#### Passing of Our Beloved Elder Brother, Dr. Bo Hi Pak

Ki Hoon Kim and Demian Dunkley January 12, 2019



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Our beloved elder brother, Dr. Bo Hi Pak, of the 36 couples and one of the early disciples of our True Parents, ascended to the Spirit World on the morning of January 12 in Korea, at the age of 88.

Dr. Pak was instrumental in furthering True Parents' providence in America. He served as the voice of True Parents in America for many years, and helped create a broad strategy to support the defeat of communism through CAUSA International and other organizations. Many of our American brothers and sisters were raised by him and consider Dr. Pak their beloved mentor. We in America will always remember and love Dr. Pak.

Let us join together in support of Dr. Pak's family during this important and special time, and offer our prayers for his victorious transition to a glorious new life in the spiritual world. We are sure that he will be happy to serve alongside our True Father in spirit world to help us all towards the fulfillment of the providence.

Attached is the international memo about Dr. Pak's life and Seonghwa ceremony. If you wish to share a testimony, send support, and read more, please visit our <u>Memorial Page for Dr. Bo Hi Pak</u>.

Sincerely,

Dr. Ki Hoon Kim

Regional Chairman

Rev. Demian Dunkley

President



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In Loving Memory of

### Dr. Bo Hi Pak

Dr. Bo Hi Pak, 90 (Korean age), our elder brother of the 36 Couples, ascended on January 12, 2019 at 7:30 a.m.

Dr. Pak truly lived a rich life, but now he joins Mrs. Pak and True Father in spirit world. Among the many early disciples, Dr. Pak brought a unique set of accomplishments and victories. He lived the life of service, as translator, and as the voice and mouthpiece for True Parents for decades. He helped to frame and implement a multifaceted strategy to lift the U.S. and the democratic world to defeat communism, with CAUSA International and subsidiaries during the final years of the Cold War.

For many of our brothers and sisters in America, he was a mentor and a father figure, as he raised a leadership of "TOP GUNS" that went on to build and create great things for the future kingdom.

We pray our Heavenly Parent welcome the spirit of Dr. Bo Hi Pak into the core of the Kingdom of Heaven. Our sincere condolences and prayers for Dr. Pak's family.

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### In Memoriam

Dr. Bo Hi Pak, (born Aug 18, 1930), 36 Couples, ascended January 12, 2019, 7:30 a.m.

The Seonghwa ceremony and rites will be held Tuesday, January 15, 2019

May our Heavenly Parent welcome the spirit of Dr. Bo Hi Pak into the core of the Kingdom of Heaven in Heaven. Our sincere condolences and prayers for Dr. Pak's family and clan.

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Dr. Pak brought real-world leaders to sit together with True Parents and make foundations for multiple endeavors in the future building of the Cheon Il Guk. He defined and built art and culture as an important means to build the Ideal society. He raised a leadership of "TOP GUNS" that went on to build and create great things for the future kingdom.

He was our mentor, a true father figure for all of us who had the honor and privilege to be among his intimate disciples. He will be welcomed into the original home of God with the same degree of enthusiasm that he put into his life of service to God and our True Parents and humanity.

Dr. Pak was born on August 18, 1930 in Chung Nam Province (100 miles south of Seoul), Korea. On June 1, 1950, he entered the Korean Military Academy as a cadet. The war broke out twenty-five days later. Later in life he drew on that experience when he shared how the devastation of war had been seared into his heart and mind. He would tell us that he was surprised and even impressed by the ferocity and loyalty of the North Korean soldiers only to find out that they were chained to their posts and had no alternative but to fight or to die.

Dr. Pak was a lieutenant colonel in the Korean army when he joined the church in the 1950s. He and Ki Sook Yoon were blessed by Father and Mother in the 36 Couples Blessing (March 1, 1961). Dr. Pak (in the early years he was affectionately known as Col. Pak) served our True Father selflessly was often called Father's "right-hand man" or "top deputy."

Dr. Pak's faith, intelligence and charisma impacted the leading providential projects, particularly in the media, including World Media Association, News World, Noticias del Mundo, Ultimas Noticias (Uruguay) and most especially the movement's flagship, The Washington Times.

In the fight against communism, it was Dr. Pak who was given the responsibility to lead the charge. He personally shaped CAUSA International to counter attack Marxism-Leninism, first in Latin America and then in the United States. In the mid-1980s, CAUSA lectures were taught around the world catching the attention of opinion-makers, and religious and political leaders. And no matter the language, the culture or the ideological setting, Dr. Pak won the hearts of everyone. Time after time, "Truth is My Sword" was shown at conferences about his experience dealing with Congressman Donald Fraser. There was never a dry eye in the house as he stood and said: "I am a proud Korean – a proud Moonie – and a dedicated anti-Communist and I intend to remain so the rest of my life."

Of his many legacies, the Little Angels Children's Folk Ballet of Korea is at the top of the list. This extraordinary gift to the world by our True Parents was personally guided by Dr. Pak's innate sense of beauty and charm. In 2010, on the occasion of the 60th anniversary of the Korean War, Dr. Pak brought the Little Angels to the 22 nations that extended aid to Korea, either military, medical or other support, and to thank the surviving veterans and their families. Each morning he spoke to the children, not as an illustrious leader but as a grandfather and as a former soldier who personally knew that Korea's existence was thanks to the unselfish sacrifices of so many.

Dr. Pak served as president of The Summit Council for World Peace, the Association for the Unity of Latin America (AULA), and the International Security Council and through these high-level organizations, he was able to bring royalty, presidents, heads of government and prime ministers and the key shakers of society to our True Parents.

No matter the circumstances, Dr. Pak always testified to the True Parents. That was his purpose in life and True Parents always looked forward to Dr. Pak's testimony at the breakfast table in East Garden. When the movie "Rocky" came out in the 1970s, he brought a large blow up photo of the boxer but with True Father's face. True Parents laughed with unbridled joy. Dr. Pak always brought love and affection to our True Parents and to the members when he translated Father's words on Sunday mornings. Dr. Pak testified to True Parents about the members!

He was the President of the Universal Ballet Foundation, which included the Kirov Academy of Ballet in Washington, D.C. and launched the Panda Motors Corporation in the United States, Hong Kong, and China. It was Dr. Pak who played an instrumental role in the breakthrough providential events including meetings with Mikhail Gorbachev in Moscow and Kim Il Sung in North Korea.

In 2004, Dr. Pak fell victim to a scam and, unable to repay his debts, had to serve 2 years and 3 ½ months in prison. Upon his release, he wrote a letter to the members giving an account of his experiences in prison. In the letter he recalled the mission of John the Baptist who came with the mission to testify about Jesus but ended up dying in prison. Dr. Pak said he would be willing to die in prison if it could indemnify the failure of the first John the Baptist. Such was Dr. Pak's resolute determination to live his faith and attend our True Parents.

No memoriam can fully give credit to Dr. Pak and honor the many deeds, accomplishments and the many lives, who were touched by his love and ability to bear witness to our True Parents.

We truly thank Dr. Pak for a life well served to the providence and pray for the family and clan.

Since the announcement of his passing, accolades and testimonies are pouring into Facebook, including:

"Col. Pak, your place in our hearts cannot be fully expressed. Your deep voice and boundless enthusiasm seemed to flow out of you as if it came from True Father or from a mystic mountain. You are Heaven's gain today. Please keep us in your thoughts!"

"Thank you for your tireless efforts."

"Great man. Great memories."

"Dr. and Mrs. Bo Hi Pak were both born for a great purpose. We all want to celebrate the fulfillment of that purpose and support your transition as good spirits and a BCF. We pray for a peaceful transition and a great welcome from all of our brothers and sisters. Thank you. Thank your family."

"THANK YOU SIR!!!"

"Praying for your peaceful ascension. Congratulations to a life well lived! Thank you."

"Dr. Bo Hi Pak, we pray for a smooth and safe transition as you are making your way to our HP and True Father in the spirit world."

### International Memo



# **View Memo**

# **Photos**



**View Gallery** 

## Video



### **Truth is My Sword**

Video Produced by New Future films 1979

### Chronology

BIRTH August 18, 1930

PLACE Chung Nam Province (100 miles south of Seoul), Korea

PARENTS Dong Hyun Pak (father), Pyung Chun Han (mother)

SIBLINGS No Hi (brother); Ahn II and Fun Hi (sisters)

MARRIED Ki Sook Yoon (November 29, 1953)

BLESSED Blessed by Reverend and Mrs. Moon in the 36 Couples Blessing (March 1, 1961)

CHILDREN Na Kyung (Grace), November 11, 1954; Jun Sun (Jonathan), May 30, 1957; Jin Sung (James), March 23, 1962; Hoon Sook (Julia), January 25. 1963; Yun Sook (Sunny), May 25, 1964; and Jin Kyung (Samuel). January 28, 1966

#### **Education And Teaching Career**

#### 1937-1943 Yum-Ti and Do-Go Elementary Schools

19.43-1946 Chon-An Agricultural School

1947-1950 Elementary school teacher, Do-Go Elementary School and Do-San Branch School

1962-1964 Studied part-time at the School of Foreign Service, Georgetown University, Washington, D.C.

#### Military Career

1950 June 1: entered Korean Military Academy. as a cadet; participated in combat as a cadet when the Korean War broke out twenty-five days later.

1950 October: graduated Korean Military Combined School and commissioned as a second lieutenant in Republic of Korea army.

1950-1952 Assigned to the Twenty-eighth Regiment, Ninth Division: served as platoon leader and company commander in combat during the Korean War.

1952 March-September: studied in the United States at U.S. Army Infantry School, Fort Benning, Georgia.

1952-1955 October 1952 returned to Korea and served in Korean Army Infantry School as instructor until 1955.

1955-1956	Studied English at the Army School for Military Attaches.
1956-1957	Received advanced training, U.S. Army Infantry School, Fort Benning, Georgia.
1957-7959	Served as Special Assistant to Chief of G.S. Military Advisory Group, Seoul, Korea.
1960-1961	Served as Special Assistant to Vice Minister of Defense. Seoul, Korea.
1961-1964	Served as Assistant Military Attaché, Korean Embassy, Washington, D.C.

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### 1964 Honorable discharge from military service with the rank of lieutenant colonel.

#### **Professional Career**

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1965 Appointed as missionary to the United States; founded Unification Church of Washington. D.C.

1965-Present President. Korean Cultural and Freedom Foundation. Inc. Washington, D.C. Principal sponsors of Radio of Free Asia, The Little Angels, and Children's Relief Fund.

1969-Present Chairman and President, Korean Cultural Foundation, Inc. Seoul. Korea, which produces the Little Angels and the Universal Ballet Company in Seoul, Korea.

1971-Present Appointed and served as special assistant to Reverend Sun Myung Moon, founder of the Unification Church.

1973 Principal, the Little Angels Arts School, Seoul, Korea.

1974 Principal evangelist and director general of the Sun Myung Moon Christian Crusade.

1976-1988 Chairman, Sun-Hwa Educational Foundation, Seoul, Korea.

1976-1990 President and publisher, the News World daily newspaper in New York City (later renamed New York City Tribune).

1977-1991 President, Unification Church International.

1977-Present Member of the Board, Unification Church International.

1978-1995 President, World Media Association.

1980-1992 President and Publisher. Noticias Del Muudo, New York Spanish-language daily newspaper.

1981-Present President, CAUSA International.

1982-1992 President, the Washington Times Corporation. (The Washington Times daily newspaper and Insight weekly magazine, and World & I monthly academic journal

1982-1997 Chairman of the Board, the Washington Times Corporation.

1983-1997 Chairman, Association for the Unity of Latin America.

1986-Present President, Universal Ballet Foundation, corporate sponsors of the Kirov Academy of Ballet in Washington, D.C.

1987-1997 President, Summit Council for World Peace.

1990-Present Chairman of the hoard and chief executive officer, Panda Motors Corporation in the United States, Hong Kong, and China.

1991-1994 President and publisher, Seyge Ilbo daily newspaper, Seoul, Korea.

1991-Present Co-Chairman, Federation for World Peace.

1996-Present Co-Chairman, Federation of Island Nations for World Peace in Japan.

1997-Present Chairman emeritus, the Washington Times Corporation.

1998-Present Honorary chairman, Asian People's Federation, Tokyo, Japan.

1998-Present Chairman, Kumgangsan International Group, Seoul, Korea.

#### **Honors**

1951 August 15: Awarded the Ilwa-Rang Medal for Meritorious Service in Combat.

1953 June 25: Awarded the Gold Star Hwa-Rang Medal for Meritorious Service and Bravery in Combat.

1971 For Outstanding Service and Contribution Made in the Cultural Field, the Government of the Republic of Korea decorated him with the National Medal, Dong-Baek.

1984 In recognition of Meritorious Service to Humanity, La Plata Catholic University of Argentina conferred Honorary Doctorate Degree "Honoris Causa in the Humanities."

1990 For Contributions to International Peace, honored with the Investiture of "Academic" by the Mexican Academy of International Law.

1991 Man of the Year by Who's Who in U.S. Business Executives and nominated for Who's Who in International Business Executives for outstanding accomplishments as a business executive.

1992 The Order of Liberty and Unity by the Association for the Unity of Latin America for Contributions toward Hemispheric Unity and the Promotion of Intercultural Exchange.

#### Seonghwa Ceremony:

Date: 12.10 in the 6th Year of Cheon II Guk (January 15, 2019, at 8 am)

Venue: Grand Chapel, Cheon Bok Gung Church, Seoul

#### Interment (Wonjeon) Ceremony:

Date: 12.10 in the 6th Year of Cheon II Guk (January 15, 2019, at 12 Noon)

Venue: Paju Wonjeon Cemeter

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To : Regional Group Chairs, Special Emissaries, Regional Presidents, Special Envoys,

**National Leaders** 

Cc : Heads of Providential Organizations, Personnel-in-charge of Regional Headquarters

From: FFWPU International Headquarters

Date : 12.7 by the Heavenly Calendar in the 6<sup>th</sup> Year of Cheon II Guk (January 12, 2019)

Re. : World Seonghwa Ceremony for Dr. Bo-hi Pak

May the blessings and love of Heavenly Parent and True Parents be with all mission nations.

Dr. Bo-hi Pak, one of the pioneers of the Unification Church and member of the 36 Blessed Couples, ascended to the spirit world at the age of 90 (Korean age), at 7:30 AM on 12.7 in the 6th year of Cheon II Guk (January 12, 2019) at Cheongshim International Medical Center.

In order to commemorate his life-long devotion to Heavenly Parent and True Parents, living as a model of true filial piety, True Parents have granted permission for a World Seonghwa Ceremony for Dr. Pak.

The Seonghwa ceremony will be held according to the schedule provided below. All leaders and blessed families are invited to offer their sincere devotion and prayer to inherit the life of filial piety Dr. Pak exemplified.

#### 1. Personal history:

Reverend Bo-hi Pak was born on August 18, 1930 in Dogo-myeon, Asan-gun, Chungcheongnam-do, Republic of Korea. On February 17, 1952, he joined the fledgling Unification Church. He received the Blessing on May 15, 1961 with Ms. Ki-sook Yoon as one of the 36 Couples. He found Little Angels Children's Folk Ballet of Korea on 1962 and the Washington Times Corporation on 1965. He also established Korea Culture Foundation on 1969 and served as the first president. He was the special secretary of True Parents from 1971 to 1994. Over the years, he served as CEO of News World, President of UCI, President of World Media Association, Chairman of CAUSA International, President of Washington Times, Chairman of World Summit, Presdient of Panda automobile, President of International Federation for Victory over Communism, Chairman of The Citizen's Federation for the Unification of Korea, President of Segye Times, National Messiah to Cameroon and Mongolia, and Bun Bong Wan, etc.

#### 2. Major awards:

1968 True Parents' award for distinguished service

1992 "Grand Cross of Freedom and Unification" from Latin American Integration Association

1996 Award for 33 years of distinguished service as a missionary

2004 True Parents' award for oversea missionary providence

2014 True Parents' special award for distinguished service

...and others

#### 3. Prayer and Paying Respects:

January 12 ~ 14, 2019, Seoul Asan Medical Center, Room 30

#### 4. Prayer Services:

Major providential organizations, regions and sub-regions are asked to hold a prayer service.

#### 5. Seonghwa Ceremony:

A. Date: 12.10 in the 6th Year of Cheon Il Guk (January 15, 2019, at 8 am)

B. Venue: Grand Chapel, Cheon Bok Gung Church, Seoul

#### **6. Interment (Wonjeon) Ceremony:**

A. Date: 12.10 in the 6th Year of Cheon II Guk (January 15, 2019, at 12 Noon)

B. Venue: Paju Wonjeon Cemetery

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