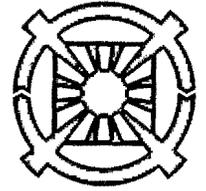


# Pioneer News



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"Witnessing is the highest practice of love!"

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Father Speaks at Barrytown

## Personal Responsibility

I want you to resemble me and become a small Sun Myung Moon, to become the core for other people. I do things centered on God's will, so when I say I want you to follow me, would you leave me? Even I cannot retreat. I always prayed before God that He would trust me; trust me, believe in me. At all costs I must educate and change the American people. I am going to re-educate our people to be able to educate other people. In one or two decades the American people will have their eyes opened and be able to see the truth. I can say that I will meet with anyone and prove that I have been more capable in changing the people. Whatever I establish I will make greater than those made by other hands. I am the one who will influence, but I will never be influenced myself. Are you like me?

When you are witnessing to the people and they are mean to you, you must educate and change them. When I walk down the street, I observe the people. I never walk absent-mindedly. Are you like that? Wherever you are, you must be like me. I never let go. Are you like that? With a righteous heart, with Divine Principle as a weapon, you must march forward and never be defeated. Are you confident? Can you say: God believe me; Father believe me; Unification Church you can rely on me. Without that confidence solidified in yourself, I cannot rely on you. You will go nowhere without that determination, that confidence.

In a sense, you cannot trust me, or even God; you can only trust yourself. If you have confidence that you can trust yourself, you are the most successful person. Can you say that you are born for this nation, this world? Or that what you do today is for the sake of others and not yourself? Can you trust yourself? If you are a person like that, I can trust you and rely on you.

Your own self is what counts or what matters. The sharper the saw is the better it cuts. The saw that can cut away evil from

good depends upon the blade. Not God but you yourselves is the matter. Your confidence is important. With determination, you must be able to say: If I die on the way, my sons and daughters will finish. If you think like that, you can succeed. If you have that strong attitude, whoever comes against you, you can lead the way.

Don't contemplate on how *we* should go, but on how *I* should go—each person. *I* is the person who always counts. If what you are on is in accordance with God, Father and the Unification Church, then you will be successful. Now you can say: this is *my* job, *my* God, *my* Father, *my* Unification Church helping me do my job, so I am the happiest person in the world.

If the manner of your advancing forward is like that, you will be more and more successful. Whose church is the Unification Church?—*my* church, *my* members, *my* God. Instead of thinking *our* something, think *my* something in the way of taking responsibility. I think of you in the same way—as *my* members. You are a part of me, so when you struggle hard, I feel that. I always think you are working so hard for the world. I am loving you and admiring you. If I produce more quality in you, I will be drawn to you and never be able to leave.

Think of the world a century later. Think how proud America will be of you. As it stands now, I am nothing because people don't recognize me. But after a century, they will recognize that I have done great things.

You are the history makers, and I want you to realize how important it is to carry out your mission in accordance with what I want

*Who will be the first  
witnessing tornado  
for Father?*



you to do. Then you will be long remembered in human history.

Everyone wants to be happy. After being happy myself, I can make others happy. You must be responsible over other people. You must think: I must be responsible over *my* church, *my* members. Why don't you think of Barrytown as *my* Barrytown. *I* will. If you are not like that, you are not resembling me, and then I cannot leave my kingdom to you.

Again I must tell you that everything starts with you. So you must think in the first person singular that you must be responsible for all things.

(Excerpts from talk to Barrytown trainees, September 15, 1975.)

## Barrytown Trainees

## Streetfighting for God with VOC

## Grateful for Struggles

Last week Phase I eagerly descended upon New York City to teach VOC. True to the pioneer spirit, they all wanted to go to the rock bottom of hell, which in this case was communist saturated Greenwich Village. One tribe was chosen to infiltrate Washington Square Park. Michael Beard recounts their experience:

The day was going along and people were getting into it but they really weren't getting into it because it is more difficult to heartistically unite with VOC. They couldn't feel God's spirit so much as if they were teaching Divine Principle. There was not the feeling of anyone breaking through or crushing the heart of satan and filling the empty spot with God's spirit. So we began to think what we could do. Then we got the idea to have a rally. I felt that God would work in an incredible way if we put people together in a rally because God was looking for a voice to speak to the people of Washington Square Park, and more important, He was looking for a voice to speak to New York City. I felt that individually they couldn't do it, but collectively they would represent one voice for Heavenly Father.

As soon as we drew together, people began to gather. There was from 150 upwards to 200 or even 300 at various intervals. When we were confronted with satan in such a dramatic way, a deep unity began to develop. In spite of shouting and accusations, our members became more determined and I began to feel this incredible presence. I felt the spirit of Father just settle into all of our members. It was like there was one shaft of energy coming down into all of us, and going out of us into this crowd.

At one point Jim Cowin began speaking and the crowd immediately closed in around him. Then two of our members intuitively scooted right in to protect him. It was like a solid rock and no one dared enter into that spiritual circle. They could shout and accuse, but no one could enter into that sphere. Jim really gave a powerful lecture, very direct. And we rolled out a banner that said: "COMMUNISM ITSELF IS WRONG," clearly stating our position.

Before the rally was over, one man began harrassing Jim. Then another man who wanted to listen told him to be quiet and finally physically threw him into the crowd to get him away from Jim. Then he turned around and said to Jim: Okay, go ahead. At that point the spirit of the crowd really changed. There was someone in the crowd standing up for us. Among satan's own ranks there was someone who was taking the Abel position. More and more we felt that we were penetrating and driving satan back and driving him out. So many people had a very profound experience in seeing how Heavenly Father could work.

When we went back to our boards, people were teaching very strongly and loudly. They really had God's power and God's spirit. It made satan so angry. People began coming over and knocking our boards down. I was very moved by one brother who had his board and stand smashed to the ground. He just stood there straddling his broken board and didn't budge an inch. Then I saw a tear roll down his cheek; but he kept teaching. And all I could feel was that instead of rising up in anger, he had this

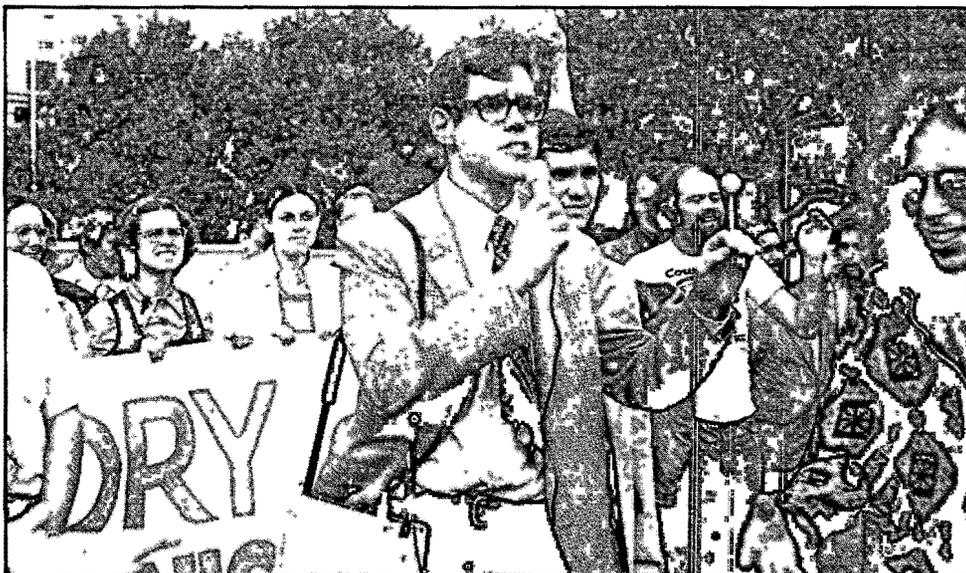
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*A testimony of New York City Pioneering by Pat St. Onge.*

As soon as our trinity was formed, there was a conflict because there was heart, intellect and I was will, but we could not bring them together. They were just three separate aspects of God. And as we began to pioneer more and more, each of us was going more and more our own way. At first the atmosphere in our house was so high that people asked to come home with us and be taught. But as each of us became more centered on our own problems, the atmosphere went down, and I began losing my relationship with True Parents. So I began to focus on: how can I overcome my problems? I couldn't find a solution because I was looking in my own situation to solve my own problems. That's not where the answer was.

I had a spiritual child who was very precious to me. He had heard all of Principle and was ready to go to a workshop, and I wanted to give him True Parents before he went. So I told him Father's life course. And then he said, "You have such a wonderful Father." I said, "He's not just my Father." And from that moment, he began calling Father "Father." He went to 3 days and is now in 7 days and already talking about when he will be a Pioneer! And it became clear to me that the only way we can find or have a relationship with True Parents is to give them to others.

I went to 3 days workshop with him and was asked to give a testimony on God. I wasn't feeling so connected, but I said I would do it. So I went to pray, but I couldn't pray. I just couldn't decide what I was going to do. So I started crying, and finally I said, "Heavenly Father, all I can do is sing you a song." So I began singing and sang many, many songs to Heavenly Father. Then it was time for my testimony. I spoke on how I had never recognized God before, but as I was talking, I realized that all those times I hadn't experienced God I had been experiencing God, but I just hadn't labelled it that. So I finished my testimony and said, "Heavenly Father needs to sing you a song," and sang "Oh My Child Come Home Again." And it was an incredible experience because Heavenly Father was singing to them. I really felt that any small condition we do Heavenly Father grabs up and uses. Just singing a song; just giving to those brothers and sisters, even though I didn't feel so close to Heavenly Father, after



that testimony, I felt close to Heavenly Father. I felt like He was right here.

After that, my high lasted two days. Then I began to feel depressed. And I couldn't understand why because I knew Heavenly Father was working, but I felt so accused from many, many things. I had a system of checks and balances. I would do a bad condition and then I would do a good condition to come back to zero point. It got so that I wasn't going anywhere. I was just balancing out my bad conditions and good conditions.

Everyone in our trinity was going in different directions. So I called Margaret Herbers, our I.W., and said that we had to see her. Four days in a row I had written in my journal, "I am so self-centered." I wrote it four days but I didn't do anything about it except write it. Then Mrs. Herbers told us the same thing: If you focus on yourself, you lose sight of the mission, of the purpose of the whole. Each person was being drained by his own problems. So we all went home determined that each person was going to work for the mission.

Then we had our first international dinner and invested everything we had into it and again God could come. One woman, who had come thinking we were a Catholic group, became negative, but we just loved her and sang and invested everything. Everyone of us gave everything we had to this lady and everyone else felt that.

So I found out that Heavenly Father doesn't love us less for bad conditions. But when we make good conditions, we release Him; we really liberate Him so that He can use us. And that's why the conditions we make are so important. Even a small thing like determining to find the keypoint everyday. I pray to find it, and then I do, and I know it's exactly what I need to know at that time. Everyone always talks about doing conditions for your children. It's so true. If my spiritual child is in 7 day workshop and I can't be with him to love him, by pouring everything I have into everyone I meet, I set a condition for him to have a victory in the 7 day workshop. It's so incredible how Heavenly Father is so anxious to use every one of us! Because we decided that we are not so much concerned with ourselves, our whole trinity could have external results, and we now have people in 3, 7 and 21 day workshops. These results could come because we went outside of ourselves.

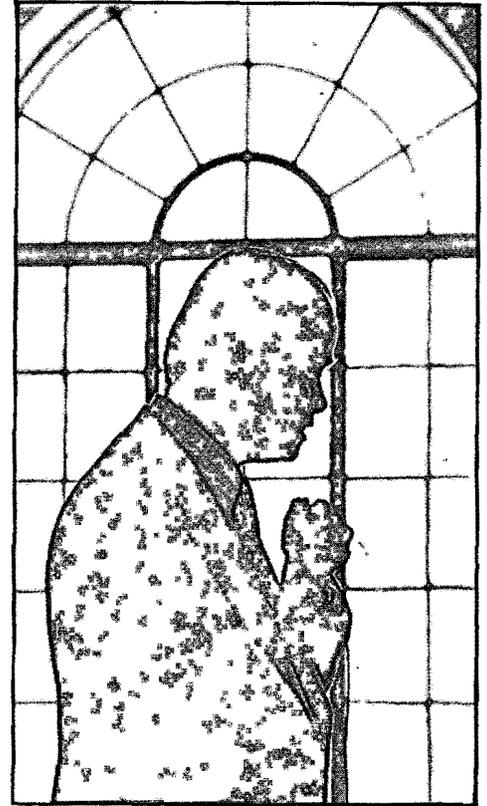
The more I experience pioneering, the more I know we can do it. It's just incredible that we are here. Pioneering has got to be the most incredible life any one of us can have! We develop our own personality and we really learn the heart of our True Parents. So we have to be grateful for our struggles because that is where we can grow. One day

## Mr. Sudo Speaks to Pioneers Be the Pacemaker

Father persevered on the sea for forty days. For three weeks Father couldn't catch any fish. He just persevered. He went out earlier than others and came back later, but while other boats caught many fish, the Messiah could catch no fish. Why? Then a big tuna came and we chased after it for maybe one or two hours. It came close to the boat, but the line broke. The more difficult it is, the more indemnity Father pays. Therefore, the more the difficulty is the closer you are coming to success. This is Father's course. Therefore, the longer the time of difficulty, the more hopeful Father is. Each day became one day closer to fulfilling the mission. This is Father's idea. You must inherit this idea. You must think that today I am closer to gaining my spiritual child because of the indemnity I paid. The longer the time of incapable witnessing, the more hopeful you should become. Please take this idea.

We must keep the witnessing spirit. Then millions of love bombs should be exploded all over America. Be Cain to Cain. Be a servant of servants. By serving, we can show love. You are in the Abel position and Abel should serve Cain. By serving you can get great victory, so don't forget the serving spirit, the loving spirit.

Heaven and earth are coming closer because of the 3rd seven year course, so God can work on any small condition. Even a



small prayer condition can be accepted. As long as it is based on love, it will work.

Let us be the pacemaker to save the world. The pace you set is the pace all others must follow.

**"WHEN YOU FEEL EXHAUSTED  
AND DISCOURAGED,  
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WITHDRAWING, REMEMBER  
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TIRING BATTLE, AND RISE  
AGAIN. FOR I AM NOT YET  
TIRED, NOR AM I  
DISCOURAGED."**

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I was totally wiped out and reached my lowest point. And when I got there, I realized that Heavenly Father was there. Heavenly Father was that depressed, that worried, that upset, that panicky. And then, because I saw Him there, I felt that I had to get Him out of there and then I began to move. So we must be grateful for our struggles. Once we learn to deal with them, then we can help others to deal with theirs. That's how we are going to build the Kingdom of Heaven of earth.

## Keypoints from the Field

*John Gehring*

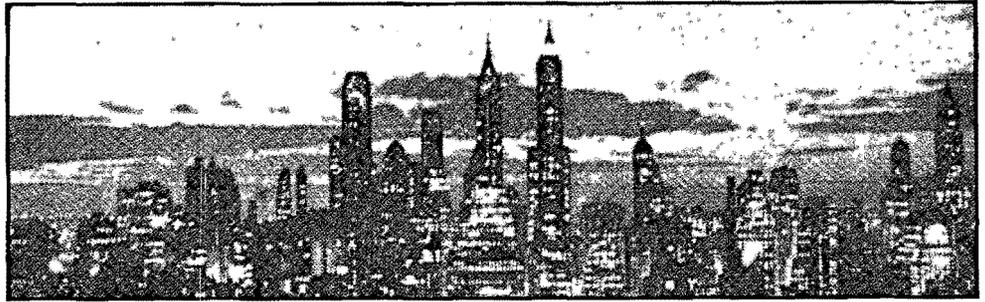
The important thing to learn about Father is that the closer we get to Father the more Satan is there. The more responsibility we have the more we are going to be challenged, and the more we can do for Father. The more we are challenged the more we can grow and the more we have to give, the more we can learn how to live, the more we can be the people we always wanted to be. The closer we come to God the more we receive from God. The more we receive from God the more we can give to our brothers and sisters, and the quicker we can build the Kingdom of Heaven on earth. We want it so much. We all have to realize we can do it and we all have to do it.

# A Challenge From Texas

Kevin McCarthy, recently assigned to Texas, and Mayumi Fujii, Japanese I. W. for the state, have developed strong unity, based on their common desire to "bring the people to Father." When Kevin first arrived, he was amazed at the depth of Mayumi's prayers, and is eager to learn and inherit everything from her. At the same time, he wants to retain the enthusiasm and standard of love and heart he gained from Barrytown training.

Kevin reports that Texas wants to be the first to bring victory for Father, to be the spearhead. "If we can fulfill the goal, then Father can have hope. Our mission is beyond Texas. We are strongly determined to inspire all our Pioneers by cracking through first."

Kevin has a vision of "a strong dike surrounding America, holding an ocean. The dike represents Satan's forces, and the waters are the people of our land. As soon as one drop of water seeps through the wall, Father can have hope. Then come several more drops, then a trickle, then a fissure, and as the dike breaks, the ocean surges forward in a great flood of men, following behind True Parents. Soon after the first drop appears, all the Pioneers will surge forward with a flood of spiritual children. Texas wants desperately to be the first drop to give Heavenly Father hope after 6000 years of drought. So let's challenge each other! Let's move out!"



## Hey! What's Going On...?

While Paul Dwyer was riding the subway one day, a young man and woman got on carrying leaflets. As soon as the train started, the girl jumped up and said, "Everybody, attention! We are here to organize workers of New York. We will hand out leaflets for a big rally tomorrow night." Paul, recognizing communist tactics, stood up and began explaining to the people that this is how the communists operate. His words met with ridicule and scorn until he became so desperate that he asked them if they wanted to happen here what happened in Vietnam, and began to cry. Then people began listening and could recognize the communist deception.

Mary Moriarty has witnessed to folk singer Phoebe Snow, who has had many spiritual experiences and is interested in our church, but is currently involved in cutting a

new album and short on time. But Mary feels that with many people praying for her, she will come.

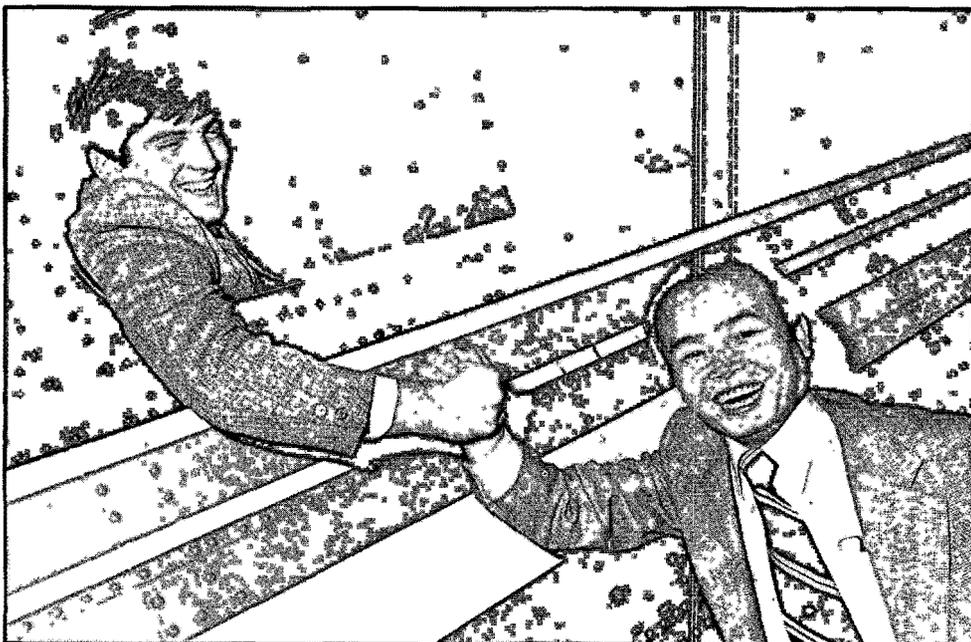
Donna MacMillan, who is voiceless from street-preaching so fervently, remains the top fundraiser in New Mexico by carrying a sign which reads: "My youth group has 3,000,000,000 of these to sell; if you buy 1, then we will only have 2,999,999,999 left. Thank you."

Thedoria Baker's Pioneer family has proclaimed every Sunday "Learn to Love Day." They take two or three of their core contacts on a picnic or to the Statue of Liberty, and concentrate on giving love to those people all day long. So if anyone feels he can't give from his heart, he can work on overcoming that every Sunday. All three guests from last weekend's outing attended the workshop this weekend.

*What is the meaning of 1-1-3?*

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tremendous compassion and felt that if only they knew what we were really doing; if only they knew how much God loved them and wanted to help them. That was the whole spirit I could feel from him. And many times people would give out that kind of love.

Many people could really feel how God was capable of working through them, even in a very dangerous situation of teaching anticommunism to communists. Even though they didn't know the lectures so well, didn't have such a tremendous command of the material, they could still know God could come to them and work.



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