

## **Make finding a good balance of spirit and truth your focus in 2023**

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To leap far in 2023, the year of the black rabbit, we need to start strongly, with both feet firmly on the ground. This means we need to find a good balance on two axes with spirit and truth, a heavenly unified Korea and the heavenly unified world, pastors and members, True Parents and leaders. I ask all of you to make this your focus in 2023.

I want to take some time to outline the direction for our historic leap forward in 2023. True Mother has arranged things so that the international headquarters in Cheon Jeong Gung is positioned to carry the role of headquarters for the entire movement. Since she designated Korea as a special continent, the providence in Korea can now be managed by the international headquarters together with the rest of the movement. With that in mind, I will outline three primary directions for the international headquarters.

The first is completing the successful dedication of the Cheon Won Gung Cheonil Sanctum to create the groundwork for the safe establishment of a heavenly unified Korea and to open the gate wide to a new heaven and earth. The second is to absolutely complete continent-level foundations and connect them to Korea for VISION 2027. The third is opening the gate to the age of a heavenly unified Korea and its secure settlement with victory in VISION 2027. With these three goals in mind, I would like to describe three core projects that will move us in that direction.

The first core project is to continue with the four types of innovation that we have been pursuing. The first initiative connected to that is organizational innovation. Currently, FFWPU, UPF, YSP, and the Elder Members Association are organized in all the sub-regions and major districts of Korea. This will be expanded to the local districts and churches, including worship in the CheonBo Family Churches, officially inaugurated on January 8.

Secondly, we will have an innovation in worship. Through the services "Peace Nuri," "Hyo Jeong Nuri," and "Hope Nuri," the international headquarters is creating a culture of worship for the public of the Heavenly Parent's Holy Community. We plan to link these services with the Cheonshim Cheonbo guide. In this regard, consultations on worship services will take place directly at the international headquarters to achieve a change in the worship culture of the Heavenly Parent's Holy Community. In addition, with the opening of the worship academy, we will strengthen the implementation of the Cheonshim Cheonbo guide in the Anh Shik-il and Shi-il services. In addition, the monthly service for the salvation of the nation will be held as part of the realization of a heavenly unified Korea. We will establish a culture of worship in which the service's essence focuses on creating churches where all members are happy.

Thirdly, there will be a reform of the church leadership function. This year we intend to implement a roadmap to establish a church leadership system, and we will make sure that everything is based on a ministry that is more in tune with technology. Many people today use phones and laptops. So we will create a system and an environment through which all church leaders can effectively use technology in their duties.

Fourth and last, we will have an innovation in the churches. Most importantly, there will now be a system of sub-temples and substantial temples when the Cheonbo home churches start. For the church to become a place of sharing love for all members, we will have to be active and prepare various contents every day of the week. Thus, we aim to complete the development of related financial resources to improve the church environment by 2027.

The second key project will be creating the environment for heavenly unified Korea. We must create momentum at the continental level and propagate it to the Korean level. Then we need to develop a plan covering the period from 2024 to 2027.

The final core project is to create a foundation for the United Nations. As True Mother said, "Religion is the way to find our True Parent, that is God, our Heavenly Parent." The key is to serve our Heavenly Parent with freedom of religion. Therefore, the Peace Charter must be based on universal human rights and religious freedom.

In that sense, I congratulate all of you on a job well done in 2022. I hope that in 2023, as True Mother said today, with the status of a heavenly unified nation and a heavenly unified world, blessed families around the world will unite with determination and resolve as they raise their hopes to Heavenly Parent and True Parents.