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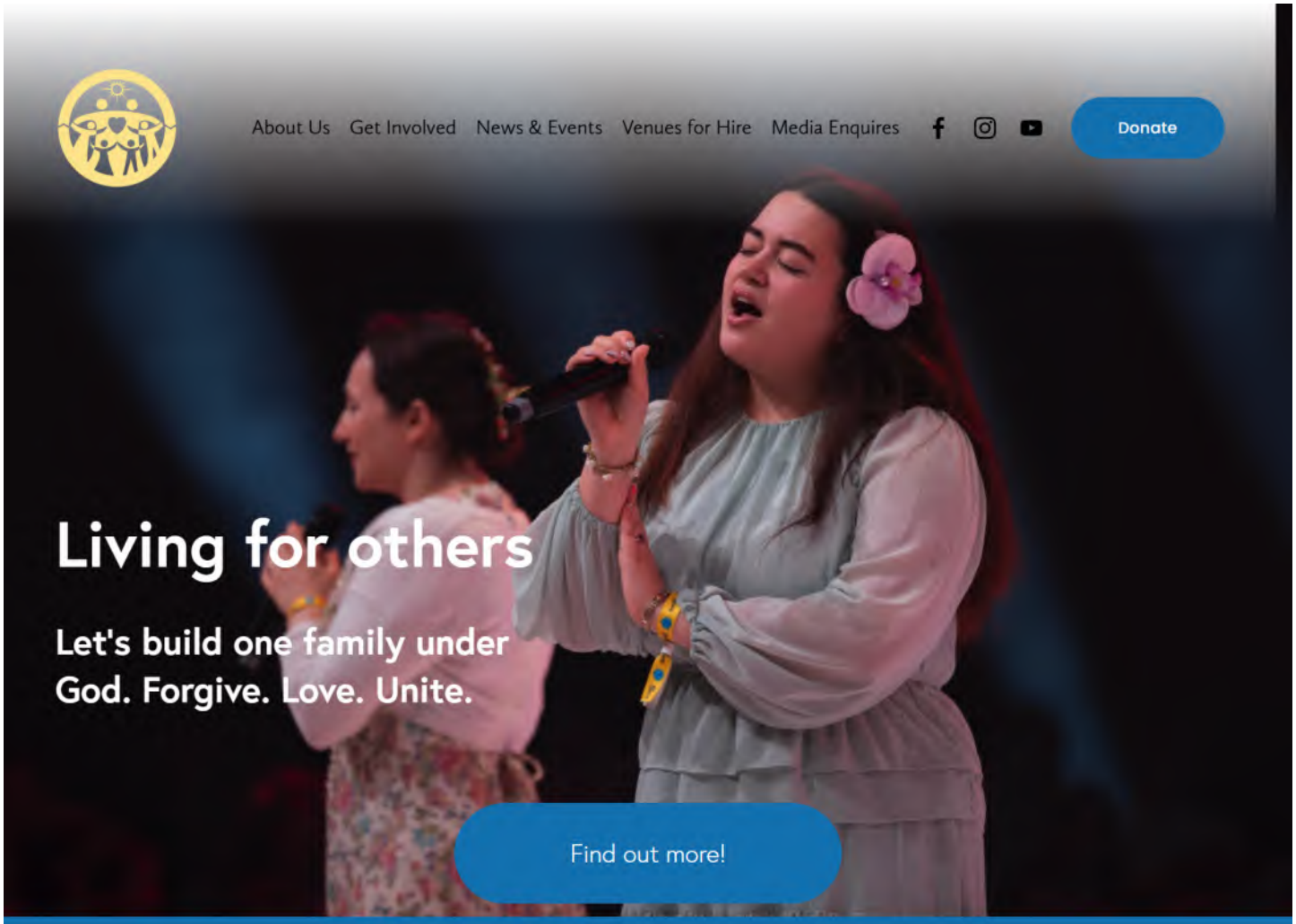
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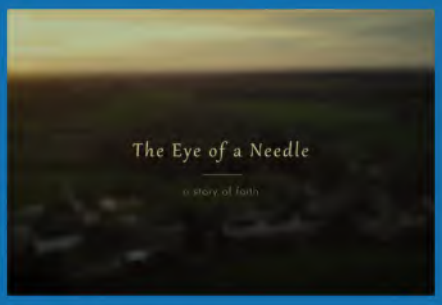
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Address at the Eighth Anniversary of the 777 Couples Blessing

Condensed Anniversary Edition for the 56th Anniversary

From the words of Sun Myung Moon, October 22, 1978

The Family and God's Ideal

Originally, if man had not fallen, there would have been no necessity for even the words "Home Church." The completed, perfected family of Adam and Eve would have become the family which could have directly attended God, and naturally communicated with the angelic world. This family would have produced children, formed their tribe and their nation, and eventually the whole world would have become the world of Adam's family.

Then what happened because of the fall? By falling, Adam and Eve were separated from God and cut off from the angelic world. They lost everything. They were expelled from the Garden, which means they lost the standard of true human beings, the true family standard, and the true national standard. It was the responsibility of mankind.

Therefore, we are destined to follow the course of the providence of restoration. A person cannot go this path alone. He or she needs the help of God and the spirit world. Therefore, God and the spirit world have been mobilized to help fallen man on earth complete the history of recreation.

In this age of the Unification movement, "blood" is shed through sacrificial love. Due to the fall, mankind lost God, the angelic world, and a true relationship with the physical world. People lost their grip on true love. To reach the goal of that true love, we have to go the way of sacrifice, which is in a sense the shedding of heartistic "blood." That is the mission of this movement.

You must understand that the path which I have been following on behalf of the individual, the family, the nation and the whole world is the way of the cross of love. If this movement fails to follow the way of the cross of love, it cannot complete God's will. But if it gains the victory, it can promote God's will and bring about the age of the Heavenly Kingdom here on earth.

The Family Represents the World

The family is the place where God can be welcomed. Originally, the family was to create the central foundation to attend God, but this was lost at the fall. The family is the place for restoring a direct relationship with the spirit world during our horizontal physical lives.

In the family we can also prepare the foundation for the restoration of material things and stand in the position representing perfected Adam, or God's true child. And finally, centering upon God, through becoming substantial parents, we can fulfill our responsibility to perfect the unity of spirit and body, that is, God's sphere of unified heart.

The primary purpose of the existing traditional religions has been the salvation of individuals. But the Unification Church was formed to bring the perfection of the family. This is now the age of the perfection of the family.

The sphere of families centered upon God expands through the Blessing. By attending our True Parents, these families inherit the internal heart of heaven. As these families expand horizontally, they form tribes and nations. Furthermore, your family is not limited to one people; it is worldwide, transcending national or cultural boundaries.

You must understand that your families represent the whole world, beyond tribes, beyond nations, beyond cultures. You have been given that kind of responsibility.

Individual blessed families must go on to the levels of tribe, society, nation and world. The final level we must reach is that of the Heavenly Kingdom.

The Meaning of the Blessing

The Messiah comes in order to complete the historical providence and to connect all the ages, horizontally and vertically. His mission starts from his family, because all the fallen elements began in the family of Adam and Eve.

What is the Blessing in the Unification Church? It is the union of man and woman centered not on selfishness but upon God. Everything was lost because man and woman came together wrongly, so by reversing this relationship and setting it on the proper foundation, we can come back to God. This is the meaning of the Blessing of the Unification Church.

The Blessings of the 36, 72 and 124 Couples laid a foundation on earth. By the time of the 777 Couple Blessing, we had established a foundation to expand worldwide.

The 430 Couples are the ones who connect all the families of the world, uniting the races of the world. This was the foundation for the Blessing of 777 Couples. By that Blessing the worldwide gate was opened, connecting all the races, nations and families with God. By going through the gate of the 777 Couples, which the Unification Church has made, all people can go to heaven. Therefore that Blessing can make a new worldwide start.

The Mission of Blessed Families

Without such a victorious foundation, you blessed families would have had to go through the same course I did. But representing you, I have established the way. Therefore, centering on your Blessing you are in the same realm as I and can feel the same way I do.

Brothers and sisters, please practice what I have been doing so far. Our unity should be stronger now than it was at the time of your Blessing. Your family should be bonded to the True Parents' family.

Both husband and wife must be one with God's will. As a couple, unite in heart and body around the heart of God and True Parents.

Because you have been blessed, you have the foundation to overcome hardships. You 777 Couples represent the whole world; therefore, if you endure suffering now, you will receive heaven's blessings on behalf of the world. Such a precious gift does not come to you in a high and glorious position, but in a humble, sacrificial place. When you offer up your family, you can receive God's greatest blessing.

Create unity in the family and in the church. Please follow this path so that God can remember you and bless you.

Husbands and wives must become united and show the example to their children. By being sacrificial as a family and reaching out to others, you will receive God's blessing and you can welcome God into your home.

You blessed families should develop and mature and fulfill the dreams God had for Adam's family. Then you will be able to welcome God and His angels into your home, and all good things will automatically come to you.

The Tradition of My Family

God's will is for you to build the Kingdom of Heaven first in your home. What is the Kingdom of Heaven? It is the kind of place where a passing beggar feels welcome to take a rest, where birds like to make their nests, where village people like to visit. Such a place is the heavenly home or the Kingdom of Heaven on the family level. God will be attracted to such a home and want to make it His dwelling. You should be able to make your home like this.

When you have guests, don't hope they will leave soon because it costs money to feed them. Blessed families must take good care of their guests, even if they have to sell their own clothes to raise money to care for them. Those who do that will be blessed in the future.

This is one tradition which has been handed down from generation to generation in my family. We were raised to take good care of guests, even travelers passing through our village.

If someone comes asking for food you must feed him. You are the ones who are walking the path of God, developing a heavenly heart.

My grandfather thought that beggars were more important than his own wife in a sense, and that he had to serve them for the sake of his descendants. My father also felt that way. He, too, would give someone his whole meal. But I am sure that God will never forget such a scene.

The head of the household is responsible for helping others. Even when you don't have enough food for yourselves, you must give food to your visitors. If you do that, then one day when you are really starving, somebody will come and feed you.

Become a Good Example for Your Children

As we build the family of the Kingdom of Heaven, the emphasis is on our children. You must become good examples for your children. If you are self-centered, then your children will become self-centered as well. They will learn everything from you.

If parents quarrel and fight in front of their children, the Blessing of the Unification Church loses its meaning and withers away.

You must know that your own sons and daughters will become the official witness on earth and in heaven to testify that their parents were the best of parents.

Only when a husband and wife become one in heart can God dwell with them. The center of the subject and object is love. The goal of human history had been to establish this nucleus of love. When love overflows and permeates the entire family, tribe, society, nation and world, the history of restoration will be completed.

When you go back home, tell your children, "You may have seen your daddy and mommy fighting or arguing, but from now on, we'll not do anything like that again."

The Higher Goal

Please become fathers and mothers who can pledge loyalty to God. Be exemplary individuals and families, capable of inheriting heavenly tradition. Your family must be able to set the heavenly tradition for your descendants to inherit.

You too must show your children that you are working not for your own benefit, but for the sake of the whole. If you do that, your children will be given blessings.

When you bring up your children that way, they will be able to inherit your teachings, and your descendants will prosper from generation to generation. Your family should live for the sake of the world and for the sake of eternity. Expand your foundation of love to bring light and hope to the world, longing to reach out everywhere, to heaven and earth, and all the people for the sake of God. This is my greatest hope for your family.

The Realm of Family Victory

All this we have been doing for one purpose, to accomplish God's will. We have pledged to gain the victory. The glory of final victory will belong not just to certain individuals, but to everybody. If you really believe this, you can accept suffering with a humble heart, grateful to God and mankind. If you have such a heart then God will surely bless you.

Build your family on this foundation. When you see your spouse sleeping in exhaustion, feel sympathy and pray for him or her.

If you follow with a responsible heart, you will surely be given blessings and your children will naturally follow the path of God's will. The older they become the more cause you will have for gratitude.

My path has always been a lonely one, but I know that the more I do, the more things I am grateful for. Your blessings come from within your family. I long for you to inherit the victorious sphere of family victory.

Living for All the People

The family of the Messiah represents the whole world. That family can understand and give love to the whole world. Through that family, all people can come to the central point and then reach out to all directions. The Heavenly Kingdom cannot be established unless there is one central family.

The family Kingdom of Heaven also must be established with one man and with one woman in complete unity. The husband, wife, and children must be completely united, enjoying complete give and take with one another. In other words, they must be completely united with God's will.

God's will is to live for the sake of other people. Focus upon God and live for the sake of others; then your family can be connected with God. Become the family that can love all the people on behalf of God. Then you can save all the families of mankind. For this purpose you were blessed.

God is the center of the family. From the family, the tribe begins. And from the tribe that lives for the sake of God, the nation begins. And from the nation that lives for the sake of

the world, the heavenly world is established. From this point of view, the family has immense significance.

The Unification Church must be like one worldwide family harmonizing all races. Wherever you live, you blessed families are the Abel-type families. Live for the sake of others. The way to heaven begins from there.

Conclusion

When world peace is established and love prevails, all the people of the world will rejoice and remember you. Now is the time to establish the eternal tradition through what you do in your life to plant heavenly ethics and love in the fallen world.

I hope you will succeed in achieving victory and pass on your heavenly tradition as true elder brothers.

This is the legacy of the 777 Couples: families that represent the world, live for the sake of others, establish homes where God can dwell, raise children who inherit heavenly tradition, and extend God's love to all humanity.

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Sensible Self-denial

Written by Bogdan Pammer



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"Reasonable self-sacrifice" or "readiness for sensible self-denial" is a central principle in Hahn's educational philosophy. The emphasis on "reasonable" and "sensible" made us curious.

Our community is built on True Parents' teaching of Living for the Sake of Others (LFSO). We come together for youth workshops or longer educational programmes, a member joins our community or moves into a centre, and we prepare for the marriage Blessing. In all these situations, we emphasise that God's Ideal for human relationships is to **live for one's partner** rather than oneself.

One part of living sensibly and reasonably for others is understanding the other person's goals, needs, and situation. Living for others overcomes the fallen tendency to view others as means to achieve our own goal. Here it does not matter how noble that goal may be. Living for one's partner always respects their space, freedom and responsibility.

In God's Ideal, the other, or the object partner, is the manifestation of God's presence, not a means to achieve my noble goal. True Parents have repeatedly encouraged us to sacrifice, but never view others as mere means to their ends. LFSO is not "I live for you so that I can be happy", but "I live for you so that you can be happy".

Living for one's partner is not:

- I live for you because then I will be seen as a good person.
- I live for you because then I will benefit.

- I live for you because it makes me a good person.
- I live for you because then I fulfil my purpose.

It is something like:

- I live for you because of you.
- I live for you because of heart.

On this basis, we can also be honest and direct to each other, and correct each other.

The **onion approach to living for the sake of others** can help us make it sensible, grounded and sustainable: the individual lives for the family, the family lives for the community, the community lives for the nation, and the nation lives for the world. In other words: We can sacrifice for the nation with our community's support. We can live for the community as a family. It's simply British manners: don't jump the queue.

These points are obvious on paper, but not so easy in daily life. After one year as national directors, we are acutely aware that we still have much to learn about living for the sake of others: our team members, pastors, volunteers, family, and children.

You might feel the same, and that is okay. Heavenly Parent understands that we need time to grow and gives us opportunities to start anew, such as the Autumn Great Works or the upcoming Holy Day.

In the spirit of sensible self-denial, let us ask ourselves this week whether we really understand the people we live with, so we can start to live for them, just a little more. Let us strive to understand the goals, needs, and circumstances of Heavenly Parent, True Father and True Mother, and our brothers and sisters just a bit better.

Warm autumn regards,

Bogdan & Yoshiko

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Words from True Parents

Living for the sake of others is the original ideal

If God were the King of wisdom and the centre of everything, where in the relationship between the subject partner and the object partner would He place the origin of the true ideal, true happiness and true peace?

God pondered whether it was better to make the object partner live for the sake of the subject partner, or vice versa.

If God had made the object partner live for the sake of the subject partner or for Himself, as soon as He had done so, every person in the position of a subject partner would also have made the object partners standing before them live for their sake.

If this had taken place, the path to unity would have been blocked. They would have become divided.

So where is the path that can serve as the origin of peace, through which the subject and object partners truly can become one?

Not only God Himself but also true human beings accept the principle that they need to exist for the sake of others.

That is why true love stems from living for the sake of others, why the true ideal stems from living for the sake of others, and why true peace and true happiness can be found only when one lives for the sake of others. Humankind has not known that this is the basic principle of the creation of the universe.

Sun Myung Moon: A World of Living for the Sake of Others (January 16, 1975)

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Members' Spotlight | Tae Endo: A Journey Back to a Second Home

Written by Han-sun Nkumu



After spending two years in the UK as a Heavenly Top Gun (HTG) missionary, Tae Endo returned this October to begin a new chapter as FFWPU-UK's Outreach Coordinator. For Tae, however, returning to the UK meant more than taking on a new role. It was a chance to continue a mission close to her heart in a community she now considers a second home.

At 28, Tae brings a unique background, having grown up in Japan with both Japanese and Korean roots. Although she always knew about her Korean heritage through her mother, it wasn't something she thought much about during her childhood.

It was only after moving to Korea at 18 to study at Sun Moon University that her perspective began to change. Living alongside Korean friends and experiencing the culture firsthand helped her discover a part of herself she hadn't fully recognised before.

Growing up, she had been aware of the sometimes difficult relationship between Japan and Korea. However, through her experiences, she began to see her mixed heritage as something to be proud of, particularly in light of the significance of Japan and Korea within the Unification Movement.

Today, Tae sees her background as a blessing, something that connects her to both countries and has helped shape the person she has become.

A Journey of Mission and Growth

Tae first came to the UK in 2024 as an HTG missionary. Over the following two years, she built friendships and connections with members across the UK and Europe, while experiencing significant personal growth.

"My time in the UK broadened my perspective," she reflects. *"I have come to feel that there is even more I could do for the people I met during my mission period."*





After completing her mission earlier this year, Tae returned to Japan to prepare for her next chapter. As a UPA graduate, she received a new mission from True Mother to serve in Europe, leading her back to the UK as Outreach Coordinator.

For Tae, her previous missionary experience was also preparation for this new responsibility. She feels grateful for the opportunity to use what she has learned to support both current and future missionary teams, strengthen outreach efforts and work more closely with communities throughout the country.

Returning on 10th October, she was particularly touched by the welcome she received.

"It was moving to see how warmly the members welcomed me back upon my return to the UK. It made me realise that this British community is, in a sense, another home for me."

Now living at Livingstone House alongside the Heavenly Top Gun Japan team, Tae is looking forward to contributing to River South Community while also connecting with communities across the UK.

She hopes to help energise youth activities and witnessing efforts, with a vision of the UK becoming a place from which "pure water" can flow and reach others.

Alongside her mission, this year has also marked an important personal milestone. In May, Tae received the Blessing with her husband, Kosuke, who is half Cameroonian and half Japanese and grew up in Japan.



Their journey towards the Blessing was not quite what Tae had originally imagined.

As someone who had dedicated much of her life to mission work, she initially believed she needed to find a spouse who could work alongside her in that mission. However, during a challenging period of her missionary experience in the UK, her perspective began to change.

She realised that life would not always go according to plan. There could be struggles, changes in circumstances or moments when her own direction might shift. What mattered most was finding someone she could share her whole life with, not simply her work.

"I came to realise that my spouse should be someone I can be together with at all times, not only for the mission," she explains.

When she eventually met Kosuke, with the support of their families, their relationship developed naturally. Tae describes their meeting and the journey that followed as a series of miracles, through which she could feel Heavenly Parent's love and guidance.

She came to see that their relationship was not simply about her mission, but about her life as a whole.

Although blessed life comes with its own challenges, Tae shares that recognising how deeply Heavenly Parent loves her husband continues to inspire her to cherish and love him more.

Getting to Know Tae

While Tae's work and mission are an important part of her life, there is also a quieter, more personal side to her that people may not immediately notice.

She describes herself as someone who is often seen as serious and responsible. Because she isn't particularly talkative when meeting new people, she sometimes worries that others may mistake her quietness for being cold.

However, those who know her well discover someone who feels a deep affection for the people close to her.

One of the ways she enjoys expressing this is through cooking and baking, something she shares with her mother.

Growing up, she was influenced by her mother's love of preparing food for others, and she now finds joy in inviting people over and sharing a homemade meal.

Since moving to the UK, Tae has found herself missing Korean food and hopes to learn how to cook more Korean dishes. She has also picked up a few British habits along the way.

"Since moving to the UK, I've naturally developed the habit of drinking tea daily!" she shares.

Another discovery was the size of British kitchen ovens. In Japan, large ovens are less common in households, so having one readily available has encouraged Tae to bake much more often.

Interestingly, Tae and Kosuke also share a connection through their multicultural backgrounds. Together with his older brother, Kosuke previously ran a business and podcast called *GOLDNRUSH* in Japan, which featured conversations with people from mixed cultural backgrounds.

Through these interviews, they hoped to introduce Japanese audiences to different cultures and experiences, encouraging greater understanding of people with multicultural identities.

Outside of work, Tae enjoys visiting parks and spending time in nature. Despite having lived in the UK for two years, she still has many places she hopes to explore.

She is also looking forward to attending sporting events with Kosuke, who enjoys watching sports, something they haven't yet had the opportunity to experience together in the UK.

As Tae settles back into life at Livingstone House and begins her new role, she hopes to continue building on the friendships and experiences that made her first two years here so meaningful.

For someone who once arrived in the UK as a missionary, returning to a community that now feels like home is a meaningful continuation of her journey. We warmly welcome Tae back and look forward to the contributions she will make to our communities in the years ahead.

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As we approach the new year, we want to continue our yearly tradition of offering our workshops for HARP age BCs (13-19y/olds) after many years of investment in this age group and a growing culture of carving our Unificationist identity and connecting with spiritual life.

We have an experienced staff team who have staffed for many years consistently, sincerely and devotedly to this age group and the youth area, and we are extremely privileged and grateful to contribute to support BCs in the UK and Europe.

We look forward to seeing you again over the new years where there is so much potential for new beginnings: offering 2026 humbly and committing to living 2027 with Heavenly Parent and True Parents.

This year, we will be in a new location in Kent – **more details to come. Registrations will open very soon**, so don't miss out on the early bird fee when it opens!

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God bless and see you soon,
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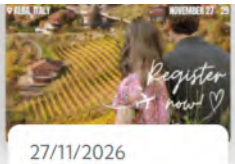
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From Alienation to Divine Kinship: The Origins and Spiritual Legacy of True Children's Day

Written by Stephen Stacey



Every autumn, communities within the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification (FFWPU) gather at dawn to celebrate **True Children's Day** (*Cham Janyeo-ui Nal*). Observed on the first day of the tenth month of the heavenly lunar calendar, the day represents far more than an appreciation for youth. In Unification thought, it marks a pivotal spiritual turning point in human history: the formal restoration of humanity's original identity as direct sons and daughters of God.

To understand its enduring resonance, one must look back to the humble post-war setting where it began and examine the theological vision that continues to shape its celebration.

A Modest Dawn in Cheongpa-dong

The story of True Children's Day began on **November 19, 1960**, at the modest, clay-walled Cheongpa-dong Headquarters Church in Seoul, South Korea. Less than two decades after the devastation of the Korean War, the early Unification movement consisted of a small, tight-knit group of disciples facing intense societal scepticism and hardship.

Only seven months earlier, in April 1960, Sun Myung Moon and Hak Ja Han had held their Holy Wedding, establishing the position of "True Parents" and inaugurating Parents' Day. True Mother was now pregnant with their first child, Ye Jin Moon. Now, having established the position the True Parents, who stood as a new Adam and Eve, God could finally look forward to having His children reconnected to Him as His children. In an 8:00 AM Thanksgiving worship service, Sun Myung Moon addressed the gathered congregation and made a solemn declaration: without True Children, the position of True Parents cannot stand complete, nor can God's heart find rest.

Drawing on the autumn landscape outside the windows, the inaugural address used the metaphor of the agricultural harvest. For thousands of years, people had faithfully sown seed in the spring and reaped physical crops in the autumn. Yet, from the perspective of Unification theology, God had invested spiritual effort across millennia without ever gathering His own primary harvest—sons and daughters standing freely in divine lineage. The assembly culminated in a prayer of dedication, offering the early believers to God as representative first fruits and officially proclaiming the first Children's Day.

The Providential Architecture of Restoration

In the *Divine Principle*, the core doctrinal text of the movement, the establishment of holy days follows a deliberate, sequential order known as the **Four-Position Foundation**:





1. **Parents' Day (April 1960):** The restoration of the vertical connection between God and original, perfected parents.
2. **Children's Day (November 1960):** The horizontal expansion of that lineage into the position of true children.
3. **Day of All Things (1963):** The reclaiming of the natural world and physical creation under the rightful stewardship of true owners.
4. **God's Day (1968):** The culmination of the entire foundation, establishing God's full sovereignty over family, creation, and spirit.

Through the Fall, humanity was cut off from the direct lineage of God, living instead in an alienated servant or adopted relationship with Heaven. The proclamation of Children's Day represented the formal reclaiming of that lost inheritance. It signalled that human beings were no longer meant to relate to God merely as servants, adopted children, or distant subjects, but as direct family members sharing the Creator's heart, joy, and responsibility.

The Ethos of *Hyojeong* (Filial Heart)

Central to the meaning of True Children's Day is the East Asian concept of filial piety, elevated in Unification thought to a universal spiritual discipline known as ***Hyojeong*** (a filial heart toward God).

A true child is not defined merely by receiving affection, but by cultivating an empathetic awareness of God's historical suffering. In historical talks connected with this day, Sun Myung Moon often emphasised that maturity begins when a child learns to comfort their parent. Within this worldview, living as a true child requires:

- **Embodying Unconditional Service:** Moving past self-centred spirituality to practice living for the sake of others.
- **Carrying Providential Responsibility:** Voluntarily sharing the burdens of building peace, recognising that God's work on earth relies on human cooperation.
- **Fostering Universal Kinship:** Treating fellow human beings of every race, creed, and culture as brothers and sisters under one common Heavenly Parent.

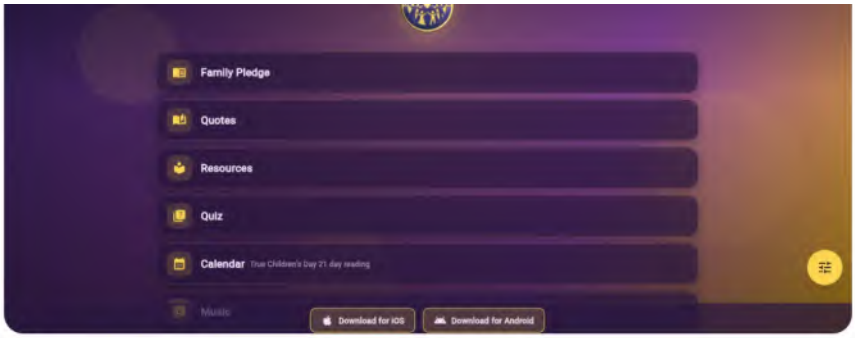
When the prefix "True" (*Cham*) was officially appended to the four major holy days in the 1990s, it served as an ongoing challenge to believers to transcend superficial titles and substantiate that standard in everyday relationships.

Observance and Modern Relevance

Today, True Children's Day is observed globally with both reverent formality and vibrant community celebration: The Dawn Pledge Service, Hoon Dok Hae, and Communal Festivities.

This year, a new dimension has been added. All faiths tell their central message through their holy days. Most of them have a period of reflection up to their major holy days, allowing the faithful to prepare and reflect. This year, through the Family Pledge app or through the familypledge.app website, members can prepare for three weeks before this year's True Children's Day. Each day, a quote is offered, a speech from past True Children's Days is available, and families have been given a few activities they can do together. We invite you to join with the community worldwide in preparing for this joyous day.





What began in a modest Seoul chapel in 1960 has evolved into a global reflection on the sacredness of family. True Children's Day stands as an enduring reminder that the ultimate resolution to human conflict lies in rediscovering our fundamental identity: that before nations, ideologies, or individual differences divide us, we are first and foremost children of the same divine heart.

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