## FFWPU USA Blessing and Family Ministry: In Memory of Mark Collins

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#### In Memory of Mark Collins

Mark Collins

Spouse: Kazuko Collins

Birthdate: August 30, 1965

Ascension: March 4, 2022

Seonghwa Ceremony: March 10, 2022

Mark was born in Virginia but spent most of his youth in Georgia. In 2004, he worked for a trucking company teaching new truck drivers how to drive efficiently and safely. One day, a new driver joined him: Bornface Mubuso. Although Mark's parents were strong Christians, Mark was inconsistent in his search for God. Eventually, he felt the need to join a church. He felt church was an opportunity to recharge his spirit.

"When Bornface entered my truck for his driving lesson, I asked him if he knew of a good church in Atlanta. Bornface invited me to attend the Atlanta Family Church with him. There was a friendly

atmosphere and a church leadership of diverse cultures and nations."

Mark joined the Unification Church because it met his desires. He wanted a church community where he could recharge his faith and where he could meet a good woman who believed in the sanctity of marriage and family.

In 2005, he went to Korea where he was matched to Kazuko by Rev. Moon. They were Blessed in marriage that same year. He and his wife decided to live in Japan. They stayed there for 12 years. Mark shared that it was difficult at first to learn each other's language. But they learned to love one another. When the couple lived together with Kazuko's mother, Mark helped Kazuko's sick mother very lovingly.

In 2018, he moved back to America. Kazuko had stayed behind in Japan, while Mark earned enough money to bring her to America. But, in August 2021, Mark learned that he had stage 4 cancer.

He and Kazuko decided they would unite strongly to defeat the disease. He said, "When we act as one, our unity makes us stronger, and we can overcome many difficulties. I want to share with others what we have learned on this journey. With God's help and a loving relationship with your spouse, you can live longer. With faith in God and a strong supportive relationship with your spouse, you determine to live as long as possible for your spouse."

Many people who met Mark and Kazuko commented on their loving relationship. Even nurses in the hospice center were inspired by them.

Mark Collins passed into the spiritual world on March 4, 2022 at 4:30 AM in Atlanta Georgia after battling stomach cancer. His Seongwha Ceremony will be held on Thursday, March 10, 2022 at Georgia True Family Community Center, 3060 Bouldercrest Rd. Ellenwood, GA 30294.

Mark is survived by his loving wife, Kazuko, his elder brother Lee, and his younger sister, Nicole.

Despite having stage four cancer, he had a strong desire to encourage others who are in similar circumstances to overcome obstacles and persevere to win victory for God and True Parents. Pastor Luke Higuchi at Mark's request helped him create videos of the story of his journey.

Video in English: <u>youtu.be/J6rcqESa1</u>

B0 Video in Japanese: youtu.be/1d0ikgeCIto

We are raising funds through GoFund Me for Mark's Seonghwa related expenses and for his wife, Kazuko who sacrificed her job and living situation in Japan to come to America. <u>gofund.me/dcce23c5</u>

Seonghwa Ceremony

Date: March 10, 2022 at 9:30 AM (viewing starts at 8:30 AM)

Location: Georgia True Family Community Center (3060 Bouldercrest Rd. Ellenwood, GA 30294)

The ceremony can be watched on Zoom: us02web.zoom,us/j/9639637000



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#### A few words from Mark

#### A letter from Pastor Luke Higuchi

Mark Collins was diagnosed with cancer stage 4 in September of 2021. The Doctor said there is no treatment to make his condition better. He has passed away this morning. .Mark Collins joined the unification movement in 2002. His spiritual father Bornieface Mubuso. He met Mr. Mubuso when he was working as truck driver instructor. Mark and Kazuko got blessed in 2005 4,000,000 couples attended that blessing and after the blessing . He moved to live in Japan. In 2021 They decided to go back to the United States to Atlanta GA, his hometown. After arriving in Atlanta, He started working as a truck driver again. They were very excited to begin their new life back in Mark's Hometown Atlanta Georgia . However, In December , Mark got Covid-19 and his condition became much worse. The doctor announced that he was going to spiritual world soon. But he recovered at that time. After that Mark began his fight with cancer, but his sprit was so enthusiastic and energetic. He wants to create his YouTube Channel to encourage to other cancer patients like him. Please watch and subscribe to his channel. https://youtu.be/J6rcqESa1B0 He is leaving his lovely wife Kazuko Collins. Kazuko needs our help at this moment. I humbly ask for your support of any amount and please share this with your friends. Thank you for your time and consideration. -Pastor Luke Higuchi

樋口ルーク牧師からの一言私の教会信者の1人であるマークコリンズは、 2021年9月に癌の末期だと診断されました。医師は、彼の症状を現代医学では 改善する治療法はないと述べました。医者は彼の余命は一年も無いと宣言し ました。マークコリンズは2002年に統一運動に参加しました。彼の霊の父ボ ンフェイス・ムブソ。彼はトラックドライブのインストラクターとして働い ていたときにモブソ氏に会いました。マークとカズコは2005年に400万双の 祝福を受けました。祝福、しばらく米国ジョージア州アトランタに住み数年 後は日本移住されました。彼は2021年に彼の故郷であるジョージア州アトラ ンタに戻ることにしました。アトランタに到着後、2007年日本に行く前に経 験のあったトラック運転手として働き始めました。彼らは新しい人生のステ -ジを始めるという希望に満ちた未来を持っていました。それなのに突然の 末期癌余命1年未満と宣言されたのです。 ちょうど3か月前の12月に、彼は Covid-19に感染し、彼の健康状態はさらに悪化しました。医者は彼がすぐに 霊界に行くと判断し身内である姉を病院に呼びました。しかし、彼はその時 は強い意思力で回復しました。その後、マークは癌と戦っていますが、彼の 精神はとても熱狂的でエネルギッシュでした。彼は自分のYouTubeチャンネル を作成して、自分のような他のがん患者を励ますことを望んでいます。彼の チャンネルを見てチャンネル登録してください。 <u>https://youtu.be/1d0ikgeClto</u>彼はコリンズ和子の素敵な夫です。彼の旅立ち に聖和式へのサポート何卒よろしくお願い申し上げます。お友達とこの GoFundMeをシェアーしてください。あなたの協力に心から感謝いたしま す。ありがとうございます。 -樋口ルーク牧師

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