

Blessing festival held in Kiev church

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On December 29, Ukrainian members held a Blessing festival in Kiev for the congregants of the Mercy House Church. As the church mostly was built for internally displaced families, many such families joined this event.

Rev. Jin Pal Chung conducted the ceremony for 286 families. First, the church pastor Vitaliy read a Bible verse and offered his Blessing prayer. Then Reverend Chung addressed the audience with an explanation about True Parents' emphasis on promoting family values and on Korean unification. He asked the audience to give four pledges and then offered a prayer.

The atmosphere in the audience was very high and moving. Some elderly couples were crying or hugging each other after the Holy Wine ceremony.

The church honored the outstanding couples of the congregation with certificates, and Reverend Chung prepared gifts for them.

As there were many children, we organized several master classes for them with the help of our Japanese volunteers. Each child also received sweets as a New Year's gift.

After the event we received many positive reflections and thanks from the participants. We felt True Parents' presence and the strength of their love each moment!

