Family Federation for World Peace and Unification's 64th Anniversary Celebration

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[MBN] Family Federation for World Peace and Unification, The 64th Anniversary of FFWPU's Founding

The Family Federation for World Peace and Unification (Korean Chairman Lee Ki-seong, hereinafter referred to as FFWPU) held "The 64th Anniversary of FFWPU's Founding" on June 14 from 10:00 AM at the Cheon Bok Gung FFWPU parish headquarters church, located in 3 Ga, Hangang-ro, Yongsan-gu, Seoul.

More than 800 participants took part in this ceremony, including the President of WFWP-International, Yeon-ah Moon, Chairperson of KCFF Hoon-sook Moon, President of FFWPU-Korea Ki-seong Lee, President of Sun Moon University Sun-Jo Hwang and Chairman of the Senior Minister Committee Jun-su Yang, as well as various Korean ministers, leaders of providential organizations, Cheon-Il-Guk Special International Itinerary Workers, representative senior ministers and others.

In his commemoration speech, FFWPU-Korea President Ki-seong Lee stated, "Cheon-Il-Guk's spring has come thanks to your hard work over the last 64 years to achieve heavenly will." He revealed, "We are standing at a historical time when the era of the heavenly Korea FFWPU has opened, and the heat of the Rally for the Hopeful March Forward held nationwide is bringing about significant changes to the heavenly Korea by spirit and truth." He then emphasized, "On this occasion of the 64thAnniversary of the FFWPU's foundation, let us become the filial sons and daughters of God, and seek out the righteous people and open up the era of a heavenly Korea, the era of a heavenly unified Korea, on this land."

The ceremony began with the opening declaration by the Vice-President of FFWPU-Korea Jin-tae Joo, followed by the Cheon-Il-Guk National Anthem, Family Pledge, reporting prayer by headquarters parish leader Jeong-ho Pak, bouquet dedication by church leader Myeong-gi Shin and his wife, a cake-cutting, a performance of festive songs, a commemoration video followed by words of encouragement by Sun Moon University President Sun-Jo Hwang, an awards ceremony, a commemoration speech and benediction by FFWPU-Korea President Ki-seong Lee, and three cheers of Eok Mansei by the Chairman of the Senior Ministers' Committee, Jun-su Yang.

In his words of encouragement, Sun Moon University President Sun-Jo Hwang first gave a general overview on providential history of how the FFWPU was established after Judaism and Christianity by stating, "The FFWPU is not a mere social or religious organization. It is the axis of God's providence." He then emphasized, "This is a ceremony to establish the status of the FFWPU on such a standard and to produce the results of the worldwide activities of Rev. Sun Myung Moon and Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon."

The 64th Anniversary of the FFWPU's foundation was commemorated through awards given to 14 families who have served the FFWPU for more than 33 years, including the parish leader of Gyoenggi Nambu Seung-il Lee, 104 families who have served the FFWPU for more than 15 years, including the parish leader of Seoul Nambu Sang-jin Oh, as well as other awards such as contribution awards for ministers who served until retirement age and the Hyo Jeong family award and others.

The FFWPU was founded on May 1, 1954 in Seoul at the Saedaemun House in Bukhak-dong, Seodonggu, or Shindang-dong, Jung-gu of today. They have developed their missionary activities not only within Korea, but worldwide, starting in Japan in 1958 and the in the US in 1959, and are now working in 194 nations around the globe.

Last year, the FFWPU adjusted its organization system which was made of 24 parishes and allocated those parishes into five districts: Seoul-Incheon region as the 1st district, Gyeonggi-Gangwon region as the 2nd district, Chungnam region as the 3rd district, Honam region as the 4th district, and Yeongnam region as the 5th district, in order to fulfill its goal of VISION 2020 as the "Heavenly Korea FFWPU."...