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Dear Family,

Happy Easter! Fumiko and I send you our warm greetings from London. This is such an important season and time in our Unification history. It was 86 years ago tomorrow that the risen Jesus called our True Father to his mission, and later this month, we will also celebrate the 61st Anniversary of that special day in 1960 when Heavenly Parent's true son and daughter were joined in holy matrimony, the Marriage Supper of the Lamb as promised in the Scriptures. On April 27 we will celebrate Heavenly Parent's Day, True Parents' Day, and the 61st Anniversary of True Parents' Holy Wedding.

I've been reflecting on this season of holy days recently. April is also a holy month in many other traditions: as well as Easter it's Passover right now, and Ramadan starts on April 12. This afternoon, I saw a lot of people out on the street testifying to their faith and gratitude to God. All of us are charged to share the good news. We want to share our greetings to all the faith communities throughout our great Europe and Middle East Region. How to do that? Recently, I realized that True Father's poem, "Crown of Glory" is in fact a conversation between Father and Jesus. I've been sending out a copy of the poem as an Easter Greeting to our friends and family. If you'd like to do the same, I attach two versions you can use.

We would like to remind you about the opportunity to make a Holy Day Donation, which should be done through your local community, if at all possible. The suggested amounts from IHQ in Korea are the same as last year: \$120 for an individual, \$210 for a family. Here in our region we are offering two other suggestions: \$300 for a clan (a 3-generation family) and \$500 for a tribe. As always, these are just suggestions and we are grateful for each and every donation of whatever size, especially during these pandemic times. Our goal and our hope is that 100% of our families will offer something in appreciation and that you will complete the offering by next Sunday, April 11, if at all possible.

Finally, I hope you will be able to join us early tomorrow morning at 02:20am CET for the latest Festival with True Mother. There is no two-way option this time, but you can join the Festival through <u>www.PeaceLink.live</u>. Even though the main focus this time is Korea, Japan, and Asia, I find that it is always worth the effort to keep pace with what True Parents are doing. We'd also like to ask you to mark your calendar for the upcoming EUME Regional Service, which will be on Sunday April 11 at 1100am CET.

Sincerely,

Michael & Fumiko Balcomb Regional President, Heavenly Europe & the Middle East