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Demian Dunkley
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**WHO CAN STOP THE
PERSECUTION?**

On today's Quick Connect, True Mother's legal team filed for stay of execution citing health reasons , and highlights from the International Religious Freedom Summit that took place in Washington, DC.

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Higher Ground Tour: Rev. Dunkley's Speech in Washington D.C.



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sand, he noticed birds gathering and the footprints they left behind. Seagulls made clean, webbed impressions. Pigeons left more complicated tracks. Each one different. Each one intentional. “Each of them leave their unique mark,” he said. Creation, in all its detail, carries God’s signature.

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True Mother's Legal Team Files For Execution Stay Citing Health Risks



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Rev. Dunkely's Speech at the IRF Summit



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Rev. Masaichi Hori's Speech at the IRF Summit



by Rev. Masaichi Hori, President of FFWPU-Japan

Ladies and gentlemen, distinguished guests. It is an honor to speak on behalf of Family Federation for World Peace and Unification-Japan at the IRF Summit 2026. I sincerely thank Ambassador Sam Brownback and Dr. Katrina Lantos Swett for this wonderful IRF Summit.

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Paula White-Cain's Statement at IRF Summit

**"WHEN YOU AND I PROTECT
FREEDOM OF RELIGION OR
BELIEF, YOU'RE PROTECTING
MORE THAN JUST A WORSHIP
SERVICE OR SACRED SPACE."**

Paula White-Cain
Senior Advisor to
the White House
Faith Office



When you and I protect freedom of religion or belief, you're protecting more than just a worship service or sacred space. You're protecting the human person. The right to hold convictions without coercion, to live with integrity, to speak and gather peacefully, to raise children with moral formation, and to contribute to society without fear.

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Panel Discussion at IRF Summit



Check out the panel discussion featuring Attorney Nakayama and WFWP International President Moriko Hori. Like, share, and comment below!

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Footprints in the Sand: Standing on Higher Ground as God's Children

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easier to admire in hindsight than to live in real time. That question became urgent as he spoke about Mother's imprisonment. No dramatics. Just facts. "The size of her room is the size of a Mini Cooper," he said. Nearly blind. Crawling on the floor. Ten-minute visits. Glass partitions. Constant surveillance. And yet: "They cannot stop her spirit. They cannot stop True Parents' legacy." He recalled her words plainly: "They don't know who I am." This, he said, is bigger than a legal case. "That framework is way too small." What's happening is part of something larger—a global struggle over whether human beings are recognized as children of God or reduced to something less. That's why America matters. "Our freedom comes from God, not the state," Rev. Dunkley said. And what happens here never stays here. "For every inch that we deteriorate here, it's a mile elsewhere." He closed with a call to action—not perfection. "Mother doesn't have time for us to all be perfect before we act." "What Jesus was asking us to do," he said, "is stand up with me...on the higher ground." The footprints are already there. The only question is whether we're willing to follow them—together.

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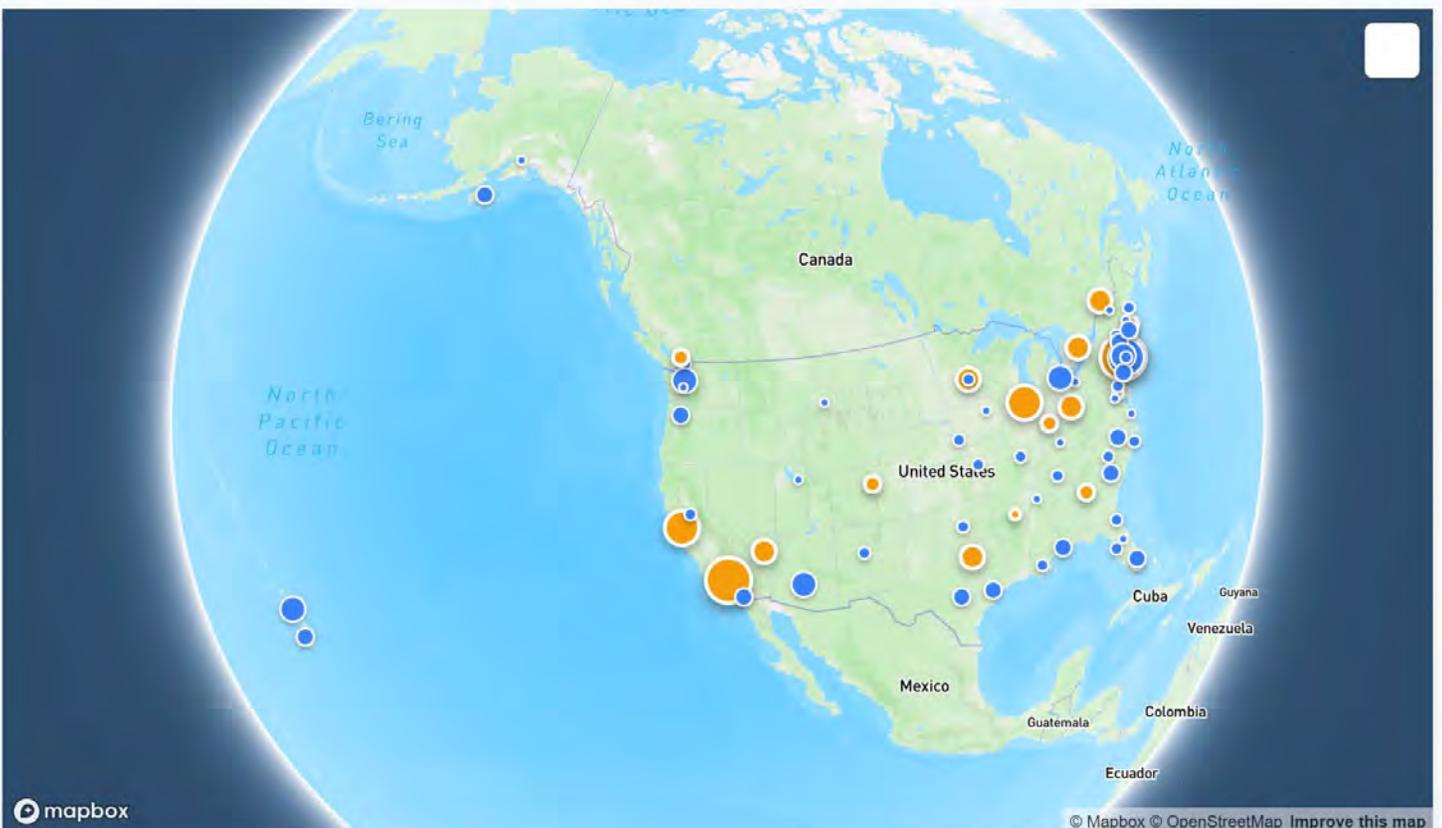
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"You Are the Hope": Rev. Dunkley Calls Us to Higher Ground Amid Persecution and Uncertainty

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All Tour Legs 57 events	New York Kickoff Jan 18, 2026 1 event	DC – FL – CAR – DC Jan 23, 2026 - Feb 2, 2026 4 events	TBD Feb 7, 2026 - Feb 8, 2026 2 events	AK: Anchorage – Kodiak Feb 12, 2026 - Feb 14, 2026 3 events	Seattle – VAN – Portland Feb 15, 2026 - Feb 19, 2026 5 events
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Capital

Mon, Feb 2, 2026

IRF Event

9:00 AM - 9:00 PM

NEXT STOP

Detroit

Sat, Feb 7, 2026 (in 2 days)

meeting

SCHEDULE

CALENDAR

DATE	DAY	ITINERARY	EVENT TYPE	COMMUNITY	ADDRESS	POSTS
 New York Kickoff 1 stop						
Jan 18, 2026	SUN	Sunday Service	Event	Manhattan	New Yorker Hotel	—
 DC - FL - CAR - DC 4 stops						
Jan 23, 2026	FRI	North Carolina Triangle 🕒 5:00 PM	Travel	South Florida	11810 NW 19th St., Plantation, FL, 33323	—
Jan 25, 2026	SUN	South Florida Family Church, Sunday Service 🕒 10:00 AM	Service	South Florida	11810 NW 19th St., Plantation, FL, 33323	—
Feb 1, 2026	SUN	Capital Sunday Service 🕒 4:30 PM	Service	Capital	3600 New York Ave NE, Washington, DC 20002	—
Feb 2, 2026	MON	IRF Event 🕒 9:00 AM - 9:00 PM	Event	Capital	3600 New York Ave NE, Washington, DC 20002	—
 TBD 2 stops						
Feb 7, 2026	SAT	meeting	Meeting	Detroit	17356 Northland Ct Park, Southfield, MI 48091	—
Feb 8, 2026	SUN	service	Other	service	—	—
 AK: Anchorage - Kodiak 3 stops						
Feb 12, 2026	THU	Meeting with Kodiak Community	Meeting	Kodiak	1936 Selief Ln., Kodiak, AK, 99615	—
Feb 13, 2026	FRI	Meeting with Kodiak Community	Visit	Kodiak	1936 Selief Ln., Kodiak, AK, 99615	—
Feb 14, 2026	SAT	Meet with Anchorage Lunch 📍 Anchorage Garden	Meeting	Anchorage	9101 Brayton Dr., Anchorage, AK, 99501	—
 Seattle - VAN - Portland 5 stops						
Feb 15, 2026	SUN	Seattle Sunday Service	Service	Seattle	7000 26th Ave. NW, Seattle, WA, 98117	—
Feb 16, 2026	MON	Seattle Tachoma (KEA)	Meeting	Seattle Tachoma (KEA) - Seattle Tachoma (KEA)	—	—
Feb 17, 2026	TUE	Meeting with Vancouver Community	Meeting	Vancouver	3131 Douglas Rd., Burnaby, BC, V5G3P1	—
Feb 18, 2026	WED	Meeting with Bellingham Community	Meeting	Bellingham	5373 Guide Meridian, Suite E2A, Bellingham, WA, 98226	—

Feb 19, 2026	THU	Meeting with Portland Community	Meeting	Portland	2620 Hughes Dr., West Linn, OR, 97068	—
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San Francisco - Sacramento 4 stops

Feb 21, 2026	SAT	Bay Area	Meeting	Bay Area	2305 Washington Ave., San Leandro, CA, 94577	—
Feb 22, 2026	SUN	Bay Area Community Sunday Service	Service	Bay Area	2305 Washington Ave., San Leandro, CA, 94577	—
Feb 23, 2026	MON	Sacramento	Visit	Sacramento	2821 29th Ave., Sacramento, CA, 95815	—
Feb 24, 2026	TUE	Meeting with Bay Area Community	Meeting	Meeting with Bay Area Community	—	—

MN - Chicago 5 stops

Mar 1, 2026	SUN	Minnesota Sunday Service	Service	Minnesota	3836 NE Stinson Blvd., Columbia Heights, MN, 55421	—
Mar 3, 2026	TUE	Omaha Community Visit 🕒 6:00 PM	Visit	Omaha	1918 S. 55th St., Omaha, NE, 68106	—
Mar 4, 2026	WED	St. Louis Community Meeting 🕒 6:00 PM	Meeting	St. Louis	4607 Virginia Ave., St. Louis, MO, 63111	—
Mar 7, 2026	SAT	Chicago Community Gathering	Meeting	Chicago	55 Commerce Dr., Schaumburg, IL, 60173	—
Mar 8, 2026	SUN	Chicago Sunday Service	Service	Chicago	55 Commerce Dr., Schaumburg, IL, 60173	—

Los Angeles - San Diego 3 stops

Mar 14, 2026	SAT	Los Angeles Community Gathering	Gathering	Los Angeles	2301 Findlay Ave., Monterey Park, CA, 91754	—
Mar 15, 2026	SUN	Los Angeles Sunday Service	Service	Los Angeles	2301 Findlay Ave., Monterey Park, CA, 91754	—
Mar 16, 2026	MON	San Diego Community Gathering	Gathering	San Diego	9754 Grosalia Ave., La Mesa, CA, 91941	—

LAS - PHX - ABQ 4 stops

Mar 19, 2026	THU	Phoenix Community Visit	Visit	Phoenix	1715 South El Camino Dr., Tempe, AZ, 85281	—
Mar 20, 2026	FRI	Albuquerque Community Visit	Visit	Las Vegas	6590 Bermuda Rd., Las Vegas, NV, 89123	—
Mar 21, 2026	SAT	Las Vegas Community Gathering	Visit	Albuquerque	501 Cagua SE, Albuquerque, NM, 87108	—

Mar 22, 2026	SUN	Las Vegas Sunday Service	Service	Las Vegas	6590 Bermuda Rd., Las Vegas, NV, 89123	—
 UT - CO - MT						4 stops
Mar 24, 2026	TUE	Salt Lake Community Visit	Service	Salt Lake	3004 S. University Ave. Suite #111, Little Rock, AR, 72202	—
Mar 25, 2026	WED	Colorado Community Visit	Visit	Colorado	3418 W. 14th Ave., Denver, CO, 80204	—
Mar 26, 2026	THU	Colorado Community Visit	Visit	Colorado	3418 W. 14th Ave., Denver, CO, 80204	—
Mar 27, 2026	FRI	Montana Community Visit	Visit	Montana	501 S. 29th St., Billings, MT, 59101	—
 Indianapolis						2 stops
Mar 28, 2026	SAT	Indianapolis Opening of Youth Camp	Visit	Indianapolis	6202 Michigan Rd., Indianapolis, IN, 46260	—
Mar 29, 2026	SUN	Indianapolis Sunday service	Service	Indianapolis	6202 Michigan Rd., Indianapolis, IN, 46260	—
 AR - Dallas						4 stops
Apr 3, 2026	FRI	Arkansas Community Visit	Meeting	Arkansas	3004 S. University Ave. Suite #111, Little Rock, AR 72202	—
Apr 4, 2026	SAT	Norman Community Visit	Meeting	Norman	304 S. University Blvd., Norman, OK, 73069	—
Apr 5, 2026	SUN	Dallas Sunday Service	Service	DFW	1710 W. Airport Freeway, Irving, TX, 75062	—
Apr 6, 2026	MON	Dallas Site Seeing	Gathering	DFW	1710 W. Airport Freeway, Irving, TX, 75062	—
 New Orleans - Mobile - Atlanta						4 stops
Apr 8, 2026	WED	New Orleans - Meet with Louisiana Community	Visit	Louisiana	4358 Midmost Dr., Mobile, AL, 36609	—
Apr 9, 2026	THU	Mobile Alabama Community Meeting	Meeting	Gather	4358 Midmost Dr., Mobile, AL, 36609	—
Apr 11, 2026	SAT	Atlanta Gathering with Community	Meeting	Atlanta	3060 Bouldercrest Rd., Ellenwood, GA, 30294	—
Apr 12, 2026	SUN	Atlanta Sunday Service	Service	Atlanta	3060 Bouldercrest Rd., Ellenwood, GA, 30294	—
 Albany - Vermont - Montreal - Quibec - Toronto						4 stops
Apr 14, 2026	TUE	Meet with Albany Community	Meeting	Albany	107 Whitehall Rd., Albany, NY 12209	—

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Apr 15, 2026	WED	Vermont Community	Meeting	Vermont	27 Kettlepond Ln., Unit 4, Williston, VT 05495	—
Apr 17, 2026	FRI	Quebec City Trip	Visit	Montreal	902 Ste-Croix Ave., Montreal, QC, H4L3Y6	—
Apr 19, 2026	SUN	Toronto Sunday Service	Service	Toronto	215 Mavety St., Toronto, ON, M6P 2M1	—

New England - Canada 5 stops

Apr 20, 2026	MON	Boston Community Gathering	Gathering	Boston	351 West Cummings Park, Woburn, MA, 01801	—
Apr 21, 2026	TUE	Worcester Community Gathering	Gathering	Worcester	196 Boston Turnpike, Shrewsbury, MA, 01545	—
Apr 22, 2026	WED	Bridgeport	Gathering	Connecticut	285 Lafayette St., Bridgeport, CT, 06604	—
Apr 23, 2026	THU	Elizabeth Community Gathering	Community Visit	Elizabeth	60 Prince St, Suites 102 & 103, Elizabeth, NJ, 07208	—
Apr 26, 2026	SUN	Belvedere Sunday Service	Service	Belvedere	723 South Broadway, Tarrytown, NY, 10591	—

Korea 1 stop

May 2, 2026	SAT	BLESSING	Other	BLESSING	—	—
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Hawaii (1 week cluster) 2 stops

May 9, 2026	SAT	Hawaii	Visit	Honolulu	2104 Wilder Ave, Honolulu, HI, 96822	—
May 16, 2026	SAT	Hawaii	Visit	Kona	75-1048 Henry St., Kailua Kona, HI, 96740	—

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Dr. Hak Ja Han fell three times in January trying to use the bathroom in detention.

January 5th. January 15th. January 23rd.

83 years old. Multiple cardiac complications. Glaucoma. Arrhythmia medication with side effects. Three falls in one month.

No conviction. 135 days detained.

Her defense team — 14 lawyers including former prosecutors and judges — made four arguments:

Medical: Detention will cause irreversible health deterioration.

Flight risk: Where would an 83-year-old religious leader flee? She appeared voluntarily despite health issues.

Evidence: Two massive raids already conducted. Documentation secured. Nothing new detention would reveal.

Legal basis: Prosecution relies solely on co-conspirator testimony without independent corroboration.

The court acknowledged her medical emergencies were serious enough to pause detention for surgery.

Three days granted for emergency eye surgery in November 2025. Defense requested extension for post-operative recovery.

The prosecutors countered: Reviewed her medical records and determined "her health condition is not serious enough to postpone attendance"

Court denied extension. Immediate re-detention.

When an elderly woman falls three times trying to use a toilet and the court's response is "surgery complete, back to detention," you're not administering justice.

You're checking boxes while someone's health deteriorates in real time.

No conviction. Just charges. And a system that treats procedural compliance as more important than whether a human being can stand without falling.

Is this the Korea that we can be proud of?

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Scott Soulman @ScottSoulman · Feb 4
The communists in charge of the country and the prosecution don't give a damn ! They will go to hell !

Eeva Patanella @EevaPata · 23h
Release Holy Mother Han!!
You shouldn't have her life on your conscience!
Don't wait any more, before it's too late.....
There's no logical reason to keep her in custody any more!!
Please behave like human beings with living heart and conscience!!
Release Holy Mother Han!!!

shiso @sq0853 · 36m
Given Dr. Hak Ja Han's age and health, and the fact that no material evidence has been found despite two large-scale investigations, it is clear that she should not be detained. International attention to this case is also growing.↓

世界日報 @TheSekainippo · 8h
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Concerns Raised Over Religious Oppression in Japan and South Korea — U.S. House Hearing
worldtimes.co.jp/global/north-a...
"In South Korea, leaders of Christian groups and the Family Federation th...
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Neringa @Neringa84 · Feb 4
😞How they can do this for her??? Please #ReleaseTheMotherOfPeace

水仙 @nesius624 · 21h
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Too sad 😞😞😞
Please become a Korea 🇰🇷 that we can be proud of 🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏

Sungmi Holdhus @HoldUs25 · Feb 4
How can the judge not grant her bail? This whole system is inhumane.

Nate Bell @Natblow · 20h
She needs to be in a hospital and take a proper rest at home...

Annerose Adams @AdamsAnnerose · 17h
Jesus said to his persecutors..' they don't know what they do...' - should these words have to be repeated today?
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Richard Van Loon @RichardVanc9dl · 11h
Thank you for letting the truth be
#ReleaseTheMotherOfPeace
#ReligiousFreedom

ミロク @yoshiaklon60157 · 5h
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Free them as soon as possible 🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏

Flory Ledwaba @FloryLedwaba · 4h
Very painful reality. Does not make sense at all.
Enough is enough!!!
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#HumanRights

ねこピンちゃん @3uAPtP0T9C31091 · 4h
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Let's appeal to the world!
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 **Demian Dunkley** 
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When Conscience Dies

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Below is a transcript of the full speech given by Rev. Demian Dunkley at the 2026 IRF Summit in Washington DC.



"I've been to the killing fields. In Cambodia. Where you can still hear the echoes of the cries of those who fell at the hands of the Khmer Rouge.

The religious. The intellectuals. The mind of the nation destroyed. Millions butchered.

Why? Because one leader decided they did not believe the right way.

In the middle of the killing fields stands a special tree. A tree where unimaginable things were done to babies in front of their mothers, before both mothers and children were thrown onto a heaping mound inside a ditch.



This tree was used in the ending of children's lives

All while loud music blasted from speakers in the treetops so neighboring villages would not hear the howling cries of human slaughter.

There are signboards with depictions of the buildings that once stood there. The image that disturbed me the most was a single-story guard house on wooden stilts, where soldiers would rest while others took their turn killing.

At the base of the steps was a hammock.

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I tried to imagine what kind of human being could lie back in a hammock to rest, while his fellow countrymen were being mutilated just a stone's throw away.

No matter what form it takes, we must acknowledge that evil exists.

We must acknowledge that there is a central driving spirit with intent to bring ruin to humanity, especially by taking the freedoms of those who work for peace.

It was Dr. Hak Ja Han who sent me there, to Cambodia, so that I could learn and see with my own eyes.

She had already visited herself, to pray for the liberation of those tormented souls, just as she has done in Africa to pray for the victims of the slave trade, and in Europe to pray over the lives lost at the hands of the Nazis.

These are merely drops in the ocean of a lifetime's work.



Dr. Hak Ja Han, loved by millions as Holy Mother Han, the Mother of Peace

Dr. Hak Ja Han, loved by millions around the world as Holy Mother Han, the Mother of Peace, has lived eight decades of her life dreaming of peace, living for peace, and sacrificing for the sake of humanity without regard for personal benefit.

And now, she sits in a cement box the size of a Mini Cooper.

Why? Because someone decided she doesn't believe the right way.

Though they hold her passport, she was considered a flight risk.

Though they hold her passport, she was considered a high risk.

So now an 83-year-old great-grandmother, a world religious figure, barely able to see, barely able to walk, having already fallen down several times, has resorted to crawling on her hands and knees in near total isolation.

And yet she is asking about you. And how you are doing.

Still, she is praying. Still, she is dreaming of a world of peace.

On July 18 of last year, 1000 agents and police officers in riot gear descended upon her sanctuary and her home in Gapyeong, Korea.

Within weeks of opening an international temple of peace and prayer for all humankind, where even members of our own faith had not yet entered, hundreds of police boots trampled ignorantly across this threshold of heaven.

Prosecutors were seen taking great pleasure as they entered her bedroom, ripping out drawers and throwing all of her belongings onto the floor.

This wasn't a search. It was humiliation.

Again we ask, how do people become this numb?

Presumption of guilt without evidence. Militarized raids. Failure to respect age and health concerns. Orchestrated exposure to mass media from prosecutors' offices. Failure to protect her from media mobs and chaotic crowds. Inadequate medical support. Psychological deprivation through isolation. Erasure of her humanitarian, interfaith, and peace-building record.

The list goes on and on.

And then, after months in detention, when it appeared the prosecutors could find no evidence, the head of state personally entered the arena and began to speak openly of dissolving our church by replicating the proceedings now unfolding in Japan.

I tell you plainly. We are an inconvenient faith. Because, like all of you here, our passion for goodness cannot be controlled.



And this is happening to Christian organizations across South Korea today. How does a democratic nation become like this?

Each of us is here with a story of oppression, suppression, or abuse.

But the root of all of this is evil. And it has been rightly described as a global war on God.

I would like to leave you with a simple concept, a fundamental framework through which all of this can be understood.

In the pamphlet, it says:

"The freedom to believe and worship, is one of the most fundamental

human rights.”

This is true. And yet I would go further.

It is not simply one of the most fundamental human rights, it is the central, most essential human right given to us by God, our Creator.

So what is the proper relationship between church and state?

The religious sphere acts as the conscience of a nation. The government serves the body.

We all know the way an individual becomes evil is by stepping on one’s conscience.

And the way a state becomes evil is by stepping on the religious sphere which represents the conscience of the nation.

Anytime a person tramples on their conscience, or a leader tramples on the conscience of a nation, the ability to discern goodness becomes numb, and the window to evil is opened wide.

However, we cannot push back against evil forces simply by demanding rights from our governments.

We must strike at the root of evil by standing in our dignified roles as God’s sons and daughters, knowing that our rights come from our Creator.

Because there is no democracy without freedom.

And there is no freedom without God.



Dinner. Clockwise from center top: Amb. Richard Swett, Dr. Katrina Lantos Swett, Rev. Demian Dunkley, Yumiko Dunkley, Amb. Randy Evans, Dr. Michael Jenkins, Min. Reiko Jenkins, Jonathan Caine, Pastor Paula White, Amb. Sam Brownback.

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Thank you for such dignified message. I also don't understand how humans being can be so cruel and be so far from their original mind. They don't know they are sons and daughters of God and lost their conscience. Please wake up ! Release the Mother of Peace!



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Speech for IRF Summit 2026, Dinner Program on February 2.
Rev. Masaichi Hori, President of FFWPU-Japan

Ladies and gentlemen, distinguished guests. It is an honor to speak on behalf of Family Federation for World Peace and Unification-Japan at the IRF Summit 2026. I sincerely thank Ambassador Sam Brownback and Dr. Katrina Lantos Swett for this wonderful IRF Summit.

Last year, my predecessor, Rev. Tomihiro Tanaka, said that Family Federation in Japan was in danger of being dissolved by the government, and called for support of religious freedom in Japan.

Unfortunately, that crisis became a reality. On March 25th of last year, the Tokyo District Court issued a ruling ordering the dissolution of the Family Federation.

This decision is being appealed to the High Court. The High Court ruling is expected to be made in March at the latest. If we lose in the high court, the religious corporation will be liquidated.

This is not just a revocation of tax exemption, but the corporation will cease to exist and will lose all rights to its assets.

Historically, dissolution of a religious corporation required the breaking of a "criminal law" and the Family Federation has never committed any criminal offenses.

However, the ruling of the Tokyo District Court was based on civil tort judgments that invoked the vague concept of "public welfare" and "social appropriateness," which is not accepted by the United Nations.

On October 1st of last year, the United Nations has forcefully spoken out about the escalating discrimination against religious minorities in Japan.

Four UN Special Rapporteurs including Dr. Nazila Ghanea, Rapporteur on religious freedom, warned against the dissolution of Family Federation.

The UN Press Release clearly states, "The civil tort rulings on which the dissolution decision was based on relies on the violation of 'social appropriateness' which were deemed to constitute a serious harm to 'public welfare'. As previously noted by the Human Rights Committee, the concept of 'public welfare' is vague and open-ended and may permit restrictions exceeding those permissible under the International Covenant for Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR)."

Two of these four UN Special Rapporteurs have expressed their desire to visit Japan but are unable to enter the country as the Japanese government continues to ignore their requests.

What I want to emphasize here today is that this is not simply an issue for the Family Federation or for Japan alone. It is the downfall of a model democratic country in Asia, and it is the start of a domino effect of religious persecution that is spreading to other democracies and nation throughout Asia, and ultimately to the world.

Dr. Katrina Lantos-Swett, the co-char of this IRF Summit, wrote an article in RealClear Politics, entitled "Democracies in Asia risk failing on Religious Freedom."

She stated, "Dissolving a religious organization that has not been found guilty of any crime would taint the image of Japan as a country committed to democratic principles."

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Who is supporting this domino effect? Renowned scholar of religious freedom, Dr. Massimo Introvigne found that it is China.

On April 18, 2025, the China Anti-Cult Association, which is directly under the Chinese Communist Party, released a public statement celebrating the decision by the Tokyo District Court dissolving the Family Federation.

The CCP-controlled association clearly stated, the Tokyo District Court decision will "become an example for other countries to deal with cult issues,"

Who can stop the religious persecution that is spreading across Asia and the world?

I believe it is the United States and its allies. Currently, we have been in a situation like a prisoner waiting for the death sentence that will be carried out in a few weeks.

I sincerely urge you to sound the alarm before it's too late. We have faith and we believe that God and people of faith will prevail in Japan, Korea, and all over the world.

Personally, I arrived here the day after my mother's funeral to deliver this speech. It was a bit tough for me. But I am certain my mother, who was part of the first generation of this movement, would be pleased.

Thank you to IRF and the White House Faith Office for leading the way.



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Communism knows no coexistence and harmony. It only knows to dominate. Religious persecution comes out of fear of not being able to play their game. We have to stand up now before it is too late.

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Massimiliano Introvigne is an Italian sociologist of religion and lawyer, widely known for his research in the field of **new religious movements (NRM)**.

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Chairman Hori, thank you for your wonderful and powerful speech delivered the very day after your mother's funeral. I believe this is a fight that will determine whether democracy in Asia and the world can be protected. I



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"When you and I protect freedom of religion or belief, you're protecting more than just a worship service or sacred space. You're protecting the human person. The right to hold convictions without coercion, to live with integrity, to speak and gather peacefully, to raise children with moral formation, and to contribute to society without fear."

– Paula White-Cain, Senior Advisor to the White House Faith Office, at #IRFSummit2026

Paula White is a cultural reformer, spiritual pioneer, and one of the most influential Christian voices of the 21st century. Her life embodies what it means to overcome—rising from trauma and adversity to become a trusted advisor to presidents, a bestselling author, a humanitarian force, and a media trailblazer whose message potentially reaches over six billion people worldwide every week.

Thanks for joining us at the IRF Summit, Paula!

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Pastor White, let us join forces with the good consciences of the world who share your heart, to stop the tyrannical domino phenomenon of atheism that is occurring all over the world!

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Yes, thank you, Paula!

#ReleaseTheMotherOfPeace

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