



Letter from the Publisher

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in All Nations,

In this, the season of abundant harvest, I pray that your families be filled with God and True Parents' grace. I long to visit each one of you personally and share about our situations all night. I feel so much regret that reality doesn't allow me to do so. So, I am taking pen in hand with the hope of sharing my heart with the members who are living in the age of today's providence, though no doubt sharing is limited through the pages of a magazine. I am sincerely grateful to those who are serving the church with unchanging hearts toward heaven even when times have become troubled because of the recent terrorist onslaught in America, her retaliation and most recently the biochemical attacks on American citizens.

I can't help feeling grateful and deeply impressed when I think of members who are making sincere effort toward True Parents' victory and observing our traditions as blessed families in complex social conditions while trying to fulfill their providential responsibilities. Though I say to myself that I am doing the best I can as the church president, there is no way to express how inadequate to the task I am. In spite of that, you are constantly praying for and encouraging me, and there is no way I can thank you properly. Even though my heart is sinful, I am exerting myself, while always thinking about God and True Parents, and about our members.

Dear, beloved members, we are walking the truly righteous and meaningful path of the providence. In attending True Parents, we are creating our present reality and a history of the providence that can never be erased. Sometimes, we might feel exhausted amid heavy responsibilities and wish to rest. Still, if we reflect a little longer, we will find that no road is more precious than the one we are walking on. The men of power and leaders of the world of two thousand years ago have all disappeared from the stage of history. However, certain fishermen, tax collectors, beggars, and even more remarkably, women with a background of prostitution, have a place in the hearts of today's Christians. This proves there is great meaning and value in a providentially significant life.

On what kind of road have True Parents been walking? Hasn't Father sacrificed himself during the eighty-some years of his life only for the liberation of God, the salvation of humanity and the realization of a world of peace? If it had been for his own glory, why would he have undergone such hardships? Aren't True Parents the ones who have continually embraced communists and Christians, people who persecuted them and even wanted them dead, and thus gained victory by completely restoring horizontally, through indemnity, the history of the vertical providence?

Finally, they offered to God, the Lord of Creation, His throne through the coronation of God's kingship, and have led us to the position of original children through the registration blessing. We are witnesses who have directly observed that all of these are nothing less than the fruit of blood, sweat and tears.

Brothers and sisters, who are we? If we didn't consider Principle and the providence, we would not be able to find any meaning in life. However, if we examine ourselves closely from the standpoint of the words of the Principle and God's providence of salvation, the existence of which we cannot deny, we are truly precious people living a life of victory and honor. Tainted with the original sin of the evil blood lineage, we have received the blessing and inherited the blood lineage of goodness through True Parents. Even though we have not fulfilled our providential responsibility, we have become tribal messiahs and finally fourth Adams and central blessed families through the registration blessing. That we are attending True Parents, who have come for the first time in human history, and living the life of the fourth Adam is incalculable in its significance, Noah, Abraham or Moses in providential history... who can possibly be compared to us? Reflecting seriously on the significance of the providence in our lives, let us be deeply grateful once more to True Parents who have given us grace.

Today, we are living in a historic time, the year 2001. I believe that no year in human history—which is the history of God's providence of salvation—has been more important than this year. It is because a new world, the original world of creation, has opened with people (fourth Adams) and all things centered on God's kingship. Coming generations will probably define the significance of the year 2001 by denoting it "the first year of the kingship of God." True Parents held the Coronation Ceremony for the Kingship of God in January and, on the foundation of the victory of the fifty-state speaking tour in America—the second Israel and the restored elder son nation, held a speaking tour for the Settlement of God's Fatherland (in July) and will hold the "Speaking Tour for the Unified Nation of Cosmic Peace" from October 29 to November 8 in Korea.

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The Providential Meaning of Pal Jeong Shik

The 13th Celebration of the Ceremony of the Eight Stages

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These excerpts from Father's speech have been translated from the transcript of the recorded words of True Father at the Pal Jeong Shik ceremony on August 31st, in Korea.

ROM now on, you should not distinguish between people by nationality. You should be able to see them as your own family members regardless of racial and national differences. Those who are blessed in this new age cannot just belong to a nation that began with Satan. Germans are not Germans; they are family members from Germany. They are your brothers and sisters. Do you understand? [Yes.]

Unificationist brothers and sisters must not see brothers and sisters from Japan just as Japanese, but they should be able to see them as heavenly family members who happen to have been born in Japan. The same goes for Russians and Americans as well. You should call them brothers and sisters from Russia or America. You must not acknowledge Satan's national boundaries.

The heavenly nation, one world, is not yet realized. If you distinguish between your

brothers and sisters solely by nationality and do not truly see them as your family members, you are admitting the fact that you still belong to the satanic world. Do you see my point? [Yes.] The world must not be divided by national boundaries. Only because the world is still satanic do people differentiate one person from another by nationality. We must see the world as one nation, one world under God. We are all in the same blessed family.

What do you call the rite of giving holy wine to a fetus in a mother's womb? It is a rite of rebirth. Those who go through the rite of rebirth within the womb must go through the rite of revival at kindergarten age, middle or high school age. After going through the rites of rebirth and revival, the next level of blessing is the rite of eternal life. [In Korean, Father uses the words Joongsaeng-shik, Buhwal-shik and Yeongsaengshik] All three stages of the blessing should have been accomplished. The thing is that you did not fulfill your responsibilities. Because your country (Korea) did not fulfill its responsibility, the entire providence was prolonged. Because, thanks to God's blessing, we see the world as one centering on blessed families there cannot be differences between Germany, England, Japan, Korea and so forth. Centering on God, we should not call our brothers and sisters from Germany "German" but simply our "brothers" or "sisters," or "family members." We can call them "German brothers or sisters,"

but the center should not be their nationality but rather the blood lineage we share thanks to the blessing. You are all real brothers and sisters who have the same Parents—God. The question you must ask yourselves is how you will have a brotherly heart towards all the people in hell when you go to the spirit world. Hell should not remain hell forever.

When you look at hell, you must have enough compassion to see the people there as your own family members or relatives whom you must liberate. In the same way that you take care of your family members—your parents, your brothers and sisters, your grandparents, your children and grandchil-

dren-you must take care of those in hell. Think of them as members of your extended family. You, who have served God on earth, must work hard to create the unified heavenly kingdom when you go to the spirit world. You should ask someone where he is from not because he looks different but simply because you live in different places. The answer should not be that he is German or any other nationality. If the answer is "I am German" or "I am Korean" or "I am Japanese," they are not act-

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The August 31st Pal Jeong Shik celebration

ing as blessed family members. Every single country in this world was created by Satan. From now, we must create heavenly families centering on God with all our hearts and be the people of the one world of the godly kingdom on earth and in heaven.

We are progressing towards fulfilling the goal of the *Pal Jeong* ceremony. It has been thirteen years. It is now the age of God's kingship. Eight months have passed since the establishment of His kingship. Because it is time for you to return to your hometown, starting today, as August ends and September begins, the satanic world can be defeated. Because now the satanic world and the world of nature have been dominated, those of you who received training this time must go back to where you came from and teach people about nature as nature's true masters. That is the main purpose of the workshop this time.

When you talk about the way of God's will, you should understand that it is not someone else's way, but yours. It's not just Father's but really yours. Your will. Do you understand? [Yes.] You should now be able to cross the boundaries made at the time of restoration through indemnity. Boundaries and environments are changing. You should not have as many boundaries as you used to have. Nothing should be able to stop you from going anywhere in the world. You can go anywhere freely with brotherly love and on behalf of True

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Parents. You have entered that kind of time zone. With that in mind, the blessed families should have one unified heart. Only then, can you inherit the Kingdom of Heaven. Only then can you be sons and daughters of God.

Through the ceremony of the eight stages, I completed the vertical and horizontal eight stages all together. Although I have purged the environment, those of you holding on to that will have a different direction from God in the spirit world. The angle of the sunlight at noon is ninety degrees. If you have an even slightly different angle from that ninety degrees, you may end up very far away from the original point. That means if you have a different angle from the main providence, your families will end up too far away from God to meet Him directly even in the spirit world. Therefore, I advise you to gather your wits before it's too late. The purpose of all the proclamations we have made was to hold the ceremony for God's coronation so that we can be patriots, saints and holy

people in His kingdom. To realize His hope we had to prepare a foundation to establish His kingship. Now, the King (God) has to be born again; the King of true filial piety, the King of true patriotism, the King of true sainthood, the King of true holiness and the King of true divinity. Because of the fall, the Creator, God, became the God of sorrow, but now He is the victorious God who has successfully completed the restoration providence. Only on the foundation made by successful restoration, can His kingship be established.

The Pal Jeong Ceremony was to have been the procedure to establish His kingship, but it has been an obstacle. Based on the Pal Jeong ceremony, the following day (September 1, 1988) was the declaration of the Realm of the Ideology of Heavenly Father (Cheon Bu Ju-eui), which came into existence for the

first time in history centering on the new kingship.

You have learned Unification Thought and the Principle. You know the content of the providence of restoration. The next step is unifying the world of ideologies, the religious world, the world of media and the academic world. Through this workshop, I hope that you are better prepared to carry out your mission. Now, you must inherit God's royal authority and become the victorious people to liberate God, the Parents of Heaven and Earth, and all the royal family.

So far, the Parents of Heaven and Earth have not been liberated. The right environment has not been prepared yet. To make the perfect environment, centering on the registered families, the Parents of Heaven and Earth should make complete unity with the second and the third generations. But where are the second and the third generations to work together? We simply do not have enough people, therefore, we cannot create one people and one world. You should not even speak of country names. Satan takes great advantage of people due to the divisions between different

countries. Germany, France, Britain, the U.S.A. and the Soviet Union all took advantage of other countries in the name of their national interests. They have been slaves to Satan. They have even turned against religions. They have all embraced humanism, denied God and eventually fallen into the trap of seeking only physical pleasure. Materialists also deny God. With Liberation Theology, even religious people have proclaimed that God is dead. We must untangle all these problems with our own hands. Do you understand?

We held the *Pal Jeong* ceremony after the Korean Olympics. The Olympics saw a division between the Western countries on the side of the United States and those on the side of the Soviet Union. At the Seoul Olympics, though, all the countries could come together in Korea. The most able athletes came to Korea and competed against each other as representatives of the Cain side. However, as representatives of the Abel side, our church missionaries came to Korea from their mission

Father and Mother sit close while fishing off Cheju Island



countries to support the athletes. They did the best they could to make the condition of loving their mission countries unconditionally. To support them I gave away a total of about 24 billion won worth of gifts to the athletes. As a result, many of the athletes said that they wanted to marry Korean people and stay in Korea for good. Some of them even gave me gifts of the medals they'd won.

I did what Korea as a nation could not do. Centering on the unifying point, we began with 160 families in 160 countries. We put everything in the right order by going through the eight vertical and eight horizontal stages. We have not come this far easily. It took us twelve years. Now, we are making a new start with the ideology of Heavenly Father. We thought about holding this celebration in Kodiak, but we chose Cheju Island instead. At this time of year, there are not enough fish in Cheju, so many fishermen do not even go out to sea, but we caught many fish. Other fishermen came after us. It was very strange. Even yesterday, the weather forecast

predicted that it would be stormy with a lot of rain and wind, but the sky was clear and there was a bright shining moon as if to congratulate us on our cultural festival.

Wherever I go, things work out miraculously. When I was going to Alaska, people told me that I should not go there. I do not know whether God likes me or the place likes me or, maybe, the fish there like me. Somehow things worked out very well for me there, too. The environment seems to welcome me wherever I go. God protects us. The realm of God's liberation is at hand, thanks to His grace. You must be grateful.

Then how do we set up

kingship? Do you understand the establishment of kingship? We can totally subjugate Satan. Are your minds and bodies saying "O" or "X"? [Teachers in Korea and elsewhere mark a student's answer as correct with an "O" and as incorrect with an "X"] Aren't your minds and bodies struggling? They are fighting right now. It means that your minds and bodies are saying "X." You must turn the present situation upside down and downside up.

Because heaven is down, if you want to go to heaven, you must go down to the bottom. Humanity is situated where false love should change to true love and false lineage should change into true lineage. Everything should change. Those who create complete unity with God centering on true love must unify their minds and bodies and their families. If parents make complete unity with God, their children can only say "O." There won't be any X's. Those families can create God's nation. There will be always O's in that world. You know yourselves the best. You know the right way to live.

Are your minds and bodies united? That is why you always have to welcome God, Jesus and the Second Coming into your lives. If you center your lives on the Second Coming, Jesus and God will naturally come into your lives; so will all humanity. Once you set up the right tradition, humanity will instinctively follow you to the original world. Just like all things change following the changing of the sun. All things in darkness will head toward the light naturally. Even if you do not try to live righteous lives, you may all of a sudden came to hate evil habits. You will simply become sick of evil. You will just hate drinking and all other evil practices.

When I eat rice, I can immediately tell if it has been prepared with a truly serving heart or not. My hand naturally knows and does not even go to food that was not prepared with the right heart. It just does not move. You may think that it is something I do consciously, but actually, that is not the case. My hand simply does not move toward rice that hasn't been prepared by someone with a good conscience. Those who prepare my meals have noticed it for a long time. Things they'd buy with sincere a heart, I would eat enthusiastically, even if they were not especially well cooked. But if they'd cook something with the thought of wanting to give it to their mothers, fathers or husbands, I would not touch the food, even if it were cooked especially well. Isn't that strange? But

that is how my mind works.

When I need to decide what I should do, I do not pray. I simply ask myself. "Shall I go or not?" If it is the way to go, my mind will start before my body. That way, my mind sets the right direction for my body. That is the way you can also be protected by God, and everything somehow works out wherever you go. Do you understand? [Yes.]

As the Heavenly Father's realm has been made real, it is time to save your relatives. Your relatives have opposed you until now. Your nations have opposed you. Formation stage! Growth stage! Completion stage! Since we have reached the completion

level, even if you accidentally fall from your bed and break your legs or even your skull, you can still go to heaven. God will fix you and send you there. So, what is there to worry about? Simply leave it all up to God. You must be the princes who can establish the realm of Heavenly Father's kingship. From now, you must save your relatives. Invite your clan and hold a great feast for all of them, and then have them drink the holy wine and purify them with holy salt.

Sharing a holy meal, holy wine and holy salt is so much more precious than anything in the thousands of years of your entire ancestry. So you must determine that "not a soul from my clan should miss this, otherwise, they may end up at the bottom of hell." Do you understand? [Yes.]...

Even those who are at the bottom of hell can be registered into the heavenly realm. You cannot exchange this opportunity with anything in the world, even with the world itself or the entire cosmos. It is that precious. So, are you going to do it or not? [We will!]...

When I met Gorbachev in the Soviet Union, I could see more clearly that the final obstacle for humanity is finding the quality of heart within oneself to love their enemy nations. God told us to love our enemies. Russians should marry Americans; Russians should marry Chinese; Russians should marry Germans.... Intermarriage between those from enemy



nations can create world peace in an instant. How should we teach people to do that? We should teach them about God and the Kingdom of Heaven. Then, there won't be any problem. Am I right or wrong? [Right.]...

Why do we have five senses? They are for God! Why does God like us to have five senses? Because they are the foundation for us to find true love. When a man and woman come together, they can be one centering on their sexual organs, concave and convex; they fit perfectly. Wherever one goes, the other follows, even in death. Do you want to create such a bond of destiny with your spouse? [Yes!]...

Now the time during which Satan rules over the world based on the divisions between nations is coming to an end. Since God's kingship has been established, we put Him as the first ancestor, Adam and Eve the second, and their descendants as the third, fourth, fifth, sixth... thousandth, ten thousandth... Likewise, there is only one way of going straight to the heavenly kingdom on earth and in heaven,

one and only one tradition. That is the conclusion.

Our movement has faced opposition from society, but now we are to take responsibility for this area of a new direction within society. People have become fallen, maintaining history's horizontal standard. Beginning within each family, we should help the fallen world set up the right tradition and standard to be God's children. Vertically on behalf of God and horizontally on behalf of True Parents, we should help the world to build one nation of God with the ideal of the heavenly kingdom on earth and in heaven, an ideal in which equality and harmony for

every individual and every family within that entire nation is forever protected. That is the perfection of the four-position foundation.

The perfection of the four-position foundation means the completion of three ages: those of the Old, the New and the Completed Testaments. Humanity did not have the right parents, ancestors, spouses or children. Only in the Completed Testament Age could we make the foundation for the right parents to live with us. We should be the ones who embody the essence of the common ideal of the Old, New and Completed Testament Ages and complete the four-position foundation, fulfilling the three-object purpose. If you set up the right tradition of God, He will want to come and live with you. The Messiah will want to come to you, too. Families of filial piety, of patriotism and of holiness will want to come to your family.

Members of central blessed families should have answers for the issues revolving around the relationship between parents and children, and between husbands and wives. Blessed families should complete the family ideals of the Old, New and Completed Testament Ages.

Originally, we were to be the central beings who took the straight road from the heavenly kingdom on earth to the heavenly kingdom in heaven. We were originally supposed to inherit ownership over the ideal nation and the world of eternity centered on the standard of mainstream families, tribes, nations and the world. The foundation for this was to have been blood relatives [a tribe] and a nation. All these were lost because of the fall, therefore, the spirit world and the physical world are dysfunctional and disfigured. True Parents have to establish a model family and above that, have to expand that model to the tribal level....

God's most valuable assets are love, life and lineage. You must become the true self that has the same love as God's love, the same life as God's life, the same lineage as God's lineage. You must know that, as a subject centered on God's love and blood lineage, you can stand as His equal from beginning to end with no difference in position.

The lineage is the thing. Love and life are only for one generation. Just for one generation. They pass. No matter how much a couple loves each other, their generation will pass away someday. However, their children are connected to them

by blood, and their children's children—on down through the generations, it will continue forever. Whether or not the children go up or down from the standard their parents established is a very serious matter. In the world of love, truth and true lineage, people want others, especially their children, to be better than themselves.

When you plant a seed, you do not expect to harvest only a single fruit from it. More is always better. Farmers expect to see ten times, a hundred times, or, if possible, one thousand times return in terms of fruit from the seed they have sown. Based on your blessed families, you will have descendants one

thousand and ten thousand generations from now. Can you be really sure all the things you determine here and now will remain unchanged even a thousand generations from now? Can your descendants of a thousand generations from now be exemplary representatives of the main path to heaven? When you really think about it, isn't it a serious matter?...

In the library, there are documents opposing God and the Unification movement. What did they oppose us with? They did not oppose us as individuals, but did so wielding national authority. They oppressed and cheated us. All the tragedies though history perpetrated by dictators were enacted with national authority. After the end of World War II, the newly-established United Nations went beyond national-level interests. So did communism. Communism was based on the idea of one world. It's ideal was actually beyond that of the UN.

The first thing we have to do is to set up a nation. Global communism fell to the national and then the tribal level in front of Reverend Moon. Democracy has also fallen from the worldwide ideal to the national level. They are supposed to go down like that. The national level ideal should be achieved by the establishment of a nation and the ideal of one world then inherited. To do that within the religious sphere we should proclaim Godism, the absolute truth, which opposes communist materialism. We should teach people the truth so



that we can establish a period of paying back our enemies, not with hatred and vengeance, but by embracing them with true love. We must set up that kind of tradition. For the sake of that very undertaking, we have endured for so long.

What we absolutely need is proper families. What is next? Your nations. Your nations are in fact God's enemies. Your nations hurt God in the name of national interests. Your nations did not hesitate to make others bleed and to reject them for the sake of your national interests. Your nations planted the seed of hatred in the world. All the things piled up in your national museums are proof for your nations' evil crimes. Do you think God wants to see such historical records of having shed blood? Regardless of national boundaries, people should voluntarily follow. The Germans, the British, the French, the Italians, the Americans should all volunteer to be the representatives of God. That way, any trace of Satan will be done away with in this world eternally and completely.

From this point of view, we obviously need good families, moreover, a good nation. We also need to make a strong tie with the UN. I founded IIFWP and WANGO. I have made all

the conditions. Now, you have to study how to win the final battle. In a court of law, attorneys win by successfully persuading jurors or judges. Likewise, you must successfully persuade the world, as the best lawyers would do. Therefore, you must clearly understand the satanic tradition of the evil world, and the heavenly tradition of the good world and testify in front of Satan, "Because you are a betrayer of history and have blocked humanity from going the righteous course, you are clearly in the position of the archenemy of God's

providence." However as God is one who loves even His enemies, He has emphasized the idea of intermarrying between those from enemy nations or groups. From this, the heavenly kingdom of peace, the earthly kingdom of peace that no one can touch, the world of the heavenly kingdom of unification will come about. Amen? [Amen.]...

Today, we are celebrating the *Pal Jeong Shik* holy day. The vertical eight stages of individual, family, clan, tribe, nation, world, cosmos and God are the eight stages. Humanity has lost the vertical center. It is indeed amazing that we have established the realm of one heart that can combine all the different stages of individual, family, clan, tribe, nation, world, and cosmos despite the fact that they are not really united as yet. On the day following *Pal Jeong Shik*, I proclaimed the Realm of the Ideology of Heavenly Father at the time of the Seoul Olympics. It was a very serious time....

Your families have destinies. Whether you want it or not, the task of persuading inhospitable nations and the world to welcome God's way is on your shoulders. Do you understand that clearly? [Yes, we do.] Do not become hypocritical leaders. How many times should you cause God to cry over you? If I cry, God cries with me. Is there any way for me and for you to run from our destinies? None! If I want to give my life, I should either go to the deepest part of the Pacific Ocean or to Mt. Everest in the Himalayas. I could not think of doing it in any lesser place. I think I could do it in those places because I

think God could not catch me there. That is how I think. With such a desperate mind, I pioneer the way.

You frauds! You should be 100 percent pure gold, but you wouldn't even qualify as copper! You couldn't qualify as silver slurry or even steel!... You must absolutely practice the Family Pledge! You must absolutely become true parents. You must put down roots of absolute true love, true life and true lineage. If you put down roots, the central root grows out connecting to the central bud that helps the tree grow straight up for thousands of years. Even if you cut all the branches from that strongly and deeply rooted tree, the branches will grow back every year. The essential thing is the central root, the central trunk and the central bud. For you to be in the center you must always educate yourselves to have true faith and conviction.

You must arm yourselves with the Principle. With it you have the central root, central trunk and central bud that can embrace the philosophies of the world. When spring comes—spring will come for the Unificationist community—all the branches connected to that center will bloom and eventually

create an evergreen garden. When the time comes, the Principle should be able to absorb everything. When I need to, I will cut those falsely grown branches of yours. I will cut your branches and graft on a healthy one. That is, in fact, the blessing. You should bless your living relatives going back three generations. First, you should bless your brothers and sisters, then your fathers and, lastly, your grandfatherssymbolizing the perfection of the Old, New and Completed Testament Ages. That is how you can be messiahs for

your own families. You can be true parents, that way. Do you understand? Without unifying families, nations and the world, we can never purge Satan from this world. How can you build God's temple in Satan's garden? You tell me. How can you build God's home if it is filled with Satan's dirt and bloodstains? You must clean all that up.

In the spirit world, the patriots, saints and holy people are called German patriots or German saints and so forth. Satan says, "Thank you" for that. Because people are evaluated and blessed after being sorted out by nationality, which is Satan's creation, he's thankful. Satan should be disassociated from every nation's culture, heritage, legacy and land as soon as possible. God needed to solve all the ideological questions by teaching us the new truth. All previous teachings came to be hindrances after some period of time. Therefore they should be cleared away and let go of. You need Unification Thought. You also need to understand Godism and Adamism....

Why do you need a family? Everyone needs a place in which to settle. Why do you need a nation? For the same reason that you need a family. You need to know the Unificationist ideology—that is, God's providence for salvation—and V.O.C. theory to save the world and to create a new history. People should naturally surrender to the Principle and sort out their own lives for themselves. If we do it for them, they will feel ashamed. This world has to be cleaned up. People must put God's word first to create a unified culture and



eventually a unified world. Only then can the heavenly kingdom of liberation on earth and in heaven be actualized.

What is the biggest problem we have? The biggest problem in establishing God's kingship is to keep our blood lineage pure. Once you are married, the most important value you should have is fidelity. What is the second most important value? [Human rights.] The equality of all people, brotherly love between different races. There cannot be racial discrimination in God's Kingdom. The white, black and yellow races split apart from Noah's family. Noah's three sons, Shem, Ham and Japheth were the first ancestors of the three different races. The three different races were and are, in fact, direct brothers. You are all brothers and sisters from the same parents. To find your forgotten hometown, you must first recognize your own brothers. You must also recognize who your ancestors are. Don't you think so? Saint Paul did not know that God was his Father and that all humanity must unify into one with the same blood lineage. That was the reason he had to suffer so much in his life. Everything is simple in the next world. It is our destiny to be with God as our Parent in true love, true life and true lin-

eage. You need to know this. The question you must ask yourself is how much you really feel the sorrows of God and True Parents in your heart and bones in your daily life. When you epitomize God's word, the final and the most important message is the Total Living Offering. What it indicates is that you must deny everything of yourselves. Do you know what I am talking about? We have entered the realm of the Total Living Offering. That is why you should never char-

acterize your own brothers and sisters by nationality. There cannot be a Japan or Japanese people. Japan owns nothing of this world. It is a big problem if you go to the spirit world without having done the Total Living Offering. I announced this quite some time ago. Delaying for months and months is a big problem. You might lose many hundreds or thousands of generations in the spirit world. Do you understand, you miscreants? [Yes.] I raised hundreds of billions of won to save this world, but I have nothing of my own....

True Parents' house and the sky at New Hope East Garden

Do we need a nation or not? [We need one.] Those scoundrels who think we do not need a nation should stand up. You rascals! Does the Unification movement own a nation? Do you have a nation? It has been publicly stated that Korean reunification won't take place without Reverend Moon. Even the North Koreans know that. They are making great effort not to lose their hold on me.

Does Japan need me or not? [It does.] Do Europe and the Americas need me or not? [They need you.] I can go on without Japan. The time has now come. The time of restoration was the time of mother and son cooperation but now is the time of father and son cooperation. The providence can move forward without the mother. There are many countries that can take the woman's role. Just in the Pacific there are about sixteen island nations. Any one of them could replace Japan. Without the Eve nation, Japan, if we have three nations' cooperation as three daughter nations, we won't have any

problem liberating the world.

What are we going to do now? We are going to repair the sorrowful history of Satan's world. There is surely nothing we cannot do when we gather our strength. You have the task of realizing God's realm of liberation in my own lifetime, within a few years. I have proclaimed that before 2004 we must consolidate our movement and be able to educate people to save the nation. Are you going to complete the task or not? [We will complete it.] To complete the task, you must really arm yourselves with the Principle, V.O.C. theory and Unification Thought. I am planning to have university presidents gather professors to carry out campaigns against secular ideologies.

You have to be capable enough people to beat the known ideologies and philosophies of the world. You must beat them logically. About a week before Christmas, I will test you. Those who do not pass the test, no matter how high the persons' educational level is, will be left out of the Unification movement leadership. Do you know about anointing ambassadors of peace? [Yes.] You must educate those ambassadors.

Who should educate politicians? I will have you educate those people. The upper class and the lower class in society should not struggle against each other but harmonize within an absolutely unified realm. Once the unified realm is completed in this nation, inevitably, we will go on to the world, to unify it. We should prepare for that future. Transcending the barriers between religions and nations-and then what? Working on the trans-global level. That is the final step. I need you to educate people.

From now on, I will invite graduates from the University of Bridgeport and Sunmoon University to earn degrees in theology . For four years, students can work toward double degrees, in their original majors and theology. I feel urgent to raise people to be world leaders. So I have no choice but to ask you to do the job. By Christmas this year, you should pass my test with a minimum score of eighty. Do you think I should do these things or not? [You should.] I started two months ago. Those of you who want to take part in this should remain seated and those who do not, stand up. ... The only one standing up is me! [laughter]

It is really true. The time has come. You really have to be awake now. The time will come when we will teach our Unificationist ideology to people at Tokyo University and other well-known universities. Are you going to give lectures to people then or are you going to listen to the lectures given? Do you think you should prepare yourselves for that time or not? [We should prepare ourselves.] Even a dog in this town would want to give the lectures on Victory over Communism, Unification Thought and the Principle, if it could understand what I am saying. Are you better than a dog or not? [Yes, we are.] Dogs smell like dung. They quickly pick up smelly things. But you should be dogs that are very fast in picking up the good stuff and that smell good. Do you understand what I am trying to tell you?

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On September 22, True Parents visited New Hope East Garden (above), then went on to Nabileque, location of Hotel Americano, which Ideal Family Education Workshop participants visit (left & below right); Mother surveys the river from outside True Parents' house on the river bank (below left)





True Parents Sponsor a New Medical Center

Contributed from New Hope East Garden office

ROUND was broken on August 30th for construction of a six hundred square meter diagnostic center in Guia Lopes da Laguna. The center is a joint project of the city and FFWPU. Since the very beginning of the New Hope East Garden project in nearby Jardim, Father had expressed interest in developing a well-equipped hospital to attend to the needs of the people in this region. At present, for extensive medical attention, people

need to travel for several hours to Campo Grande, Dourados or Aquidauana. The long distances and precarious roads make the trip difficult, so news of the construction of a fully equipped hospital here comes as a relief to many.

In addition to traditional Western treatments, the diagnostic center will have a department of oriental medicine which will promote interchange between the two types of medicine, doubly benefiting the local population. The first concrete step in this direction

came earlier this year with the election of Dr. Roberto Saravy as mayor of Guia Lopes da Laguna. Dr. Saravy visited the New Hope Farm project head-quarters. He personally met with Father who at that time pledged \$300,000 dollars to help in the construction of a diagnostic center in the vicinity of the recently built Guia Lopes Hospital. Dr. Saravy later took a two week tour of Japan and Korea to visit modern hospitals and clinics.

Representing True Father, Rev. Katsumi Otsuka spoke at



the ground-breaking ceremony. He solemnly emphasized the importance of the diagnostic center, which must become a model to be emulated throughout the country. Rev. Otsuka said that the support of Guia Lopes' mayor was fundamental to the Family Federation's investing in the city.

Mayor Saravy commented that ignorance and illiteracy are responsible for the persecution of True Parents' movement. To come to know the projects True Parents have established enables one to understand the mission of the organization: to serve one's neighbor.

The construction of the diagnostic center will be completed this year, according to Dr. Paulo Scremin, the engineer responsible for the work. The Family Federation will administer the center for twenty years, after which it will be donated to the city of Guia Lopes.



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Putting Father's Cheju Message into Practice

Giuseppe Cali Bucharest, Romania

AVING participated in the recent fourteen-day workshop on Unification Thought and V.O.C. in Cheju-do, where Father emphasized our responsibility to educate our nations' leaders, I am happy to report about a conference we held in Albania on September 8th and 9th, 2001.

It is often very surprising how Heavenly Father carries on His providence. Albania is the poorest country in Europe, with a GNP that can certainly be compared with the Third World. Its religious environment is mainly Muslim, due to the long colonization by the Turks. The people have recently emerged from one of the harshest communist regimes on earth, one that even declared Albania the only atheist state in the history of the world. For these and other reasons, Albania was virtually isolated by the international community and suffered a lot due to prejudice and misunderstanding.

What can one possibly expect from a country with such a difficult social background and history of suffering? Remarkably, what we have found is that God is fully working in this country, in a way that is hard to find in any other country in Europe.

Recently, there was a general election that demonstrated Albania is on the way to becoming a mature democracy. A good, dedicated group of intellectuals, who are very concerned about preserving the proper family tradition in their country, participated. They are very worried about developing the economic and political system, while protecting their social system—based on a strong family consciousness—from all the rubbish that started to arrive as a side effect of globalization.

Over a long period of time, the Albanian church has developed quite a

number of good relationships and has always had a very good record of success in their activities. A peak was reached during a few very meaningful events that represented the final breakthrough in laying our national foundation. One was the visit of True Mother during her last world tour, when a hall was fully packed with more than four thousand people that gave her the

Rev. Sa greets the muffl of Elbasan



warmest possible welcome, while some two thousand disappointed people remained outside—this in a country of little more than three million people.

Then there was a tour of Korea, organized for Albanian dignitaries by FFWPU Europe continental director Rev. Sa Kwang-kee. Twenty-six dignitaries, including the speaker of parliament, the vice prime minister, a former prime minister and other parliamentarians, politicians and journalists visited True Parents' country for a week. They received a one-day workshop and visited some of our facilities. Welcomed and

embraced perfectly by the Korean movement, whose main leaders mobilized to support the tour wholeheartedly, they came to deeply understand True Parents' foundation and efforts for the peace and prosperity of the world. The September conference was just the latest development in the process of connecting this enlightened leadership with True Parents.

We had meetings and discussions with Rev. Sa, about how we should continue our work. It is clearly pioneering activity, since we have not had the chance, until now, to work on this level in any other country in Europe. We discussed the content to present and the way to approach these leaders at great length. Rev. Sa had had, for quite some time, a clear vision that Albania should be the gateway to Europe and decided we should invest our best effort there. His expectations have certainly been borne out by the results.

Among the conference participants were the new chairman of Parliament, Mr. Namik Dokle, the former chairman of Parliament, now vice-prime minister, the former prime minister and current minister of defense (one of those who had visited Korea), religious leaders, top journalists, parliamentarians, academics (including the vice-rectors of the two main universities), leaders of NGOs,

and student leaders from the highest levels. Altogether about a hundred select people. Actually, this was what we had wanted: we did not want to have a very large number of people as in past conferences, but a select elite, in order to improve personal relationships and offer a more focused education.

Our goal is to have a national board of high level people active in advancing God's providence in Albania and willing to receive True Parents on behalf of the entire country. The content of the lectures was two-fold. The most spiritu-

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South Sea Endeavor

Organizations pool their expertise to bring substantial solutions to problems

During a period from September 5th-15th, IIFWP, IEF and Free Teens joined forces under IIFWP sponsorship to give internal support and practical tools to government and social leaders in Papua New Guinea, New Zealand, Samoa, and Tonga. Though all are relatively small South-Pacific nations, they nonetheless have their own front lines in the moral and spiritual battles that characterize the age we are living in. What follows are excerpts and adaptations from reports by Rev. Paul Saver, director of FFWPU in Australia, Mr. Robert Beebe of the International Educational Foundation (IEF), and Rev. Chihiro Midorikawa, director of FFWPU Tonga.

Papua New Guinea (pop. 5 million)

F were welcomed by the governor of the Central Province, Mr. Opa Taureka and the minister for telecommunications, Mr. John Kamba; addresses by Rev. Kwak and Thomas Walsh followed.

In the afternoon, Richard Panzer of Free Teens captivated the audience, using an interactive style in presenting his Aids Prevention and Development of Healthy Relationships program. His emphasis was on sexual abstinence education. He explained the health risks associated with premarital sexual relations, the ineffectiveness of condoms and the fallacies of the so-called safe sex message. Later, Richard emphasized the preciousness of our youthful years and life in general and how the practice of abstinence before marriage and fidelity in marriage frees us from all the risks associated with premarital sex. Development of mature character, as a vital prerequisite for marriage and family, was further highlighted.

On the following day, Bob Beebe, of the International Education Foundation (IEF) spoke on "The Need for Character Education" and "A Balanced View of Education." He stressed the importance of the education of heart and norm [i.e. standards of values] as the basis of technical and vocational education. This is tied in with essential themes of the IIFWP and with Father's vision, in that world peace comes on the foundation of the personal transformation of indi-

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viduals in the context of loving family relations.

Samoa (pop. 180,000)

Rev. KWAK and his staff hosted a breakfast meeting with the prime minister, Tuilaepa S. Malielegaoi, and two of his ministers. The prime minister, who had welcomed participants to the conference the day before, expressed his desire to work with IIFWP for the betterment of Samoa. Rev. Kwak responded warmly, saying that he has traveled to over a hundred countries and felt that Samoa is a peaceful nation, blessed by God.

Throughout the conference there was favorable media coverage by way of the national radio station and newspaper. Not only the participants but also the nation as a whole were able to benefit from this brief visit. The challenge that

lies ahead is to direct the inspiration gained from the conference into programs that can address the problems that face the nation. A steering committee to implement Free Teens leadership training was established, plus a commitment was received from the Ministry of Education to review and adapt IEF character education curricula to suit Samoa. A proposal to run regular teacher training seminars for the implementation of character education in all schools was well received.

Tonga (pop. 104,000)

HILE Rev. Kwak was in Samoa, news of the terrorist attacks in America reached us. Who could imagine that this would affect our seminar on the peaceful island of Tonga?

The only flight into Tonga on the day



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of the seminar was postponed; our opening ceremony was delayed by two hours and we were unsure if his majesty, the eighty-three-year-old King Taufa'ahau Tupou IV, would still be able to attend the opening of the seminar.

With the help of the king's cousin, Baron Vaea, who is also a former prime minister, and that of the speaker of the Legislative Assembly, the king generously changed his schedule for us and even invited us to the palace for an audience with him after the seminar.

The seminar was significant in that Richard Panzer was able to convince two representatives of the Tongan Family Planning Association, whose policy has been the promotion of the use of condoms, that the abstinence approach is a superior one; and in that Bob Beebe of IEF met with Vili Vete, the person in charge of curriculum development for the Tongan education system, who expressed his desire to incorporate IEF material into the curriculum and to train teachers in its proper use.

The seminar was televised on the evening news in both the Tongan and English languages. In a newspaper interview Baron Vaea said, "The light of peace is shining over Tonga and the world. The people running this pro-

gram are true Christians." His Majesty toasted the success of the seminar when we met with him at the palace.◆

Photos facing page top, the panel for the conference in Samoa; bottom, the blessing participants in Papua New Guinea; inset, the prime minister of Samoa; this page top, Rev. and Mrs. Kwak offer the holy wine ceremony prayer for a representative couple in Papua New Guinea; middle left, the group that received the holy blessing in New Zealand; right, Sir Peter Tapsell, former Speaker of the House in New Zealand, greets Rev. Kwak



Dorota Simenkova may be a slightly built lady but she is no spiritual lightweight. After thirty years in the movement since joining behind the iron curtain, she came to Korea to pioneer—again.

Coming from Slovakia to Korea could not have be easy. What did you have to do to come for the mobilization?

Before I can answer your question I have to go back a few years. In 1998, I decided to investigate my ancestral lineage more seriously in order to find a way to make our marriage and family life more harmonious and happier. I began to realize the old truth that I cannot change anybody but myself. One sister suggested I do a one hundred and twenty day prayer condition and four hours of social service every month. I took it very seriously, and maybe this was the starting point of a positive change in my thinking.

In July 1999, I started to go fundraising more regularly to get money for the next ancestors' liberation as Daemo nim was to come to Europe again, this time to Prague. Then I also went fundraising in September and again in January 2000 to get the necessary funds for a journey to Korea for the celebration of True Father's 80th birthday. Maybe it is difficult for you to share our feelings over getting the chance to go to the homeland of our True Parents for the first time after being almost thirty years in the movement!

We had the opportunity to do some sightseeing in Seoul and in Pusan to visit the Pomnetkol museum, the Rock of Tears and the holy ground there.

That visit to Korea was the most precious and touching experience. I felt so close to True Father, and all my prison memories came to me; I cried, sharing those experiences with him. I also cried loudly and without any shame on the Rock of Tears, as there were three of us there who'd experienced communist prisons—our dear sister Alzbeta, who went into prison with a broken backbone after a serious car accident, my husband, who was in one of the severest prisons in the country, for the most extreme political prisoners and criminals, and me.

Why do I mention all these facts now? Though I went through this prison experience and had a strong foundation of faith, I lacked a heart-to-heart relationship with God and True Parents. With God because I was raised in a communist family, and with True Parents because we could not see or meet them physically for many, many years. For the first time in my life I saw True Father in 1995 when he came to Prague during his world speaking tour, though I had joined in 1971.

I could respect True Parents sincerely and deeply but I could not say I loved them, simply because I could not feel it. I've come to realize it was

not because of the mere physical distance. I felt emotionally handicapped as if I had a black hole instead of a heart. This was probably one of the main reasons I could not find spiritual children. Through my own life I could understand clearly that Satan had stolen our heart, killed our ability to really love anybody else except ourselves. All my good effort during my long life of faith was defiled by the self-centered orientation of my thinking and actions. From my own experience I feel the curse of fallen people—the inability to sincerely love others, and that this unbearable pain leads people to deep depression or even self-destruction. I daresay that there in Korea, on the Rock of Tears, my empty, dry heart began to moisten and revive.

When I heard about the workshops for blessed wives and the registration blessing, I felt very strongly that I had to go there no matter what. I tried to borrow money from my relatives and even from the national headquarters, but nobody could help me at that time. The only way for me was to go fundraising again and get the necessary



Slovakia and her neighboring countries



Jan Palach's grave

—He killed himself to protest his
nation's invasion

amount of money. I was already fifty-two. I had had my right knee operated on twice and had other health problems (Who does not have them?), but with the help of Heavenly Father and my liberated ancestors I did it. I could make money for the flights and for the workshop fee, altogether not a small sum for people from the post-communist countries. The amount represents seventeen months of the average income from our country, Slovakia.

After the registration blessing my husband and I visited my mission area. My husband stayed two days longer than I as our air tickets were not for the same date. In such a way he, too, could be connected to our piece of the eternal homeland.

It was only a question of time before I raised the funds needed to come back to Korea to start my mission work in one part of the Dobong district in the northern reaches of Seoul. I landed at Incheon International Airport on March 30th, 2001.

How have you been witnessing and what have you done to maintain your determination while here?

I took my attending the twenty-one-day registration workshop and my mobilization in Korea as a matter of spiritual life or death. I don't want to play a cheap hero, but I really felt if I did not respond to this call from Heavenly Father and True Parents, then my whole family and I would lose the chance to fulfill our blessing. If I could not do anything else but wash the floor of the church in Korea it would be okay. It would connect me with this current providence.

As the church became my home for a few months, I tried to keep it clean and tidy. Moreover, I was aware that it was also God's home, "the house of prayer and worship," a public place, where newcomers, guests, could come at any time, so it should be even more beautiful than our own houses or apartments.

It was not easy to share this owner's attitude and public mind with my Korean and Japanese brothers and sisters. At the beginning I struggled (as some other overseas sisters before me) with the dangerous feelings of resentment and criticism. I had to find, very quickly, the way to overcome it if I was to keep my spirit active and healthy. So I "discovered" for myself True Parents' golden rule: give and give and forget what you give. How

simple it sounds and how difficult to follow in everyday situations! Sometimes it was just a piece of watermelon or an ice-cream I gave to a person whom I was internally fighting with, and I repeatedly experienced the miracle of giving—how it positively changed the atmosphere and our relationship!

There were many misunderstandings because I did not understand the character of Korean people and their family orientated thinking well enough. They would not accept you unless you became a member of their family—either spiritual or physical. And a very important part of family life there is gathering to eat and talk together. When you do not speak their language it takes much longer before they begin to open their hearts and homes to you.

My teachers and guides in better understanding the Korean character were our Japanese sisters. They also



represented the most active and well organized group of members in our church. I learned how to serve and sacrifice on a daily basis from them.

As for the missionary activities themselves, I started to investigate my area while collecting signatures to support the unification of South and North Korea, and I did it as a *Nam–Buk Tongil* [South–North unification] volunteer. One of our Japanese sisters helped to make a "talking card" to introduce myself in Korean and express that I considered the reunification of Korea very important for world peace.

With signature cards and my business cards, I visited nearly every house and apartment, shop, office, computer center, game-machine and karaoke club, taekwondo school, health center and so on in half of my big mission area. It was an excellent opportunity to meet Korean people, to see how they lived and what their attitude towards our church and True Parents was. It was very surprising and sad for me to see that Korean Christians have not changed much and still consider us a sect.

From the beginning of April until True Father finished his American speaking tour I had a goal to collect 120 signatures. I had done that by April 16th, and by the end of May I reached my overall goal of 360 signatures. You can imagine how many people refused me during that time. I met hundreds, even thousands of people in my area. On the most successful days I got around twenty signatures in three or four hours of walking up and down. Sometimes people invited me into their homes and served me some drink from their typically big refrigerators, or tea or coffee. As I could not speak Korean I always had my family album with me,

and it became a very successful means of witnessing about our ideal of a true family without many words. My husband and I have five beautiful children and in the photos you cannot see any internal struggles or problems, only the ideal of a blessed family! On the back of each signature card I made some notes of the person's age, reaction and other interesting points, so I could easily remember them even after a long time. In this way I got the names, dates of birth and addresses of 360 people (or families) in my area and I offered it as a spiritual condition for further activity.

On April 26th, we prepared a public meeting in a public hall with a video presentation and lecture on

Nam-Buk Tongil goals and activities. We had around sixty guests. In preparation for this event we joined our efforts—our two church leaders with the help of our elder brother from l24 couples, together with the Japanese wives living in Dobong and us daewon [mobilized] sisters. This spirit of cooperation with a concrete goal was the most positive moment for me.

Here I want to mention the precious advice and help of our sister Elisabeth Kang who has been living and working in Korea for thirteen years and is responsible for the sisters mobilized from overseas. I was very grateful for her care and kindness. She stressed the necessity of creating real, strong heart-to-heart relations with Korean people and building cell, family churches through small groups gatherings, binding hearts together one by one center-

ing on the final goal, the reunification of Korea.

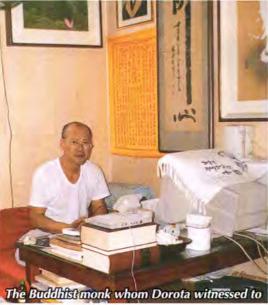
I tried to keep in my mind that even though I would have to physically leave Korea one day and return to my country and family, I could not release my emotional ties with Korean people whom I tried to guide to True Parents. I felt that the work I did there had profound meaning for our tribal messiahship in Slovakia and vice-versa. One influences the other and both are connected trough heartistic ties with the providential activities of True Parents.

In this sense after two months I was still at the very beginning. One Saturday morning, feeling that though I'd nearly reached my goal in signatures it was not my real work, I really had to make a breakthrough on the emotional level. After my usual morning program, hoon dok hae, physical exercise, breakfast and cleaning, I spent two hours in tearful prayer. Afterwards, I suddenly felt a very strong desire to go to the mountains, to see the beauty of nature in spring and to breathe the fresh air. Dobong-san [-san being the Korean for Mt.] was not far away. I got there in half an hour and began to walk up and up. I came to a crossroad, one way went to a peak of 1,700 meters and another of 2,200 meters' height. As I did not have proper shoes for hiking, I chose the lower peak and went on. Still, I came to a rock where it began to be quite dangerous. I did not know the terrain. I was about to turn back when suddenly in front of me appeared a mother and daughter who knew the way very well. They visit these and other mountains regularly every week. I felt at once very close to them and safe enough to climb the peak even in the sandals I was wearing.

Near the peak we had to use chains and ropes to get over the dangerous parts. People we met looked at my sandals and shook their heads, expressing that I was risking too much, but God's help and protection was with my new friends and me. We happily reached the peak. As I looked down at Seoul city I remembered Jesus crying over the city of Jerusalem. Changing the name, I prayed with him, "O Seoul, Seoul... if you could only know the hour of your visitation." (Matt 23:37; Luke 19:44)

The next time we climbed Dobongsan, we visited several Buddhist temples. In every one of them I left the Nam-Buk Tongil leaflet and my name card, and bowing down I prayed that Buddhists in Korea could support True

Parents as Christians did in America. We later climbed another of the mountains surrounding Seoul and on the way back, at another Buddhist temple, met a 73-year-old man who had been born in North Korea, but had come south with his father during the war. His mother and three sisters had stayed in the North and he never saw them again. When I told him that I came from Slovakia to work here as a Nam-Buk Tongil volunteer he was very touched and grateful. From the first moment he was very friendly and open. He even remembered a few Russian words he had to learn in high school when the communists came to power in North Korea. We had had a common experience of communist regimes and could share this with each other now in a humorous way.



These people I met high in the mountains remained my closest contacts in Korea. I got these "mountain friends" from Heaven when God answered my repentant prayers in this special way and comforted my heart as a True Parent. Though they don't live exactly in "my" area I got them as a precious gift from God who started to heal my heart through them. In this mountain witnessing I experienced His grace and learned that we can meet prepared people anywhere if we have a sincere attitude.

From the three hundred and sixty signatures I chose the ones with the most positive responses and kept up a personal relationship with them. I visited them regularly and always brought some spiritual and substantial food with me.

One of them was a Buddhist monk (50) and one a woman Buddhist healer

and teacher of 48, both of whom had their own circle of disciples and people they were helping. Both read Buddha's message from the spirit world [through Dr. Lee Sang-hun]. Both of them could communicate with their ancestors in the spirit world. It seemed that some spirits around them blocked them from deeper involvement and it will probably take a longer time for them to see the value of the Principle and True Parents. The monk read the introduction to Wolli Kangron (Exposition of Divine Principle) and had started to read the whole book, but he told me that the spirits told him not to study it despite the words of Buddha, who in his message has asked his followers to study this new truth very carefully.

As have other religious people who were supposed keep celibate, this monk had had a sexual relationships with a woman and had a four year old daughter with her. They also didn't consider smoking or drinking sins; these were common habits there. In spite of all this, I kept visiting them both with one Japanese sister, who was my "Aaron" because she spoke three providential languages: Korean,

Japanese and English.

The first person who signed the Nam-Buk Tongil Citizens Federation membership form was a piano teacher, an intelligent and active woman of forty-eight. She'd become a Catholic as an adult and was given the confirmation name Dorothea! She visited our church twice and heard an introductory lecture and an explanation of the Cheong Pyeong providence, because her husband suffered from liver cancer. She also attended

True Mother's speech in July. She was very nice and friendly but always kept an internal and later also an external distance, because she felt she would have to change her way of life if she got more involved.

From the beginning of the second forty-day Pentecostal condition, I arranged with our kyokujang nim (regional leader) and samo nim (leader's wife) to have regular Principle lectures once a week at the church. To the introductory meeting, led by our kyokujang nim, came three guests-my two mountains friends, the mother (50) and daughter, Ji-Hye (22), together with the Buddhist healer, who soon had to leave and did not wish to attend again in the near future, either. So only two kept visiting our church and listening to the lectures. The daughter and I, with our Japanese interpreter, later went to the



national headquarters for two lectures from our outstanding lecturer, Rev. Sudo, on "The purpose of life."

Later, kyokujang nim suggested my young friend work in the church office. Her mother also liked the idea very much, so the following morning Ji-hye came at fifteen minutes to ten and began a new period of her young life. God and good spirit world helped her to solve her personal situation and also gave her the chance to be with our Japanese sisters who came regularly to the church.

What is the most valuable internal discovery you have made while here?

Being in Korea I felt as if I had lived in Jesus' time in Palestine and had the opportunity to learn about him and his homeland from my own experience. So every place I could go where True Father, True Parents or the members of the True Family stayed or lived was very precious to me. Especially given that under the communist regime we had almost no chance to see or meet True Parents personally for more than twenty years. It is very difficult to love your parents when you cannot even see them, not to mention touch and embrace them as children always want to do.

The first time I visited the *Wonjeon* [the special Unification Church cemetery for True Family and senior church leaders] was on a very painful occasion—the *seunghwa* ceremony of Hyunjin nim's little daughter Shin-yea nim. At that time I was unable see the tombs of True Children, Daemo nim and other True Family members. I visited again a

week later. At that time we met our precious elder brother, Rev. Im [who looks after the tombs]. I returned again on June 11th when I participated in a special memorial ceremony marking forty days after Shin-yea nim's seunghwa. Visiting the Wonjeon prepared my heart to meet True Parents with a grateful and repentant attitude when they came to Korea at the end of June.

I started to pray in tears more often than before. Struggling to be really useful and to bring some substantial results made me earnest and sincere in front of God and the spirit world. I had a strong feeling that I should work as hard as those Korean people working in the rice fields, knowing that on their work depended the whole country. And I want to stress again the importance of the morning hoon dok hae and individual study for awareness of why I'd come to Korea and why I wanted to be useful. Reading True Father's words (in my case, always studying with one pencil and two pens: black and red) and other important speeches, I could attain selfmotivation and inspiration for an active everyday life and a consciously positive and giving attitude.

Having read on the Internet about the revival meetings in American churches, I asked myself, "Why should it only happen there?" In the Lotte Hotel before True Mother's speech, I heard the testimonies of three American pastors who came to Korea with True Parents. I felt sorry for them, as Korean people did not seem to share their persuasion and enthusiasm. I don't want to blame those people. It is our role, that of all blessed families, to ignite a fire in people's hearts so they can see the value of True Parents and of the inevitable task of reunifying Korea. I realize that to do that we ourselves have to have this fire in our own hearts.

Please tell us when and how you joined the church...

The first missionary Emmy Steberle came to Czechoslovakia in 1968, when the communist regime tried to reform within itself and put on more of a human face under the leadership of Party Secretary General Alexander Dubcek. It was the period of the so-called Prague Spring. It did not last long, though, for by August of the same year the Russian troops, supported by five other Warsaw Pact countries, began an occupation of our country that was to last twenty years.

Five months later, a Czech student, Jan Palach (1948-1969), set fire to himself in Wenceslas Square, close to the National Museum, as a protest against the Russian occupation. Thousands of students all over the country organized demonstrations and hunger strikes at the bigger universities to express soli-

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Kim Hyung-woon Seoul, Korea

T WAS a big festival. Everyone cheered and shouted for joy and stamped their feet on the floor. It was a festival of the nation's youth. There were signs on the buses saying where they'd come from. I was certain that the rally would succeed when I saw so many young people and students.

I got on the bus in western Seoul with my friend. It was already very full, but we had to wait for some other students who were late. One hour later we had collected three more students on the bus. It was good to have waited for these three extra people because each person is so precious, so we departed

with joyful hearts. We made more empty seats after we distributed the lunch boxes. Even so, one of us still had no seat and I was sorry to see him have

to sit on the back ledge.

I worried about the rally. Our goal was to bring two buses, but we were on our way with only one. If few people came to the rally what should we do? And if the rally simply turned into a festival of our own members, what would be the point? I traveled with worry and concern in my heart. We arrived at Chungnam University and I relaxed after I saw the waves of students entering the hall.

The event was to begin six o'clock, but a pre-event performance of modern dance, Sa-mul-nori [folk dance accompanied by percussion instruments] and songs had already started at 5:30. The master of ceremonies opened the evening, introduced the guest dignitaries and read congratulatory letters from other universities. The president of Korean CARP then offered welcoming remarks. His speech was short, but sturdy and delivered with conviction, such that it made the subsequent address of the president of Daejon University seem relatively dull.

At last, Hyun-jin nim entered and came to the podium. He entered amidst thunderous applause and welcoming shouts. Looking tall as he came in, he responded with a greeting and a broad smile on his face. Then he spoke.

He expressed his deep horror at the

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"Therefore, Service for Peace, although an idealistic dream, is rooted in the practical practice of service. Thus, even in the history of service organization, at no time have the two words "service" and "peace" been placed so closely together. And the reason is that a new revolution, a new era can dawn if one not only understands the ideal and the vision but puts it into practice. From that very point when the seed is planted, a new world can begin, dreams can be established. Service for Peace offers us that ability. It puts the ideal and the practical in tune, in balance. Therefore, even after hearing this message today, when you go back home, do not think, 'Oh nice message. How can I use it?' You can use it right away.' September 15th speech, Suwon Indoor Stadium

at the victory celebration following the speech. I felt very curious that such a young student was sitting in the VIP row. I didn't know who he was. When it was time to take photos, I found out that he was Hyun-jin nim's son. I could see Hyun-jin nim in him. I could see that he behaved maturely, although he was a little shy and his appearance was still that of a child.

I can feel I am part of Hyun-jin nim's vision. Hyun-jin nim said young people can change their family, society, nation and world. Young people can change history. A historic revolution has already begun in the Chungnam University in Daejon. This was the beginning of a movement, one that we must spread.

I will never forget Hyun-jin nim's speech. A powerful and grand-looking gentleman, he spoke with many gestures. I saw that his appearance was dignified, and that he was in good shape through doing exercise. He is a role model for young people.

I can't forget any moment of Hyunjin nim's rally. I was surprised by the nice new building on Chungnam campus in which the event was held, and pleased and impressed by the welcoming address of Korean CARP president Kim Kyung-hyo, Hyun-jin nim's keynote speech, the entertaining dancing and Hyun-jin nim's concert perfor-

Hyun-jin nim on his September 11th visit to Seodaemun Prison in Seoul, where Father was incarcerated in 1955. Here, at a shrine, he honors the memory of Korean patriots who worked for their nation's independence-a number of whom were imprisoned and executed here during the period of Japanese colonial rule.

mance. Everyone who attended looked like people of the heavenly kingdom, handsome or pretty like angels. A student from North Korea who spoke at the event, encouraged us to love the original Korean language and stressed the importance of interest in reunifica-

I could feel that I was a part of the providence. I had a chance to see Hyunjin nim close up at the victory meeting. That truth that I was a part of God's providence made a deep impression on me. I feel I have to live with intensity despite my limitations. I am so glad I attended.

It looks like we are living in a different world because of the terrible incident on September 11th, but we have hope and look forward to a new world. The world can be changed by young people. Youth sees everything as possible and if young people make up their minds, they can do anything. There is no such word as "impossible."

Hyun-jin nim showed vision. We have to follow that vision, create our own vision and take on major roles in leading the world.

Kim Hyung-woon is from the second generation 400-couple blessing and earlier this year began working with FFWPU international office and Today's World magazine.

destruction of the Twin Towers in New York the previous day. Then he spoke about the way to realize peace. It was especially impressive to hear him say that peace could not come through economic, political or even religious means alone, and that if we are talking about God we are not talking about a certain religion, as God has no religion. His speech was powerful, impressive and meaningful.

When he sang after his speech I could see the hope of the Unification family. I could find vision and hope not only during his speech but also while he was singing.

I was very interested that Hyun-jin nim's son [Shin-won nim] appeared at the rally. I could see him especially well



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"If we look at every single modern country in the world today we can see the same phenomenon. Actually, for those gathered here who are not Unificationists but maybe Christians, or Buddhists, or whatever religion, the call [to action] is sounding. Kids nowadays are flocking to a new alternative, a new religion, a new belief, a new conviction that is not rooted in God, that is not rooted in family, that is not rooted in their nation or in the world. It's a new religion of self-centered individualism, humanism, and secular materialism. And the reason I call it a new religion is because they are flocking to that altar with religious fervor, with the conviction to determine the course of their lives."

September 15th speech, Suwon Indoor Stadium

Hyun-jin nim was in Korea for less than a week but he did a lot in that time besides public speaking. The following is edited from a diary compiled by second generation sister Akiko Ikeno, who worked to support Hyun-jin nim's world tour in Korea.

Tuesday, September 11

The day before Hyun-jin nim's first public speech began with an hour of hoon dok hae at the Hannam-dong official residence, where he stays while in Korea. He later toured Seodaemun Prison where Father had been incarcerated in 1955 [see Today's World October 2000 issue] on spurious charges that he was eventually found innocent of. Following the tour, Hyun-jin nim spoke at the Seodaemun regional headquarters where he signed photos and wrote a special message that read "The path for true love is living for the sake of others." He then went through a rehearsal of the following day's speech. He ended the day at the Shincheon student center, located near several major universities, where he expressed to young, secondgeneration members his desire to be as close to them as family.

Wednesday, September 12

After hoon dok hae, Hyun-jin nim watched coverage of the aftermath of the terrorist attacks on America. He asked, "What more evidence do we need that now is the time when a new solution to bring about world peace must be introduced?" Before heading to the Chungnam University auditorium where he was to speak, Hyun-jin nim told members of the Chungnam University and Kongju CARP centers, "We need to create a new youth movement, one that is 180 degrees different from the individualistic culture of today's youth. We need to live for the sake of others. Only then can we, our families, and our nation live." Along with continued student witnessing efforts, they were encouraged to establish a strong Teachers' Association for the Research of Principles (TARP). At the new Chungnam University auditorium Hyun-jin nim gave a rousing speech before an overflow crowd, which was followed by entertainment [see page 18 for more on this]. A final

victory rally was held with the members who had made the Chungnam University event a success.

Thursday, September 13

Hyun-jin nim spent the day at Sunmoon University, located about 70km from Seoul, listening to reports and updates on the university's progress. He also took the opportunity to speak to students. Many of the future leaders of our movement are being educated at Sunmoon, making it a crucial link in youth revival. When visiting the CARP center, he suggested the building be expanded. CARP will be the central driving force for Service for Peace in Korea, especially CARP at Sunmoon University.

Though positive reports were being presented throughout his tour, Hyun-jin nim never lowered his standard of expectation, saying this is the least we should be able to offer. To students, administrators, and faculty alike he said, "All who work or attend this school should be CARP or TARP members. We should bring them all to our side, showing them substantially what we're about through Service for Peace."

He later told members, "True Father has been emphasizing how we have now entered a time when we no longer simply believe in him and follow his directions. After the coronation of God, we have now been given the responsibility as blessed couples, as blessed families, to represent God and True Parents. Therefore, we have to live for the

sake of others. The idea of Service for Peace was built on the foundation of the "Inheritance and Development" tour. Why was the Inheritance and Development tour so important? We have entered the age of the second generation, the settlement age. We are building a whole new world, yet the second-generation members don't understand their root. Inheritance is understanding our root, the root of history, the beginning of the movement and God's framework and timeline. Development is the possibility of what the future can bring, with that root as the axis."

Friday, September 14

Several church leaders, including Rev. Hwang Sun-jo, were present for the morning hoon dok hae where Hyun-jin nim emphasized the need for the Unification movement to come together. "We need to liberate True Parents, and to do so we need to know their will. What is a filial son? He is someone who desires to fulfill the will of his parents. Service for Peace, living for the sake of others, is something all our members need to do. Teach our members first, then the outside world."

Every year blessed children from all over the world come to Korea to study Korean and the Korean culture and stay at a dormitory named the World Student Garden for Brothers and Sisters. It was to that dormitory, located behind the Little Angels' complex that Hyunjin nim next went.





A warm send-off for Hyun-jin nim and Shin-eh nim

After hearing reports about the program, which is largely divided into a Japanese program and a Western one, Hyun-jin nim's first question was about expansion and making the program available to more blessed children. He looked over texts and listened to ideas being discussed about possible avenues of expansion.

He spoke to the enthusiastic group of young brothers and sisters:

"The course of the second generation is living for the sake of others. Because whether you know it or not, you have been given the responsibility as a mantle of God's providence into the second generation and therefore you carry forth the burden and the responsibility of taking God's providence to the next generation. This providence is not concerned with just maintaining your salvation, but eventually the salvation of all humanity, the unity of humanity, building one world, one nation, one family under God.

This point especially, the responsibility of the second generation, many second-generation kids even around my age group did not know because their parents did not know. That is why even to the point where I started taking responsibility for educating the second generation, the primary concern of the blessed family department was just educating you kids on basic, superficial things such as maintaining your purity and receiving the blessing, without understanding the true meaning behind what the second generation is all about. There is tremendous meaning behind all that, however.

Remember you did nothing to obtain status as the second generation. That blessing was given to you by God and True Parents. And the fact of God and God's purpose or not. It is that simple. It's the same exact choice that Adam and Eve were given when God told them not to eat the fruit of the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil. You have either to follow God's will or not.

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So remember what I told you. There are things that you have no choice about, right? Such as who you are, who your parents are, and who your brothers and sisters are, but you have a choice about how you live your life—in accordance with God's will or not. That's where your choice comes in and that's where your responsibility comes in.

That's why, if you want to embark on the right path in life, you have to understand living for the sake of others. Because if you understand the meaning and purpose behind living for the sake of others, you will walk the path of God's will, fulfill being men of God's will, thereby eventually inheriting the position of owner of God's providence. It is then that God can substantially bequeath to you, through trust, the great mantle and responsibility of fulfilling His will on earth...."

Returning to Hannam-dong from the World Student Garden, Hyun-jin nim was greeted by second-generation leaders, including regional church directors and second generation members working in the various departments of our movement, including Sunday school teachers, youth leaders, and developers of Sunday school curriculum. The session opened with YFWP vice president, Kim Young-jun giving a report of the 2001 Service for Peace international rallies and testifying that the youth of the world are beginning to take ownership of the movement.

Hyun-jin nim took this time to talk to the elder second-generation members, "Until now second-generation education has only focused on the blessing without emphasizing living for the sake of others. Just because second-generation members kept their purity, did it guarantee a successful blessing? Do you know suffering? We suffer for the whole. That is the path of the filial son. It is on this path that we find God."

Saturday, September 15

At hoon dok hae, Hyun-jin nim told those members who were present, "It is time to go beyond nationalism, racism, and ethnic divisions and understand God's original desire. Otherwise we will see more violence and more factionalism." He was especially referring to the terror acts in the United States. He expressed his concern of the possibility of a religious war breaking out. "That is why this message of living for the sake of others is so crucial and needed in the world."

The main event of the day was the culminating rally of the 2001 Service for Peace International Tour. Over 12,000 young people and families packed the Suwon Gymnasium, creating an enthusiastic spirit of renewal.

Sunday, September 16

After morning Pledge Service at Hannam-dong on his final day in Korea, Hyun-jin nim and his family headed to the headquarters church where he gave the sermon at the morning worship service—during which, among other things, he emphasized that "we must become owners of the will of God, lose the concept of obtaining things at no cost. You have to become someone God can trust. If you have conviction you can do anything. History is created by people. So this is a rallying cry for you to unite."

He and his family later went to the Wonjeon, our church burial site. They first went to the burial mounds of Hyun-jin nim's brothers and sisters. At each stop, they offered bows and prayed and McCol was symbolically given. Finally they came to the place where Shin-yea nim is buried. The family tarried there to share food and drink and offer songs.

Hyun-jin nim's recent activities in Korea built a whole new momentum for change among young people, who were told that service for peace is not something that is only to be done on a large scale, but begins within the family. Service should be performed on all levels.

National Interfaith Day of Prayer and Healing

American Clergy Leadership Conference counters terror with love and unity September 22, 2001, at the Manhattan Center and Harlem Plaza, New York

On September 22nd, an interfaith prayer breakfast in the Grand Ballroom of the Manhattan Center for one thousand members of the clergy from the complete spectrum of faiths and an outdoor rally in Harlem (northern Manhattan) to promote a day of prayer and healing that attracted 1,500 people were held in lieu of the blessing of 12,000 couples that had been scheduled for that date—yet embraced the same purpose of healing the divisions between faiths and cultures.

Rev. Kwak Chung-hwan

OST respected religious leaders, members of the clergy, ladies and gentlemen; it is my privilege to address you this morning here in New York City. I want to thank each of you for your efforts in preparing for the "We Will Stand in Oneness Blessing," which was to have taken place today as an interfaith celebration and affirmation of the ideal of the family. As you know, our plans changed as we assessed the

impact of the tragic events that took place on September 11th. We will of course gather in the near future for the "We Will Stand in Oneness Blessing," but for today we have gathered to fellowship together and to pray together, to strengthen one another and to renew one another in the presence of God.

Over the past week I have spent many hours with Rev. and Mrs. Moon. In the wake of the recent attacks in New York, Washington D.C. and Pennsylvania, they and their family have offered fervent prayers for the souls of the departed, for the families who have suffered loss, for the heroes and heroines involved in rescue and relief and for the leaders of the nation and the world including those in religion, politics, the media, universities and nongovernmental organizations.

Father and Mother Moon, in obedience to God, came to the United States in 1972. Many of their children and grandchildren were born on American soil and have benefited from America's hard-won freedoms and efforts to fulfill its mission as One Nation under God. As a family they have always upheld this country and its founding ideals to be a model of prayerful humility, and service to all humankind.

Like all of us, their hearts were pierced with sorrow as the horrors unfolded before us on the morning of September 11, 2001. Unbound violence tore through the fragile lives of innocent, hard-working men and women. Likewise this fury tore through the innocence and goodness of all Americans, indeed of all people of goodness. However, I believe that from these ashes, where evil sought to prosper, a Phoenix of good and of peace on earth can arise. The direction of our future depends on our decisions.

However one might criticize America, it cannot be denied that two eternal ideals inform America's origins and ongoing efforts: first, humility before the will of the living God, and second,

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The Protection of God

Inho Andrew Park New York, U.S.A.

Ror the last four years I have worked as an attorney at One World Trade Center (the North Tower) on the 84th floor with David M. Peterson, P.C., a law firm specializing in litigation. My work usually started around 8:30 every morning. On September 11, I would have normally gone to work as usual

normally gone to work as usual. However, the day before the attack, there was a last minute change to my schedule and it was decided by my someone at my firm that I would be going to court in the borough of Queens, New York. Thus, instead of coming into the office, I went directly to court that morning.

When I arrived in court around 9:30 A.M. I found out that my building had been attacked by terrorists and that one

of the World Trade Center's buildings had already collapsed. I was shocked. I could not believe that one of the tallest and most modern buildings in the world had collapsed to the ground. I imme-

diately called my office, but I

heard only a busy signal.

Later, I found out that the first plane had actually crashed into my floor.

Fortunately, no one from my law firm was hurt; all survived the attack. My staff, including my secretary, start work around 9:00 a.m. Two members of my staff

were near the building when the first plane struck around 8:45. They simply decided to go home. They witnessed the building's collapse and even saw people jumping from the building to escape the flames.

As for me, the entire court was shut down that morning and everyone was let out of the building. No one, including judges, could do any work. The subway was not running and I was stuck in Queens until three o'clock. I could not call anyone because the phones were

down, and no one could call me. In the end, I arrived home around six o'clock.

I later heard that there were three other second-generation members whose lives were preserved. One was Lee Hae-bok, who also worked at the World Trade Center. I heard that on that morning she was driving to work as usual, but her car broke down on the way, making her late-and so she too avoided the attack. She is a daughter of Rev. Lee Chae-hee, the national messiah to Canada, who is from the 72-couple blessing.

Lee Hwa-joon, another member of the second generation, was on the PATH [Port Authority Trans-Hudson] subway train from New Jersey on her way to work. [See map page 25] She was working in one of the offices in the vicinity of the World Trade Center and used to get off at the World Trade Center station. That morning, just before the building collapsed, the driver stopped the train two stops before that station and so she, along with thousands of others on the train, was saved. She is the granddaughter of Prof. Yang Yunyoung, who composed a number of our



holy songs and was one of the early members of our movement [See *Today's World* Sept. 1988 issue].

And finally, my brother-in-law, Kang Jun-ho, also worked near the World Trade Center as an accountant. Fortunately, he was far enough away and was able to run away from the collapsing building.

I was very happy to hear that all of them had survived the incident. Through this I felt how much God had protected four second-generation members working in and around the World Trade Center on that day.

After this attack I received many e-mail messages and phone calls of concern from Unificationists all over the world. My parents, Rev. and Mrs. Pak Joong-hyun, also received many calls. My father reported this incident to True Parents by phone. The Korean community in New York City was also looking for me. They had the names of the Korean people who were working at the World Trade Center. For two days they tried to reach us by phone but neither my parents nor I could be reached. They even published my name as missing in

the Korean newspaper. When my family saw it, they called the radio and newspaper and reported that I was fine, and the newspaper published my name again as one who had survived.

This incident has shown me that we, the Unification Family, are truly one family and that members are truly concerned about one another. I want to use this opportunity to thank everyone for their concern and support.

My law firm is currently in the process of rebuilding and has temporarily moved into a new office. Unfortunately, my firm now has the daunting task of rebuilding its law practice.

I feel so fortunate to have survived this terrible tragedy. If my plan had not been changed, I could well have been in the office when the first plane collided with my building. This was an important time for my family because my wife was eight months pregnant with our first child.

I want to dedicate the rest of my life to God, True Parents and to securing everlasting world peace for the new heaven and new earth, for the Kingdom of God on earth and in heaven. I am not going to change my career, but I want to become a better representative of the Unification Church. My colleagues and staff are aware that I am a member of this church, and I want to set a better example after this experience.

Endnote: Recently I heard that True Father was went to lower Manhattan Island by boat on October 11th. He observed "Ground Zero," the area where the tragedy occurred, then headed up the East River. In front of the UN building, he fished and prayed. On October 12th, at the 6 a.m. hoon dok hae at East Garden, he said, "I saw the Twin Towers, symbol of the financial world, like the pillars of cloud and of fire, no longer there. Now, the members of Unification community all over the world have to become those Twin Towers, the pillars of cloud and of fire, of true love of brotherhood and sisterhood."◆

Inho Andrew Park is the elder brother of Insup nim. He and his wife Moon Eun-jin (daughter of the late Moon Yong-gi, Father's cousin) are from the 200-couple second-generation blessing in 1992.

CONTINUED FROM PAGE 22...REV. KWAK freedom and equality for all people. Because America's founders and subsequent leaders sacrificed themselves to establish, safeguard and pursue these ideals, God blesses America. But America must never lose hold of these anchors of its blessing. Whenever American spirituality or its faithfulness to human equality is violated, suffering can occur.

As America seeks divine guidance for her response to these heinous attacks, she must seek the end of hatred, for the sake of the entire world, not only for her own sake. America must lead not only in wealth and might, but in care and with a parental heart to protect the safety and human rights of all people of goodness.

We are proud of President George Bush for his conscientious and explicit defense of Muslim-Americans and peace-loving Muslims around the world. Likewise, we respect American responsibility to apply the full strength of her national security, intelligence, and military force to protect innocent and good people from further terror and evil.

We urge, however, that necessary action transpire under the more profound and eternal mission for peace on earth. Ultimately, peace cannot be

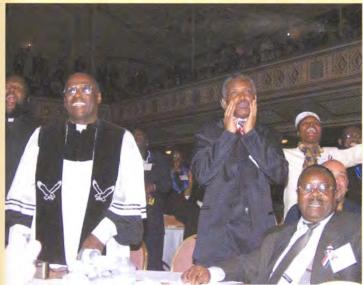


secured by force, or by any form of external policing. True security comes from the resolution of historical hatred and the increase of mutual care and love. While America pursues those who have committed evil acts against innocent families it must hold fast and without compromise to its higher purpose: First, the advance of harmony, cooperation, and common good among all believers in all religions and traditions. And second, her obligation to be a champion for human equality, equal rights, and safety and security for all

people of conscience, not only for American citizens. If America can seize this turning point in history and have a loving parental heart toward all people, she can elevate her blessedness, and pioneer a vision of one world under God for people in all nations and all religions.

God's ideal is peace; and the primary stewards of peace should be religious leaders and believers. Religious leaders should have taught their followers to love and care for one another irrespective of religion and race. If narrow sec-





tarian and denominational interests persist, and if religions fail to teach universal love, Satan will gain a foothold over the hearts of people and great evil, as we saw on September 11th, will continue to shred our precarious safety.

The terror attacks were a direct violation of God's ideal of true peace. Suddenly, nowhere is safe, we are unsure of the person beside us. Nevertheless, external regulations must give way to internal and spiritual achievements as our only hope. The only safety, security, and peace is to end historical hatred through self-governance and the creation of peaceful character. Religions and religious leaders must reflect on whether they have preached God's love for all people universally, irrespective of national origin, religion and race. If not, we must repent. Now we have been driven by misfortune rather than through wisdom to wake up to the mission of peace through interreligious harmony. America's spiritual leaders must lead the world in this mission of respect, harmony, and cooperation for all believers and all races. Only in this way can we dissolve hatred, and live in peace and security. Not through force alone.

As most of you know, for nearly fifty years Reverend Moon has been a champion of interreligious dialogue, having expended more resources for interreligious peace than for the development of his own church. This is his tradition. On this day, I am proud to announce that Rev. and Mrs. Moon—in response to the recent acts of terrorism and as an example of the kind of initiatives that they strongly believe must be part of any serious effort to build a world of peace—have committed two million dollars, which has come from donations to the Family Federation, to a fund which will support the promotion of interreligious dialogue and harmony between Christians and Muslims throughout the world. Let us all work together, regardless of our religious background to promote loving, respectful and peaceful relations among believers of all the religions, and most especially at this time, between Christians and Muslims. Let us work together, hand in hand, arm in arm, for peace.

Beloved religious leaders gathered here, let our prayers be not only for ourselves and not only for America, but for all God's children. I pray for your fortitude and steadfastness in

loving God even in these sorrowful days. Please lead the way to God's kingdom of peace. Our security lies in the end of hatred and in the power of our universal love. Especially honor those who love God, no matter what their religious traditions may be.

Thank you, and God bless you and your families. And may God bless America. And may God bless the World.

Photos: facing page top and bottom, ministers, guests and the general public take part in the rally in Harlem on September 22nd; this page top, ministers listen with enthusiasm to a speech at the prayer breakfast at the Manhattan Center in the morning; right, a map of Manhattan Island, New York,

showing important sites



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al aspects, such as the explanation of the providential work of True Parents and the content of the blessing, were extensively explained by Rev. Sa, while the educational aspects about the family, the protection and development of the younger generations, and teachings on pure love, were allocated to Siegfried Klammsteiner, founder of the "Social Competence Institute," European CARP leader Mark Bramwell, and me as the FFWPU Balkans regional leader.

The response was enthusiastic. We received many requests for cooperation, especially in the educational field, with the support of the Ministry of Education. The main national TV station covered the second day of the event and interviewed many of the participants. A

two-minute report on the conference was repeated several times on the news, including the eight o'clock evening news, which everyone watches. The news clip showed the speaker of Parliament addressing our conference, saying that all things may fade away, but the family will remain. There was also a 35minute report on the conference in a popular current affairs program. The mufti of Elbasan, the third most populous city in Albania had this to say: "How did you know you should invite me? I have been searching until now for such educational materials. I was struggling within myself because my mind was full of so many diverse ideas, but now I know clearly what to do. However, I ask you for assistance: I need your materials. I already have an agreement

to broadcast on two TV channels. I would like to use your materials—and I will broadcast it together with the FFWPU logo." The mufti had written countless pages of notes on almost everything he heard at the conference.

We intend to have many other meetings like this, inviting those who have the nation's best interests at heart, creating a "heavenly cultural environment" that can protect and encourage the development of Albania in the direction of God's providence in the era of the fourth Adam.

Giuseppe Cali is also the national leader of Romania. He and his wife Betty were blessed with the 1275 couples in 1989.

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With nineteen other students, I joined a hunger strike at Bratislava University. Emmy Steberle found me there and gave me her fur gloves. After some accidental meetings during the school year, I started to meet her regularly around Christmas 1969 when I read the first chapters of *Divine Principle*.

In the two and a half years of her missionary activity in Bratislava, before she had to leave the country, Emmy found twelve young people, mostly students, who were inspired by the Principle and the ideal of the true family who were ready to follow "Master," as we called True Father at that time. I definitely decided to join in October 1971.

What was your father doing at the time you joined?

During the Prague Spring in 1968, Czechoslovakia became a federal repub-

lic and my father became a member of the Slovak government. He was there until June 1969 when he was expelled from the Party and also deprived of his position in the Cabinet, because he did not agree with the Russian occupation. He worked from then until his retirement in his original profession as an expert in building dams and waterpower plants.

How did the church function in a communist environment and what led to your imprisonment?

At that time we did not care so much about the communist regime. We witnessed not only to fellow students or our relatives but also on the streets as did our members in the "free" world. We even competed with them in getting better results.

During a short stretch of two or three years, we opened church centers in most bigger towns in both the Czech and Slovak republics. We even sent some members to other socialist countries (Poland, Bulgaria) to investigate the conditions for future missions there. Altogether we had around a hundred members.

Soon we began to leave our physical families and live in centers. Our parents and relatives could hardly understand and accept this behavior and some of them, to protect their children, reported our strange and "illegal" activities to the state police. Beginning in 1972 the police began to watch us more closely,

and gradually they investigated our group, which they called the Principled People, more and more carefully. The first arrests occurred in September 1973.

What was it like in prison? Where were you kept and how were you treated?

I learnt there so much about life there! I confirmed what I'd read in Divine Principle—that misused, defiled love was the main reason for all problems. I met murderers, thieves and teenage prostitutes from orphanages as well as older women who earned their living in that way. I talked to mothers who'd killed their newborn babies, and tried to understand and not to judge. I listened to many life stories, and sometimes this mere act of quiet participation helped to release painful resentment. Sometimes I could help by smiling or giving massages to tired, older prison mates, usually gypsy women. And they'd bless me



in their typical way, "May God return it to you through your many children!" (We had five, including one set of twins.) You could not pretend anything there. Good was good and evil was evil. Under those extreme conditions I discovered within myself a deeper source of creativity and started to write poems. I also tried to keep my body healthy and strong and continued with my usual gymnastics and yoga exercises and even taught some teenagers to do the same if they wanted. I learned many beautiful poems by heart and recited them instead of prayers when I could not pray.

After the court trial, we were sentenced to labor camps for different periods of time. The Bratislava Supreme Court sentenced us, 19 young people, to

a total of more than 45 years in prison. I got 3 years and 8 months. Other sentences at different courts were from 1 year, up to 5 years for a brother who did his military service during his sentence. He was sentenced by a military court, but his parents later helped him get a presidential pardon.

At the beginning, five or six of us sisters were at the same labor camp near Bratislava. We saw each other every day and we even prepared a cultural program of songs and poems for other women prisoners, in which we tried to express our belief in true love and family values. We also painted our white Tshirts with symbols of the original beautiful world: the sun, the mountains with rivers, a family and a house with trees around it and so on. Our prison mates very warmly accepted us, but the leadership realized very soon that we were too dangerous a group to be together and could influence others in the way they did not wish, so they separated us

by sending us to different places.

It is a long story. Each of us could write his or her own book about our experiences in prison. For brothers, generally speaking, it was more difficult as their conditions and treatment were more severe, and their imprisonment caused deeper resentment in their hearts. I was released on May 20, 1977, and, with the official permission of our prison prosecutor, was able to take out all my notes, poems and court documents.

And as for the death of our dear sister Marie Zivna, no one can tell you how she really died. It happened at Easter time 1974, before our trial in the Bratislava Palace of Justice, a court building

with an indoor prison where the suspects were kept and their activities investigated until they were sentenced and sent to other prisons or labor camps. They told us that she committed suicide. But knowing her pure character and her devotion to God and True Parents, nobody could believe it. She was sent to her parents in a metal coffin; they could see only her face. I believe that when the time comes, she herself will reveal all the facts from the spirit world. On May 1, 1994, at the 40th anniversary of the founding of our church True Father declared her to be one of the few martyrs of our movement.

In Korea I felt her more closely than before. I mentioned her and my spiritual mother, Emmy Steberle, who was blessed with a Korean husband and had been living in Korea for some years every day in my prayers. [Emmy Steberle died of cancer in 1981.] I was sure they both protected me, especially when I was visiting all those different places in my area and collecting the *Nam–Buk Tongil* signatures.

Please say something of the presentday church activities in your country.

Some European leaders used to speak about our country [Slovakia, part of what was formerly Czechoslovakia] as the hope of Europe. It is really difficult to give a short account of all the successful activities of our devoted brothers and sisters. I will mention a few that have an international influence and can serve as an inspiration for others.

There's a well-developed Wonhwado project in three Slovak cities; this brings many teenage boys from different social backgrounds into our movement. Some of them have already been blessed and lead Won-

hwado clubs at their schools or other places.

Free Teens has been successful at many middle and high schools in our capital and other cities. We also have a preciselyorganized fundraising system where heart, intellect and sacrificial spirit are united in an amazing and highly effective way. A "City of Zion" (its name comes from the popular film Matrix) project, which focuses exclu-

sively on young people, uses a "club form" of informal outreach. That is their special way of witnessing. I want to mention here that brothers and sisters responsible for these projects were not appointed by a higher leader, but followed their internal desires and abilities and chose a project themselves as a result of their previous activities. They struggled a lot, laid many spiritual conditions and made a lot of practical effort to prepare a financial foundation for these projects.

Dorota with

her children

What is vital for the whole Slovak movement, as I see it, is the atmosphere of trust and real friendship among the national leader, city leaders and other responsible and active members. The national headquarters also takes systematic care of the well-being of all full-time members and their families,

including their health and social insurance. We have a full-time, professional economist who is responsible for financial matters.

Perhaps an advantage we have is that we have a strong foundation of faith from the underground past; we learned lessons from our mistakes in that complicated period. We've tried to heal and eradicate any resentment through a new devotion. We realize that only a spirit of cooperation among members from *all* generations can bring about real success and positive change in our own families, which can expand to the whole society.

We have learned to respect our national messiahs and use their rich life experience and deep devotion to the Heavenly Father and True Parents as a precious inspiration for our own life and work. We are trying to build what our American brother Tyler Hendricks calls a "witnessing church of working families", and so to establish—step by step—a real Heavenly Kingdom at

With her husband on her fiftieth birthday

every level.

As for our five children, we strive to make them an active and useful part of all this. Thanks to the precious help and understanding of our young members, who have befriended them, they have been able to forgive us, their parents, for our mistakes and failures. In this way they naturally learn to find their own identity as blessed children and make their own decision to follow this sacrificial way of life.

Jakub (17) flew to New York at the end of June and spent ten days at a preparatory meeting for the UN General Assembly special session on the rights of children to be held in September, when he would also participate. Then he went to Camberg, Germany for Hyun-jin nim's twenty-one-day work-

shop. After a short time at home with his cousin from France, he left with one of our New Hope teams for Denmark and was there until the end of August.

Kristina (15) attended a fifteen-day Divine Principle workshop in Glanow, Poland and together with her twin sisters Magdalena and Emilia (14) spent ten days in a summer camp in Germany. Before that the twins had taken part in a one-hundred-km-long mountain march and then attended a five day Principle workshop and Wonhwado training, which all was a part of the first forty-day Wonhwado seminar in Slovakia. Our youngest daughter Anna (11) spent two weeks in a Czech HARP summer camp.

I realize the battle has not been won. The temptations of the secular world are very strong and attractive. Many of our second generation have already experienced the depths of the Fall and the danger of drugs, alcohol, aggressive computer games and homosexuality, or they simply don't care about others. Our

son Jakub feels very strongly that it is his mission to help them, to save them. And under the guidance of elder brothers and sisters he is seriously preparing himself.

Is there anything you might like to add by way of a conclusion?

Many times when I was reflecting on my life I had a keen, painful feeling that there was nothing we could really offer to God and True

Parents except the pure enthusiasm of our first love for God's ideal and, in my case, the joyful sacrifice of our imprisonment. I can say "joyful" because I was really proud of being able to offer up before the living Christ the troublesome and sorrowful condemnation we had received. Yet, facing the real situation in the world, watching the life-risking effort of True Father in his eighties, touching the sorrowful heart of True Mother at the wonjeon, reading Hyun-jin nim's challenge to the young generation—once and for all, I have to turn away from the past and, together with our children look to the future, and try to be useful in any possible way now.

Dorota, her husband Ladislav, and their children currently live in Bratislava

The Reemergence of Tong Il Moo Do

A Unification martial art geared to the building of good character

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In ancient times, martial arts (moo do in Korean) were developed by monks at Buddhist temples for their own self-defense, for their health and for the cultivation of their spirit. By emphasizing the "do" part of moo do, which means "the way," the monks kept the cultivation of their spirit and unity of their mind and body as the

main purpose for practicing martial arts. This is also connected with the spirit of patriotism. People who practice martial arts must be people of the highest character who realize a true family and dedicate themselves to developing world peace. Unfortunately, it is undeniable that moo do often has been misused, contrary to its original spirit.

In order to realize its original purpose, moo do must be centered upon the absolute and universal value of

the Unification Principle, which is based on true love and the conscience. Unification Principle is the absolute universal value system, which can harmonize and unify the values of the East and the West, the values of the traditional and modern worlds, and spiritual and material values.

Today the martial arts have split into hundreds of different schools, and each school insists that its technique is the best and only true technique. However, all the different martial arts must have tolerance and magnanimity to respect each other's style. In addition, they must become liberated from the spirit of factionalism.

When people who are vibrant and creative are faced with real danger, they must apply a comprehensive and cre-

ative technique that transcends any one fixed form. If a person is bound by one particular style, he may be limited regarding the type of creative techniques he can use. This is why a martial art that harmonizes and unifies all the different styles is needed.

Tong Il Moo Do was developed to be a comprehensive and unified martial art that is able to harmonize and unify the best essence of all the different techniques of the various schools of martial

> arts through analysis and improvements.

A student of Tong Il Moo Do is required both to train in martial art skills and to learn and practice the Unification Principle in his daily life. It is by doing this that he will develop both physically and spiritually into a person of true character. This is the main purpose of Tong Il Moo Do.

The Relational Aspect of Tong II Moo Do Divine Principle Straight movements, soft movements, strong movements, punches and kicks Tong II Moo Do

An Integrated Martial Art

Tong II Moo Do enables one to unify

and harmonize circular movements (subject) and linear movements (object), soft or gentle movements (subject) and rigid movements (object), and also throwing techniques and punching and kicking techniques.

Circular and soft movements are in the subject position and are more important, linear and rigid movements are in the object position. Therefore, it has largely adopted and developed various circular movements. In this regard, Tong Il Moo Do has absorbed a large number of the techniques of Korean Wonhwado.

By integrating and systematizing the harmonized and unified techniques centering on the Unification Principle, the student of Tong Il Moo Do can come to study and internalize the Unification Principle naturally through the martial arts training programs.

For example, we begin and end training sessions with a meditation time by reading True Parents' words. We shout "Choong Hyo" (loyalty and filial piety), thus cultivating a spirit of loyalty and filial piety.

A New Focus and Revival

With the start of the providence of the second generation at the beginning of the new millennium both True Father and Hyun-jin nim have emphasized the need to practice martial arts for the cultivation of the spirit of the second generation. Hyun-jin nim is aware of Tong Il Moo Do's valuable aspects and is hoping that it will play a great role in the development of the second generation and of CARP members. He is therefore actively encouraging the resurrection of Tong Il Moo Do.

The many Tong Il Moo Do trainees throughout the world have also been urging the revival of Tong Il Moo Do at the beginning of the new century. In addition, Mr. Myung Dok-son, president of the Martial Arts Federation for World Peace (MAFWP), Mr. Yim Dow-soon, president of the Korean branch of MAFWP and its former president, Mr. Lee Sang-gun have also been encouraging the resurrection of Tong Il Moo Do in order to help bring new life into the Martial Arts Federation.

After praying deeply about what to do, I explained to True Father about the



Why Learn Tong Il Moo Do?

- 1. Because it is based on the Unification Principle, it can help trainees to develop a healthy character and heart.
- 2. It provides a comprehensive and unified system of techniques (unifying warm-up exercises, comprehensive forms of circular moves and straight moves, free sparring techniques, unified self-defense, unified weapon techniques and so on).
- 3. Practicing the techniques and skills can aid the development of a healthy and fit body.
- 4. The harmony of various techniques promotes a sense of beauty and aesthetics.
- 5. Tong Il Moo Do is appealing and can be learned by male and female, young and old alike.

situation on March 25, 2001, True Parents Day, in Los Angeles, and I received special blessing and encouragement from him to resurrect Tong II Moo Do. On May 4th, True Father bestowed many blessings on us, writing a special calligraphy for Tong II Moo Do, and choosing a special logo and signing it at East Garden (see page 30).

At the direction of Hyun-jin nim, during the graduation ceremony from his second twenty-one day special workshop at UTS on May 6th, twenty-five Tong Il Moo Do experts and twenty second-generation trainees gave a very successful exhibition in front of Hyun-jin nim, Jun-sook nim and the workshop participants (photos this page). After this, all the Tong Il Moo Do leaders determined to make a new start.

After ten years of not taking care of Tong Il Moo Do and having even ordered its discontinuation, I also determined to make a new start. This was done with the ardent wish that Tong Il Moo Do help God's providence, the education of the second generation and witnessing activities.

Inception and Development

At the beginning of 1979, I was running an international martial arts school in Washington, D.C., when True Father told me to take on the responsibility of assistant to the president at the Unification Theological Seminary. I thought that this would mean that I would have to stop doing martial arts, and so I closed my school and moved to the seminary.

After I started working at UTS, True Father told me to teach martial arts and Unification Principle to the UTS students. He also asked me to give the same kind of education to the security guards at East Garden. So during the week, I taught Unification Principle and martial arts to the UTS students and on the weekend I taught the security guards of East Garden.

On Easter Sunday, April 15, 1979, True Father visited the gym at Belvedere in order to see the guards training, and after watching a brief exhibition he wrote a calligraphy with the words, "Advancing bravely forward with discipline." We can consider this to have been the official beginning of Tong II Moo Do.

True Father visited the seminary on a number of occasions, and every time he emphasized that UTS students should learn martial arts. He also talked about the vision and ideal of martial arts.

I was very inspired by True Father's words and I determined to develop a martial art that could realize True Father's vision. I spent many hours in prayer and meditation in order to accomplish this.

In his speeches, True Father had emphasized the importance of developing techniques of *Won-hwa* (circular harmony). Inspired by these words and based on the Divine Principle, I developed a martial art that could harmonize the techniques of all martial arts and I called it Wonhwado. At that time I had no idea that Wonhwado already existed in Korea. In 1988, after I'd found out about the Korean Wonhwado, I changed the name to Tong Il Moo Do in order to avoid confusion.

On January 2, 1983, I became the

The Symbolism of Tong Il Moo Do Forms

The most basic form that the white belt student has to learn is the "form of the four-position foundation." This starts with *jong* (origin) position then realizes the harmony of the subject and object through *hap* (union) and then comes back around to the original *jong* position again. The four-position foundation movement is repeated three times, incorporating different movements and techniques and this symbolizes the three great blessings. In the next stage there are four attack techniques, which represent the four-position foundation and three techniques for defense which symbolize the three stages of growth and the three object purpose. This form is made up of twelve movements in all and this symbolizes the completion of the twelve object purpose of the four position foundation.



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American CARP leader and began a tour of American university campuses giving Unification Thought lectures and Tong Il Moo Do exhibitions. The title of the tour was "The Martial Arts and Unificationism," and it began in the winter at Boston University and continued on to the University of Texas in Houston, the University of Wisconsin in Madison, and the University of California at Berkeley. In those days, these universities were famous strongholds of the leftist student movement.

During the first martial arts tour, leftist students did their utmost to oppose the tour, though the majority of students showed interest in the lectures. By the second tour the leftist students' power had greatly weakened.

Soon after that, I also became the vice-president of World CARP. During this time, Tong Il Moo Do developed quite rapidly around the world. During the 1980s, more than a hundred black belts were granted in the Philippines alone. Tong Il Moo Do started to play a significant role in drawing new, young members.

At an international leaders' meeting in Korea in October 1988, an official direction was given that all people should learn the Korean Wonhwado. Soon after that, True Father privately told me to continue Tong Il Moo Do. Much confusion arose, however, when many missionaries returned to their mission countries and began replacing Tong Il Moo Do with Wonhwado. Because of this, Tong Il Moo Do's international foundation suffered enormously.

I humbly took ten of my best Tong II Moo Do instructors to Korea to take part in the forty-day Wonhwado training program. I also had wanted to teach Tong II Moo Do to the Wonhwado instructors in order to develop an even higher form of martial art. I believed that that was True Parents' desire. However, my hopes were not realized and many misunderstandings about Tong II Moo Do arose.

Nevertheless, I determined to do my best to help the development of Wonhwado, but because I was not familiar with the Wonhwado martial art techniques, I was unable to be of any direct help. At that time I thought that sacrificing Tong Il Moo Do would indirectly help Wonhwado, and, after an internal struggle, I virtually abandoned Tong Il Moo Do in 1989. Finally, in 1997, I announced its discontinuation.

Despite this, however, the life of Tong Il Moo Do was maintained due to

The Creed of Tong Il Moo Do

- 1. I pledge to be filial and loyal to God and True Parents.
- 2. I pledge to be loyal to my country.
- 3. I pledge to take care of and love my brothers and sisters.
- I pledge to make sincere effort to achieve unity between mind and body.
- 5. I pledge to overcome every difficulty by endurance.
- 6. I pledge to be courageous and bold for the cause of righteousness.
- 7. I pledge to fight against injustice with an indomitable spirit.

the fervent enthusiasm of those with black-belts.

Although True Father had told me on several occasions to continue Tong II Moo Do, I came to think that stopping it was a way of helping the development of Wonhwado and alleviating any misunderstanding concerning Tong II Moo Do. To speak frankly, the various criticisms and misunderstandings concerning Tong II Moo Do over the years made me suffer deeply.

Connection with a Broader Educational Foundation

Father established MAFWP in 1997 in Washington, D.C. for the purpose of building world peace by encouraging all martial artists to work together. It has tried to transcend all differences that exist between people who practice martial arts. The Federation respects all martial arts and is dedicated to bringing about unity and cooperation for a larger purpose, namely, world peace.

In order to achieve world peace, the



Federation emphasizes the teachings of True Parents and the strengthening of the spirit of the martial arts practitioners through education. In this respect Tong Il Moo Do will actively support MAFWP and stand in the forefront of providing spiritual education for those that train in martial arts. In order to realize spiritual education, a new kind of martial arts philosophy and spiritual textbook are needed.

In addition to being chairman of the Federation, for the last ten years I have been president of the International Educational Foundation (IEF), which has researched and systematized True Father's philosophy and teachings into a moral and ethical textbook and has published a number of new educational materials.

Centering on True Parents' teachings and the absolute universal value of the cosmos, IEF has created and distributed textbooks that emphasize the education of the human heart and character, the importance of young people maintaining their purity, true family values and the importance of marriage, the spirit of service and the value of a culture of peace. The effects of this educational material are already being seen in the United States, Russia, China and other parts of the world.

We will soon publish a new textbook, entitled *The Spirit of the Martial Arts*, connecting all these types of educational programs to the martial arts. This textbook can be translated into many languages and used widely for the education of those who are interested in the martial arts.

Those who practice martial arts have to transcend their differences, respect and cooperate with one another. I hope that through MAFWP, we can become one, showing loyalty and filial piety to God and True Parents.

I sincerely hope that through the providence of martial arts we can aid the cultivation of the spirit of the second generation. By educating youth in True Parents' teachings I hope that we can actively aid witnessing. And in bringing many new, young members to follow the will of God, I hope that we can contribute to the unification of the fatherland and the creation of a world of peace.

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Introduction by Soonja Richardson Western Member Liaison, Cheong Pyeong

ROM about the age of ten children in Korea are encouraged to attend specially organized summer workshops at Cheong Pyeong. These workshops for children of school age are organized around the long summer school vacation here. As school schedules differ from country to country, it would not be possible for Cheong Pyeong to organize specific workshops for children from each country.

However, Daemo nim is always encouraging the second generation to attend at any time. Whenever groups of second-generation children come to Cheong Pyeong, she gives special attention to them and even conducts special ansu sessions for them.

I suggest that parents organize for groups of second-generation children to travel to Cheong Pyeong and spend part of their school holiday here. They could come during whatever their school holiday period may be and join forty-day workshop members. Depending on their ages, parents may feel they are mature enough to travel alone to Korea.

Father has mentioned that prior to being blessed, second-generation children should have attended forty-day workshops at Cheong Pyeong twice or even three times. As the children's summer workshops average around twenty days in length, this would count significantly towards those forty-day workshops over time.

Intrigued by what kind of impression young children form of Cheong Pyeong, we asked one boy and one girl participant from this year's summer workshop for primary school students to reflect on their experience.

Chisung Brazil, aged 11

Now that you have been back for a while, how do you feel you have benefited from the workshop?

I got healthier and stronger—got more muscles because of the mountain climbing. Spiritually too.

Would you recommend it to other children who have not been?

Yes, I would recommend it to others, because it is a nice place for them to visit, and if they have evil spirits they can toss them out.

What was the high point of each day of the workshop?

The times I could get to the top of the mountain (Tree of Blessing), though I didn't go every day, and seeing friends.

What was the most difficult part of the workshop for you?

The ansu sessions and sleeping time. Many felt that way because a lot of people were sleepy during ansu, and at night there were so many people that you were squished four to a blanket, with your head between two pairs of feet!

What would you say was the main purpose of going to Cheong Pyeong? The main purpose was to get a lot of evil spirits out of me, and good spirits into me, to make my spirit body grow.

Can you say something about what you did every day?

It was interesting that we went to bed very late every night and could still get up early. We had Wonhwado sessions sometimes. We were supposed to have them every day, but ended up having only about three. It was cool when two elder brothers showed us some Wonhwado moves. We also watched some videos on the big screens, like *Dinosaur* and *Mulan*.

Did you find it easy to make friends? Will you keep up with them?

With some, it was easy to make friends. I will keep up with them sometimes. I knew some of them already. I also met a boy from Japan whom I met one year

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ago. His mother is Korean but speaks good Japanese and his father is Japanese. I exchanged addresses with him. She did my laundry for me together with her son's, something my mother was worried about.

Cheong Pyeong deals a lot with the spirit world. How do you feel about the spirit world being so close to us? I really want to visit the spirit world once and see what it's like there.

What did you like most about Daemo nim and Hoonmo nim? Do you feel you understand how a person in the spirit world can talk through someone who is on earth?

Daemo nim always has a big smile on her face. She was always concerned for us. Yes, because of God's power, it's possible for a person in the spirit world to talk through someone on earth.

After beginning in his local Korean elementary school, Chisung is now a sixth grader at a missionary-run school near Seoul.

Elika Beard, aged 11

THERE is a workshop every school vacation at Cheong Pyeong. Many of my friends go. My teacher is different each time. They are all Sun Moon University students. The Korean wasn't difficult because they always used the words that children know.

If we go with adults the clapping time is more difficult and Daemo nim speaks longer. I want to go outside, but I have to stay in. At the children's workshop the clapping time is shorter and the workshop is more fun. They have a party on the last day. And after lunch the teachers always buy us snacks.

Boys and girls were on different



teams. There were eighteen girls on my team and sixty children altogether. We do things separately during the workshop—learning songs, studying the Principle, but also we play together and one day we even put on entertainment.

At first, each morning we woke up about 6:30 or 7:00 and climbed the mountain. The first day we went to the Tree of Blessing and got a sticker from a teacher there, but after that, at the end of the day, the teacher asked if we climbed or not. She said, "This is Cheong Pyeong, so you cannot lie." I went every day except when they said not to go. We even went once when probably the teacher changed her mind and it started raining so hard. We got very wet, one sixth grade sister and one fifth grade friend and me with one umbrella. On August 1st we pushed the beds aside and did pledge. Eyes almost

closed we did our bows, then we went back to sleep. We quickly put back the sleeping bags and went to bed. We woke up again at 7:40!

Daemo nim spoke after a clapping session. We were singing and suddenly she came in. All the children gave her a big applause.

Daemo nim said that for the first time God came down to the heavenly palace. I didn't know He came down for the first time [on January 13th], because I thought He was always with us, but she said, He is like the sun: He doesn't usually come down, but sends the sunshine. Daemo nim spoke for two hours. "Don't drink. Don't smoke. No boyfriends." She said many things. I am usually sleepy when Daemo nim speaks, but this time I was very interested.

They taught us songs and lectures. One day, our church pastor's wife taught us "give-and-take action" and God, father-mother and children's love. All the things in earth are girl and boy. God is also girl and boy, man and woman. Each day we learned part of the Family Pledge in Chinese characters. We always wrote in our diary before Pledge at midnight. Sometimes we saw movies.

For the first three days it is fun to be away, but if we stay long we want to go home. Even though it was difficult, I enjoyed it.

Elika is a fifth grade student at a Korean elementary school in northern Seoul.



Photos: top, Chisung (looking at the camera) participates in a study session with the other boys in his group; right, Elika (in orange T-shirt at back) attends a group meeting for the girls group

Finding One's Calling in Life

The process of finding and following inspiration



by Julian Gray/Editor

A She is the fourth generation of daughters who have become artists, and a second-generation Unificationist. Akina's family moved to Korea less than a year ago with the feeling that God was guiding them—a feeling that was enhanced when they found a home in the countryside that incorporated a studio overlooking gently sloping rice fields.

Although her mother is an established artist, Akina felt inspired to organize an exhibition of her work by herself in a small but beautifully lit gallery in an artsy area of Seoul. This was not her first exhibition; she has exhibited twice before in the United States when her family was living in New Jersey.

Like most of us, Akina's first taste of artwork began with crayons as a small child, but she has long since graduated onto bigger things. She started taking art lessons from her Mom's artist friends when she was ten and has been doing oil painting for the past three years. As we looked at the paintings she had on display Akina explained, "I did many other activities-ballet, taekwondo, soccer-when I was younger. My Mom just asked me to attend an art class once a week and I agreed to. She also took us [my sister and I] to many art galleries and museums from when we were young children. But I had not thought of being an artist from the outset. Nowadays, when I don't paint for a while-like now that I am in school-my painting hand feels funny. I just want to pick up a brush so bad!" Touching on the purpose of her art, she said, "I try to invest my complete sincerity in my work, recently painting things or people that mean a lot to me. I hope something of this can come through. I think people should get a feeling out of art. I think people analyze things too much, always asking, 'What does this mean?' But the

purpose of art should be to make people feel uplifted." And for anyone who has spent hours waiting for inspiration to hit, she says, "Sometimes I'll get a picture in my mind and I'll sketch it down. Ideas just pop up. When I paint I feel I use my heart rather than my brain."

Akina had the following advice for anyone else who might desire to take up art or become an artist, "Take art classes, because you will mix with other artists and with teachers who can encourage you. Go to local galleries and museums, and look at books about artists you like."

Her mother, Cynthia, believes guiding children to find an interest or passion early on can protect them from unhealthy passions that may emerge later. Cynthia thinks that having no TV, or keeping it off, is good for children: they learn to interact with others, and their concentration on what they are doing is much better. And art galleries are an affordable option for families on a budget. They contain a wealth of history, culture, and spiritual inspiration. This provides a meaningful background to whatever a child studies or pursues later on.

At seventeen, Akina is young to have found her calling in life. But she cheerfully mentioned True Father's advice to the second generation about finding something that inspires you:

"You need to decide on something you like from a young age. Then, if you concentrate your effort joyfully on this throughout your whole lifetime, you will become a world-level person."

(The Way for Students, p. 72)

Akina is now studying art (and a few other subjects) at Ewha University in Seoul.

Photos: top, Akina outside the gallery where her works were exhibited; below, from the exhibition: Akina's portrait of her younger sister, Kyra



Brought Together by the Hand of God

The blessing of the second generation

Adapted from information supplied by Emmanuel Bauer of the European Second Generation Office in Frankfurt, which reflects the approach Europe is adopting toward preparations for the blessing.

IVING things grow and develop and that always means change. One recent change in the living work of our True Parents is the passing of the responsibility for matching members of the second generation from True Parents to the parents of the second-generation blessing candidates. For the upcoming blessing, the European church has implemented a system to meet this new challenge.

In some ways, little has changed. There is still a special time period for matching that precedes the blessing. Parents should conduct the engagement of their children of marrying age during this period rather than at any time of their own choosing. Their sons and daughters will have gone through a process by which they are determined to be suitable candidates for taking part in the matching and their names will have been put on an international matching list. This list will, as far as possible, include candidates from all over the world, and will be made available to the parents of those whose names appear on it.

It is important that parents do not begin looking for spouses for their children beforehand. This would easily lead parents to look at indicators from their own perspectives. Only Heavenly Father knows which two candidates can complement one another in a way that expresses His character best, and which chosen spouse can best allow a child to fulfill his or her mission in life. Parents should therefore prepare themselves through prayer, conditions and serving those in need (for example, children less privileged than their own).

Both parents and children will need to understand the responsibility that comes with this new freedom through thorough education about the original meaning and value of the blessing, which differs from outside marriage in its emphasis on the purity of the lineage and, further, depends upon the standard of heart and Principle that parents and children embody.

We have always heard that a new age begins in the midst of the old. The matching of children by their parents may one day be a natural part of the heavenly culture, something taken for granted by everyone. Yet, it is beginning now, amidst the process of our own restoration. It is important that parents do not decide it is too difficult a task and avoid the responsibility.

The question that we are faced with is whether the matching of the second generation can be kept to the same standards as those set by our True Parents.

Hyun-jin nim spoke of this in the twenty-one day workshop for leaders held in Quebec, Canada, in March:

"[Blessing] is not just a man and woman living together, but it is a man and a woman at the forefront of creating world peace by bridging two different cultures. Now that True Parents do not match anymore, do the second generation like this or not? Do you want to find you own husband or wife? If you want to find your own wife, will you go look for your enemy or your best friend? True Parents concept is to go find the enemy. If you want to undo all those barriers, you have to find substantial solutions. The way to do this is in the relational context of the family. That is why if you look at some of the married couples, they find someone who is just a close friend and think, 'How great it would be with this person.' Then after two or three years they just separate. There is a lot of that, right?

Even in society, they say, 'Opposites attract' and talk about 'complementary pairs.' A couple should be great uniters. The further the worlds of that couple are apart, the greater a span they will cover in their unity. If Korea and Japan want to create a good relationship, who will be the best ambassadors to bring about peace between Korea and Japan, a Korean–Korean couple, a Japanese–Japanese couple or a Korean–Japanese couple?... your families have this kind of value, because you carry the substantial solutions for creating world peace."

Father has bequeathed the responsibility, but will we inherit his spiritual insight?





Second generation students from overseas welcome Hyun-jin nim in Korea

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As a small, hot coal begins the warming of the entire world, the will of Heaven has already settled in our families and communities and will gradually be expanded to tribes, nations and the world.

Then, what is today's providential task? Needless to say, it is establishing a nation for God. It is to establish the unified nation of cosmic peace. True Parents emphasized that to do this all of us have to organize our tribes. A tribe consists of, as Abel, our clan, and, as Cain, the 160 (or 180) families that are our spiritual children. The methods through which we will organize our tribes are the blessing and working in our local communities.

Beloved brothers and sisters from all around the world, as people who are walking along the road of the providence with True Parents, wouldn't it be right, as central blessed families, to leave a mark on the providence in the first year of the era of God's kingship?

In front of True Parents, who have gained victory after undergoing such hardship, and in front of our descendants, who will scrutinize how we lived in this time, and moreover, as a matter of our own integrity, we can't just let this time slip away, can we?

From the depths of my heart, I appeal to you, as Unificationist members who are living lives connected with the providence, attending the noble True Parents, and also as upstanding registered blessed families, we must be united and determined. As central people who are opening a new history in the first year of the era of

God's kingship, let's create our second selves by finding a minimum of one couple. Let's find two single people, and open a new age.

I am sure that we can erect the framework of the restoration of the independence of the fatherland [choguk kwangbok] if each of our families finds two people (one couple) to become blessing candidates to participate in the blessing ceremony to be held in February. This goal is not at all unreasonable. I think that if we only have a clear sense of the providence and are fully determined to achieve this goal, we can each reach it without difficulty.

Brothers and sisters, it's time to solidify our determination. We have about four months left before next February. Let's actively participate in this campaign of "each couple finding one blessing couple" during this period and bring victory without fail, thus joining hands with one another in attending True Parents, so that on that day next year, when the international holy blessing is a success, we can sing of victory to our hearts' content.

I am always grateful. I anguish over how to return glory to Heaven and True Parents and give joy to members. Just as if a soft bud of new life were to emerge on a cold day when the earth is frozen, our advancement will surely surprise the world next February. Once again, I ask for your resolute determination.

I would like to conclude by praying that the love and grace of the Parents of Heaven and Earth be with your families forever.

Sun Jo Hwang

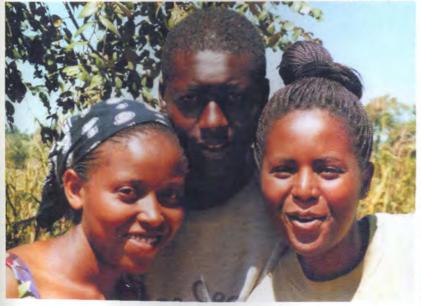






Snapshots: IRFF & RYS in Kenya

Through IRFF-RYS cooperation, a medical center was constructed in the Lugari district of Kenya by an international group of young people from diverse organizations and faiths. (Aug. 9th-22nd)





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Father and Mother on a recent visit to Sorak Mountain

Based on your blessed families, you will have descendants one thousand and ten thousand generations from now. Can you be really sure all the things you determine here and now will remain unchanged even a thousand generations from now? Can your descendants of a thousand generations from now be exemplary representatives of the main path to heaven?

Reverend Sun Myung Moon Pal Jeong Shik August 31st, 2001