

## **We completed the incredibly precious tribal messiah mission in Thailand**

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*The Thaveetermsakuls and their tribe at Cheon Jeong Gung in late October*

Only because of Heavenly Parent's guidance and protection and because of True Parents' victorious foundation we have and have been able to complete this incredibly precious tribal messiah mission. We all know from True Father's teachings that being tribal messiahs is our final responsibility and mission in order to inherit True Parents' foundation of victories and to realize Cheon Il Guk here on earth.

Therefore, by 2006, after my stepping down from my almost twenty-year mission as national leader of Thailand, our family decided to start pioneering the mission of tribal messiahs using our own home. When we started on the course to restore 430 blessed couples, we did not know when nor how we could complete our mission, but we were determined to start and eventually to accomplish this goal. We knew that our family needed to an internal and an external foundation. Conjugal unity is of prime importance to undertake this mission. My wife was totally committed. She has been the key to the development and success of our mission.

### **Our initial plan**

We needed more spiritual children to work with us to build the necessary foundation to expand to the tribal level. Therefore, we began witnessing to students at Ramkhamhaeng University, who went through three-day, five-day and twenty-one-day Divine Principle Workshops. They stayed in our home with our children, as if we had adopted them.

They attended morning Hoon Dok Hae with us before leaving for the university. When they had free time, they joined in student witnessing, raised funds or did public service projects. Our home became like a small Hoon Dok family church.

We gained university student members one by one. After two years, we had more than twenty members and we had to rent a nearby house to accommodate our student members.

Even though we could increase members gradually, maintaining or accelerating the growth of student membership was not easy. Many university students already had problems.

Finding pure, self-motivated university students on campus was difficult. Gaining enough members to fulfill our tribal messiah mission would take too long.

### **Spiritual children's roots**

Consequently, utilizing Pure Love Campaigns and service activities, we started to reach out to and build relationships with the high schools that our student members came from in Thailand's northeast region. With the trust and support of these high schools, we could screen and find many good, pure students and

develop relationships with them.

Gradually, we developed our pilot project and opened our homestay Model Youth Program, providing scholarships for high school graduates that wanted to study at Bangkok's Ramkhamhaeng University with the consent of the school and the parents. We only accepted students that had passed through our Pure Love education workshop series, service activities and interviews. The parents were very happy that while the university educated their children, we would take care of their children and guide them to become model, successful, good young people and protect them from smoking, drinking, drugs and sexual problems.



*Francis Lopez, the husband in the successful tribal messiah couple from the Philippines and the Thaveetermsakuls receiving Copies of the the Holy Scriptures*

### **How the students fared**

Once they graduated from high school and entered our program in Bangkok, we guided them through orientation and a series of educational programs, Divine Principle workshops and training activities during their first few months. After six months, almost all of them became faithful, dedicated student members that could return to do activities in their hometown high schools. There, they guided and witnessed to the new high school students, persuading them to join our Model Youth Program the following year. Each year we were able to recruit a higher number of students into our program from twenty to thirty to forty and to fifty or more students per year. We continue to maintain trust and develop good relationships with the high schools and the students' parents.

### **Foundation Day nears**

By 2012, we had six student centers to accommodate more than a hundred student members. Gradually, the older students and students who had graduated went through the Blessing Ceremony, but we were still far from reaching the goal of 430 couples.

We thought that if we increased the number of students we took in per year to a hundred, eventually we would reach four or five hundred that would graduate in a few years' time and become blessed members. In this way, it would take us four or five more years to reach the goal, but 2013 and Foundation Day were fast approaching.

### **National level struggle**

As many of you know, our True Parents and the Thai church had gone through severe national persecution beginning in 1991. A court case had caused deep concern and heartache to our True Parents. My wife and I and six other young leaders had gone through twenty-one months' imprisonment without possibility of bail after being arrested in June 1991 and charged with the most severe offenses under

Thailand's National Security Act by what was then a military government.

The prosecution only allowed us to post bail and obtain our release in 1993 after the military government had been replaced following bloody demonstrations in May 1992.

Since then, as national leaders, my wife and I had to work to revive and rebuild our movement's foundation in Thailand by serving and loving the nation while fighting the court case in order to defend our True Parents' and our movement's name and dignity.

We first won in court after twelve years, but the government appealed the decision. We won in the Appellate Court two years later, but the government exerted its maximum power to push the case up to the Supreme Court. Legally this was an unusual, indeed unjustified, measure. Our case seemed frozen at the Supreme Court level.

After another seven years, on September 1, 2011, even Satan could no longer accuse us and had to surrender. We finally obtained absolute victory.

Reporting our liberation from this court case to our True Parents and seeing our True Father's expression of extraordinary joy and happiness was our moment of greatest joy.



*An Inter-religious Peace Blessing Ceremony*

### **Galvanized by circumstances**

A turning point came when True Father suddenly ascended to the spiritual world. We were so shocked and felt sad that Father left us before Foundation Day. We felt ashamed that we had not accomplished enough of our responsibilities when True Father was still with us. We thought about how we could offer more to comfort our True Father's heart and True Mother's heart. We could not do very much.

With the great support from Regional President Yong, in October 2012, after True Father's Seonghwa, we launched the Southern Thailand Peace Initiative and the model of the Interfaith Peace Blessing through the Asia Regional UPF International Leadership Seminar in Songkhla Province. This Interfaith Peace Blessing became the model and the foundation for the launching of our tribal messiah Interfaith Peace Blessing with the support and cooperation of UPF and FFWPU Thailand.

After hearing Father's last wish and prayer about the tribal messiah mission, we felt renewed determination to fulfill tribal messiah mission before Foundation Day.

### **Trying a new approach**

In order to do that, we had to develop a strategy to complete the education and blessing of 430 couples within December 2012. At the beginning of November, we made the plan and encouraged all of our student members to go back to their hometowns to invite their parents and relatives with the total minimum goal of five hundred couples to attend a two-day program of UPF and FFWPU family education and an Interfaith Peace Blessing on December 1–2 2012.

On the day of the Blessing Ceremony, more than a thousand people filled the hotel ballroom in Khonkaen, in Thailand's northeast region. The event was the first breakthrough the tribal messiah blessing of 650 couples.

We offered this success just a month before the Foundation Day.

Since the Blessing Ceremony, we are determined to breakthrough in educating and encouraging all the couples to follow the blessed family tradition completely including the Indemnity Stick ceremony, forty-day separation and the three-day ceremony to become genuine blessed couples.

Many couples have voluntarily begun following True Parents' traditions for blessed families. We continue to give follow-up education and to guide them to complete three-day ceremony group by group.

### Dreams and visions



Unexpectedly, couples that had completed the three-day ceremony have had deep spiritual experiences and dreams about True Parents and are developing a heart-to-heart relationship with True Parents.

They also gained a lot of good fortune financially, protection from life threatening accidents and have had life changing experiences in their families (such as being able to stop smoking, drinking, or fighting).

These phenomena testify to the fact that once they have completed the three-day ceremony, good spirits in the spiritual world and their good ancestors are able to

come down to support and protect the blessed families continuously and even permanently as our True Father told us long ago when he described spiritual assistance for the hometown tribal messiah activities.

The good spirits and ancestors can come down and chase away the satanic control of evil spirits from those families and that hometown area.

They will secure and protect those families and bring the hometown area to the heavenly side. Thus, the restoration of people, territory, heavenly sovereignty and Cheon Il Guk can begin and expand from the hometown tribal messiah activities and can be completed through the completion of the blessed families' heavenly tribal messiah mission.

### Changing lineage

Therefore, I am convinced that the substantial change of bloodline to the heavenly lineage through the completion of three-day ceremony is the key important process of completing the spiritual rebirth and physical rebirth among all the newly blessed previously married couples. This will set the condition to cut them off from the satanic bloodline and connect them to the heavenly bloodline substantially.

Then, they can be reborn as sons or daughters of our Heavenly Parent and of our True Parents. Simultaneously, they are thus reborn as Cheon Il Guk citizens like all of our traditional blessed central families. They can eventually connect to and receive heavenly fortune.

In this way, the seeds of Cheon Il Guk can spread out, be planted, settle down, take root, continue to grow and bear fruit in establishing the substantial Cheon Il Guk in our hometown, our nation and everywhere in the world through the completion of our blessed families' heavenly tribal messiah mission in this Cheon Il Guk era.

With this positive and amazing breakthrough, we encouraged all other blessed families to start their tribal messiah activities in their hometowns.

More than twenty blessed families came to partake in this and we could continuously expanded the tribal messiah Blessing Ceremonies to thirteen, which took place in a total of twelve provinces, including Bangkok, by July 2014, twenty-one months since the beginning of tribal messiah activities in November 2012. Based on this foundation, we could see that the gate to the national expansion of tribal messiah activities had opened to us in Thailand.

Since, not all of the couples that received the blessing were able to follow and complete the three-day ceremony. Therefore, we had to increase the number of the blessed couples, in order to complete the goal of 430 couples that had been able to complete the three-day ceremony. We had to increase the number of the blessed couples to 1,318 couples by holding two more Blessing Ceremonies of six hundred couples and a hundred couples in Buriram, Thailand on May 4, and in Bangkok on September 14, 2014.



*Dr. Thaveetermsakul and his wife offer flowers to True Mother on Foundation Day*

### **Ultimate victory**

Finally, for these 1,318 couples, we were able to do follow up education.

We finally reached 454 couples in October 2014, with 162 fulltime student tribal members.

On September 8, in order to expand this tribal messiah providence to the national level, we also launched the UPF-FFWPU Family Seminar National Peace Tour through seventy-seven provinces. We were able to gain the cooperation and support of the provincial governments for this family campaign. The provincial governors agreed to provide their

government meeting halls for the seminar and to invite all their government officers, community leaders, NGO leaders and others to attend the seminars. The respective governor also gave the opening speech at each venue for the seminar. In this seminar, we gave the core content of Divine Principle and True Parents' teachings on absolute sexual ethics. We also explained the upcoming occasions on which we would hold an Interfaith Peace Blessing to strengthen the families as the foundation to bring unity, peace and happiness to the community and the nation.

Through this peace tour, we were able to expand the FFWPU Blessed Family Network and start the True Family Movement for National Unity and Peace. So far, we have received numerous affirmative responses and support from many provincial governors through this peace tour. Some provinces have already signed Memoranda of Understanding with our UPF-FFWPU organizations to educate and conduct activities in communities in their provinces, with budgetary support from the province itself. We have already completed almost half of the 77 provinces. We had planned to complete all the provinces by next Foundation Day to open up the way for all of our blessed families to do tribal messiah activities anywhere in the nation with the cooperation and support of the government and community leaders. In this way, we are confident we will bring about the settlement of tribal the messiah mission on the national level.

### **Nations will transform**

We are so much encouraged by the word, given through our True Father, telling us that when twelve tribal messiahs unite and fulfill their missions, restoration of the entire nation can occur, in any nation, even in nations with a sizable population.

With the students and other young people, we want to launch a movement of pure love, filial piety and patriotic spirit among the youth to encourage them to love and serve their families, hometowns, and the nation.

With the True Family Movement, we want to launch a new model family movement and new model village movement throughout the nation.

Through this vision and plan, we are determined to multiply tribal messiahs at an increasing rate and to march forward toward the realization of Vision 2020 behind our beloved True Mother, so that we can return greater joy, glory and liberation to our Heavenly Parent and our True Parents.