

Father Focuses Church on Outreach

At the beginning of 1978, Father directed the American Unification Church to embark upon a comprehensive outreach program, involving all members of the Church and reaching every level of American society. Of central concern at the year's outset is witnessing; Father set before the Senate Directors at their January 2-3 conference with him a forty-day witnessing condition. Beginning on January 10, the condition, he said, is "the opportunity unaccomplished in 1977." All members are to participate in the condition; those whose missions are not on the front line, he said, "should completely unite in heart with those who are." In his January 15 morning talk, Father explained that the forty days "set the condition to receive the gift of sharing in my victories in the next three years." He also noted that the end of the forty-day condition, plus three days, coincides with the end of Year One and the

beginning of Year Two. On Sunday, January 22, Father concluded his sermon: "If you have made many mistakes, don't worry. If you do this forty-day condition well, you will be restored. This condition is vital for your day of glory."

Father also initiated at the God's Day Conference the "Frontier 78" program -- a state-by state tour of all our centers by President Salonen, Dan Fefferman, and Dr. William Bergman. The tour -- a bold and promising experiment -- has the dual purpose of strengthening the national Church membership and correcting common misconceptions about our Church.

Included in this issue are reports on the God's Day celebration and conference, the nationwide and local New York focus on witnessing, and the accomplishments of "Frontier 78".

Witnessing Takes Off

"I was really liberated by Father's instructions to us at the January 3 conference," says Washington state director Tom McDevitt. "I had been previously struggling, but I realized how much we need discipline to accomplish as a result of the conference. Our fixed lecture schedule and door-to-door program have brought stability to our center and focus to the members. The experience with Father is an indelible memory to me. Something really changed inside me. Everything feels new."

It was the January 3 conference that Father organized the forty-day witnessing condition beginning January 10 and gave Church directors substantial guidelines for witnessing.

The basic guidelines for the forty-day condition are:

*Each center should have three daily lectures at 10 a.m., 2 p.m., and 7 p.m.

*Each center should lend out all copies of cassette lectures.

*"1-1-1" is the basic standard of accomplishment.

*All members should participate in the condition.

*Every member should receive an area of 360 houses to be responsible for.

*Directors should hear reports of each member's accomplishments every day, and keep records of them.

Father also spoke clearly about attitudes towards witnessing: His major points:

*Develop yourself and learn to think of



Father on God's Day, 1978.

"Frontier 78" Teams: Whirlwind in U.S.

'Father's creation of the "Frontier 78" program will undoubtedly affect the entire membership of the Unification Church of America in 1978. The three "Frontier '78" teams, led by President Salonen, Dan Fefferman, and William Bergman, will make visits to all Church centers in the United States by inspiring the Church membership as well as informing the public of the purposes of the Church.

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While in Connecticut, Dan answered Bridgeport residents' questions on a telephone call-in radio show. Also, Mr. Mooney, an editor of a Hartford newspaper, was delighted to personally meet some "Moonies" and get some of his questions answered. All three teams have found themselves to be sought out by members of the community, anxious to ask questions of a national Unification. Church authority clarifying our beliefs and goals.

God's Day, 1978

After praying with Mother at 12:00 a.m. on January 1, 1978, Father announced the year's motto: "The Basic Formula For the Realization of the Kingdom of Heaven on Earth." Thus he opened 1978. The remainder of the experience included Father's midnight and morning address, afternoon activities, evening entertainment, perhaps most significantly, a two-day Director's Conference in which Father dramatically focused the movement on meeting its membership goal in 1978.

In his Midnight address, Father spoke about how each of us can become the dwelling place of God. Wherever God finds love, he said, God can make himself at home. To become that type of person, he said, "we must be born as God's child. Life comes from God as a gift. We inherit that capacity to love and right to life from God. You were born to love God..." The relationship of God and man is fundamental to the universe, continued Father, In fact, he said, "The core truth of the universe is the father-son relationship, especially as it is seen between God and man.

Father continued to explain that as our mind becomes the dwelling place of God, then our body must become totally united with it. "Your mind should dwell in God's love and way of life, making a journey for stronger, better final love."

As we become more united in mind and body we, as children of God, must desseminate God's love to others. "Give totally, and the love of God will pour into you like a storm," said Father. "The true man is mind and body coming together in one focus. Become a plus and create a (Continued on Page 4)

the people you are witnessing to as your own children. Pray for them, missing them.

*Until you experience loving a variety of people, love for your spouse will not well up within you. Therefore, the very foundation of heavenly family is that you restore people from every background.

*Beginning in 1978, it is our responsibility, rather than Father's, to raise the U.S.

*Don't look for help from the spirit world. Just do your very best to fulfill your responsibility, and God will help you.

*The only way to enter heaven is to go to the bottom of hell first. It may be very difficult for American young people to go that way, but Father's careful instruction and explanation should give us the strength to get through.

*1978 will be the peak period of your (Continued on Page 3)

By the fifth of February, the teams will have visited: New Hampshire, Maine, Rhode Island, New York, Vermont, Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Delaware, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Washington, D.C., Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Tennessee, Alabama, Kentucky, and Mississippi. One typical visit was that made by Dan Fefferman and his team in Connecticut on January 12-14. Dan spent much time meeting with members of the center and their contacts, speaking to witnessing and fundraising members about the uniqueness and importance of America's tradition and our responsibility to uphold it. On Saturday, January 14, he and his team had informal fellowship with parents of members in the New Haven center. The large Victorian house provided a warm setting for congen-

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NY Church Expands Programs

The 43rd St. Headquarters of the New York Unification Church has become a bustling center of witnessing activity. At the end of 1977 Reverend Ken Sudo became the leader of the New York Church. At that time, all workshops were consolidated at the 43rd St. building; also, the four New York IOWC teams -- in New Jersey, the Bronx, Queens, and Brooklyn, became part of the New York Church.

Following is a summary of New York

Church activities: Workshops: Two, five, and twenty-one day workshops are offered at the

day workshops are offered at the Headquarters building. The just-beginning Spanish Church is also giving two a five day workshops as well as special programs at the Headquarters.

Prayer Vigil: Every Monday morning New York area members gather on Gilgo beach, near Long Beach, for hour-long prayer from 3:30 to 4:30 a.m. Despite (Continued on Page 3)

Three "Frontier 78" Teams Bring

with a theology professor from Boston University. Mr. atives of related groups.

Fred O'Brian addresses the audience in the popular O'Brian had a lively audience on his hands, as it included Boston TV show "Mass Action." Mr. Salonen appeared a number of "deprogrammed" members and represent-

Mr. Salonen speaking in Boston on "Destined for Controversy."



religious freedom, addresses a press conference in AlbanyonJanuary 14. The conference was called by a group of ministers and educators advocating that the New York

Reverend Tyson, a New York minister concerned with Board of Regents rise above prejudice in their consideration of granting a charter to the Unification Theological Seminary. Mr. Salonen is at left.



The International Folk Ballet performs the "Royal Court Dance" at Mr. Salonen's Boston talk





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PUBLIC TALKS Each team has also met the public in talks, receptions, etc. Dr. Bergman, for example, has recently given programs in Pennsylvania and New Jersey. His program in Philadelphia included a buffet dinner for parents and friends, entertainment, and a message. In New Jersey, he spoke on: "Will America Survive the Seventies?"

"I don't understand why there is so much controversy surrounding your Church."

The most basic answer to that question, Mr. Salonen pointed out, is that Reverend Moon is a prophet, having received a new revelation from God. "While the revelation stands on the foundation of the past and has much in common with other reli gions, his message is new. That something new is what has answered so many questions for those of us who have joined the Church; at the same time it excites other people, who can't accept new things so easily."

cans found out that Mormons were patriots, good citizens, and very respectable. A great tribute to this country is the fact that we have moved step by step ever closer to freedom. But those principles have not been accorded abstractly. Rather they have been strengthened when a group seeking freedom has acted as the

make the same decision. To those who think that we may be disruptive, as the Mormons were once thought to be, I can only ask them to trust us and look at the lives we lead and the families we create as we grow."

Mr. Salonen concluded his talk: "I hope that tonight is the beginning of a long and

In addition to many informal meetings, discussions, and receptions, President Salonen has given two public talks: in Boston on January 18 and Washington, D.C. on January 26.

A number of guests attended the Boston program, which was given at the center Beacon Hill. After the Go-World Brass Band performed some classical music and the International Folk Ballet played Korean musical instruments and danced the "Destined for Controversy."

Mr. Salonen began his talk by describing common response he has seen in the people he has met during the "Frontier 78" tour. On the one hand, people say that they are very impressed with our members, especially with their enthusiasm. Then, inevitably, the question comes up:

Many people, Mr. Salonen noted, have a hard time believing that America, the land of freedom, has difficulty in accepting new religious ideas. "But a look at the historical record is very surprising," said Mr. Salonen. "Many groups, such as the Puritans, who came to the U.S. in search for religious freedom, did not extend that freedom to other groups."

He went on to give background about the struggle of Irish Catholics in Boston as well as the trials of the Mormons and other religious minorities. "The Mormons were literally thrown out of the country. No one wanted Utah, so no one minded that the Mormons had it. Later, Ameri-

conscience of the nation. We accept every group, but only after they assert their rights.'

Mr. Salonen went on to give some of his testimony and included his view on the attractions of the Unification Church. "God is continuing to lead His people by revelation, both in the Christian community and other religions as well, working to bring His people back together as brothers and sisters in one true family. Men and women are more important to God than anything else. Our members are finding a great sense of purpose and new moral commitment at a time when the moral codes of society are breaking down.

"I am never going to say that our way is the only way. I am saying that it has meant a great deal to those of us who have studied the doctrines of Reverend Moon, so much that we have felt called to devote our lives to spread that message so that others might have the opportunity to

warm relationship, and that you will come to see that the members of the Unification Church are very different in reality from the image which is generally held of us. If you ever meet Reverend Moon, you will see a man who has inspired people around the world to devote themselves to God, a man who has spoken a message of sacrifice and service to a generation increasingly seeking its own personal goals, and a man who has shown people how they can establish value in their lives and in society. It gives us so much pain to hear the things that are said of him when we realize that but for him, many of our lives would have been in utter disarray. Each of us has found tremendous personal fulfillment in the message of Reverend Moon. I invite all of you to find out what has changed our lives so dramatically."

Afterwards, the Boston center hosted a reception for the guests; many had informal discussions with President Salonen.

THE FORE MENT NEW HOPE NEWS

Principle Message Across Nation



Mrs. Anne Edwards and Connecticut director Paul Yasutake talk with a parent at New Haven's Parents' Reception.



"Frontier 78" team leader Dan Fefferman has a discussion with MFT members in the New Haven center.

Members Unite in 40-Day Condition

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training, and a tremendous asset. Always be evaluating: how many hours is your tongue working, and for whom? For whom are your tears?

*What heaven cherishes most is newness -- a fresh attitude. This is why Father teaches us to constantly renew our sense of gratitude, to greet every day expectant of new people, new experiences.

*Have faith in Father's vision and words. He is preparing the spiritual environment in which you can be successful.

*BE STRONG AND BOLD

Father also spoke at length about witnessing to our relatives. (He also spoke about this clearly in his January 15 and 22 Sunday speeches.)

*Now is the time to witness to your family and relatives. Your teaching your family can liberate Father's family as well. Write them; send them small gifts ...



(Continued from Page 1) the harsh winter weather, participation has been strong.

Home Churches: In an experiment in community outreach, full-time members are living in the homes of new members all over the city. The purpose is to make the homes centers for the study of the Divine Principle and Principled life, both for the families of the members and their friends in the community. Participation by the full-time members range from total involvement in the host family's community to meetings in the home.

Storefronts: Everyday witnessing teams go to each of three storefronts in Manhattan, which serve as a base for the team and an information and activity

*It is Father's responsibility to teach you to love your parents, brothers, and sisters. In turn, you can teach your parents how to love their own children, including you.

*Don't let your parents go to the spirit world before you witness to them.

Witnessing activity stepped up in the field immediately after the conference. Witnessing activity stepped up in the field immediately after the conference. IOWC teams were formed from the Go-World Brass Band and the New Hope Singers, going respectively to Boston and Washington, D.C. While the teams have been performing, their primary mission is witnessing.

With the implementation of Father's guidelines, many state have increasing results. Florida gained two members as a result of a rally held several days after the return of state director Jim Fleming from the conference. Tom McDevitt in Washington state reports that in the two weeks following the conference, more people have been studying the Principle than ever before in his state, and 250 books were lent out. Jaime Sheeran, state director of West Virginia, reports that the conference and the condition have clarified the purpose of our movement. "I have learned that our essential mission is communication. We are vehicles of God's communication to the people. If we can't communicate, there is no hope that they can change . . .

OUR ATTITUDE

President Salonen, in speaking to the Boston Church, clarified the place witnessing should have in our lives.

"The word for "witnessing" which we use in Korean is "Chondo." Chondo means to convey the truth. This is deeper than you might at first think. It is not trying to destroy what someone else believes or just letting the responsibility rest on God's shoulders. You give the truth. You have to do it in a way that it can be received. And you have to do it to enough people that it really becomes widespread. "Some of our members think that witnessing is one of our daily activites, along with eating, fundraising, etc. That is not it at all. Witnessing, in its real meaning of conveying the truth, is something that you do every day. We have to witness all of the time. Even if you fundraise, witnessing is a way of life. I know you don't have enough time for a deep discussion. But you can still convey the truth. You can still tell them something about God. You can still tell them something about love, about your hope for mankind. You can always convey something of the truth. If we make that our pattern every day, then the spirit of truth will explode within the

people will be electrified.

"The spirit of witnessing is the spirit which should permeate all aspects of your life because it should be the basis of your relationships with other people. Many people have calculated how we can reach our membership goal based on how many members we are gaining now. But I have calculated differently, and I think my way is the way that Father would calculate. If all of the time."

city of Boston, and every city, because the we really used all our hours for witnessing, then we could really get results on the level that Father is looking for. Now it usually happens that you might think that you are witnessing all day, but if you take a break for a cup of coffee, how many times do you invite the waiter to a program? Not often, probably. Too many times we are caught up in our own internal thoughts. Rather, we should witness

Happy Birthday!



Hyo-jin: December 29, 1977 [Solar]

center, where lectures are regularly held, as well as international programs. The storefronts are in the East Side on Lexington Avenue, the upper West Side, and Greenwich Village.

Underlying all of the New York activities is a new attitude towards membership in the Unification Church. Emphasis has changed from attending consecutive workshops to witnessing, from moving into the center of living at home and witnessing to relatives and community. Typically, a new member starts witnessing right after his two-day workshops, postponing attendance at the five and twenty-one day workshop for a few weeks. Attendance at programs has considerably grown as members witness in their homes and communities, with whole families often coming to Church activities and workshops.



Un-jin: January 2, 1978

God's Day, 1978

(Continued from Page 1) world the basic formula for the realization of the Kingdom of God on earth.'

In his God's Day morning message, Father gave a summary of the history of restoration. Since human history began in sorrow, he explained, God has not yet seen a happy day. "Adam and Eve were supposed to be the prince and princess of Become like God's position in your own

the universe. Without restoration, there is no way to restore the day of joy to God. This day comes when man and woman restore themselves to a position of parents centered upon God. All men and women need to go over the hill of the fall of man to perfection. That is human destiny," said minus world larger and larger around you.

world. Give your life, your love, and your Father. way of life. By living this way, we are going to fulfill inch by inch the visible for of the Kingdom of God on earth. You have everything you need. The Messiah's goal is universal restoration. To serve him, you must work on the universal level. Then you will be walking as princess and princesses of God. Throughout history, God has given His life, His love, and His way of life. How much have you given? 1978 is the year to be strong and bold. We must go out and teach American and the



Father making "March and Leap" scroll.



Father and Mother examine exhibits in the Terrace Room.



He continued to explain that, in order to go through the servant, adopted son and true son levels of restoration, we need the Messiah as the example, the prototype of the truth. "Jesus, the fruit of 4,000 years of preparation, came as the personification of the God-centered servant, adopted son and true son of God. He had to consummate all three stages to be qualified to love God."

Father reminded us of Jesus' unhappy and unintended end. If God were predisposed to acting supernaturally, surely He would have done so when Jesus was on the cross, said Father. The fact that He did not, and does not intervene today is indication that "God's duty is to give love, blessing and benediction, not judgment and punishment."

Speaking again on the theme of God's Day, Father said: "God wants one day of victory. That precious day is coming ... I have one desire -- to see God joyful. We want to celebrate God's Day as limitless joy to God. The meaning of this day is bringing joy to God. The celebration of this day comes on the foundation of God and His sons, on Jesus and his disciples. Without this understanding, there is no meaning to God's Day.'

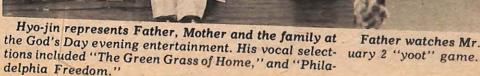
Father noted that the first God's Day was proclaimed ten years ago. In this eleventh anniversary, he said, we find that "in ten years we have made history." Even the gathering present in the Manhattan Center that morning, he said, representing all races and cultures, is "the dream of God realized."

Father encouraged the members to presevere in their faith and righteousness, particularly in the face of three great crises in the world today: the corruption of young people, and the rise of both anarchy and Communism. "We are going to overcome these crises," he said. 'We will go beyond the nation to love the world Our job is a tearful one, but we have vision and hope. Our feet are firmly planted on the firm ground of hope. Our hearts are filled with the hope of God."

Father concluded his morning speech by explaining that after we reach the moon, we should shoot for the sun and ultimately the heart of God. He alluded to words of astronaut Neil Armstrong when he landed on the moon ("One small step for man; one giant leap for mankind.") and said that we must march and leap forward to the goal in the new year.

Following the speech, Father made a scroll with the words "March and Leap" painted in Chinese characters. He and Mother concluded the morning program with the traditional cake-cutting.

Throughout the day members enjoyed a variety of activities, including examining exhibits of Church related activities, and watching the talent contest, lecture contest or film: "How to Succeed in Business without Really Trying." (See page 4 for photo-summary of activities and evening entertainment.) Then, on January 2, Father treated the visiting state directors to a performance of the Moscow Circus and a marathon "yoot" game, with himself officiating. On January 3, he spoke to the directors for twelve hours giving them substantial direction for fulfilling the goals of 1978. (See article on witnessing for specifics.)



Father watches Mr. Salonen take his turn in the Jan-

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