

Seonghwa Observance Ceremony for Dr. Bo Hi Pak at Belvedere Family Church

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A Seonghwa Observance Ceremony for Dr. Bo Hi Pak at the Belvedere Family Church; at the same hour as the World Level Seonghwa Observance held in Korea.

An intimate gathering of our elder American brothers and sisters from the Belvedere Family Church community gathered at 6:00 p.m. at the Belvedere Training Center, the exact place where Dr. Pak translated for True Father every Sunday morning in the 70s and 80s.

Local pastor Dr. Drissa Kone gave the opening remarks and Mr. Masahisa Kobayashi delivered a moving Seonghwa message. Rev. Juanita Pierre-Louis offered the benediction and Mr. Steve Honey emceed. Mr. Tom Corley gave the opening prayer. The observance was short and sweet and nostalgic with testimonies given by those gathered expressing how special Dr. Pak had made each of them feel in those early days of the church in America. Francisco Randon, a local Unificationist, gave a testimony about his time as Dr. Pak's driver, and Charles Patterson, local Unificationist, shared his relationship with Dr. Pak at East Garden Estates as security. Kum Hee Fontaine, who is a spiritual daughter of Dr. Pak, shared about her relationship with her spiritual father and her visit with him just three weeks prior to his ascension. She knew Dr. Pak for over 40 years and shared for over an hour.