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Father Steps Up Campaign

MOBILIZATION

The Yankee Stadium campaign went into higher gear during the week of April 18-25, following new instructions by Father after his April 18 speech. "Do not relax too much," he said. "That is very dangerous. My greatest concern is that no one is truly concerned over Yankee Stadium. This is an emergency. We must achieve a result ten times greater than Madison Square Garden. You might say: 'I don't have brochures; I have nothing to work with.' But your face, your eyes, your heart and soul are your brochures."

"Today a renewed marching order has been issued to American and Japanese alike," he continued. "In the next 44 days we will achieve epoch-making history... I will never fall behind you. I am on the team with you. I will do more thinking, I will have more creative ideas. I will pursue the goal more, I will work harder, I will sleep less." Father then asked all campaign leaders to live together and to meet together frequently. He also announced that the two recently arrived international IW's from the 36 Couples will remain throughout the Yankee Stadium campaign to assist since both of them had major responsibility for the Yoido Rally.

He concluded: "This is a unique time in history. Therefore we must solemnly pledge our utmost loyalty."

After the speech, Mr. Kamiyama, director of the campaign, reorganized the tribes to include newly arrived Japanese members, some MFT members and staff, and the Seminary students, who will be participating with CARP members on weekends. Mr. Kamiyama spoke very seriously to the members: "I feel that we start the real battle from now on... In the future the real value of our fight will be known. There will be a day when you will be surprised by the value which you have

now. Together, we must recognize the value of this campaign. We cannot lose this battle. Father is so serious!"

On Monday morning, according to Father's instructions, everyone was up at 5:30 and at prayer meeting by 6:00. That day the pattern was set for the following week. Prayer meeting started with exercises and continued into an inspirational message, prayer and reports. After breakfast and tribe meetings, members went to their areas. Once there, each tribe used various methods to achieve their goals of signatures of people who wanted to receive free tickets for Yankee Stadium: rallies, singing, leafletting. Members quickly discovered that talking to as many people as possible—often hundreds—was a sure way to bring results. By the end of the week, Bob Exler's tribe placed first with an average of forty signatures each day per member.

The 900 members currently working on the campaign are spread throughout Manhattan and the Bronx. Each tribe's assigned area may contain an almost infinite variety of people. For example, one tribe assigned to the area between Fourteenth and Canal streets may find themselves in Greenwich Village, the East Village, Washington Square, New York University, the Bowery, SoHo, Union Square, Little Italy, the lower East Side or Chinatown.

INSPIRATION

After expressing his concern for the campaign, Father has consistently inspired the members. On Friday, April 23, he spoke at the morning meeting on "The Hope of Youth" and at Belvedere the following Sunday on "Unification and the Originating Point of Victory."

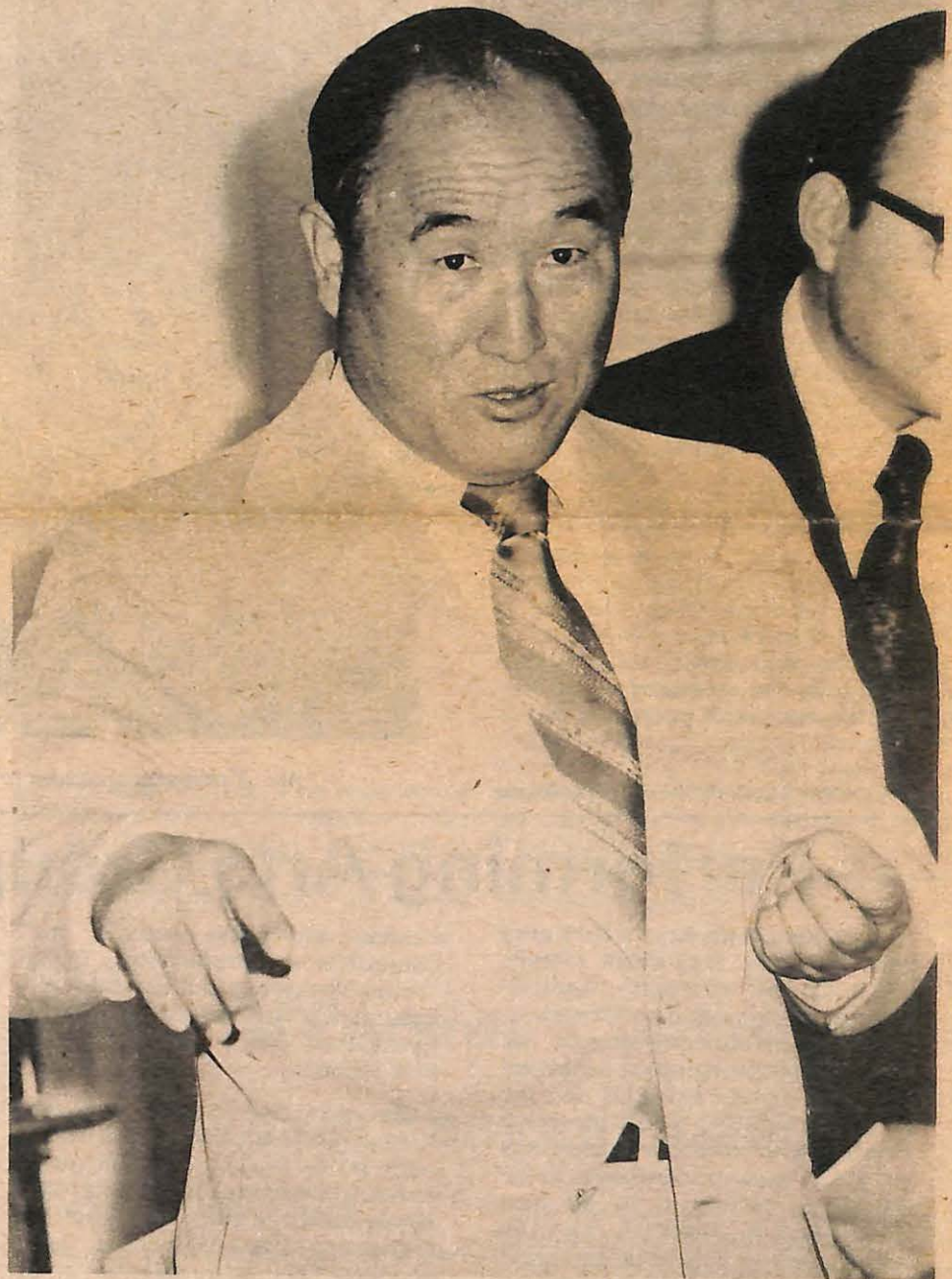
On April 23, he said: "Every young person has the ambition to be a great leader, to do something great for the

world. To achieve this, they need a realistic foundation.... Man has the limitation of not being able to see into the future, so his formula for success will not last. The formula for greatness must be unchanging. We must seek God's formula... The Principled way of life must apply to all people... All mankind is seeking for one ultimate perfected way of life that all mankind can rejoice in. The problem is my relationship with God.The Unification

Church is here to become one with God....

"Young people are full of hope and vitality. They are willing to take up a challenge," he continued. "We have already accepted the challenge of becoming one with God's will; now we have to restore the world to fit God's ideal. We must clearly learn God's way: perfect service and the pursuit of goodness. It is better to go against mankind, if necessary,

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Father on April 18: "We must solemnly pledge our utmost loyalty."



Yankee Stadium at the opening game.

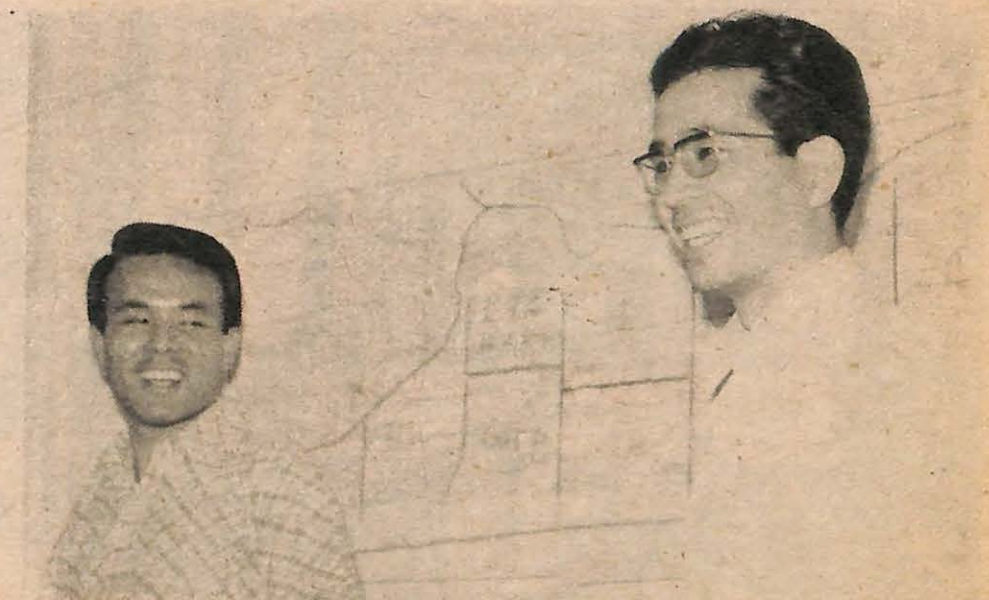
Big And Beautiful

The new Yankee Stadium is a lot more than just a ballpark. Albeit, some of the 55 million spent in its 3-year renovation went into gimmicks appealing mostly to baseball fans—a fiberglass smokestack shaped like a baseball bat and a huge "telescreen" showing instant replays with its millions of lightbulbs. Yet the renovation has also created a majestic, breath-taking—and huge—amphitheater.

The grandeur is most outstanding at

night, when the brilliant white of the stadium walls, the royal blue of the seats and grandstands, and the brilliant green of the field stand in contrast to the surrounding lights under the day-light bright lights. Father, the GBA staff, and a few members took in this sight at the first night game in the new stadium on Friday, April 23, when they watched the Yankees lose to the Kansas City Royals, 3-2.

LBS



Mr. Kamiyama and Hiroshi Matsuzaki with map of Manhattan showing sections assigned to each tribe.

Yankee Stadium Campaign in Full Swing

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to stand and face God. It is better to be one man alone righteous in God's sight. You are suffering not for yourself but for a greater purpose. Your ideal will remain. Even though you are the underdog-- attacked and persecuted-- you must persevere and forgive your enemies. Such noble deeds will rule the past, present and future."

He drew the speech to a conclusion: "Know what a precious position you occupy. Realize that we have the best of all foundations. What we can succeed has no end... The privilege of youth is hope and dreams. Our dream is to hold God in one hand and mankind in the other. We have to care about both God and mankind... We are going to liquidate Satan in New York. We are the cleanser to wash this city-- heavenly Ajax!... If we lose our hope and dreams, the free world will have no hope. We must reverse and restore the moral standard or youth. We must restore Christianity and the Christian spirit. We must overcome the problem of Communism. We must be model men and women to all of the youth of the world. You are very blessed to participate in this crusade with me... We must take hardships as the opportunity to prove ourselves... You must back up the work for victory with your sweat, tears, and toil. God is waiting to see if He can trust us. Let us accept and fulfill our challenge in every street and corner of New York!" (Excerpts from his Sunday speech will be in the next issue.)

PUBLIC OUTREACH

On April 16, the God Bless America Committee published the first edition of the "God Bless America Festival News." Initially it is being sent to 50,000 people-- previous contacts. Soon the circulation will be expanded to over 100,000 as new contacts are made. Included in the first issue are: an announcement of the Yankee Stadium Festival, a speech by Mr. Salonen on "Completing the American Revolution," a description of the weekly GBA banquets, and excerpts from the Statement of Purpose.

Reverend Reiner Vincenz is directing the "America the Beautiful" street-cleaning project, to begin on May 1. Preparation has included coordinating with the city on places and times to clean and acquiring the necessary equipment: trucks, brooms, white jumpsuits, etc.

POSTERING

Controversy surrounded early poster-

efforts as the president of a block association at 71st and Broadway vigorously objected to our posters on the boarded-up site of a doughnut shop under renovation. Father decided that friction over our posters should be minimized; accordingly, the next day a crew went to 71st and Broadway to remove the posters. The unexpected media coverage was very positive. NBC carried a feature on its evening news. "Moon followers bring some sunshine at upper Broadway." On the news, the store owner commented: "I didn't mind them putting up their poster... But it did some good. They covered up some pornography posters." Another man commented: "They cleaned up the whole place-- everything. They did a good job. They're good boys, they are." The coverage also showed a street speaker and some reactions. "He's out to do good. I'm all for it," one woman said. The reporter concluded the broadcast: "While the Reverend Moon's speaker chips away at what he thinks is wrong with America, Reverend Moon's followers chip away at what made this neighborhood angry yesterday." (See page 4 for more campaign photographs)



Logo for America the Beautiful program, to appear on jumpsuits and trucks.



Mr. Kamiyama speaking to all members at Holy Ground, further organizing the campaign on April 18

Performing Arts Groups Attract Community

Witnessers in the Bryant Park area behind the New York Public Library had a windfall on Monday, April 19. During its two-hour performance, Sunburst attracted crowds of congenial people receptive to hearing about the Divine Principle and the Bicentennial God Bless America Festival. The lunchtime concert was but one of many performances in the New York community by the New Hope Singers, Sunburst, and the Korean Folk Ballet. While preparing for Yankee Stadium, the three groups have provided substantial witness to the Bicentennial God Bless America

Festival under the aegis of the Committee's Performing Arts section. The section is directed by Col. Pak, who is assisted by Mr. Joong Hyung Pak, director of the Korean Folk Ballet.

The New Hope Singers and the Korean Folk Ballet perform each week at the Bicentennial God Bless America Committee banquets at the Headquarters building. As a result of the success of the recent Korea Night banquet, they will perform at a similar banquet in Washington D.C. on May 7 and again in New York on

May 23.

More mobile, Sunburst has played all over New York-- at 30 events to over 9,800 people since January 1. Audiences include the Congress of Racial Equality, a Rotary Club, the Army Chaplains' School on Staten Island, a Baptist conference of 25 churches, schools, hospitals and many churches. They are looking forward to playing for the 44th precinct, which has jurisdiction over the Yankee Stadium area.

According to Larry Moffitt, who does PR work for the Performing Arts groups, the black churches have been

most receptive across the board-- to Sunburst, to Yankee Stadium, to the Unification Church. "They understand suffering and they understand spirit. The people don't read the papers so much; they judge by the fruits. They look at the spirit. Many of them have had spiritual experiences while we have been playing. Often the minister will change his sermon topic based on our performance. I feel confident that the black churches will come by the busload to Yankee Stadium. One minister we performed for promised five busloads, and that is a conservative estimate."



The New York Public Library forms a majestic backdrop for the Sunburst performance in Bryant Park.



Lunchtime listeners enjoying the concert.

Easter Sunday, April 18-- Father speaks on "The New Spring"

"The New Cosmic Spring Will Prosper for Eternity"

Spring has come. Plants, grass, trees, insects, birds, and animals welcome spring. When spring comes, what will happen? In nature, all things will make a new beginning. Spring is the time for love. The birds are singing their early-morning song of love. God is also seeking spring, when He can sing the song of spring and the song of love.... The signs of life and prosperity are in nature. Everything is in melody. The creator is the same as the creation. Therefore God is also ready to sing for spring. Is God in the position to sing the song of spring?

One day can be divided into four seasons. The morning represents spring, the daytime, summer; the dusk, fall; and night, winter. The history of man also takes the same seasonal route.... Human history started from the spring of sorrow due to the fall of man. Then it moved into a sad summer with the tropical civilizations of Egypt and China. Then civilization moved to semi-tropical areas, where nations such as England, the U.S. and Japan blossomed. These modern civilizations are the autumn of human history--autumn is the season for harvest. There will be one cold season forthcoming-- the winter of civilization. That is the threat of Communism centering upon the Soviet Union. In that shivering, freezing civilization, only those trees with roots and seeds will remain. Those which can survive the cold civilization are those who have the power of life within and the source of life as a seed. We must have a root. That is God. The man with a root will survive the cold civilization. Also that seed which preserves the course of energy will survive. The seed has within itself the roots and branches; this embryo is a microcosm of life.

If you really read the schedule of seasonal history, then you must expect that winter is not the end. There will be a new spring. Since God knows the direction of history, He will send a harbinger to the world to prepare the people for spring. God has been planting His tree for a long time.

Religion is heading towards paralytic ruin and decline; it is not serving its predestined purpose. The crisis of the democratic world is represented by the crisis of Christianity. God wants an evergreen tree. The root is God, so He cannot change it. But the trunk of today's religion is paralyzed. A new sign of life must come from it. Despite all of the cold weather, there must be a new sign.

When the new spring arrives at the cosmic level, who will welcome it? Not the dried out branches or the trunk but that little sign of life, that little tiny branch. That little branch coming out of the root is an evergreen and will keep growing even in the winter. Even though the branch may be small, it is connected to the root, which is God.

God is trying to ready the cosmic spring. He is creating a prince and princess for the spring. When the spring is ready to bring life, God will cut away the rotten branches and trunk. Then the entire energy produced by the root will be used by the evergreen branch. The cutting occurs at every level: family, tribe, national. But on the other hand this branch is bringing harmony to all levels, too. The Unification Church is still like a little branch, but it has grown from the family level to the national level. Now it is moving up to the worldwide level. Once we go over this worldwide level, we will find a cosmic spring waiting. When the spring comes, the atmosphere will automatically change. Even the cold Siberian weather will die away.

Today Communism has a big crack in itself. The original idealistic international Communism has already broken down into nationalism. A Satanic tree has also been growing, but the leaves are falling off and the branches are falling down. The golden age of the international Communist civilization is over. When will the crossing happen? In the year 1976. That day is



Budding trees at Belvedere on April 18 were signs of the coming spring.

June 1 Once we set an extraordinary record at June 1 in Yankee Stadium, the free world will climb up to blossom into the cosmic spring. We will be recognized with the dignity and respect of the world and new trust of civilization. Since God is so powerful, He will bring about a great tree in no time. Because this evergreen has been hardened in the cold Siberia wind, it will grow fast when spring comes. When we bring spring to the free world, that same spring will give warm weather to the cold civilization of Communism.

Wherever you look, the world has not hope. But there is a hope-- the seed bringing out new life. You have been hardened by this cold weather but there is a furnace burning inside, the sign of life. The spring temperature can crack the shell so that our evergreen tree will spring up new leaves...

The civilization that God has been waiting for is not yet blossoming. You know that God has never tasted the full joy of history. Furthermore, all of the past civilizations centering upon the past religions could not go beyond the boundaries of nations. So the new evergreen tree must begin on the international level. Also, past religions could not go beyond the barrier of skin color. But we know that God is color-blind. Communism cannot reach beyond materialism. On the other hand, religion has been centering around the spirit world, not giving much value to the physical world. They are both one-sided. But the Unification Church is embracing the entire universe. Think of how vastly different we are. Others may worship God to receive His blessing; we want to liberate God. When you know that this is the truth, there is nothing better, nothing higher, and nothing greater. It has the power to embrace every human endeavor and every segment of human history.

You are a new person when compared to your old self, spiritually and morally. Your face has not changed; your thoughts and your heart have. It is invisible. That mysterious power which widens your thought cannot be broken. You have become very powerful men and women... We already have the formula for perfection. You just have to apply and expand that formula. Twenty years ago the Church members worked on the individual level. Now the activities of the church are the same. The formula is the same. But our territory has expanded.

Americans are proud people. Yet now these proud Americans are lost; they have no purpose. If America can find new hope, the rest of the world can follow. Yankee Stadium is like dropping a big rock into a gigantic lake. When a big impact is made at the center, waves will move out towards the edge. Our impact will be felt by the entire world, even the Communist world.... God tested us to see if that wave would work or not. So through the month of March there was a negative storm against



us. God wanted to see if we were strong enough to endure all the negative things like the French bombing. I want you to have guts. When I sent out missionaries to 120 countries, I told them: "You are the

seed of heaven. You must spread out and be prosperous." Their seed will grow a root and the root will penetrate the ground and grow. They have guts and conviction.

God is secretly preparing one cosmic and giant spring. For that, He is preparing one group to spring out of the cold weather. That group can survive and bring new civilization to the world. The ancient, semi-tropical, and Communist civilizations have been doomed. But the new cosmic spring civilization will come and prosper for eternity. We have been suffering in the wintertime. But the time has come. Now the spring is smiling upon us. By 1981, the cosmic summer will come. When we go into that cosmic summer, all nature will be covered by evergreens.

Do you want to be a welcomer of that cosmic spring? Your laughter will be so giant that it will contain a joy unprecedented in history. As you smile from one end of the world to the other, God will smile from ear to ear (Ed. Col. Pak hesitated here: "I am so happy that I forgot what Father said," he said.) Then God and mankind will embrace each other. Everything under the sun will sing the song of spring: nature, grass, trees, insects and birds.

Spring means that love is visiting us.

Why is the power of love invincible? Because it unites two into one. Love generates life. The power of love is so strong and so hot that it can melt the universe. That power of love will bring blossoming spring to the earth. Reaching beyond the boundaries of nation and color, we will go forward to welcome the cosmic spring, where the love of God prevails. The universal spring is definitely coming. We are hand-picked by God as the harbingers of that spring. We are marching toward Yankee Stadium to declare spring. How glorious... New York is an abandoned city. We must bring resurrection to New York. We will create the atmosphere for spring. Yankee Stadium will be the spring welcoming party for the entire universe. Shall we have a most outstanding welcoming party for spring? Spring visits everywhere. You must visit every street and every house of New York. We must show the spring sign everywhere: at every alley, at every street corner. Raise your hands, those who really want to be the harbingers of spring!

National Parents' Conference to Include Yankee Stadium

by Mrs. Hillie Edwards

Mrs. Edwards is the coordinator of the Parents' Conferences being held in nine cities.

The nine Parents' Conferences held in localities throughout the U.S. are providing an opportunity for parents to learn of the national Parents' Meeting in New York City, which will culminate in the Yankee Stadium rally on June 1. Already in Philadelphia, Washington, Atlanta, Chicago, Minneapolis, and Denver many parents have expressed interest in coming to the meeting and to Yankee Stadium.

The purpose of the nine local conferences has been to give parents an opportunity to air their concerns, ask questions, and come to a new understanding. These meetings have been most productive in bringing together parents who are anxious with parents who are secure. There has been a steady rise in the turnout at each conference. It has been very rewarding for parents to hear from the Church itself, as well as from their sons and daughters, about the Church. Many parents have been positive and have had that attitude reaffirmed. The new parents who have been concerned over the negative publicity have been relieved.

Those who have been skeptical have had their feelings changed or worries allayed.

The national Parents' Meeting will be slightly different from the local conferences. Although parents will be allowed to ask questions and express their feelings, they will also have an opportunity to hear the main points of the Divine Principle. Also they may meet many national figures in the Church and to participate in a program of fellowship and entertainment. At Yankee Stadium, the parents will again share a new experience with their sons and daughters as they come together to celebrate America's Bicentennial and the renewal of our country's faith in God.

We hope that those parents coming to the conference and to Yankee Stadium will understand the need Americans have to rediscover our faith in God, our faith in each other, and our faith in ourselves. They can understand the Unification Church best from the perspective that we really need to go beyond our national concern to consider the problems of the world. We are different from other churches; our concerns are not just for membership growth or self interest but for America and the world. Let us try to help our parents united with us in rallying around God as the center of our nation!

On the Streets of New York



Lunchtime tribe rally in Washington Square led by Keith Cooperrider. Mr. Salonen is at the rear, far right. [Mobilization for Yankee Stadium has been total, including office staffs and all Performing Arts groups.]



Most work involves personal contact and leafletting. Left: witnessing on the steps of the New York Public Library. Right: 42nd street, with its crowds was a good place for leafletting.



Our Movement Around the World

Many of our representatives are having harsh introductions to the political conflicts in the Third world. One Middle-East representative writes of his recent trip to Lebanon:

My friend was in Lebanon. Hearing that he would be there for some time, I quickly ran off to meet him there. We got together and traded all of our experiences. We only saw each other for a few moments. Due to the recent fighting there, our conference was in the midst of grim destruction: burned hotels and houses riddled with various-sized holes from rocket and rifle fire. How malicious it all seemed: quiet at that moment yet still not resolved in a real peace-- like a man tortured and still not

dead. The presence of tanks, artillery, and many soldiers and commands served to make us always cognizant of the aching heart of God and how frustrating we are to Him. We talked a lot and visited the beautiful Holy Ground where Father blessed the whole beach area. What a glorious sunset we saw... As soon as we left the borders closed and the present outbreak began....

One representative who visited an African country in the process of revolution reports:

I found that things had changed quite a bit... There is now a representative in each neighborhood responsible for 2 blocks of

houses. His job is to keep a close watch on the activities in his area to prevent any unauthorized or suspicious gatherings and to be sure that all natives attend the meetings, which are usually held once a week. In each company owned by a white man there is someone especially trained to listen and watch for any action or thought which might be opposed to the present regime. This makes life for everyone very tense.

Persecution of religion has begun slowly but precisely. Fetish, Jehovah Witnesses and the Assembly of God have been forbidden to continue their activities. Information pertaining to anything about God is not allowed to be broadcast over the

radio or put into the newspapers. All natives married to whites are considered to be suspicious. The president has officially accused their wives of being from the prostitute section of Paris. All people must address each other as "Comrade". "Mr." or "Mrs." is considered reactionary. When answering the telephone you must say "Ready for the Revolution." The person on the other end must say "And the fight continues." It is impossible for the people to think of anything but politics; they are constantly bombarded with the radio, newspaper, cinema, and political meetings. Natives can no longer enter the embassies or cultural centers of other countries without written permission from the Ministry of the Interior.

Our representatives have also been learning much of the difference between America and the less developed countries, gaining new appreciation of the American mission. **From South America:**

Argentina's recent military takeover has influenced the political situation here as well. There is more military control for precaution's sake as well, many changes are being made by the government in all levels. There is silent discontent in the hearts of many people as the way of life becomes more difficult. Yet, for the time being, there is external tranquility and calm. We are more aware of each day how much we are needed here as young and inexperienced as we are. The changes in countries are happening so fast. The people have no clear vision, understanding, hope nor the ability to control their situation.

Letter to the Family in America from an International Representative

"Take Advantage of What God has Given You."

One representative in an Asian country has written an open letter to all members:

I'd like to let you glimpse what it is like to work in a country where there is no freedom and where we must be secret and underground. No, this is not a Communist country. Far from it. This is a Christian country where everyone goes to church by law. Not government law but social law.

For almost a year my German and Japanese counterparts and I have been trying to do the same thing here that you have been doing in America. This country holds social laws so strict and family systems so intricate that anyone standing in the way of either of them will be taking a big chance. And that is just what we are doing. There is another interesting government law which states that no more than seven Christian sects are to be allowed here. This is to preserve the family and societal unity here.

Thus, we went underground, getting jobs and searching for especially prepared people. We couldn't speak directly about the Divine Principle but had to beat around the bush and check a person out, internally and externally, before we could open up any real line of discussion. Another problem here is finding those people who really are prepared. The culture is such that the usual way of thinking is not really a questioning way of thinking. Very few people question the wrongs that they see in each other or in the churches. They seem to accept it as "just the way it is." They are very lakadassical

about wanting to advance their thinking or better their lives-- unless better means easier.

We seldom think about just how prepared America is. In America you don't have to worry that if you speak too deeply to the wrong person you may be kicked out of the country. There really is absolute freedom to speak. And there are really prepared people under nearly every roof who can be brought in with only a bit of blood, some sweat and a few tears. I know it isn't easy, but now I know that it is downright easier than we think.

How many times since being here have I been absolutely stumped about a question of Divine Principle, a question of mission, a question of relationships with fellow missionaries, or a question dealing with my own growth or fallen nature! How many times have I not had the answers and still had to count on my own conclusions! In America there are lots of good Abels to take these kinds of questions to and if you don't get an answer, you at least get a few hints as to how to go about answering them yourself. Abels are there to help you and they want to help you. In America there is a foundation. A victorious foundation built of your Parents' blood, sweat and tears. And the blood, sweat and tears of thousands of brothers and sisters before you. And the blood, sweat and tears of God, who worked for hundreds of years to make America the place that it is with the mission that it has.

Yet I know all too well the fears that sink

into a person when he is let out of the van to witness. I know how much courage it takes to begin. But there are hundreds of people in every square mile who would give their lives to spend three days hearing something that makes sense. You just have to hunt for them, find them, and love them.

The responsibility of America is great and the pressure you feel is great, as well. But the preparedness of America is great and the truth is great. What you have most in America is freedom to work. You must take advantage of what God has given you. His portion of responsibility was to give you the freedom to work. Your portion of responsibility is to work. How I wish that I had used that freedom to the fullest while I was there. And how I pray that you will now. There is no other country that is giving God a better chance. I know that I learned a great lesson in being away. In a country where my freedoms are taken away. I hope that my passing this inspiration to you will give you a lot more confidence. I hope that it will be helpful to you in the face of the difficulties that you are confronted with in trying to push America into fulfilling her desperately important mission.

All of us who are away from America pray for each one of you-- for you are the most important people in America. And the most valuable for God. The world's restoration depends on you.

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