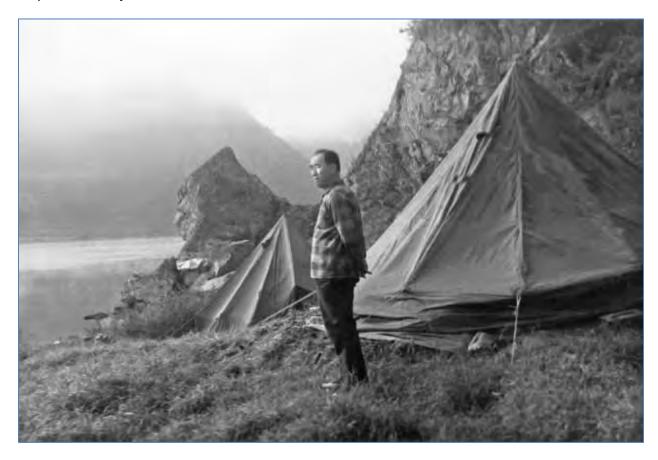
Father's Life in His Own Words - Part 79

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Following True Parents' Holy Wedding, True Parents' built the movement together. From about that time, Father spoke less about his own course and more about the providential events surrounding him. His words to his disciples from these times in the 1960s reveal many aspects of his outlook and heart.

The Course of the Korean Movement

The question is, How can we win over the materialistic communist world with the ideas of democracy and how can we win over both the democratic world and the communist world with the Unificationist view? There are many hills to climb on our way.

We must wisely both defend ourselves and take the offensive. I sincerely hope that you will fight desperately until you achieve victory. Let's fight strongly during the rest of this year, and let's pay attention to where we are on the path of restoration.

The concluding year of the seven-year course (1967)

This is the year of our all-out advance. We must devote all our efforts to sacrificial work because we must indemnify the national sins that remain. We are now crossing the last ridge of the seven-year course. This seventh year is the year of the Sabbath, so True Parents must rest. If parents rest, children need to take responsibility on their parents' behalf.

A campaign for doubling membership in four stages

If Koreans that are not yet able to distinguish between right and wrong sign a membership form and become members simply because their hearts are moved to do so, they will stand on Heaven's side through that condition. Because restoration is through indemnity, not many people are being restored. That is why I say that you should not worry if membership is not increasing much in terms of numbers.

Why do we witness? To multiply. Multiplication does not arise through a vertical relationship. It is only possible when you unite and engage in mutual interaction horizontally. Therefore, you must become one with members horizontally, centering on the church leader. Only then can there be development in all dimensions.

The people you should concentrate on witnessing to are people in authority, the ones with real power....

You must bring three people into the church each month, twelve all together between June and September. Those who oppose the Unification Church are mostly your relatives and friends. You must pray for them and witness to them with a sincere heart.

I have given instructions that the lectures presenting the counterproposal to communism should all have been given by the end of September. People in the police and the intelligence agencies support and defend us nowadays. Even many volunteers embrace us. Therefore, I am saying that you should eagerly hold revival meetings for six months from October and kindle a fire under the nation's 30 million people.

Completion of the economic foundation

Up until now I have been emphasizing the importance of economic restoration through business so that it may become a foundation for supporting you. It is also to help create a stepping stone for God to work and to uplift your hearts.

This year we must safeguard our economic foundation. If you do business, members of the established churches will say that young members of the Unification Church are engaged in business and that the Unification Church is not a religious organization.

You must not pay attention to them. No matter how difficult it may be to make sales, you must be more sincere and serious than anyone else when you do business.

Managing the factory

When you are in the presence of something in the public realm, you must be humble. I have fought ideologically both in the spirit world and on earth. You should increase your level of devotion in relation to the business side. You should strive until other people respond to that and until you build a foundation to support the factory. We must still make great effort, which is why I don't pray to Heaven to ask for money...

Now we should build an economic foundation and go forward. A global economic foundation is needed in order to restore the world. That is why I am going to operate factories.[1]

Manufacturing and selling Yehwa air rifles

Because of God's protection today, we are working with these air shotguns. These air guns fully reflect our strengths - our resourcefulness, our global and historical reach and the progressive nature of our movement. You must know that by manufacturing air shotguns, we can come to occupy an advantageous position in the global economic sphere.

This year we should not only build an internal foundation, we should also break through the KRW 300 million target. I am saying that we must establish an economic foundation. This is an absolute necessity. So, anyone who professes to be a Unification Church member should buy a gun. I am not telling our company to sell them. Rather, I am asking you members to purchase the guns [from our company] and then go out and sell them. That is why I am assigning quotas to each member.

If you put a label on this gun and pass it down, then those in your future generations will say, "This is the treasure that our ancestor bought at the time when they were creating an economic foundation during the seven-year course." You should all resolve to do so at the district leaders' meeting.

It was not easy to get tax exemption on the guns. We quietly carried out a plan without saying anything to our members. The Minister of Finance, newly assigned this year, revised the tax laws on more than seventy items. Considering the fact that even noodle sellers have to pay taxes now, having our Yehwa guns exempted from taxes is a great accomplishment. We had to convince them to implement that, taking into account the tense relationship between South and North Korea and the fact that South Korea needs to prepare itself in case the North becomes hostile. We are now living in a time where such measures have become necessary. We helped them see that from now on all South Korean will people need to be trained to use guns. This is why our guns will surely become a necessity. Thus, we persuaded them to make our guns a special case.

My thinking is to sell as many guns as possible. If we can sell about twenty thousand guns this year, I think we will be able to make about sixty thousand pass through our hands next year. That is why you should distribute as many as you can. You should distribute them to government offices and to individuals. We are now making three hundred guns a day, which means we can make a hundred thousand in a single year.



Members in Pyongtaek take a photograph with an itinerant Unificationist evangelist who is visiting their community during a campaign to double church membership.

Manufacturing machine tools

From now on, we must manufacture machine tools. I've been making the necessary preparations for the past two years. After almost a year of research, I have become quite familiar with machine tools. I've been going without sleep at night, constantly thinking about this and nothing else.

Originally, when we began preparations, I expected to reach a certain level within three years, but we have achieved that in a year and eight months. For that reason, all the leaders in charge of manufacturing machine tools have become confident, saying, If only we do as Father instructs, we can make anything. What kind of machines will we make? We are going to manufacture lathes...

We plan to produce the machines and sell them inexpensively... It will take three years to reach the point of being able to produce the machines. We should be able to make seven hundred of them each year. So, that means we must make two machines each day.

Strategizing for a financial foundation

From now on, we need to divide our members into two groups - those who can stand at the forefront and take actual responsibility for church development and those who can't - and we need to build a financial system in the background. What I am planning to do right now is to establish factories in every district and region. At present, Korea is promoting its second five-year economic development plan. Keeping in step with that, I plan to build factories in a hundred and fifty regions in Korea's eight provinces to establish an internal foundation for our church.

[1] According to one of our church historians in Korea, the church-related engineering business was actually established in 1958 in Incheon. In 1961 the then small operation was relocated to what we now call the old Headquarters Church where True Parents were living. An outbuilding became an ad hoc factory there. This was later expanded and moved off the church premises, down the hill to the main road (Cheongpa-ro). In April 1966, a new factory was opened in Sutaek-ri [village], just outside the Seoul city limits. This stood on part of the site where the Ilhwa ginseng and pharmaceutical company were later situated, and it later became part of the city of Guri.