

## Wesley Samuel's World Level Seonghwa Ceremony

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I would like to share a photograph that my father treasured very deeply. He kept this picture by his bedside since I was a small child and for as long as I can remember. His love and dedication to True Father shines through his beautiful smile"

From Wesley Samuel's daughter JuNie JuNe

Dear

Pastor Hyung Jin Moon announced that a "World Level Seonghwa Ceremony" will be held next Sunday, October 2 for Wesley Samuel, who passed away on September 23, at the Unification Sanctuary in Newfoundland, PA.



Wesley Samuel was the first African American member to join the Unification Church in the U.S., in 1966. He and Gladys were part of the 43 Couples blessing, the 1st international blessing outside of Korea, which was included as part of the 430 couple blessing that took place in 1968. (see below for more details about the meaning of the 430 couple blessing). During this past year he served as the Sanctuary city leader in Boynton Beach, FL. Wesley and Gladys are the parents of 6 children.

### Seonghwa Ceremony



Date: October 2, 2016 (Heavenly Calendar 9.2)

Time: Seonghwa Ceremony 2~3:30 pm

Place: Sanctuary Church (889 Main St., Newfoundland, PA)

Participants' attire: Dark suit with white tie for men, Beige or white for women.

Program: To be determined in consultation with the family.

The event will be broadcast live through the YouTube channel "Sanctuary Church Newfoundland, PA".

### Wonjeon Ceremony

Time: Immediately following the Seonghwa Ceremony (approx. 4:00 ~ 5:00)

Place: [Hopedale Moravian Cemetery.](#)

(Participants will move to the cemetery by car in a procession led by the hearse.)

Program: To be determined in consultation with the family

### Donations to support the family

All anonymous cash placed in the offering boxes on Sept. 25 will be treated as donations to the family.

Checks can be made out to (Information to be provided by family).

If making your check out to "Sanctuary Church," please designate in the memo field whether the donation is for "Sanctuary Church", "tithes" or the Samuel family. Checks made out to "Sanctuary Church" but with nothing in the memo field will be treated as donations to the Samuel family.

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The ascension of Wesley Samuel can be an opportunity for us to reflect on the meaning of the 430 Couple

Blessing in 1968 and the 43 Couple Blessing that followed it in 1969. Wesley's couple is a member of the 43 Couple Blessing.

True Father's words are recorded in the Cheon Seong Gyung as follows (pp1349-1350).

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### Meaning of the 430 Couple Blessing



What is significant about the 430 Couples? That was the year Korea's history reached the year Dangi 4300. In the year 4300, the gates were opened so that any Korean family could enter the Kingdom of Heaven, no matter what type of family they might be. Even the groups that opposed could enter. No matter their tribe or national origin, no matter if they were opposed, the people of Korea, even if they were the descendants of butchers, as long as they were human beings, they could enter the Kingdom of Heaven.

So the 430 Couple Blessing marked the time when the whole tribe would contribute. The era of selectivity gave way to the era of universality. For instance, if the Kim clan were chosen by God, everyone with the surname Kim could enter one after another. Then in 1969, I blessed 43 couples representing the many nations of the world. I gave the Blessing in Germany, the United States, and Japan. These 43 Couples were the counterpart to the national level 430 Couples.

What this meant was that all the countries of the world received the privilege given to all the tribes of Korea to participate in the heavenly realm. This was the internal foundation for all the nations of the world to be able to contribute. If this relational base were connected, the tribes of the external world could be connected to the Korean nation that stood on the standard of indemnity of the internal world. (100-31, 1978.10.4 revised translation)

May God bless you and your families!

Sincerely,

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