Yankee Stadium 40th Anniversary Rally celebrated by Wisconsin Family Church

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Forty Unificationists and guests gathered to celebrate the 40-year anniversary of Yankee Stadium on Sunday, May 29, at the Wisconsin Family Church. In the beauty of a Wisconsin summer's day, they listened to the testimonies of a dozen veterans of the Yankee Stadium campaign who worked tirelessly to make this event possible.

The veterans' relentless determination reinforced the unity of the membership, which inspired the young people and their guests. They were inspired by the veterans' pride as they worked as band members, street cleaners, and security personnel, as well as decorated, and set up the stadium. There were those who had to mobilize people from Las Vegas, San Francisco, and New York in order to fill the stadium. Some of the veterans testified to bringing their own parents despite the negative coverage from the media.

One participant who came as a guest quietly mentioned that he had been at Yankee Stadium that time. The veterans immediately embraced him as a hero, while one of them shouted, "You were why we were working at Yankee Stadium!"

Toward the end, certificates of appreciation were presented to the Yankee Stadium veterans, concluding the service with remembrance of this dedicated event.

