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Kevin Thompson
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Dear brothers & sisters,

We are all devastated by the news from Korea that the prosecution is pushing for a 13 year sentence for True Mother. This is not final by any means. However, it is a shock. The final verdict will come at the end of August. So, we are really looking for a miracle at the last moment. True Mother made a final statement to the court, which you can see.

I just returned from Salt Lake City, where we had a Sunghwa ceremony for Pamela Kuhlmann. It was a beautiful ceremony for a beautiful lady. However, it reminded me once again that those of us still on this side of the divide have to be careful every day. Even young people have to be careful, in France one 30 year-old second generation boy suddenly passed from a car accident. We never know the time of our visitation. In the meantime, let's do all that we can to preserve our life so that we can fulfill our life purpose.

Please pray for the sick and infirm amongst us.

God Bless,
Kevin & Masako Thompson

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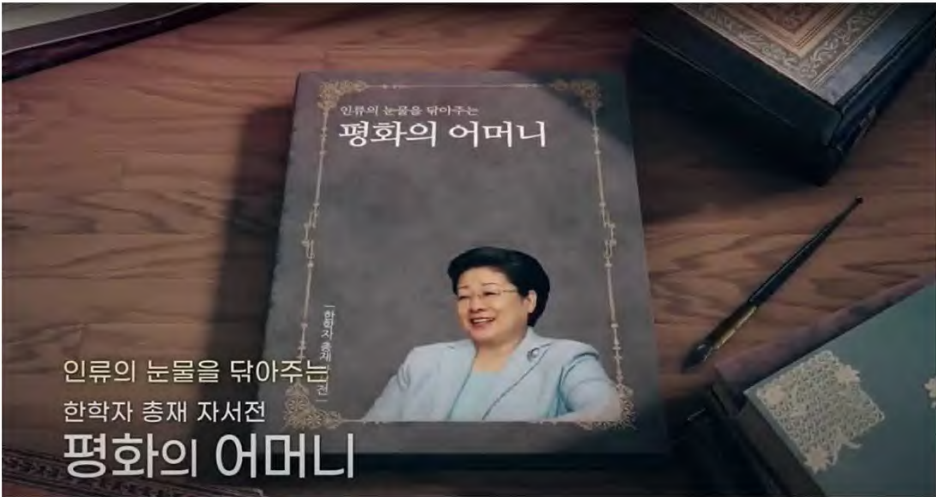
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True Mother

True Mother's Statement in Court

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True Mother spoke On July 10, 2026 at the end of final hearing in True Mother's trial concluded at the Seoul Central District Court.

Throughout my life, I have served God and devoted my entire life to realizing one family of humankind at peace.

I do not seek power through money.

As the leader of the Family Federation, I deeply apologize for unintentionally causing controversy in many areas.

Throughout my life, I have traveled the world proclaiming that if we are to realize a peaceful world through the true family movement, we must attend Heavenly Parent.

However, it pains my heart beyond words that the person in whom I believed in and entrusted everything to has brought about the situation we face today.

Even now, wars and conflicts continue around the world, with people shedding their blood. In the midst of this I continue to proclaim: "Let us attend Heavenly Parent."

I have been appealing for all nations that attend Heaven to serve Heavenly Parent on earth as sibling nations, and to become one in this time when we can fulfill Heavenly Parent's dream, the kingdom of heaven on earth.

I believe that God is alive. God will surely fulfill that dream on earth.

Members of the second and third generations of our Unificationist community who will carry out this task are going out into the world as true sons and daughters that attend our Heavenly Parent.

This past April 2025, I established the environment through which the dream of the Creator, Heavenly Parent, could be fulfilled on earth.

This is something for which I feel deeply grateful and thankful.

Now that we have made ourselves known, only growth and prosperity lie ahead.

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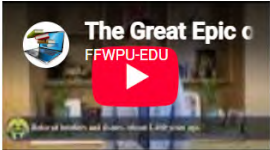
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I believe that one family of humankind serving Heavenly Parent in peace, the world of peace for which we have yearned, will surely be realized.

Until my dying day, wherever I may be, I will continue advancing toward that goal.

I will pray that this country, which has received Heavenly Parent's blessing, will fulfill its responsibility as a chosen nation—like a second Israel—and that this country and its people will fulfill that calling.

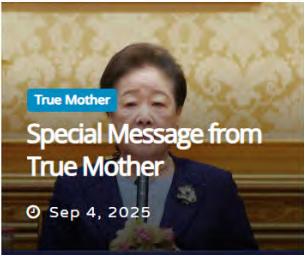
Let me say again that there must never again be an unfortunate incident such as the one we face today.

Now, for the sake of our future descendants, I will continue to pray and offer my blessing that this people, this nation, may unfold as the beautiful kingdom of heaven on earth where people attend God free from war and conflict. Thank you.



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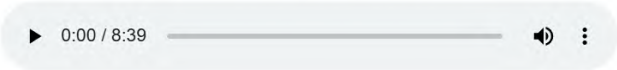


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OBITUARY

Pamela Joyce Kuhlmann, née Pamela Valente, was born on April 25th, 1945, to Pasqualina Guccione and Laurence Valenti in Brooklyn, New York. Laurence worked as a trolley operator, while Pasqualina first plied her trade as a seamstress before becoming a supervisor at an insurance company. With this background, Pamela was destined to be continually on the move in her pursuit of truth while caring for the well-being of others.

Pamela entered the world as World War II was drawing to a close and was raised in a one-bedroom apartment, where she slept on the couch. Despite not having much, Pamela was grateful for the love that her large Italian Catholic family bestowed upon her. In particular, her brother, Lawrence, who affectionately called her "Bumbly," doted upon her and she adored him in return.

Everyone who knows Pam has inevitably become a recipient of her generosity. For this quality, we have to thank her father. Pamela was fond of recounting her father's weekly fishing trips and how he shared his catch with their neighbors. We also have to credit her father with instilling a love of food in Pamela as he would make seven pizzas every Friday. A young Pamela would come home to see the dough balls rising, her mouth watering as the aroma filled the room. Meanwhile, Pamela's mother stayed true to her seamstress roots by ensuring that her children were always well-dressed, and this appreciation for being presentable and proper remained with Pamela throughout her life.

Another defining quality that Pamela possessed was her determination to accomplish her goals. As a true American, Pamela used her freedom to the fullest as she chased adventure after adventure. Her lifelong dream of becoming a dancer was made possible through the extra sewing work her mother took on at night. Although she began dance lessons later than her peers, Pamela's natural talent for dancing led to several professional dancing opportunities before injuries brought that chapter of her life to a close.

Never one to sit by idly while letting life pass her by, Pamela soon turned her attention to becoming a nurse. She overcame the financial obstacle to studying by striking a deal with Hunter College for Nursing, whereby she agreed to work in New York for 2 years in return for having her tuition covered. It was during this time that she discovered her interest in Psych Nursing, a specialty she would later return to after moving to Utah.

Yet, her curious nature guaranteed that her career trajectory would be unorthodox. Pamela's spiritual exploration, inspired by a thirst for deeper meaning, led to a stint in an ashram and an investigation of Buddhism. However, she did not find the answers she was looking for in those settings. Her adventurous spirit then took her to Puerto Rico, where she spent a year with a close friend, befriended parakeets, and survived a hurricane.

Upon returning to the mainland, Pamela's life was transformed in 1976 by an encounter with a Unificationist in Ghirardelli Square. For the next five decades, Pamela wholeheartedly embraced Unificationist teachings and dedicated her life to fulfilling God's dream for humanity. She took on a motherly role in Mobile Fundraising Teams, and she was recognized nationally for the success of her fundraising efforts across the breadth of the United States, ranging from the tropical climate of Florida to the extreme cold of North Dakota. In 1979, Pam returned to her academic journey at the Unification Theological Seminary (UTS), to obtain a Master's level credential in Religious Education. This course would have normally taken two years; however, she was nominated to stay at UTS for a third year as a member of the second Divinity Studies cohort. While at UTS, Pam deeply connected with and supported her UTS classmates, which shone through as she served as the Lady Vice President. The friendships and memories she made there remained as some of the warmest and happiest days of her life.

Perhaps due to her proven talents as a skilled communicator, Pamela was nominated to be the leader of the American Freedom Coalition (AFC) in Utah. Reverend Sun Myung Moon, known as the True Father to Unificationists, approved this nomination to kickstart Pamela's new mission in the realm of issue advocacy. Pamela utilized her unique skillset to cultivate connections with respected elected officials, even becoming friends with Utah's former senator, Orrin Hatch, as she sought to accomplish God's

will through civic engagement.

Pamela Valente was introduced to Poul Kuhlmann in 1989 by Rev. Moon. Poul Kuhlmann had joined the Unificationist Movement himself in 1978; both he and Pamela trusted in Rev. Moon to choose their future spouse with the intention of establishing a Blessed family centered on God. Pam and Poul were promptly Blessed in eternal marriage on January 12th, 1989, inside the McCol factory in South Korea. The drinks factory foreshadowed the exciting and bubbly future that awaited this couple.

Poul swiftly joined Pamela in Utah to support her with her mission. Following the completion of her mission in AFC in the early 90's. Pam attended a nursing refresher course and jumped back into her career as a Psych Nurse in the Salt Lake County Jail. She eventually went to work in Outpatient Mental Health until she retired in 2010.

After years of striving to complete their family by having a child, Pam and Poul graciously received Alicia from the Vogenthaler family as their daughter on September 9th, 2000. Pam loved being a Mom more than anything. Pam and Alicia were very close and loved to do many things together, such as shopping, eating, and chatting the night away. Despite having very different tastes, Pam's bond with her daughter could not have been stronger. Pamela went above and beyond, not only caring for Alicia, but also Alicia's friends as her own daughters. In 2024, Pam was over the moon to welcome her son-in-law, Aryan, into the family. Soon after, she was delighted to become a grandmother when Kaito was born in October of 2025.

Pam spent her last few years enjoying time with her family, spoiling her grandson, watching Fox News, and putting a smile on everyone's face with her witty comments and cheeky smile. She passed away on July 2nd, 2026, at home, surrounded by her family and loved ones. She is forever loved, and we know that we will continue to feel her fierce love steeped in sweetness as she remains with us in spirit. She is survived by her Husband (Poul), Daughter (Alicia), Son-in-law (Aryan), and Grandson (Kaito).

Seongwha services will be held at the Salt Lake Family Church (1969 View St E, Salt Lake City, UT 84105) on Wednesday, July 8th: 11:00 AM Viewing, 12:00 PM Service, and 2:00 PM Wonjeon.

Flowers may be sent to the Salt Lake Family Church: 1969 View St E, Salt Lake City, UT 84105

Donations are greatly appreciated. A check may be written to Alicia Kuhlmann and sent to 1608 Wyngate Park Drive South Jordan, UT 84095

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