## Paul Werner spoke in a large hall in Germany about the future Unification Church

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Rev. Paul Werner speaks to his team in Phoenix, Arizona.

Since 1969 Rev. Paul Werner has been the president of the German Unification Church. During the time he is fulfilling a mission in five states of the USA, Mr. Helms is representing him here. At the beginning of July Rev. Werner and his wife visited the members in Germany. Their five-day stay enabled them to gain a glimpse of the work in Germany and to speak about their travels in America. For the occasion, all the German members gathered at the training center in Neumuhle.

Rev. Werner spoke in a large hall about the future way of the Unification Church on the world-wide level and clarified in the gathering the significance and the problems of the German work. The developing situation in Germany required new organizational decisions: building and expansion will still remain the strongest focus of activity, but parallel to that we will strive for an intensive campaign to publicize HSA to the people.

It wasn't possible for Mr. and Mrs. Werner to stay longer, for pressing work awaited them in America. Today's modern technology makes the task of cooperative effort all over the Continent lighter, so a permanent international exchange on the international level is possible.

Our time is so unpeaceful; each day we live, terror and radicalism increase, All our daily life is stamped with this. Rearmament and inflation are slogans which hint it in whatever situation we find ourselves. Every man should know that he is affected by this. The isolation into which individuals are being drawn should remove any doubt from our eyes.

The steadily progressing tempo in man which lives easily brings the danger that he will lose control over his achievements. We are looking over a situation that must be immediately seized and carried on to the finish. This has become very clear. There has also been a greater number of spiritual phenomena. But owing to fantasies and mystical ideas throughout their lives, most people will be unrealistic outsiders. Religious disbelief brings no solution to our problems. It shows how easily man falls from one extreme to another.

In place of this it is indispensable to come to realistic terms with religion. Here man searches though knowledge to find light for his inner path. But we also need a new spiritual foundation in order to answer the important questions of human existence, for the old concepts no longer give sufficient answers. The problems which we face must find a foundation which will let man live together in peace. The first step towards that is a restoration of the broken relationship between man and God.

With regard to world powers, many today ask whether it is the will of God to restore His entire creation. Christianity has for 2,000 years spread the good news of the afterlife and of hope, all over the world. Isn't it God's will to fulfill this hope? Therefore, it is essential that men accept their part of the responsibility.

Rev. Werner said, "We all want to show that we (HSA) don't represent any dead ideology, but want to bring life." Therefore, the way to God for each individual must come together. All men must see and feel what nature and freedom produces in each man. Rev. Werner urged all who had gathered together to pledge to do their best. Then soon they would see great transformations, and would be able to show men that the hope of Christianity is no illusion, but will become a reality.