

## FFWPU International: To Our Beloved Members in Heavenly Japan

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Beloved Japanese members and all blessed families throughout the world:

Recently, the Tokyo High Court handed down its decision to uphold the dissolution order against the Family Federation in Japan. As a result, our Japanese brothers and sisters are experiencing deep pain and confusion. Legally, the organization faces the loss of its status as a religious corporation and the procedure for the liquidation of its assets. Yet it has also been clarified that our faith itself is not being prohibited.

However, separate from the legal dissolution, the wounds and pain in the hearts of our members are by no means light. When I reflect on that pain, as one of your leaders, I kneel before you to offer my deep apology and to ask your forgiveness. This is because none of us in the leadership can stand free of responsibility for what has come upon Japan.



As I have traveled to mission locations throughout the world, what I have witnessed is that the unseen devotion and dedication of the Japanese members have permeated deeply into every corner of the globe. From the Cape of Good Hope in Africa, through Europe, Asia, and North America, all the way to Santiago in Chile, the prayers and tears of Japanese members remain embedded throughout the mission fields of the world. It is as though from that great heart we call Japan, powerful pulses of heartfelt

devotion have created blood vessels that extend to every corner of the world, weaving the whole world a single living body.

Wherever Japanese missionaries went, churches were established, missions were expanded, and countless souls were brought before Heavenly Parent. Even in the most difficult circumstances, financial support and dedicated personnel were sent without reservation to mission fields, becoming the very foundation upon which countless people were saved. It would not be an overstatement to say that the global foundation we stand on today has been made possible by the silent dedication of our Japanese Members. I take this opportunity to express my deepest and most sincere gratitude on behalf of Cheon Il Guk leaders and blessed families around the world.

Beloved brothers and sisters of Heavenly Japan,

The path ahead for the Family Federation in Japan remains one that no one can easily predict. In such a heartbreaking situation, the task of finding an answer to the question of what we should do now will also weigh heavily upon us. The corporation has been dissolved. The public assets gathered through blood, sweat, and tears have been taken away. We have to face the reality of having no place in which to offer worship.

And yet, even in these devastating circumstances, True Parents give us hope and guidance. We know well that when True Parents first began the early church, they did so under conditions that were in many ways even more severe than what Japan faces today. It is for this reason that we can rise again. Because we know this truth, we cannot pause. And in order to go forward, we must become one.



For the sake of the dream not yet realized, we must once again gather together and advance forward. Though churches may be gone, assets seized, and everything taken from us, we cannot give up on Heavenly Parent's hope because we still have our proud and precious members. We have blessed families united in love and bound together in heart. Among them are many second-generation members who were born and raised in that environment and are actively carrying on the mission. I believe this is the "hope" that no one can ever take from us.

Beloved Japanese brothers and sisters,

As you have experienced the tremendous tsunami that has struck the Japanese church, I believe all the painful memories of the past must be flashing before you like a kaleidoscope. While I cannot list one by one the wounds you have carried in your hearts, I wish to reach out to you in your pain through The Crown of Glory - True Father's confession of his innermost heart, which he shared with us long ago.

Even though we are deceived, still believe,  
Though we are betrayed, still forgive.  
Love completely, even those who hate you.  
Wipe your tears away and welcome with a smile  
Those who know nothing but deceit,  
And those who betray without regret.  
...  
But when I loved those who acted against me,

I brought victory.

(아주) (Aju)



This is the life True Parents lived. They walked a path of trusting even when deceived, and forgiving even when betrayed. By choosing love over hatred and faith over doubt, they confronted Satan's accusation throughout their lives - and met it with victory.

For many years you have been receiving the teachings of True Parents. Therefore, "True Parents' DNA" flows in your blood. Even though the Japanese members stand now before fierce and raging waves, I believe you will triumph over everything. Heaven stands behind you, and True Parents are watching over and protecting you. When this trial has surely passed, Heaven will once again bless Japan with boundless and infinite blessing. The devotion that has been sown through your sacrifices will never be in vain - I believe it will once again fill our world with beautiful flowers.

Heavenly Parent and True Parents know your innermost circumstances more deeply than anyone. In this very moment, I ask that you not forget: Upon each and every Japanese member who has guarded this path with tears, Heaven is placing a Crown of Glory that shines more brilliantly than anything in this world.



Please - even on a day when your heart feels it may break apart entirely, this truth stands firm: "The true love I have upheld and protected throughout my entire life has saved Japan and saved the world." This is a truth to which Heaven, the spirit world, True Parents, and brothers and sisters of the Unification Family throughout the world will all stand as living witnesses. We can rise again. For as True Mother's words from prison declare - "Truth will, without fail, be victorious" - and this is eternal truth. We will therefore move forward toward the happy nation of freedom and peace that Heaven has opened before us.

At this time, as we long for True Mother who, even now, is walking the path of imprisonment, I would like to conclude by reading the words she gave to us before she was confined:



"Please do not worry about me. Do not pray for me. Rather, pray and offer devotion for you, for your families, for our Unification family, and for Heavenly Parent's Will to be fulfilled. Blessed families, I love you." (Sept. 22, 2025)

Once again, I bow my head in gratitude and love to our beloved Japanese brothers and sisters who, throughout their lives, have labored and devoted themselves for the providence of Heaven in this world.



And to members throughout the world who are watching over the situation in Japan, please offer your prayers and sincere devotion as comfort to the Japanese church and its members. As a condition of devotion, I ask that you reflect once more, deeply in your hearts, on this truth: without the dedication of our Japanese church and its members, our missionary foundation as it exists today could never have come to be. So that the sacrifices they made will not be in vain, please care for the churches and members in your own communities with ever deeper love.

I pray earnestly that the great comfort and peace of Heaven may rest upon all members in Japan and upon all blessed families throughout the world.