## Albany-Adirondack NY Family Church Special Grace - Holy Items Bequeathing

Mereth Huemer August 28, 2016



The Albany-Adirondack Family Church held the Special Grace and Holy Items Bequeathing Ceremony in lieu of Sunday Service on August 28, 2016. Representatives from ten families attended. Rev. and Mrs. Sebastian Huemer officiated.

One elder sister shared, "I was so inspired to see the young Unificationists so involved with the preparation for and their leadership in the service." The newly Blessed second-generation couple Hans and Erika Moriya Chaumont helped prepare the boxes and Holy Items, administered the Holy Wine at the ceremony, and offered flowers to our Elders Dr. and Mrs. Michael Kiely, who represented True Parents during the ceremony. Young Unificationist Harmony Bickerton prepared the celebration cake from scratch and led the singing. Another young Unificationist Jun Wan Park prayed an inspiring prayer over the service.

An elder member remarked that he was inspired to have a guest present who did not receive the Holy Items, but played in the band, stayed for the bow to our Heavenly Parent and True Parents, and recited the Family Pledge.

Rev. Huemer conducted the Holy Wine and Bequeathing Ceremony for two more members on Monday and Tuesday. Ceremonies will continually be planned until Foundation Day 2017.

"I feel grateful and appreciative of this great blessing and holy grace, which was given to me by our Heavenly Parent and our True Parents, and administered by Pastor Sebastian Huemer of the Albany-Adirondack Church," shared Felice Hart.

Rev. Huemer concluded, "While preparing the Holy Earth, the following words came to me as I thought of True Father's recent departure and True Mother's ever-growing, comforting presence among us: 'Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you. (John 16:7)."