

FFWPU USA: True Mother's Trial Continues Through July

Demian Dunkley
June 12, 2026



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The Newsletter

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Hello family. Quick Connect update. True Mother's updated court dates. Her appearance in court today. Rev. Dunkley's letter. And 64th Day of All True Things.

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Quick Connect: True Mother's Trial Continues Through July



On today’s Quick Connect, an update on True Mother’s trial dates, True Mother appeared in court today, a letter from Rev. Dunkley, and happy Day of All True Things.

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True Mother's Updated Court Dates



True Mother's trial was originally reported to conclude within June. The schedule has since been extended. The court has scheduled additional dates (June 19 & July 10). You can learn more at the link below.

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Mother Han Denies Charges, Declines to Testify



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Three Years: A Letter to Our Members from Rev. Dunkley



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Happy 64th Day of All True Things!



The 64th Day of All True Things is on Monday, June 15, though many communities will be celebrating this Sunday. It marks a day of profound gratitude to God for creation. True Father said we celebrate this day “to unite all the things that belong to you with God.” We wish everyone a blessed and joyous holy day celebration!

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A previous post on Dr. Hak Ja Han's case contained outdated information.

The trial was originally reported to conclude within June. The schedule has since been extended.

- June 12 is not confirmed as the absolute final hearing. The court has scheduled additional dates (June 19 & July 10).

- Granted a detention suspension for medical treatment through June 30, she remains hospitalized.

Latest court schedule attached.

Source: Republic of Korea Courts — official case schedule
scourt.go.kr/portal/informa...

Image: official court record, AI-translated.

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Neringa

@Neringa84 · Jun 12

Please [#ReleaseTheMotherOfPeace](#) She didn't do anything wrong. Just live her live for God and Humanity. Who in this World did so much as She did??? She need be at Home and Receive care from her Family. Please people of Korea wake up!!

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Ulrich Ganz

@ganz_ulrich · Jun 12

The Korean government's actions echo patterns of religious persecution and tendencies associated with communist states. While the system remains formally democratic, its treatment of Han Hak Ja raises concerns about religious freedom . [#ReligiousFreedom](#) [#releasethemotherofpeace](#)

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Violeta Ujvari

@ujelenav · Jun 12

Thank you for the updates.

We pray for Dr Hack Ja Han's good health and soonest release!
[#ReleaseTheMotherOfPeace](#)

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FFWPU Europe & Middle East

@ffwpueume · Jun 12

Thanks for the news. FFWPU members in Europe are praying for Dr. Hak Ja Han's speedy recovery and her release from detention. Justice and truth will prevail. [#ReleaseTheMotherOfPeace](#)

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Kathy

@Kathy3k4 · 21h

Rhe court already knew Dr Han, 83, needed medical attention, the court should release Dr Han for home care. The confined medical treatment for 2 months in hospital with no contact with family is not right! The trial is stretched to July 10. How safe is Dr Han's wellbeing in

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Rob Mayze

@RobMayze · 20h

thinking daily about the Mother of Peace. May God assist her

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Dumas Maria Evi

@evi54768_evi · Jun 12

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Gabor Vasmatics

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The Monarch Report

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Dr. Han Hak-ja appeared in court on June 12 as a witness in the political-religious collusion trial.

The case centers on allegations that she directed church funds toward political figures.

The Family Federation has denied those allegations and identified the claims as

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@akmoon8688 · 8h

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A new righteous person has appeared.

#井上政典氏. It seems he often collaborates with Takemasa Kadota as well.

#センキョタイムズ



Abyss

@The_Abyss_2025 · 16h

Translated from Japanese

Old Unification Church "Why Doesn't It Report on Deprogrammers!" / United Church of Christ in Japan [Muscle Current Affairs Talk] [Masanori Inoue Channel]

Amazingly, they covered the topic of "deprogrammers" !! As expected, the discussion between Eitaro Ogawa and Toru Goto on

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@Oq0iQ · 9h

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Left-wing ideology somehow comes bundled with the thrill of violence and a sweet longing for death.

"Peace Movement" "Champion of the Weak"

"Human Rights Advocacy" "Freedom of Speech"

While reporting on "justice" neatly packaged, inconvenient "truths" are concealed.

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“church-state collusion” (정교유착 – jeonggyo yuchak).

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The [article](#) reports on the appearance of [Hak Ja Han](#) – also called [Mother Han](#) – as a witness before the 27th Criminal Division of the *Seoul Central District Court*. Although she appeared in court and formally took the witness oath, she ultimately refused to answer questions about the allegations against her. The [report](#) focuses primarily on what occurred during the hearing itself rather than attempting to determine whether the allegations are true.

According to the [article](#), [Mother Han](#) arrived at court in a wheelchair and required assistance entering the courtroom. The [report](#) notes that she was unable to read the witness oath independently. Instead, her grandson, who accompanied her, read the oath sentence by sentence, and she repeated each sentence after him. This detail was included because it illustrated both her physical condition and the unusual circumstances surrounding her court appearance.

After the oath had been completed, [Mother Han](#) asked the presiding judge for permission to make a brief statement. Once allowed to speak, she



He was given life sentence, she 4 years in what some perceive as revenge on political opponents: Former South Korean President Yoon Suk-yeol and First Lady Kim Keon-hee, here in Tokyo 16th March 2023. Photo: [首相官邸ホームページ / Wikimedia Commons](#). License: [CC Attr 4.0 Int](#). Cropped

immediately rejected some of the central allegations that have emerged in the broader investigation. She stated that she had never given 100 million Korean won (approximately 65,000 U.S. dollars) to conservative lawmaker Kweon Seong-dong (권성동). She also denied having given gifts to Kim Keon-hee (김건희), the wife of former South Korean president Yoon Suk-yeol (윤석열). In addition, she said that she had never provided political funds to politicians.



Yoon Yeong-ho, 6th Dec. 2020. Screenshot from [Peacelink TV](#)

[Mother Han](#) went on to criticize [Yoon Yeong-ho](#) (윤영호), a former senior official within the [Family Federation](#). According to the [article](#), she said that [Yoon](#) had been someone she trusted and valued, but that he had created numerous false stories while acting on behalf of the [Unificationism](#) headquarters and affiliated organizations. She described this situation as deeply regrettable.

Having made these remarks, [Hak Ja Han](#) then announced that she would refuse to answer further questions. The

[article](#) states that she told the court she had already expressed her position regarding the matters under discussion and therefore would decline to testify. Throughout the remainder of the hearing, she reportedly responded to every question with essentially the same phrase: “I refuse to testify.”

The [article](#) notes that lawyers representing [Yoon Yeong-ho](#) attempted to challenge this refusal. They pointed out that [Mother Han](#) had previously provided statements during a special prosecutor’s investigation and questioned whether those earlier statements had been inaccurate. Nevertheless, according to the report, she continued to decline answering and repeatedly invoked her refusal to testify.

To help readers understand the significance of the hearing, the [article](#) summarizes the criminal allegations that prosecutors have brought against [Hak Ja Han](#). Prosecutors allege that she conspired with [Unificationism](#) officials, including former chief of staff Jeong

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with [Unificationism](#) officials, including former chief of staff Seong Won-ju (정원주) and former [Family Federation](#) executive Yoon Yeong-ho, to provide political funds to politicians.



*People Power Party lawmaker **Kweon Seong-dong** (권성동), here 23rd Dec. 2024. Photo: 국민의힘 TV / Wikimedia Commons. License: [CC Attr 3.0 Unp](#). Cropped*

One allegation concerns the delivery of 100 million won in cash to lawmaker Kweon Seong-dong (권성동) in January 2022. Another allegation concerns the use of [Unificationism](#)-related funds to make what prosecutors describe as divided or split donations totaling 144 million won to members of the conservative *People Power Party* during March and April of that year.

The [article](#) further states that prosecutors accuse [Mother Han](#) and Yoon of arranging gifts for Kim Keon-hee (김건희) in July 2022. These gifts allegedly included luxury items such as a diamond necklace produced by the British jewelry company Graff and other valuables with a combined value of

roughly 80 million won (ca. 52,000 US dollars). According to the [NewsPim report](#), prosecutors also allege that funds belonging to [Unificationism](#) were improperly used or embezzled in order to obtain favors connected to political activities.

Importantly, the [NewsPim article](#) is written as a straightforward report on court proceedings. It does not present the allegations as proven facts. Instead, it reports both the prosecutors' accusations and [Mother Han](#)'s denials. The [article's](#) central newsworthy development is not new evidence but rather [Hak Ja Han](#)'s decision to appear in court, publicly deny key accusations, state that a former subordinate fabricated claims, and then refuse to provide substantive testimony during the witness examination.

For readers outside South Korea, the case is notable because many regard it as part of the crackdown by the current left-leaning Lee Jae-myung administration on leaders and organizations perceived to have supported the former conservative Yoon Suk-yeol administration. In that process, the former president of South Korea has already been given a life sentence.

The 12th June hearing, as [reported by NewsPim](#), offered a rare public appearance by [Mother Han](#) and provided a glimpse into how she responded to the accusations in this latest hearing in the case against her. As of the date of the [article](#), the charges remained allegations under judicial review, and the hearings are set to continue, so that a final verdict is not expected until late July at the earliest.

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Text: Knut Holdhus, editor

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I sensed the meaning, but before I even had the chance to ask God what I should do, I heard a clear answer in my heart: *"Bring the members to the Cheon Shim Won, allow them to be reborn through True Mother's words and their prayers."*

Before leaving Korea, True Mother invited a few of us on a trip to Busan for her first official speech after the CWG Dedication ceremony. On the drive down I told Dr. Song what God revealed to me. During our final lunch with True Mother he mentioned it to her. She responded, "There are many respected elder members in America. That is why I am sending Demian. To give new hope."

This month marks three years since Yumiko and I returned to the United States following True Mother's personal request. As I sat on the plane to New York, all I could think about was going to Las Vegas, and gathering our leaders to pray and to listen to True Mother's deepest expressions of heart and providence.

Because of this, I actually hesitated to attend my own inauguration in Manhattan. I didn't want to give the wrong impression. I didn't want members to think that the same Demian they knew from before was returning home. I didn't want to give the impression of things being the same. True Mother wanted something completely new. That is why I said during my inaugural address:

"This is not a new chapter. I can testify this is not a new chapter. This is a new book, a new era, a new history, and you will be shocked, you will be amazed at what Heaven has to reveal to you."

I didn't know what would happen, but I knew Heavenly Parent was guiding us. I felt everything that was to follow, was rooted in that initial prayer in Korea.

I told the members that day:

"I'm not even going to listen to my own ideas until we go this week to Las Vegas to pray in the Cheon Shim Won together with our leaders... Centering on the Cheon Shim Won in America we will decide and we will lead and we will capture the spirit and then everything else will come from that."

And before closing, I made one final appeal:

"Together as one, let us totally hold on to True Mother's guidance. I'm looking forward to meeting with you, praying

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together with you, and listening to what Heaven is revealing through you in the Cheon Shim Won in Las Vegas."

That is exactly what we did. I gathered Rev. Naokimi Ushiroda, Dr. Achille Acolatse, Rev. Kazuo Takami, Rev. John Jackson, and Rev. Kevin and Mrs. Masako Thompson, and we traveled to Las Vegas, where Dr. Ki Hoon Kim and local members had already been offering prayers. What followed was three days of prayer, reflection, repentance, and sincere conversation before Heaven.



Thompson, Acolatse, Takami, Ushiroda, Jackson, Dunkley at Mount Charleston Nevada.

I remember the third day most clearly. We stood together on top of Mount Charleston. It was windy and cold. I had shared everything I felt True Mother had asked me to share. Finally, I asked the leaders what they felt we should do next.

It was Rev. Kevin Thompson who spoke first.

"We should repent."

That was the heart I was hoping for. And we all felt it.

We ended the day at the lodge over a hot cup of cocoa by a large window with mountain views. It was then that I read them my longest reflection letter to True Mother.

And the Cheon Shim Won Rebirth workshop was born.



Selfie of the same.

You may wonder why I concluded the workshop with my own reflection letter? Because it tried to answer some of the questions that were in our hearts. I wasn't planning on sharing the letter with them, because I didn't want to put my ideas in their minds. Only True Mother's words.

However, on the way to the lodge I received a text from Dr. Song who had just finished a meeting with True Mother in Korea. Apparently True Mother had just given him and some other leaders a copy of my reflection letter in Korean. Here are a few of her words from that meeting:

"I heard Demian Dunkley's long reflection...he's truly someone who understands the providence deeply.

In fulfilling his responsibilities of the elder son nation, I'm sure he'll meet young leaders and guide them well on the essence of the providence. Korea must know [about the essence of the providence]. While reading those words a number of times, study them. [Demian's letter].

The essence of the Creator and Principle of Creation must now be revealed.

All religions must know about the Creator. They need to know why the Creator has no choice but to lead the providence of restoration.

There is no completion with just [current religious] teachings. They need to know about the Creator correctly. They need to know exactly what His dream is. We must teach the theory of creation and True Parents' ideology well.

You understand Cheon Shim Won, right?

The Era of Cheon Il Guk must change.

We cannot go on with the theories from the age of wilderness.

I said to write missionary journals.

After hearing Demain Dunkley's report, I felt that it should be kept on record. When he was working in Asia-Pacific 1, he also recorded what happened when he met members while touring, and the Bible was written by the apostles. It became a witnessing journal.

What is important is how we educate the people of the world to become one with True Parents through love, following the command of True Parents.

Demian may be young, but he understands the providence to a degree that would make elders feel embarrassed."

It was those words that gave me the courage and blessing to share my own deeper reflections with the leaders.



Group selfie of one of the Cheon Shim Won Rebirth workshop during our outing at Red Rock.

I have very fond memories of those early days in the Cheon Shim Won, gathering leaders and members for months. And then touring around the country to meet with those who wished to hear. This was our internal offering to reconnect ourselves more deeply to True Mother. To be reborn through her love. And together with Dr. Ki Hoon Kim and all leaders were able to expand the Cheon Shim Won prayer halls across the country in a short time.

From there everyone worked so hard to bring a great offering from America for the sake of the Entrance Ceremony of the Cheon Wong Gung.

So many members prayed, offered conditions, volunteered, and sacrificed far beyond what anyone could reasonably expect. Moments like that remind me that the strength of our movement has never come from programs or institutions. It comes from the hearts of people who genuinely love God, True Parents, and one another.

To every pastor, district leader, ministry leader, volunteer, blessed family, and member who has carried responsibility during these years: thank you. Much of what you have done will never appear in a report, but Heaven knows the investment that was made. I certainly do not take it for granted.

The last year in particular has not been easy. We are all employed at the

leading a Billion Faithful March, demanding freedom and peace.

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Takigawa colette @Takigawaco4771 · 3h

Thank you Reverend Dunkley for your heartfelt letter.
May our Heavenly Parent and our True Parents bless you, your family and your mission abundantly!

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Donna A Avey @DonnaAAvey8j · 15h

words through this report brings a refreshing sense of new life and resurgence. We continue to repent. I with you seek to dwell in CSW heart to Heaven and seek ever deeper connections in heart to Holy Mother Han in order to build communities moving to Heaven's Higher Ground -CiG.

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Justin Fleischman @JustinFlei62845 · 16h

Demian (and Yuniko), thank you so much for your longtime devotion to True Parents and for your heartfelt words to us. I am proud to be able to join with you as my internal parent and national/continental leader.

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Kevin Thompson @KevinThomp44 · 14h

When Demian took us up Mt Charleston he shared his notes of what Mother had told him and I felt like a light was turned on and I could finally see. After fumbling in the darkness, the light revealed the reality and now we could move forward.

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Dr. Michael Jenkins @Drj7246 · 14h

Happy Anniversary Dr Demian and Dear First Lady Yumiko. Thank you for leading America to many victories for HHM!!

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Makiko Watanabe @makiko_wata14 · 2h

Deeply grateful for your couple's courage, commitment, and deep love for Heaven. Now I feel this tide of renewed spirit cannot be reversed.

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Larry @Larryajoshi · 11h

Thank you Dunkley family. I'm looking forward to the next three years; our foundation is real and its secure.

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Sungmi Holdhus @HoldUs25 · 17h

That image of the umbilical cord being disconnected and weak between mother and child has always stuck with me, especially after having a child of my own. A powerful image that has helped me stay focused on reconnecting and strengthening that connection with Mother.

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Mihoko Ueki Gonzalez @mihoko_ueki · 14h

Thank you, Rev. Dunkley and Yumiko-san, for your tremendous investment and great leadership in the elder son nation of America and Canada. Your letter was deeply moving.

We are truly grateful to True Mother for sending you and your family to America. I still remember what Rev.

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Jennifer Trench @Dotiedoit · 16h

Thank you Demian and Yumiko, words can't express what's in my heart. Just thank you.

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Kinga @SomorjaiKi95936 · 12h

Thank you, Thank you for always conveying True Mother's heart and to lead us through this new book, new era! Thank you!

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Dumas Maria Evi @evi54768_evi · 15h

Thank you for paving the way and bringing us with you 💜

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Violeta Ujvari @ujelenav · 17h

Truly amazing!

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