

FFWPU Korea Calls for Fair and Fact-Based Reporting on SunMoon University

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Beloved members,

Yesterday, several media outlets published distorted reports that were rooted in religious bias and lacking a sufficient basis in fact. We understand that these reports may have caused deep hurt and distress among many of our members. The Family Federation for World Peace and Unification Korean Headquarters strongly urges the media to uphold fairness and accuracy in their reporting. We will take active steps to prevent further misguidance of the public resulting from this kind of one-sided speculation that disregards the truth.

Statement on Media Coverage Concerning Sun Moon University

Recent media reports have alleged that Sun Moon University misused government funding to support "Unification Church missionary activities." This claim is categorically false.

Sun Moon University lawfully applied for and was selected to participate in various government-funded initiatives, including university innovation programs and the LINC (Leaders in Industry-University Cooperation) project, all administered by the Ministry of Education. All funds were transparently allocated for educational purposes and subjected to rigorous audits and financial oversight. Not a single won of public funding has ever been used for religious proselytizing or missionary work.

For example, the so-called "Ukraine Mission Project," highlighted by the media, was a student-led team project selected as a presentation topic in a capstone design course in the Department of Theology. The project involved less than 100,000 KRW in basic expenses, such as materials and meeting costs. Misrepresenting this academic exercise as "overseas missionary funding" constitutes a malicious distortion that frames legitimate scholarly activity as religious proselytization and reflects clear discriminatory reporting aimed at targeting religiously affiliated universities. Equating legitimate

academic work and student mentorship with attempts to "expand religious influence" constitutes a violation of both religious and academic freedom.

Unfair Reporting Is Religious Persecution

The core of the current issue stems from the personal misconduct of a former leader responsible for global missions, who acted independently in attempting an unlawful solicitation. The Family Federation has taken this matter seriously, engaging in deep reflection and actively implementing reforms to address organizational vulnerabilities, reinforce ethical leadership, and ensure financial transparency.

Despite this, certain media outlets have irresponsibly portrayed the entire Family Federation as an entity involved in illegal activities, seeking to implicate even unrelated corporations, schools, and organizations as if they were complicit. Such reporting - devoid of basic fact-checking and driven by religious bias - amounts to religious persecution and gravely infringes upon the rights of countless individuals who are seeking to freely practice their faith.

Freedom of religion is a constitutional right, and any one-sided reporting that undermines this freedom is unacceptable. The Family Federation for World Peace and Unification Korean Headquarters formally demands corrections to these distorted narratives and will not hesitate to pursue legal action when necessary.

Dear beloved members,

Yesterday, a significant gathering took place outside the Seoul Detention Center, where approximately 300 religious leaders from the Korean Clergy Leadership Conference (KCLC) and the Korea Religions Association united in a call to end investigations targeting religions based on prejudice, and to demand fair, unbiased media coverage. This is not a matter confined to one denomination - it is a collective stand to safeguard religious freedom and uphold justice in Korean society.

True Mother said, "It may take time, but the truth will surely be revealed."

And she has told us that we must stand unwaveringly on the side of truth and walk this path with dignity. When we devote ourselves fully to revealing the truth, Heavenly Parent and True Parents will surely guide us along the path of victory.