WestRock Family News

Andrew Compton June 15, 2014

Motto of the year:

Let us become true owners of Cheon il Guk who practice true love in resemblance to our Creator, the Heavenly Parent!

Important Happenings Around the World

TRUE MOTHER WAS IN EUROPE FOR 17 DAYS:

In commemoration of the 40th (50th?) anniversary of our missionary activities in Europe this year, True Mother visited Europe for 17 days, including 12 famous mountains in Switzerland, which True Parents had blessed as the place to establish the 2nd Cheon Jeong Gung. It was her Jeongseong period, when she had completed reading the Champumogyeong (참부모경), for the sake of preparing the True Father's Seonghwa (Aug. 12, 2014) and the victory of Vision 2020. The following are some of True Mother's words at hoondokhae and the celebration for her returning to Korea with victory.

"I had visited the famous mountains of the Alps in Europe. Five nations are connected centering on the Alps, where I could see the relics that show the efforts of pilgrims crossing over mountains for their missionary activities."

"True Father once held the Conference of the Mongolian Spotted People in Switzerland. During my pilgrimage in Europe at this time, there was a place where I could see the history of Jeongseong offered by the Mongolians. What do you think they had asked for before Heaven?"

"While offering special Jeongseong this time, I shared lots of conversation with True Father. What I promised Father was that I, who had initiated the project of making Champumogyeong (참부모경), would successfully conclude it when I come back to Korea. I made such a promise with Father."

"It is True Parents that Heavenly Parents and humankind hoped for. It was not that True Parents suddenly showed up in history. You should know the history behind them. You should know the providential history behind True Parents and also need to understand them theologically."

"Champumogyeong (참부모경) is absolute and perfect before humankind. You should study and understand it before you go to the spirit world. Among the three scriptures of Cheon II Guk, Champumogyeong (참부모경) is the most important one. This is the origin. How can I conclude this scripture? By investing more time, I will make this a perfect jewel. Do you understand?"

"We need to have Korea stand high in the world as the fatherland of Heavenly Parents, the nation of True Parents who are the origin of all humankind. It cannot be accomplished by some political or economic powers. We need to make Korea the fatherland and the root of heart where people want to come to visit and live. That's why I am systematically planning to make a tourism project in Korea. Not by rule of thumb but by a long-term plan for the future, I will unfold the tourism project in Korea. We ourselves need to do this too so that people in the world come to beautiful Korea, attend True Parents who are the root of heart, and receive education."

SPECIAL DAYS FOR THE FAMILY FEDERATION WORLDWIDE:

Next Ahn Shi II is Wednesday, June 18

HERE IN AMERICA:

USA Holy Ground Pilgrimage, Kickoff and Revival Tour to begin Sunday, June 22. You can register to be on the tour (or half of the tour, or just a few weeks, or even one day)

Go to www.familyfed.org/members to learn more and to register and participate!

The tour is coming to New York on Thursday July 17

The *International Peace Education Center* needs our donations! Let's take ownership of God's Providence in America by supporting this visionary project. Go to www.familyfed.org/members to learn more about this important initiative.

IN NY DISTRICT:

God's Hope for America - Holy Ground Tour: will be in NY City on Thursday, July 17 (see pastor's greeting for more details)

AND IN WESTROCK:

One Day Divine Principle (and its Application) Workshop: Saturday June 28, taught by Justin Okamoto

Divine Principle Study & Discussion: held Mondays, 7:30-9pm at the White House.

The Sermon this Week

The video of the sermon this week, given at Belvedere by Andrew Compton, can be viewed at this link:

Part 1: http://vimeo.com/98377212
Part 2 http://vimeo.com/98393143

Pastor's Weekly Greeting

Greetings Brothers and Sisters!

Thank you for all your warm greetings on Father's Day.

As you may or may not know, we have a national council that represents the 12 Districts for our movement in America (NY is District #2). Our current representative on the national council is Noah Ross. I mention this, because several members were unaware of the fact and they wanted to know how Noah became our representative.

Each of the 12 districts has a council. The District Council is responsible for choosing the representative to the national council. The District Council members are: the local pastors of each community in our district and one representative of each local community, chosen by the local councils. So, for example, as the pastor, I am a member of the District Council and your local WestRock council chose Dominic Barber to be its representative on the District Council. Our district has 9 official local communities (Albany, Barrytown, Orange County, WestRock, Manhattan, Manhattan Latino, Bronx, Queens, and Long Island), and so we have 18 members in our NY Distict Council. They met, discussed different possible candidates, and finally elected Noah Ross to be our national representative. He will serve for 2 years.

I encourage everyone to become active in your community's council.

Here in WestRock we are about to have elections for our council. The voting will begin next Sunday. The candidates are:

Cupp Donald

Gullery, Debby

Honey, Steve

Kessler, Reiko

Pickard Eamon

Clarke, Daryl

Hack, Elisa

Okamoto, Justin

Strater, Matthew

Lavalley Jack

Tamashiro Fernando

Gabb, Alex

I am planning to send you a short bio of each candidate by tonight.

Also, on this year's ballot we will be asking you to vote to approve the national council for Local Churches – to be adopted officially by WestRock.

Please check out the most recent video of the God Bless America Tour – you can find it at www.familyfed.org. and consider the possibility of going on one of the mini-tours that have been planned. I am sure you will have a memorable experience.

Here are some important key points concerning the Tour

- 1) Everyone Participate! (even if just for one day or part of one day)
- 2) Challenge yourself to go on the bus for at least a day
- 3) We can invite non-members (its going to be fun and exciting!)
- 4) Challenge yourself and go on one leg of the journey. There are now mini-tours.
 - From Baltimore (Sunday July 13) to NY (this would be great for our high school kids it will visit Gettysburg and the historic sights in Philadelphia)
 - From NY (July 17) to Boston (Sunday July 20) (will visit Plymouth Rock)
 - From Boston to Barrytown (July 21, Monday)
 - From Barrytown (July 22) to Chicago (Saturday July 26) (includes Niagra Falls)
- 5) The event in NY will take place on Thursday July 17. (PLEASE CONSIDER TAKING THE DAY OFF FROM WORK)

So far this is our schedule:

- 6:00 am 7:00 am prayer and ceremony at the Holy Ground in NY City, Central Park
- 9:30 am 10:30 am official welcome of the Tour at 9-11, Ground Zero (we hope to have clergy and public officials present)
- 10:30 until noon: visit the 9-11 Memorial
- (at this point the tour may visit Madison Sq Garden it is not yet sure)
- In the afternoon the tour will come up to East Garden for a tour of EG.
- 5:00 pm activities will begin at Belvedere
- 6:00 pm 9:00 pm food, games, music, Testimonies of TP at Belvedere

Let's Remember, Revive, and Re-imagine our future!.

- and make it a great week!

God Bless You and your Family! Andrew Compton

Prayer Requests

Laura Nabetani is now at home – and doing better. Thank you all for your prayers!

Jiau-Lan Weinstein

Prayers for both families would also be appreciated.

Moses Kiely – 3 years old, grandson of Michael and Maria Kiely, diagnosed with leukemia

Testimonies/Reports

If you have a testimony or report to share please send it to me.

Junk Food

I guess you can get too health conscious...

As a family, we don't keep "junk food" in the house. Once when my son was eating a snack at his grandparents' house, he asked his grandmother what vitamins they had in them.

She responded that she doubted there were any at all.

He replied wide-eyed, "You mean these are just for fun?"

Announcements:

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Outreach

Stand for Humanity Benefit Concert: Belvedere, 7 pm, June 20. Raising money for victims of human trafficking

Divine Principle 1-Day Seminar: June 28, White House, Justin Okamoto teaching, begins at 9:30 am, Fee is \$20

Divine Principle 2-Day Seminar: June 27-29 Camp Sunrise. Contact Rev Compton.

UN Event: June 17, Tuesday from 1:15 to 2:45 UPF and WFWP with several UN Missions (Egypt, El Salvador, Indonesia, Nigeria and Romania) will hold a forum, "The Significance of Parents in Human and Societal Development". Register with UPF at unoffice@upf.org by June 13th in order to get a security pass. Excellent program!

Community

Holy Ground Pilgrimage: Become a part of this historic tour and re-connect with the spirit that True Parents invested in this nation. Check it out on line at familyfed.org.

Prayer at the Holy Rock: 6:00 am at the **Central Park Holy Ground** this coming Thursday, June 19, Don't worry if you don't know the location, we will meet at 6 am in front of the Central Park Boat House (across from the 72nd St park entrance).

Be a Contributor: - to the Peace Convention Center in Las Vegas. Check it out on line at familyfed.org.

Level 1 Blessing Workshop: Discovering My True Self: Wednesday, June 25th at White House, 9 am to 5pm. Cost: \$10.00. Designed for high school seniors and others who are older and want to understand the basics of the matching process, the meaning of the Blessing, and how to prepare for it. RSVP.

NY District is looking for members to be trained as **Matching Advisors**. Possible scholarship is available. Contact Debby Gullery.

CIG Constitution Presentation; Clifton Church, 78 De Mott Ave, Clifton, NY Monday June 23 at 7:30 pm

GPA Graduates: From WestRock: Simone Ferrantello, Marina Garwood, & Nikolai Corley

<u>Other</u>

KEA Children's summer workshop: Age: elementary school, Starts on June 27 and ends on 29. The fee is \$50, but if siblings attend together, the second and third ones would pay \$40. For more info contact Jinhee

Mrs. Rumiko Isaksen's **piano concert** will be held at her house on Sunday, June 29th at 7:30pm. \$50 donation

Make it a Great Week!