

## **FFWPU USA: True Mother Changed Human History**

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# The Newsletter

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**Hello family. Mother's Day. Quick Connect update. A letter to True Mother. Global Mission Recognition Awards. Blessing interview highlight. HJI annual commencement.**

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**Happy Mother's Day - May 10, 2026**

HAPPY  
*Mother's Day*

Sunday, May 10, 2026



To Holy Mother Han and all of our  
AMAZING Mothers and Mother Figures

This Mother's Day, we celebrate and honor not only mothers, but all the incredible mother figures who have nurtured, guided, and shaped the lives of those around

them. Your love, sacrifice, wisdom, and quiet strength leave a lasting impact that reaches far beyond what can be seen.

We also lift our hearts in gratitude for our dear Holy Mother Han, whose life of devotion and unwavering love continues to inspire families around the world. In reflecting on her example, we are reminded of the profound heart of our Heavenly Parent and the embracing love that is always present with each of us.

May this day be filled with appreciation, joy, and heartfelt connection as we honor the beautiful, life-giving love that mothers and mother figures bring into our lives every day.

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## Quick Connect: True Mother Changed Human History



Blurb On Today's Quick Connect: Rev. Dunkley's letter to True Mother, a newly Blessed couple from the US share what the Blessing means to them, and North American communities awarded for excellence by World Mission Headquarters.

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## Rev. Dunkley's Letter to True Mother



Beloved True Mother,

On this Parents' Day in Korea, my heart is filled with gratitude as I think of True Mother. Since the beginning of the world, the sun has given light to the day, and the moon has comforted the night. No matter how harsh the winter, spring always comes again. Creation itself continues to testify to God's enduring hope and love for humanity. Once God creates something, it endures with promise. As I reflect on this, I think of our beloved True Mother.

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## North American Communities Honored for Excellence by World Mission Headquarters

On May 3, 2026, Family Federation communities in North America were awarded for their excellence and achievements by World Mission Headquarters.

The 'Global Mission Recognition Ceremony 2026' showcased missionary models of global community development as envisioned by the World Mission Headquarters. This ceremony serves as a distinguished platform where global leaders share their milestones and honor communities that have

demonstrated exceptional progress over the past year.

At its core, this mission seeks to strengthen field-centered, bottom-up leadership—redefining the vision for community growth. World Mission Headquarters is committed to discovering proven

models from the field and sharing these innovative approaches to inspire sustainable development across all global missions.

Congratulations to the North American awardees! You can read more about the awards and awardees from across the world in the pamphlet linked below.



**EXCELLENCE IN YOUNG PARENTS MINISTRY**

**Colorado Family Church**  
Pastors Michael & Adonia Hentrich

*A Decade of Transformation into a Vibrant Family-Centered Community*

Over the past 11 years, Colorado Family Church transformed from a community with few young families into one of the most vibrant family-centered churches in North America.

Through intentional care, strong children's programs, marriage and family support initiatives, and empowering young parents as leaders, the pastors created a welcoming environment where families could thrive.

As a result, the church experienced significant growth, stronger intergenerational bonds, and became a model for young family ministry and community renewal. They were awarded the Recognition of Excellence award in Young Parents Ministry.

NOMINEE FOR  
RECOGNITION OF EXCELLENCE

**Chicago Family Church**  
Pastor Hebangja Kisile

*Networking Young Professionals*

Facing the challenge of engaging busy young professionals, Chicago Family Church shifted from program-heavy outreach to a personalized ministry culture centered on one-on-one listening and intentional follow-up. By inviting young adults to become partners in vision-building rather than passive recipients, the church fostered deep ownership and belonging.

This relational approach transformed working youth from the margins of community life into active contributors shaping the church's future.



NOMINEE FOR  
RECOGNITION OF EXCELLENCE

Los Angeles Family Church  
Pastors Michael & Takayo Holmes

*Sustainable Social Impact*


Los Angeles Family Church addresses social isolation through the Peace Starts With Me Alliance and sector-based outreach initiatives. Its flagship Peace Cup program has engaged more than 3,000 unique participants and established partnerships with professional sports organizations such as LA Galaxy.

Through its 360 Degrees Outreach model in Monterey Park, the church has generated substantial local engagement, including official visits from city leadership and the development of leadership courses for municipal staff.







RECOGNITION OF ACHIEVEMENT  
*PIONEER CHURCH*

 Salt Lake Family Church


RECOGNITION OF ACHIEVEMENT  
*WITNESSING CHURCH*

 Connecticut Family Church

 Portland Family Church


 Philadelphia Family Church


RECOGNITION OF ACHIEVEMENT  
*PASTORAL CHURCH*


 Sacramento Family Church

 Bellingham Family Church


RECOGNITION OF ACHIEVEMENT  
*DEVELOPING COMMUNITY*

 Arkansas Family Church


 Ohio Family Church


 Las Vegas Family Church

 Chicago Family Church

 Minnesota Family Church

 Capital Family Church

 Los Angeles Family Church

 DFW Family Church

[pamphlet on awards](#)

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Samuel and Hikari's Blessing interview



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HJI's Landmark 50th Annual Commencement

**HJ International**  
Graduate School for Peace and Public Leadership

**50<sup>th</sup> Annual Commencement**  
**May 23, 2026 (2PM ET)**  
481 Eighth Avenue, New York, NY  
*Registration Required to Attend In-Person*

**Keynote Speaker and  
Recipient of Honorary Doctorate**

**Katrina Lantos Swett**  
President, Lantos Foundation for  
Human Rights and Justice;  
Co-Chair, International Religious  
Freedom Summit

Blurb We are honored to invite you to celebrate the achievements of this year's graduating class at HJI's landmark 50th Annual Commencement. The ceremony will take place at our campus (481 Eighth Avenue, New York, NY) on Saturday, May 23, at 2 PM ET.

We are privileged to welcome Katrina Lantos Swett, President of the Lantos Foundation for Human Rights and Justice, and Co-Chair of the International Religious Freedom Summit, as our keynote speaker and honorary doctorate recipient.

**Please note:** Registration is required for all guests. Those joining us on campus are invited to stay for a reception immediately following the ceremony. Dress Code: Business or business casual.

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HJI's Landmark 50th Annual Commencement



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