

## This Week in History for August 24 – 30

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7.29 -08.06 on the heavenly calendar

### **30,000 and 360,000-Couple International Blessing Ceremonies(August 25, 1992 and August 25, 1995, Seoul Olympic Stadium)**

On August 25, 1992 and August 25, 1995, True Parents respectively officiated the 30,000-Couple and the 360,000-Couple International Blessing Ceremonies. Both were held at the Seoul Olympic Stadium filled with 100,000 people—brides and grooms plus thousands of guests. The ceremonies were also broadcast around the world live via satellite. At the 30,000-Couple International Blessing Ceremony, True Father said, “The International Blessing Ceremony that I officiate has now become tradition.” At the 360,000-Couple International Blessing Ceremony, he said, “The 360,000-Couple Blessing Ceremony is the backbone of everything in the world.”



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### **Inauguration of the Inter-Religious Federation for World Peace (IRFWP) (August 27, 1991, Seoul)**

On August 27, 1991, the inauguration of the Inter-Religious Federation for World Peace was held at the Little Angels Performing Arts Center in Seoul. Some 1,200 people attended, notably representatives of twelve world religions including Christianity, Buddhism, Islam, Hinduism and Sikhism. Religious

scholars also attended the event. Participants vowed to work together to further world peace and interreligious unity. In True Father's keynote address, he emphasized that peace can be attained when there is harmony among religious traditions and a movement to realize world peace is pursued based on the activities of the Inter-Religious Federation for World Peace.



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