## FFWPU UK: This Week In Our History: True Mother's Speech In The Kremlin

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In this week's look back at our history, we remember True Mother's speech at the Kremlin in Moscow 30 years ago. Dr Balcomb, who was there at time, gives us his testimony.

Thirty years ago, True Mother spoke at the Kremlin in Moscow as part of her record-breaking world tour. In those days, not long after the end of the Soviet Union, it was still difficult to speak about God and religion in the Russian Capital, and it was very difficult indeed to fill an auditorium with more than 3000 seats to capacity. But we did it!

In commemoration of the 30th Anniversary, our Russian FFWPU held a celebration in the Moscow Peace Embassy, with testimonies, music and dance from the beautiful Angels of Peace (photos below). Watching it online, my mind went back over the years to that dark November "Moscow Night."











I was there at the time on a field assignment from the Unification Theological Seminary in New York, drafting a curriculum for potential use in University-level character education. The Russian title was "Obraz Chelobek" (the Image of Man) with the emphasis on men and women as the image of God. I had a few days off to support the outreach campaign for True Mother's speech and although I honestly don't recall the event very well, I do remember accompanying True Mother back to her hotel. In the lift, she let out a huge sigh of relief, and said "Thank God for being here in Moscow today!" The following day she flew on to Beijing to speak in the Great Hall of the People. A remarkable week in the life of truly remarkable woman.

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