

FFWPU USA: Happy 50th Anniversary of the Washington Monument Rally

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The Newsletter

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Hello family. Washington Monument Rally 50th anniversary. FamilyFest date change. DFW Family church auction. The Toru Goto "abducted" story. Meet a Unificationist.

News

50th Anniversary of the Washington Monument Rally



Today marks a monumental milestone—the 50th anniversary of the historic Washington Monument Rally! Read True Father’s powerful speech below and relive the extraordinary moments that made history.

[read speech](#)

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Belvedere FamilyFest Date Change



The **Family Fest 2026** will now be held on Sunday, October 4. Join us for a special national gathering celebrating the 50th anniversary of the Washington Monument Rally. Register below today!

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True Parents’ Items Online Auction by DFW Family Church



DFW Family Church in Dallas, Texas, is organizing this special online auction featuring meaningful items connected to **True Parents and the True Family**. Each item carries a special connection to the life, faith, and legacy of True Parents. We invite you to participate in this unique opportunity to receive a meaningful piece of this legacy while standing together in support of religious freedom. 100% of the funds raised through this auction will support religious freedom efforts through the Religious Freedom Fund of Family Federation. Click below to support now!

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Peace and Reconciliation Together: Mr. Toru Goto's Abduction Story



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*Even in the
darkest places,
hope grows.*

Abducted – The Toru Goto Story:

How I Found Light and Love in
12 Years and 5 Months of
Captive Darkness.





Saturday,
19 September 2026



Virtual Event
via Zoom



7:30 PM CET



Other time zones:

Japan 2:30 AM (Sunday, 20 September)	UK 6:30 PM	São Paulo 2:30 PM	Burkina Faso 5:30 PM	California 10:30 AM	New York 1:30 PM
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Live translation will be available in:
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to find light even in the darkest circumstances.



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to receive the event details and Zoom joining information.

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Peace and Reconciliation-Together (PnR-T), a grassroots initiative based in Netherland, invites everyone to a special online event on September 19 at 1:30pm EST to hear Mr. Toru Goto's story, " Abducted: How I Found Light and Love in 12 Years and 5 Months of Captive Darkness. We kindly emphasize the need to register before Saturday 19th September at 5:00 pm CET.

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Meet a Unificationist: Abigail Ino



"The Blessing helped me develop new ways of thinking."

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America And God's Will

Sun Myung Moon

September 18, 1976

Washington Monument in Washington DC

God Bless America Festival



Honorable citizens of the United States and world delegates: I would like to express my heartfelt thanks and appreciation to all of you for meeting us at the monument. Tonight we are celebrating America's bicentennial in the name of God. For you and me, this is a historic moment. This evening I would like to speak on the subject, "America and God's will."

God is eternal, unchanging, unique and absolute. If those are the qualities of God, his purpose of creation must also be eternal, unchanging and absolute. In the beginning, God's ideal was to create one world of unity and harmony. Today, however, our world has no unity or harmony. Instead, there is much division, disharmony, confusion and chaos. Individually, our minds are separated from our bodies, and our families, races, nations and world are torn apart. This reality is in total contradiction to God's original intention. Clearly, something is fundamentally wrong.

Religion has an explanation: It says that this worldwide division is the result of our first ancestors' rebellion against God, the Fall of Adam and Eve. In order to save fallen humanity, God sent the Messiah. His purpose was to restore people to their original state before the Fall. Therefore, salvation is the same as restoration.

The human Fall brought about this fallen world. Disobeying God's word, Adam and Eve rebelled against him. This put them in the position to be overpowered by Satan's lies. So, finally Adam and Eve united with Satan, receiving Satan's personality and love instead of God's personality and love.

To be restored as an original person, we must reverse the process of the Fall. This time we must separate ourselves from Satan, reach out to God whom we have lost, and obey his word. In this way, we can receive God's personality and his love. God is supremely selfless and supremely public-minded. Satan, however, is absolutely self-centered and only out for himself. God's formula to restore us is for us to become God-like. This means that we must become completely selfless and public-minded. Each of us has to become a person who is able to sacrifice for the sake of others.

Such a selfless and public-minded person will prosper through becoming the image of God. The selfish, self-centered person will decline because such behavior is contrary to God. This is God's rule.

Central nations' inability

Human history has been a history of struggle, a history of war. It has been almost like a tug-of-war between God and Satan, with humanity as the prize. Good and evil have been struggling to win people to their respective sides.

Because human history started with the Fall, evil got a head start. Therefore, in history, the evil side has always taken the aggressive and

offensive position. Good has been passive and defensive. Yet, God is on the side of good. In the end, the good side always wins the victory. The good side is always the underdog, yet it comes out victorious and expands.

For example, during World War I and World War II, the evil sides attacked first, yet they were the ones to be defeated. Today, there is much talk about World War III. This time evil, represented by the communist nations, is challenging the Free World, provoking conflicts and war everywhere.

Yet, again, based on God's formula, the ultimate victory will surely be on the side of God. There is another formula in God's work of restoration. Before God sends the Messiah to restore people, he always prepares a central religion and a chosen nation as the foundation to receive the Messiah. According to this formula, God established Judaism as the first central religion and Israel as the first chosen nation. Upon this base, God sent Jesus Christ as the Messiah. God's hope was that the chosen nation and religion would become one with Jesus, establish the kingdom of God on earth and restore the world to God.

For this purpose, God prepared Judaism and Israel for nearly four thousand "biblical years." If they had recognized Jesus Christ as the Messiah and worked with him in a spirit of sacrifice, he would not only have been successful in Israel, but also would have gone on to unite all the Arab nations and Asia, linking the East and West. By unifying the world under the sovereignty of God, he would have established the kingdom of God on earth at that time.

Israel and Judaism, however, did not fulfill their responsibilities. Jesus was not accepted as the Messiah, and finally was crucified. Thus, God's kingdom remained a promise, not a reality. However, Jesus opened the way to spiritual salvation and started Christianity, which is spiritually in the position of the Second Israel. The early Christians witnessed and taught in Rome, only to encounter terrible persecution. For four hundred years the blood of martyrs was spilled.

Their sacrifice atoned for the loss of four thousand years of God's preparation for the Messiah. The Christians finally triumphed in Rome and Christianity became the state religion. Thus, Rome came to occupy the position of the Second Israel physically and received the blessing of God. At that time, God expected the papacy and empire to completely unite and unselfishly build the unified world left unaccomplished at the time of Jesus.



However, the papacy also did not realize the significance of its mission and often used its power for its own glory. There was abuse and corruption within the church and it departed from the will and expectation of God. The dignity of the papacy fell.

In reaction, a thousand years later, humanism arose, and Protestantism called for reformation of the Catholic Church. Instead of heeding the call, the papacy and Catholic princes unleashed persecution against the reformers. During that period, it was no coincidence that Henry VIII, king of England, also revolted against Roman Catholicism. He enacted new laws through Parliament and founded the Church of England. This was actually a golden opportunity for Great Britain to join the Protestant movement of Europe and bring about a new hope for the advancement of God's will.

At that time, the British Empire started on its path to become the greatest power in the world, inspiring the famous saying, "The sun never sets on the British Empire." This extraordinary blessing was not for England but for the advancement of God's kingdom. If Britain had understood God's will, it would have supported the Puritans and other reform movements and tackled the God-given task of world restoration. Through accomplishing that, Britain could actually have built a United Kingdom of God, transcending all national barriers.

However, Britain persecuted the Puritans and was apathetic toward the reforming spirit. The persecuted people had to look for a land of

hope. They were united by a common destiny. Transcending race and national barriers and fleeing persecution, they came to the New World, the American continent. Here they established an independent Protestant nation. This is the providential background behind the birth of America.

Today, America and Christianity together must take up the sacred task of world restoration. America must unite the cultures of the West and the East, as well as the Middle East, and create one great, unified culture, ultimately fulfilling the mission of establishing the kingdom of God on earth.

America's responsibility

Judaism was God's first central religion, and Christianity was the second. The Unification Church is the third, coming with a new expression of truth that will fulfill the final chapter of God's providence. These central religions must unite in America and reach out to unite the religions of the world. Judaism, centered on the Old Testament, was the first work of God and is in the eldest brother's position. Christianity, centered on the New Testament, is in the position of the second brother. The Unification Church, through which God has given a new expression of truth, the Completed Testament, is in the position of the youngest brother.



These three religions are indeed three brothers in the providence of God. Then Israel, the United States and Korea, the nations where these three religions are based, must also be brothers. Because these three nations have a common destiny representing God's side, the communist bloc as Satan's representative is trying to isolate and destroy them at the United Nations.

Therefore, these three brother nations must join hands in a unified effort to restore the United Nations to its original purpose and function. They must contribute internally to the unification of the world's religions and externally to the unification of the world itself.

One world under God is the unchanging, eternal and absolute desire of God. This goal will be realized. Yet, in order to accomplish this goal, the unity of religions is the foremost task. When all people worship one God as their Father, accept one Messiah and uphold Godism, an absolutely God-centered way of life, the dwelling of God will be with humanity. It will be only a matter of time before we see the kingdom of God here on earth.

The United States of America, transcending race and nationality, is already a model of the unified world. The people of the United States must realize that the abundant blessings God has been pouring upon this land are not just for America but for all human beings throughout the world.

Upon the foundation of world Christianity, America must exercise its responsibility as a world leader and the chosen nation of God. Israel did not meet the expectation of God, nor did Rome, nor did Great Britain. Now, what about America?

To inspire America to avoid the same mistakes, to inspire America to sacrifice herself for the sake of the world, to inspire America to work toward one world under God, God summoned me to this country to proclaim God's new revelation. In particular, God called me to lead the young people of America, the leaders of tomorrow, back to God.

Today, America is plagued with problems -- racism, juvenile delinquency and immorality. Christianity is declining. Communism is rising. The menace of communism is everywhere.

Of all these problems, atheistic communism is the worst. It is not just America's problem; it is the problem of religious people and the problem of God himself.

Ladies and gentlemen, at this crossroads of human history, we must listen to the call of God. God prepared America for two hundred years. This is the time for awakening. America must accept its global responsibility.

Armed with Godism, America has to free the communist world, and at last build the kingdom of God here on earth. God has chosen America as the flag bearer. America must rise up today. Tomorrow may be too late. I not only respect America but I also truly love this nation. I respect and love the United States as a great nation, as a godly nation and as the central nation in God's providence.

America is now at the threshold of its third century. America must not disappoint God. Today let us pledge to God Almighty that we shall do his will. We shall never let him down. Never!

Today in this holy place, let us together lay the cornerstone of the kingdom of God on earth. Let us all join together as the coworkers of God. Let us be the pioneers of his kingdom.

My dear brothers and sisters who long for unity, this is the place of commitment, the moment of decision. If you are willing to give your sweat, your blood and your very lives to the call of God, then in this sacred moment before heaven and earth and before all the people of the world, let us shout it out. We know we can build the kingdom of God here on earth, in his power and with our own hands.

May God bless you and your homes, and forevermore may God bless America. Thank you very much.

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Celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Washington Monument Rally

Join us at beautiful Belvedere on Sunday, October 4, 2026 for **Family Fest 2026** — a special national gathering celebrating the 50th anniversary of the Washington Monument Rally.

We'll begin the day with an outdoor **Sunday Service at 10 AM**, then spend the afternoon together with food and vendors, a live concert, a sports tournament, bouncy castles and activities for the kids.

Coming? Let us know!



Schedule

10:00 AM

Sunday Service

Outdoors at the Belvedere Training Center

12:00 PM

Lunch

Food and vendors. Pickup sports open.

1:00 PM

Live concert

2:00 PM

Sports Tournament

Available All Afternoon

Vendors

Bouncy Castles

Kids' Area

Open festival atmosphere



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Community/church or region

ex. Belvedere Family Church

Number of adults and children attending

number of people in your group (eg. 1, 5, 10)

(the program team will use this to recognize reunion-era attendees)

e.g., "I participated in the 1976 rally"

Optional: interest in volunteering or performing

ex. I would like to perform a song.

RSVP

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Around the world, religious leaders and communities continue to face discrimination, intimidation, detention, and persecution because of their faith. We raise our voices alongside people of every faith who are denied the fundamental freedom to believe, worship, and live according to their conscience. Because when the religious freedom of one is threatened, the religious freedom of all is at risk.

About This Auction

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Where the Funds Go

100% of the funds raised through this auction will support religious freedom efforts through the Religious Freedom Fund of Family Federation.

- Funds help support efforts to:
- Mobilize people of faith in support of religious freedom
- Organize public demonstrations and events
- Engage religious and civic leaders
- Raise awareness about threats to religious freedom
- Support efforts to protect the fundamental freedom to believe, worship, and live according to one's conscience

This auction is **organized by DFW Family Church**, while the funds raised will support the **Family Federation Religious Freedom Fund**.

Learn more about the Religious Freedom Fund →

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A Living Legacy

These are more than ordinary objects. The items offered in this auction were used or connected to **True Parents and the True Family**, carrying a meaningful connection to their lives and course of faith. For those who cherish the legacy of True Parents, each piece offers a tangible connection to their history and the generations that will follow. By participating in this auction, you can both receive a meaningful piece of this legacy and stand together for the fundamental freedom to live and practice one's faith.

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Thank you for standing with us.



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Calligraphy Brush Set

STARTING BID
\$2,500

👁 0 bids

Quick bid amounts

\$2,500

\$2,550

\$2,600

✎ Custom

🔒 Auto-bid

Place bid **\$2,500**

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True Father's Pajama Set

STARTING BID
\$4,000

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Quick bid amounts

\$4,000

\$4,050

\$4,100

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Place bid **\$4,000**

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Fancy Cup Set (Gold Rim)

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\$1,000

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Quick bid amounts

\$1,000

\$1,050

\$1,100

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Place bid **\$1,000**

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Gold & Silver Cake Cutting Set

STARTING BID
\$300

👁 0 bids

Quick bid amounts

\$300

\$325

\$350

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🔒 Auto-bid

Place bid **\$300**



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Hoon Sook Nim's Jacket

STARTING BID
\$500

👁 0 bids

Quick bid amounts

\$500

\$525

\$575

✎ Custom

🔒 Auto-bid

Place bid **\$500**



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Hyo Jin Nim Jacket and Shorts

STARTING BID
\$1,000

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Quick bid amounts

\$1,000

\$1,050

\$1,100

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Place bid **\$1,000**

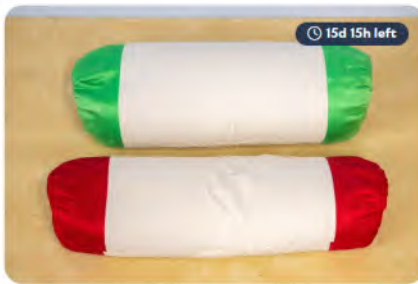
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Pink Slippers

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\$3,000

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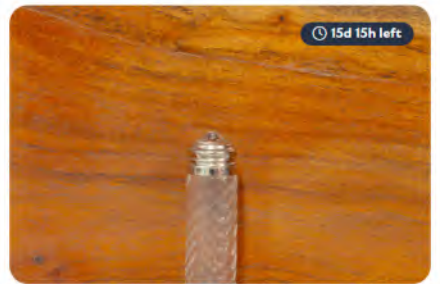
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Round Pillow Set

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\$4,000

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Salt and Pepper Shakers

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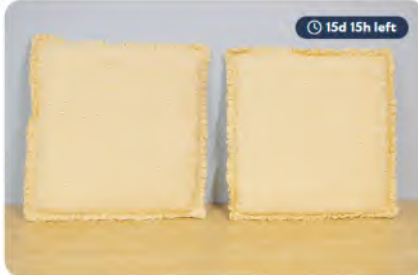
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Spoon and Chopsticks Set

CURRENT BID
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Square Pillow Set

STARTING BID
\$700

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Quick bid amounts

\$700**\$750****\$800**[Custom](#)[Auto-bid](#)**Place bid \$700**[View details](#)[Add to watch list](#)[Share](#)

Sushi Set

STARTING BID
\$200

0 bids

Quick bid amounts

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True Mother's Black Skirt

STARTING BID
\$700

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True Mother's Shoes

STARTING BID
\$900

0 bids



True Mother's Blue Jacket

STARTING BID
\$1,000

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Quick bid amounts

\$700

\$750

\$800

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\$1,000

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True Mother's Brown Jacket

STARTING BID

\$1,000

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Quick bid amounts

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\$1,050

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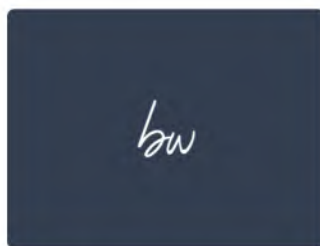
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