## **Summit 2022 and Leadership Conference Opening Ceremony**

Young Ho Yoon August 12, 2022 10th Anniversary Of The Holy Ascension Of Sun Myung Moon, True Parent Of Heaven, Earth, And Humankind



1. Proposing the Universal Peace Charter 2. Peace Agreement Ceremony 3. Prof. Moon Yeon-ah, UPF Chair of Heavenly Korea, signing the Peace Agreement

The "Summit 2022 and Leadership Conference (hereinafter referred to as SLC) Opening Ceremony" was held at Lotte Hotel World in Seoul at 9 a.m. on 7.15 by the heavenly calendar (August 12) to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the Holy Ascension of Rev. Sun Myung Moon.

The opening ceremony was attended by senior leaders from 157 countries that maintain diplomatic relations with both North and South North-South Korea, as well as 1,000 global leaders and citizens from the fields of economics, religion, media, and academia. Notable attendees included former U.S. Secretary of State Mike Pompeo, former Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives Newt Gingrich, former Canadian Prime Minister Stephen Harper, former Prime Minister of Niger, and Executive Secretary of the Community of Sahel-Saharan States (CEN-SAD) Brigi Rafini and Beeland Interests President Jim Rogers. They discussed realizing a Unified Heavenly Korea and a world of permanent peace.

The event began with a video showing the lives and achievements of the True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind, pioneers of peace, and the continuous progress of True Mother, who inherited and continues to develop these achievements. This was followed by the opening announcement, an opening performance by the Little Angels. We then welcomed the leaders as they entered. The Water of Peace Interfaith Ceremony was presided over 10 representatives of 80 delegations from 157 countries that have established North-South joint diplomatic relations with both Koreas. It was followed by a prayer and reflection by Pastor Paula White, opening remarks by Dr. Yoon Young-ho, co-chair of the Peace Summit Executive Committee, congratulatory remarks, the Peace Agreement Ceremony, keynote address, and the Peace Agreement Ceremony.

In his opening remarks, Dr. Yoon Young-ho, co-chair of the Korean Peninsula Peace Summit Executive Committee, said, "The realization of a world of permanent peace and the settlement of peace and unification on the Korean Peninsula will surely take place. When one person conceives, it is a dream, but when we come together, it is a vision that can become a reality. I hope our dream of a heavenly unified Korea and the heavenly unified world will become a vision and a reality." He also added, "I hope that the wisdom of the world leaders who have gathered here today will be give us insights for the peaceful unification of the Korean Peninsula and the construction of a world of permanent peace, which Rev. Moon Sung Myung Moon and Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon have so strongly desired and put into practice. Cochair Dr. Yoon Young-ho then offered his heartfelt condolences for former Prime Minister Shinzo Abe, who passed away in an unexpected accident on July 8, and, together with world leaders, had a special

memorial service.



(From top left) Yoon Young-ho, Co-Chair of the Summit for Peace on the Korean Peninsula, giving an opening address, Donald Trump, 45th President of the United States, giving a keynote speech (via video), Stephen Joseph Harper, former Prime Minister of Canada, giving a keynote speech, Brigi Rafini, Executive Secretary, CEN-SAD and former Prime Minister of Niger, Rev. Paula White giving the opening prayer Samdech Hun Sen, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Cambodia and ASEAN Chair, and Jim Rogers, Senior Advisor to UPF International, giving a congratulatory address

Newt Gingrich, 50th Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives, spoke expressing that "tension between religion and paganism has always existed, there are people who are against God, and many people see such cases often," and that "the recent murder of Prime Minister Abe in Japan should make us rethink and discuss religious freedom.

In his congratulatory remarks, former Canadian Prime Minister Stephen Harper shared ideas expressing that, "The international situation has changed rapidly since Russia invaded Ukraine, and the entire world and the Korean Peninsula are facing an unprecedented crisis," and "If North Korea actively achieves verifiable denuclearization, we will guarantee its security and economic development as an independent country." "Only by making efforts to lead North Korea towards dialogue and peace, and not belligerent ambitions, can we maintain peace on the Korean Peninsula." he also expressed his feelings on "Korea, having emerged as developed nation after overcoming the sacrifices of war, is one of mankind's greatest successes." as such he feels that "South Korea will be able to overcome the North Korean threat by receiving continuous support from its neighboring allies".

Through his keynote address video, former U.S. President Donald Trump (2017-2021) said, "I want to thank the Universal Peace Federation for hosting this wonderful event. In particular, let me express my gratitude to Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon for her incredible efforts on behalf of peace all over the world. I also want to thank both Dr. Moon and her late husband Reverend Moon for founding The Washington Times and congratulate you on a remarkable 40 years of publication. It is a very, very important and powerful paper and voice. Since the Washington Times founding in 1982, it has made invaluable contributions to the defense of truth, faith, family and freedom, both here, in America, and all around the globe. Prime Minister Abe's assassination was a horrific crime and a horrible loss for the entire planet. He was a good friend, a great man, and a once-in-a-generation statesman for his country. He will be missed. I want to express my profound condolences to his family. And to all of the people of Japan." "As President, it was my great honor to work toward a safer and more prosperous future for the people of North Korea, South Korea and the entire world. Together, we have it in our power to turn the page on years of division, adversity and strife, and work toward a stable and lasting peace. All it takes is leaders who have the courage to set aside the conflicts of yesterday, and forge a tomorrow of commerce and cooperation. So to all that hear this message, please join me in praying for the Korean peninsula, and that it once again flourishes and for a world in which we finally have security, prosperity and the blessings of peace for all the people on earth."

Former U.S. Vice President Mike Pence, 48th Vice President of the United States, spoke about his father, "Lt. Ed Pence, was a brave man who fought in the Korean War. Expressing that Freedom is a value that Americans and Koreans fought to protect, and that a great nation embraces the principles of freedom of religion, freedom of speech, democracy, and liberalism".

Former Niger Prime Minister Brigi Rafini, 11th President of the European Commission Jose Manuel Barroso, and 70th U.S. Secretary of State Mike Pompeo (2018-2021) gave keynote addresses online and offline.



1. Peace Offering and Interfaith Water Ceremony 2. Opening performance by the Little Angels Performing Arts Troupe 3. Hon. Ibrahim Natatou, Minister of Education, Niger, reading the proposal of the peace agreement by the President of Niger, and Hon. Dan Burton, International Co-chair, International Association of Parliamentarians for Peace (IAPP)

The congratulatory remarks read on behalf of Prime Minister Hun Sen of Cambodia expressed his desire for "mutual respect, mutual understanding, mutual assistance, and mutual interest for peace and prosperity, I would suggest the M4P2 in practice, which is the promotion of multilateralism, multisectoral collaborations, multi-layered partnership building, and multifaith for practicality and proactivity." "The World Summit in February 2022 was a significant milestone in our collective, multilateral efforts to promote peace on the Korean Peninsula and in the world. Our next step is to work together to effectively implement the Seoul Resolution 2022."

Senior Advisor of UPF International and Chairman of Beeland Interests, Inc. Jim Rogers remarked, "The current escalating international conflict situation is threatening our hopes for peace." He emphasized that "along with deterrence, peace solidarity is necessary to prevent war and conflict.

South Korea and North Korea used to be one country, sharing the same ancestors and culture. And expressed that this is where the potential for solidarity and integration is high." "Together, North and South Korea can become a large country with a population of 80 million people. Suppose we save the huge amount of money spent on defense during the conflict and invest in other areas and infrastructure.

In that case, we will be able to achieve even greater development in 10 to 20 years". Jim Rogers predicted that "the Korean peninsula can become an investment destination for many companies and nations around the world."

At the Peace Agreement Ceremony that followed, Ibrahim Natatou, Niger's Minister of Education, read the statement of intent of the Peace Agreement on behalf of the President of Niger, and the agreement was signed by co-chair of the Executive Committee Dr. Yoon Young-Ho and Executive Secretary of CEN-SAD H.E. Former Niger Prime Minister Brigi Rafini.

The Proposal Ceremony of the Peace Charter, the key agenda of the day, was conducted by collecting the signatures of all those present after UPF Co-Chair and IAPP Co-Chair Dan Burton (14 times reelected member of the U.S. Congress) explained the purpose of the Charter.