

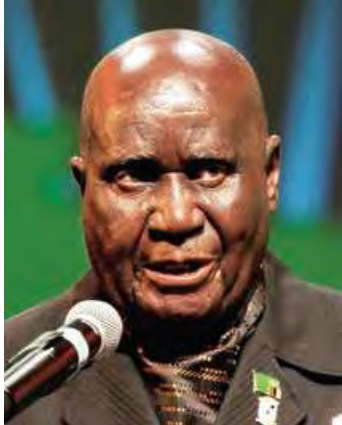
## The truth is that Rev. Sun Myung Moon was a prophet of our time

Kenneth D. Kaunda

August 2014

President of Zambia (1964–1991)

From the book *Peace King* and adapted in honor of the anniversary of Sun Myung Moon's Seonghwa



*Kenneth D. Kaunda*

It is said that the world is a huge stage and life is a great drama. Every day, lives are born on this great stage, but usually they go unnoticed. Once in a long while an extraordinary person appears on the stage. The Rev. Moon was truly an extraordinary person. I knew the Rev. Moon beginning in 1983, only a short period during his life's work. But it did not take long to appreciate the tremendous impact he made upon the world, even in the smallest corner of it.

Rev. Moon dedicated a lifetime to a message. He did this against great odds. The greatest of the world powers opposed him. But the message continued because it is a message that was anointed. It is a message that echoes deep in the human psyche. It is a message about the most basic unit of human life, the family. It tells the world the truth, about our nature and about what we must do if we are to have true peace in the family, in the community and between nations.



*Then President Kaunda (left) with True Parents at the UN during UPF's conference on Governance and the Role of Religion in Peace and Security on August 18, 2000*

Rev. Moon dedicated his life to giving practical expression to this message. It remains consistent today and it remains as relevant as ever. Thank God for giving him to the human race and to the world. Rev. Moon touched many lives. He touched the lives of the poor. He advanced the arts, sports, physical sciences, social services and above all peace in the world.

He can take comfort in the knowledge that his wife was beside him as he did his life's work. They are a magnificent gift from God to each other and to humanity. They are still a valuable example to us all. He was a teacher. But not an ordinary teacher. Rev. Moon was a messenger. But not an ordinary messenger. The truth is that Rev. Moon was a prophet of our time.