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1301st 2-day Chung Pyung (CP) Special Workshop(WS)

The 1301st 2-Day CPWS was held at the main hall of Cheonseong Wanglim Palace in the third week of January 2016, from Saturday to Sunday, 16 to 17, and from December 7 to 8 in the third year of Cheon Il Guk by the heavenly calendar.

1,483 members from Korea, 721 from Japan, 315 from other foreign nations, all totaling in 2,519, participated in this week's WS.



The main hall of the Palace was filled with a passionate session of chanyang. Afterward, the members listened to True Mother's video message. In the video, she spoke to the participants of the beginning-of-the-year meeting and the ACLC conference. Filled with the grace of True Parents, some members who heard True Mother's message gave the following testimonies. J.N., a female member in her 20s from the Tamatokyo District, gave the following testimony.

When I saw True Mother shedding tears, my own eyes swelled up with tears as well. 'Ah, yes. We

need to do ten times of what we are asked to do. I want to serve Mother with that kind of heart.' This has become my commitment. Then during the ancestral liberation ceremony, I witnessed an astonishing work of the spirit world unfold. 'True Parents help us eliminate evil spirits even though we are unworthy! We are very fortunate to receive this blessing!' I began to think like this as I began to cry intensely. I realized, 'We are allowed to liberate up to seven generations of our ancestors even though we are unworthy! This is truly the Heaven's great fortune at work.' My ancestors in the spirit world who would be participating in the spiritual 100-day WS came to my mind when I realized that True Parents always give their blessings. I was reminded of my ancestors who would be fiercely engaging in a chanyang session of their own. When I realized that this is truly a great blessing from Heaven, I began to cry out of an indescribable feeling of joy.

At that moment, I realized that the holy song, 'Grace of Holy Garden,' truly conveys the intensity of that feeling. I realized, 'True Father wrote this song with a heart overflowing with joy and hope!' At that moment, I was deeply moved after knowing that I restored that deep heart of Parents as my own. 'Thank you, True Parents, for allowing this unworthy subject to sing this holy song! Thank you!' Thinking this, tears fell from my eyes like a waterfall.

Watching True Mother crying in the video, I felt that she cried because of our inadequacy. Still, she calls us to this place to allow us to repent, participate in chanyang sessions, ancestral liberations, and listen to her message. Her love truly knows no bound, and I cried and repented. I felt True Mother was like my physical mother. I prayed sincerely that I want to meet True Mother, and this is how my prayer was answered. I now know that True Mother is always in my heart. Then there was a voice inside my heart telling me, 'I gave you all that suffering to guide you here.' I realized then and there that all my past suffering was Heaven's grace, and my grudge melt like snow and disappeared."

A moving testimony regarding the ancestral liberation



Murakami Akemi, a 400 million-couple from the Seoul Kangbuk Church, gave the following inspiring testimony.

"My older sister went to the spirit world last month. I came to the WS to liberate her spirit. During the last prayer session, I heard my sister's voice telling me, 'I am leaving now...' I could feel her heart and began to shed tears of gratitude and a sense of longing for her knowing that I've sent her to a good place.

I had a chance to read a church newspaper called 'Bonhyangin,' read largely by Japanese sisters living in Korea. I found out from the paper about the change in CP and True Parents' direct guidance over it. Coming to CP then made me realize that True Mother on Earth is guiding the works of CP directly, and that a completely new system is now being established in CP.

I could feel that everything is now more organized after True Father the King of Kings, has passed

away and now in the spirit world renewing and adjusting everything there. In a chanyang session, I made sure I sit at a location where I can see the True Parents' picture. Then, I felt that I could communicate with True Parents. All these things made this WS a great experience for me. I felt that Heavenly Parent was with me."

Blessing Ceremony from the 1st to 280th Generation Ancestors

The WS was followed by the 1st to 280th Generation Ancestors Blessing Ceremony at 10 AM in the main hall of Cheonseong Wanglim Palace. The event was officiated by the president of Korean Church, Mr. Gyeong-seok Ryu.

Some comments on the Ancestral Blessing Ceremony

I.H., a 30,000-couple female member from Kagawa District, Japan, gave the following testimony.

"It's been two years since the last I came to CP. This time, I came to do the 1st to 21st Generation Ancestors Blessing. It had been 16 years since I liberated the first 7 Father's side generations of ancestors in 2000. I am so grateful that I can finally bless my ancestors. I couldn't stop my tears from flowing when I felt like my parents came to me during the ceremony. My parents always opposed my going to the church while they were on Earth. I think I did something good for them with this ancestral blessing. I also cried while waving my hands to send the ancestors off."

A testimony from a participant of the 200th 40-day WS

As the 200th 40-day WS continues, more testimonies filled with grace continued to come.

C.L., a 6,000-couple female member from the Ulsan District, gave the following testimony after experiencing Heaven's grace of healing.

"I developed a problem in my hip joint that made me unable to sit crossed-leg. So I went to a hospital. The doctor told me that the problem lied in my muscles, not my bones. So he injected me with a serum to relieve my muscles, but it had no effect. So I paid a regular visit to a physical therapist for months, but it didn't work either. All they said was that it will take a long time to fix.

Then I came to the 40-day WS, and I was completely cured of my illness only after 20 days. I don't have any pain now even when I sit crossed-leg. I feel that whenever in a chanyang session, my hands automatically go to the part of my body suffering from pain. When I laid my hands on the person front of me to separate evil spirits, I felt that my hands were being guided. Later, the person told me that I hit the exact spot where he had pains. During the chanyang sessions, I find myself enjoying it without even knowing it. I clap with every ounce of strength I have, but I don't get tired. Rather, I feel an energetic sensation emanate from my hands. After each chanyang session, I feel lighter and healthier. Chanyang session seems to have become much more potent with the dawning of this new age."

A testimony about wishing papers from a participant of the 40-day WS



A.Y., a female member from Jeonbuk District who was blessed in the 2014 Special Blessing

I was told through numerous lectures and testimonies that I have to liberate my husband's ancestors, but I couldn't because of a few personal issues. I told my lecturer about my predicament, and he told me, 'Even though you might be in a difficult situation, it might improve later if you fill out wishing papers.' So I did that in the beginning of the month, and my issues became resolved which allowed me to liberate ancestors.

Another miracle that happened was that my younger brother joined the church. I have a younger brother who joined the church a few years ago, but he grew distant about two to three years ago before he got married outside the church. I still wished that he would one day return to the church and at least receive a married-couple blessing. But the reality was harsh.

Then I ended up coming to this 40-day WS. Once in the WS, I prayed in Jeongsim Won for my brother. Then I received a phone call from my brother about two weeks into the WS. He said, 'I know the Principle. You made a happy family after receiving the FFWPU blessing, right? I want to learn the Principle again.' Then my mother called me to say that my brother returned to his parents' house. I felt at this point that Heaven and the spirit world were mobilized through the wishing papers and my prayers at Jeongsim Won."

Japanese Public Official Training Program (CP 8-day Special Workshop)

A special training workshop program for Japanese public officials took place in CP from January 7 to 14. A total of 19 officials participated in the program filled with lectures and pilgrimage trips.



Japanese Public Official Training Program / Testimonies from the WS participants

Through the lectures, I came to understand True Mother's heart. I was able to make a firm pledge that I will become a good child of God who serves True Mother well. While offering a report to True Mother in the special prayer hall of Cheon Jeong Gung Museum, I heard True Father's voice telling me, 'I leave it up to you.' Through this, I was able to renew my determination to walk the course of public official. I am very thankful for this graceful opportunity to be able to receive this training program in CP where one can sense the close presence of the spirit world, Heavenly Parent, and True Parents. (Female, 23)"

"I feel that CP is a place where a lot of devotion is accumulated. I had hard times praying in Japan while I engaged in different activities. After coming here, however, I prayed in Jeongsim Won and I found myself crying without even knowing it. I now feel that one can only develop his original mind where there are love and devotion. (Male 27)"