J-CARP presidency.



Congratulations for the incoming J-CARP President, Mr. Takayuki Matsunami

Eiji Tokuno then looked back on his eight years in office and emotionally testified that he wished he could have done more for God. "Working with Hyun Jin Nim this past year has been the best experience," he said "and I have become a firm believer in the importance of every CARP member possessing an ownership mentality, as he has exhorted us to do."

In his inaugural address, Takayuki Matsunami praised Mr. Tokuno's accomplishments as president "I promise to do my best to respond to the blessing we received from Hyun Jin Nim's tour!" he said. "In 1960, Japan was about to be revolutionized by a leftist student movement of less than 100,000 people. Young people are crucial and we determine today to achieve 100,000 members of J-CARP in the near future!"

In a brief congratulatory message, Hyun Jin Nim commented, "It is time to realize world peace by cooperation beyond the generations, nations and any kinds of barriers. Today's rally of 18,000 people shows the great opportunities of this time. No one can go against those who suggest the spirit of service and hope, fulfilling the life and dream of heaven! I hope Japan can accomplish its role as a peacemaker, and pray for the success of Mr. Matsunami and all J-CARP members."

New Leaders in Europe, Awards in US

Hungary

Erzsebet Tomka, 31, has been appointed as the new CARP leader of Hungary. She and her husband Erno Sturm are based in Kaposvar. Erzsebet is a capable and experienced leader able to understand and cooperate with all kinds of members and leaders.

Gyorgy Kozma, the former CARP President, and Anna Maria Ballai have become the new vicepresidents.



Erzsebet Tomka

Portugal

We are delighted to welcome the new leader of Portugal CARP, Lourenco de Carvalho, and wish him every success for the great plans which he and Portuguese members have made. [see page 7 for news on the Ocean Church]



USA

Lourenco de Carvalho

Mo Sook Park and Naokimi Ushiroda, two young members who dedicated several years of full time service to U S CARP before even attending college, were honored at the recent *Service for Peace* Program at the Manhattan Center. Both received scholarships from the World CARP educational fund, with the awards being made by Vice President Ken Bates.



Scholarship Presentations in New York

Father's Words —What CARP Should Do

Excerpted from God's Will and the Ocean

We are dedicated to creating young people who are morally clear. We have to clean them up and challenge them, and then channel their resources. That is CARP's mission. CARP members are always being pushed so hard to create a strong CARP movement.

Of course CARP members will have many enemies who are strong, and willing to face them. In every college campus there have been strong communist and leftist groups actively at work for many years. Other groups promote drug use, homosexuality and immorality. I knew there would be angry confrontations.

However, it is in the universities, where future leaders are being prepared, that one can begin to approach any nation. Yet the forces of materialism, individualism and secular humanism are extremely strong. It has been and continues to be a real problem.

The members of CARP have to confront

that and show a winning spirit over the selfish and individualistic college campuses.

I want the CARP movement to grow all around the world. I would really like to see CARP expand. I believe this will be fastest accomplished through what I call the "women's force." Women are the spearhead; when women move forward, the opposition cannot stand. That is our vision.

Think about it. Young people are still very much wanting to get into life. You should also deal with college professors, teach them our principles and show them our vision. Give them lectures. You can do that; it's not a strange thing for you to do.

You say you don't like CARP? But this is how we will save the nation. Will the government praise me and look for help? They will do exactly the opposite. Knowing that, you have to be tough. I have made up my mind. I know that you can become such people too! We are dedicated to creating young people who are morally clear. We have to clean them up and challenge them and channel their resources.

Sun Myung Moon

Russian Band

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with the tragedies and crises of our reality. So all we could do is to go forward and never look back. That's the drastic difference between the first and the second generations. We liked that – vision of the future instead of the nostalgia about the past.

We started to perform together in 1998 when we were invited to participate in youth festivals around Moscow. The motto of those festivals was 'Pure Love and Life without Drugs.' What do we sing about? About sore points of our life, about our dreams, but mostly – about love. Not broken love, true love. From my childhood I always hated songs about love that is gone!

I believe that music can be a very strong educating factor. When the music touches the strings of people's souls, the lyrics are imprinted in their minds. A person who writes music is responsible for those who are going to listen to it. When I write a song, I don't just try to express myself, but also think of what good it will do to those who listen.

Last year we recorded our first trial album *Vernaya Dusha* Faithful Soul with 12 tracks. The circulation was rather small, but our CDs and tapes were sold very quickly after our concerts.

We almost always use live sound and we like things that we do together. The high goal that we set up in the beginning of our journey helps us to sing for the sake of others. We feel that if our music helps some of our friends, the numerous young people we meet, and maybe even our country, then we will fulfill our dreams.



Marina with Vtoroye Pokolenie

You can visit the website of the Second Generation www.sgeneration.narod.ru .The site is available only in Russian, but you will be able to see some pictures and enjoy the music. To order a CD, contact the band direct by email at: sgeneration@mtu-net.ru

The types of CARP Membership

In December 2000, World CARP leaders gathered in West Virginia, USA, to present two and five year plans for membership growth and organizational development.

Everyone agreed that it was important to develop some type of membership categorization so that we could compare chapters accurately. After discussion, we came up with three broad types of membership, with two subcategories in each. These are—

Core

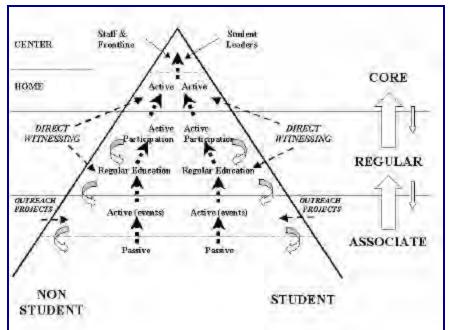
- Staff & Frontline: 24/7 commitment
- Active: Involved more than 3X a week

Regular

- Participation: Dependable part time (1-2 times a week) involvement, including meetings, Sunday services etc.
- Education: Ongoing Principle study

Associate

- Active: come occasionally to outreach events, club and campus meetings and some education programs.
- Passive: One time attendance, or sign up.



The World CARP Membership Chart The chart is intended to emphasize the different levels of CARP membership, the ways in which people can become members and the pattern of movement between different membership levels.



Won Hwa Do Martial Arts, an outreach program in Thailand CARP. Members train in the Tongil Moo Do and Won Hwa Do systems



Outreach Poster submitted by Brazil CARP advertising four day camping and hiking workshop in a popular resort area.

All chapters are urged to send examples of their literature for publication

Around the Chapters

Chicago, USA

35 guests and CARP members attended a *Lasting Love Conference* at UIC Chicago. Chicago businesses donated food and we collected donations from the participants. VIPs attending included Mr. Richard Mbazzi, Minister of Information of Uganda, Rev. Manuel Bansa and Milisha Bansa from the Church of Christ, Rev. Eubanks, Pastor of Little Jerusalem COGIC, and Revs Lemont and Hudson from Family Church. The CARP Band provided the entertainment

Danny Aguilar held a meeting with our *Alumni Association*, where Yeqing Li, Director of World CARP Chicago, reported about what we are trying to accomplish in the city, and Hyun Jin Nim's desire for World CARP. The meeting was productive and the Alumni said that they were willing to support us.

Thailand

During a 40 days recruitment drive, we focused on the new students of Ramkamhaeng University. 23 new participants came for the 4 days workshop, and more than half who shared their experiences throughout the workshop said that they would like to join CARP to work for society and peace. We also managed to arrange a place for training new members.

Philippines

We met dozens of school officials

and administrators to explain about the value and significance of the *Service for Peace* Convention. Many of them were so inspired with the vision and goals of CARP that they supported us by approving and allowing their students to attend to the convention. More than thirty new chapters were started.

Coordinators were assigned in each school campus with the guidance of CARP Regional Leaders. Every day we conducted room to room campaign in the schools, to inspire the students to unite our country in the name of Peace and Prosperity which will only be achieved by doing *Service for Peace*.

Japan

As a result of witnessing from April to the summer break, 604 people participated in the two day workshop and 312 people participated in the six day workshop. The numbers are the best in the past 5 years. 62 out of 158 new members finished 40 days workshop last spring and moved into CARP centers. Among the other 96, 50 are receiving advanced education in the summer 40-day workshop.

Albania

We just completed a 15 day workshop attended by 35 guests. Most are new members. 10 spontaneously decided to continue training with a 4 week mobilization team, doing outreach activities in the university town of Elbasan. Giuseppe Cali, Mark Bramwell and Tim Miller were the lecturers.

Weekly CARP meetings are held in Vlora and in Tirana with an average of 25 members participating. Topics such as 'The meaning of history' and 'The problems of youth today' are discussed. Lectures are being also given at high schools on topics such as 'Freedom and Responsibility', attended by around 30 high school students. Sometimes the school teachers also attend the lecture, which boosts its status among the students.

Croatia

A conference in Osijek was attended by 11 professors and NGO representatives. The theme of the conference included explanations on the Unification view of education and on sexual purity. The latter subject was very well received and there was an excellent discussion. A Pure Love rally and concert was held and 3000 flyers were distributed.

Portugal

Since June Portuguese CARP has been running an Ocean Challenge Project, using the 'Good Go' boats. These activities are being used to recover the bonds among young people of the movement, some from HARP, 2nd and 1st generation, ex-CARP members and others. New guests are also participating.

CARP is also making institu-

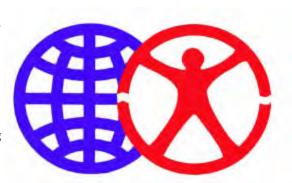
tional contacts, and plans to have a workshop site near the boats and to develop community service for an orphanage. There is joy, hope, and a desire for immediate action.

Europe

The "1st European 21 Day Settlement Age Workshop", was the major event in Europe in July. The workshop was modelled on Hyun Jin Nim's 21 day world workshops. It was held at Camberg Seminar Centre in Germany. 70 CARP and HARP leaders and members from all over Europe attended this highly successful and historical workshop. About 70% of the participants belonged to the 2nd Generation.

Many participants testified that this workshop was the moment of their eternal commitment; many gained the consciousness, for the first time, that we are living in a new age; still others gained a new consciousness that they are the new leaders. Participants liked the mixture of F^t and 2^{nd} generations, which combined seriousness with an uplifting spirit. A number of participants wanted the workshop to be at least 40 days long. This workshop was for many a personal meeting with God and a deep realisation of who we are.

Thanks to those who sent in reports. Is your local CARP Chapter getting results? Let us know about it! - Ed



Updates on *Service for Peace* Initiatives





What is Service for Peace?

Service for Peace is an international student service initiative staffed almost entirely by volunteers from various partner organizations, including World CARP, the Youth Federation for World Peace, The International Relief Friendship Foundation, Religious Youth Service and dozens of local service partners. The program is also affiliated with IYV-2001, the United Nations International Year of the Volunteer

The goal of the *Service for Peace* program is to teach young people all over the world the value and beauty of living for the sake of others. We promote the ideal by creating and participating in dozens of community service programs, believing that direct experience of service our fellow human beings teaches a more profound lesson than hours in the classroom.

A distinctive feature of *Service for Peace* is that we also teach our volunteers about the importance of self-discipline and how through service we can strengthen our commitment to the family, to sexual abstinence before marriage and fidelity within it, and refraining from the abuse of drugs and alcohol.

In the past year, our volunteers have completed a number of diverse service projects—

- Rebuilding a school in Albania (with the International Relief Friendship Association)
- Building houses in Trinidad (in association with the Friendship Americas)
- Creating a school in Honduras with Habitat for Humanity and Religious Youth Service
- Tree Planting in the Philippines
- Brighter Steps for Young People, a mentoring program in Thailand
- Ocean Challenge in Portugal
- Visiting and caring for senior citizens in Moldova
- Teaching sexual abstinence and marriage preparation (Miami, Chicago, Los Angeles, New York USA and Kenya, Uganda, Nigeria, Thailand, Philippines, Japan)
- and dozens of other local projects...

Budapest, Hungary:

The 7th National Children's Day for disabled and healthy children was held in May. The purpose of this project is to conduct a special program for blind, partially sighted, hard of hearing, partially paralyzed and mentally retarded, together with healthy children, empowering them to relate to each other and co-operate in work and play.

The children acted out a well-known fairy tale in a street theater performance, and in people's houses. In this way they learned many things about each other and connected to the spirit of Service for Peace. 50 staff over a total of 3 days provided accommodation, food and technical assistance. Local firms and companies offered sponsorship and support, and food donations were collected from stores and shops.

This year 100 children from 7 schools and 4 cities were invited. The program was based on a Korean folk tale and included cultural performances, a martial arts demonstration and training, games, songs, origami and a dance competition.

Pitsanuloke, Thailand

Pitsanuloke CARP held a *Dream come True by your Love* service camp at Bannhuayteentung School in Pitsanuloke province. Sixty participants joined this camp. They helped to renovate the classroom, and the surrounding area, joined a rally in town. Later, we gave a lecture on "Pure Love is the way for a student" and shared the history of CARP movement. At the closing ceremony, Dr.Pornthep Pimonsatien, Vice-Governor of Pitsanuloke province gave closing remarks.



'Dreams come True' service project in Thailand

Chicago, USA

Twenty members from UIC CARP, joined by other student volunteers, did some intensive street cleaning along Morgan and Taylor streets, where most of the students from the University live. At the end of the program we set up a CARP display for advertising and recruitment purposes. Thanks especially to Mr. Nick Bjork, Supervisor of Sheridan Park and the Chairman of UC Village, who supported by providing cleaning equipment and police assistance.

Service for Peace with the PLA in Miami

Triann Wentworth

am so amazed at the local support for PLA here in Miami. I'd been here for about a week and a half before the tour started organizing with some other leaders so I had the chance to be involved and observe the overwhelming support we have from literally every area we could pray for.

Local Police Sgt. Matthew Locke has his whole unit are mobilized and teaching the C.L.U.E. Curriculum in the Miami public schools. Pastor Arthur Jackson and Pastor Dwayne Fudge, among several others, are doing community service work, fellowships, and bible studies alongside us. Mrs. Dorothy Perry (an incredible woman who I will talk about later) has offered us the use of her home for meals and activities. There are so many more I can't mention them all. Even local people who we met when organizing the tour gave such a positive response. The woman we talked to about the park we used today was so excited about having us that she wanted us to march through the park to our area and rally there, and she asked us to bring her a PLA T-shirt. When we went to the police station to apply for permits, several people in the office noticed Levi's PLA shirt and asked to have one, and becoming so excited about the cause. They said we were RIGHT ON in what we were doing.



Landscaping in Miami with Habitat for Humanity

Support from Governor Bush

Florida Governor Jeb Bush even sent us a letter expressing his support and desire for us to succeed. Things like that make me SO excited about this tour. PLA President Robert Kittel said that "we have had more impact already on the first day of the tour than the impact we made with three times as many people here in 1999, in terms of the social interaction with the organizations here in Miami, as well as the letter from the Governor."

After the park we came back to the hotel for orientation, where Eunha explained about the changes in the tour from last year. She explained that PLA needs to become much more bcal, because its easy for us to breeze through the cities and inspire people, but after inspiration there must be action or else



The Pure Love Pledge

The pure relationship of love between a man and woman is a sacred gift from God, to be cherished and honored for the sake of building a true family, healthy society, and a world of peace for future generations. Once that love is consummated, it should never be broken.

> Therefore, from this day forward, I commit myself to:

- **R**espect and honor the ideal of purity in myself and others.
- **P**ractice pure love as a child, friend, spouse and parent.
- **R**efrain from all sexual relationships before marriage.
- **D**edicate myself to absolute fidelity within marriage.
- Encourage others to do the same.

The Pure Love Alliance is an independent 501 (c) 3 organization and a partner in the Service for Peace Program. Visit the PLA at www.purelove.org the inspiration fades. Therefore, they have changed the whole format.

This year we're staying only in Miami and working to create a much deeper level of involvement. We still have rallies and marches, but this year we're serving, serving, serving. Our motto is, "Service for peace: Abstinence for the sake of others." Community service is a major part of this year's activities, and the main purpose of that is to cultivate an attitude of selflessness and to reach the community through our exa mple and unity. Promoting the idea that abstinence is more than just abstaining from sex, but developing your character and becoming a person that positively touches people around you, your community, and ultimately, the world.

Eunha also talked about the importance of our unity as a group, and about how we are working for God by being here and promoting the purity issue. Everyone was so excited

about the tour by the end of orientation, I hope that everyone can unite under that excitement and inspiration and make this year's tour the best.

Habitat for Humanity

The third community service project received the largest group of volunteers, and I'm pretty sure its safe to say that every person there had a good experience. This group -- mine, incidentally -- helped with landscaping at a local worksite of Florida's Habitat for Humanity, an organization which has built over two thousand homes for low-income families in the Florida area. This group is amazing. They construct

beautiful houses and sell them for almost half the houses' value to families who are struggling.

Habitat really impressed me not only with their cause and the volume of people that volunteer to come and further that cause, but also with the high standard they had. They require families who are purchasing one of the homes to have forty hours of service done on or around their future neighborhoods. That fact really touched me because it seemed to plainly show



Above: Morrow Willis, Jay Bear, Danny Hagen, and Andrew Byrne * enjoy a break at the work site. Below: 20,000 square feet of sod were laid by the PLA volunteers.



the heart of the people at Habitat, the heart of wanting to serve but also to multiply that spirit of giving in the lives of others.

So we got started on the various tasks to which we had been assigned: raking and leveling ground, laying out turf, using huge machetes to shape end pieces of turf for the lawn, digging through rocky ground to make holes for plants, planting trees and plants, weeding, mulching, etc. At first we all started out each doing our own thing. In fact, it was pretty hard going, with just a few people covering such a huge area. **Dasha Howell** and I went straight for the machetes and stayed at it for about an hour.

Then I heard noise behind me and I turned around to see all of our volunteers in a huge line, passing turf and covering so much ground so quickly. We joined, and there was a sense of unity in that group, a spirit that

stayed with us for the rest of the day. When it was finally time to leave, we had planted TWENTY THOUSAND SQUARE FEET of turf. We felt so good after that.

Miami Union Academy

Here our service involved painting, spackling, sanding, waxing floors, and cleaning bathrooms. **Lisa Witter** and **Jessica Eisenbart**, who were working together cleaning tall windows. They told me that the windows were very high up and they were standing on stacked chairs cleaning the insides of the windows.

When they finished the inside they agreed that it didn't look much better and that they had to do the outsides as well. They said they had to stick their arms out in awkward positions in order to spray the cleaner on the windows. The awkward position caused their other partner, **Misun Wojick**, who decided to clean the floor instead, to spray herself in the eyes and mouth.

They said that it was an extremely frustrating and difficult job, but they both felt fulfilled and proud because "we kept on going even though it was difficult and we were the only two working on that job". I also talked to **Harmony Haft**, who was painting a bathroom, who told me that she realized "without hardships and challenges you can't grow past the level you're on right now".

^{*} Just a few days after returning from the PLA tour, Andrew Byrne was a passenger in an unrelated car crash near his home. Tragically, he died of his injuries, but his spirit lives on in the hearts of everyone on the PLA tour and his many friends.



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We strive for **individual excellence** through challenging our limitations. We believe in establishing enduring relationships, based on the model of the true family, which build toward **lasting peace** within the larger community and the world. We engage in regular community service, and practice moral,

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