

The lamp True Mother lit has brought about a spiritual revival in Africa

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Today with the heart of a True Parent, as True Mother, I have come to eradicate Africa's past pain and begin a new history for Africa. True Mother said on January 18, 2018, at the Africa Summit in Senegal in front of one thousand two hundred dignitaries.

Starting a new history has been the dream of all generations of Africans since slavery time. Our ancestors longed for freedom and peace. Pitifully, with a broken heart full of resentment, they left this world without seeing that dream come true. Due to that sorrowful situation, Africa experienced wars, hunger, poverty, sicknesses. In 1960, when True Parents' Holy Wedding took place, most African countries got their Independence from the European colonists. It was a glow of hope. But still, Africa continued to face difficulties. Its youth are completely disoriented.

Coming to Africa, True Mother, with the loving heart of True Parent, offered sincere devotions to liberate the sorrowful spirits of African ancestors.

Now, the liberated ancestors are working with their descendants as mentioned by True Mother in her prayer on Gorée Island to build a brighter future. To testify to that, in the same year, 2018, the providential work in Africa has reached a greater level. More tribal messiah activities have been conducted throughout the continent.

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On January 20, 2018, True Mother invited me to join her breakfast meeting in Dakar with key world leaders of our movement after the Africa Summit. There, she explained the importance of educating young people: "We need to change and awaken the mentality of people. Since Europeans didn't educate Africans, people lack knowledge to do things on their own. We should not try to solve situations with money. We need to educate young people spiritually and intellectually, so that they can improve the economy. Someone who is educated is capable of anything. Make people healthy, not with money but through education. Africa is the continent of heart. We have so many materials to educate Africa." She

said. She concluded by adding, "You need to do your best. Only by doing so, can Africa become Heavenly Africa." She then appointed me as president of Youth and Students for Peace in Heavenly Africa. I was so humbled and honored to receive such a great blessing from True Mother. I never imagined in my life that one day, I would be in front of our True Parents to experience this. To receive an appointment directly from True Parents is really something. But when I flashed back on all that True Mother had said, I realized how huge the responsibility of leading young people is. At the same time, I was full of hope because as True Mother had said, if we are with her, there is no room for fear and we can accomplish everything.

A year has passed since this amazing experience. Following True Mother's instructions, we have managed to make a path where there is no road. We first organized teams of young people in the church centered on second-generation members and Carp members to focus on schools and communities in teaching Hyo Jeong Character Education. We organized regular training of trainers and set up clubs in pilot schools and communities to create a model that members can replicate at other sites.

In few months, the results went beyond our expectations. In some countries such as Cote d'Ivoire, Benin, D R Congo, Nigeria, Liberia, Zimbabwe, Senegal, Sao Tome and Principe, education policymakers want to own the Hyo Jeong Character Education and include it in school curricula.

During the Second Africa Summit in Cape Town, all the dignitaries from Africa nations who attended said they need peace but more precious for them is good education materials to teach their youth. According to them, YSP is the best channel to achieve that goal. I'm confident that we can succeed and raise capable leaders among young people who will transform Africa with hyo jeong culture in the near future. I'm sincerely grateful to our True Mother for the opportunity given to live to my golden age when she is alive. So far, we have established YSP in thirty African nations and fifteen have done the inauguration already. I believe that YSP can make a difference in Africa.