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Memorial Service for Hyo Jin Moon

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one-year memorial service was held for Hyo Jin Moon on Sunday, March 22, at the Westchester Marriott Hotel in Tarrytown, New York. At the first anniversary of his passing from a heart attack at the young age of forty-five on March 17, 2008, over 1,200 members from the Tri-State area as well as from areas stretching from Boston to Washington, D.C., gathered to pay their respects and remember a great man who stood loyal to his father, while expressing his passions helping others to truly feel life, electrifying motivation in many for years to come.

Hyo Jin Moon was born on December 3, 1962, in Korea as the first son of Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon and Mrs. Hak Ja Han Moon. He is survived by his loving wife, Yeon Ah Choi. Together they have five children. Hyo Jin Moon leaves a strong legacy of having dedicated his public life to inspiring people of all ages and backgrounds to live passionately for the sake of others. His vision gave rise to media projects to create a positive influence on today's culture. He was an inspired musician, performer, and producer. As vocalist and lead guitarist, he produced over a dozen CDs, composed more than 10,000 songs, and performed in live concert tours in Asia each spring up until his passing in 2008.

After an opening prayer and a musical offering by the WestRock Choir, directed by Dr. Brian Saunders, David Hunter, the Master of Ceremonies, read a short biography. A remarkable video produced by his sister Rev. In Jin Moon presented footage of Hyo Jin Moon on his concert tours, singing his original compositions that expressed his passion and conviction to serve





his parents, interspersed with photos of his early life in Korea and growing up in New York. It caused many in the audience to be moved to tears, including those who did not know him personally.

The talented Second Generation artist Chris Alan Derflinger, accompanying himself on the piano, next sang "One by One," written by Rev. In Jin Moon shortly after her brother's passing a year ago.

Rev. In Jin Moon spoke in her keynote address about her brother's desire to inspire others to truly feel life through his music. "When I listen to my brother's songs, there is so much passion, there is so much heart. He was giving me something real, allowing me to feel his love and his passion through his music. For me, that is probably the greatest gift."

She went on to explain that what she learned from her brother is that if we forget to feel, then our lives become meaningless. "For me, my older brother Hyo Jin's passionate desire to want to literally bowl you over with his music is that he was provoking all of us to feel the gratitude and passion of being alive—to feel the pain of loneliness and of suffering, but still having the strength to overcome it."

Because Reverend Moon truly wanted her elder brother to be remembered properly for who he was, she shared the reality that she was able to experience through him. "It is my duty to share with all of you the preciousness of this man's life. He was an ideal son, in that he dealt with a lot of the issues that we all deal with in our lives—the happiness, the elation, as well as sorrows and heartbreak. These are the themes that make us who we are, no matter who we are. We are bound together in this tapestry of what I call 'human experience.' My brother in his daily life strove to deal with all these things. He wanted to commit his life for God."

She went on to say, "In many instances, he didn't care what anybody thought as long as he felt he was making a difference. And, boy, did he make a difference."

Because it was appropriate that Hyo Jin Moon's life be celebrated through music, two musical offerings followed. After sharing that his life was deeply touched by Hyo Jin Moon, Ben Lorentzen performed "And You," a song that he and his brother composed for Hyo Jin Moon when he asked them to compose forty songs in forty days at the beginning of their working relationship in 1993–1995.

Rev. In Jin Moon concluded in her speech, "Knowing my brother, I know that he would not want us to be crying over his picture or be miserable because we miss him so much. I know that my brother wants us to live, be happy, be successful, prosperous, and find strength in each other and in our communities."







Victorious Launch of Renew-America Campaign in Las Vegas

March 28, 2009

he Holy Spirit descended upon the city of Las Vegas on Saturday, March 28, as this city took center stage in God's Providence to transform the American culture. True Parents have invested so much of their prayers and efforts here during the past year, and now the world has come to Las Vegas to support them. Close to 300 leaders from 40 nations and the United States attended a Special Leadership Conference in Las Vegas from March 26 to 29 titled "The American West, the Pacific Rim and Global Change: Vision, Family Values and Ethical Leadership for the United States, United Nations and the World."

More than 1,200 people attended the main event at the South Point Hotel Sonoma Ballroom on Saturday from 1:00 to 3:00 PM, where the keynote address was given by Rev. In Jin Moon, President of the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification (FFWPU) USA. The ballroom itself and the adjoining overflow room were both packed, with standing room only. The event was jointly sponsored by FFWPU, the Universal Peace Federation, the Women's Federation for World Peace, and the American Clergy Leadership Conference (ACLC).

Hundreds of wonderful guests from the Las-Vegas area attended, thanks to the foundation of Ambassadors for Peace and clergy that has been cultivated here by Rev. and Mrs. Bill Starr, Mrs. Kay Yamaguchi, Mrs. Reiko Kawazaki, Dr. Pouran Ameli, and all of the Las Vegas Family Church families. In addition to more than 200 international guests, dignitaries from the entertainment world, politics, business, and education were also in attendance. Dr. Ameli brought 100 members of the Iranian-American Association, all distinguished residents of Las Vegas. More than 20 local pastors attended with members of their churches, representing our ACLC foundation in Las Vegas and Henderson, Nevada. Hundreds of our families and their guests came from Los Angeles, San Francisco, Arizona, New Mexico, Utah, and Colorado.

Rev. Michael Jenkins, ACLC Chairman, was the master of ceremonies for the program. The invocation was given by Rev. Sam Roberson, State President of the National Baptist Convention and pastor of the Community Baptist Church in Henderson. He is a long-time friend of our movement who brought together many pastors for this event. His musical group, The Spiritual Cloud, provided great gospel music for the event. There were greetings from Rev. Marion Bennett, pastor of Zion Independent Methodist Church of Las Vegas and founder of ACLC in Nevada, and from

Nevada State Sen. Bob Coffin, both of whom deeply moved the audience with their powerful remarks.

Reverend Jenkins acknowledged personally many of the special guests in attendance. A video presentation on the life of Father Moon, "Man of Peace," was shown, followed by welcoming remarks from Dr. Chang Shik Yang, Co-Vice-President of the World Mission Department of FFWPU International. Chris Alan Derflinger, from New Jersey, performed a very moving song written by Rev. In Jin Moon titled "One by One."

The Special Address and Introduction to the Keynote Speaker was given by Rev. Hyung Jin Moon, President of FFWPU International. Also in attendance in the front row were many members of Reverend and Mrs. Moon's family. The audience was very blessed to be able to hear from Rev. Hyung Jin Moon, who is presiding over our worldwide movement on behalf of his parents. His love and support for his elder sister In Jin were very evident.

Rev. In Jin Moon came to the stage with a great welcome from the enthusiastic audience. Before reading her speech, Rev. Moon spoke from her heart about God's and her parents' vision for renewing and reviving American culture, centering on Las Vegas. She said that, until now, Las Vegas has been known as "Sin City" but that God has a greater vision for it. She suggested that by placing an h after the s and adding an ing that Sin City could become Shining City! Everyone responded by applauding the idea that Las Vegas might become a "shining city on a hill" to inspire people from around the world to live godly lives instead of sinful lives.

Rev. Moon also mentioned that there is a slogan about Las Vegas: "What happens in Las Vegas stays in Las Vegas." She said that if we can change our culture here into one of living for the sake of others rather than just for ourselves, then we can say, "What happens in Las Vegas can be shared with others around the world!"

Following her remarks, Reverend Moon read her prepared speech, which included Father Moon's Peace Message "A Providential View of the Pacific Rim Era in Light of God's Will." She read with passion and conviction, and the audience was able to follow along with booklets containing the text of the speech. When she finished, the entire crowd was on their feet, applauding and cheering. Flowers were presented to both Rev. Hyung Jin Moon and Rev. In Jin Moon. The audience showed their appreciation as members of the True Family then left the ballroom.

The Call to Action was given masterfully by Bishop Jesse Edwards, ACLC national cochairman, who mentioned that he saw more people in the casinos calling on God for help than he did in the churches! He called us all to prayer and action in returning our culture and our nation to God, beginning here in the "shining city" of Las Vegas. The musical finale, "Amazing Grace," was led by Rev. Levy Daugherty, Rev. Joshua Cotter, and The Spiritual Cloud.

Immediately after the main program, about 500 blessed families from all over the area crowded into the Napa Room to spend time with the True Family. For many, this was the highlight of the day. Ye Jin, In Jin, Kook Jin, Kwon Jin, Sun Jin and Hyung Jin Moon, together with their spouses and children, came to the Napa Room to greet our beloved families, many of whom



Kwon Jin Moon, In Sup Park and Sun Jin Moon read along while Rev. In Jin Moon delivers the keynote address

had traveled 12 hours to be there. It was incredible to be together with so many of True Parents' family.

Rev. Hyung Jin Moon spoke first and introduced all of his brothers and sisters. When he introduced Ye Jin Moon (True Parents' eldest child) there was a standing ovation that lasted a couple of minutes (Rev. In Jin Moon later told us how moved her sister was by this show of love). All of the True Family received similar ovations. Rev. Hyung Jin Moon's remarks were straight from his heart with love and support for his sister Rev. In Jin Moon and for all of us as blessed families.

Next, Kook Jin Moon spoke for several minutes. In a very inspiring way, he told us how Father had called him to Korea to transform our businesses and our movement through accountability, transparency, and responsibility. His message to our leaders and to our families was that this has to be a time of growth in our movement (we have been stagnant for the last 20 years). And to grow, we need a new kind of leadership. What was most powerful to all was to see the substantial model of leadership emerging right in front of us, in the persons of In Jin, Kook Jin, and Hyung Jin Moon. The hour that we shared together here was extremely inspiring for all of our families, both First and Second Generation.

Dave Hunter, the master of ceremonies, gave a presentation of five areas of Rev. In Jin Moon's leadership during the last eight months in America. This included: her great national tour, in which she met every family and young person in all twelve districts from September 2008 to February 2009, her transformation of the Manhattan Center and the great success happening there, the development of our national FFWPU website, and the soon-to-be-launched "Lovin' Life" Ministry in Manhattan. It is clear that this is just the beginning; under Rev. In Jin Moon's great leadership, America will be able to soar and do great things over the next four years!



Members of the True Family with blessed central families behind them (from left to right: Rev. Hyung Jin Moon, Rev. In Jin Moon, Kook Jin Moon, Ye Jin Moon, Kwon Jin Moon, Sun Jin Moon)

Our time together concluded with a beautiful video of True Parents' 90th Birthday Celebration and the Blessing, held in New York on January 31. The video captured the joy of True Parents at their birthday celebration but especially at the Blessing, where they were thrilled by the newly blessed couples, by the testimony of Rev. T.L. Barrett, by the New Hope Singers International, and by the love and support of their children. Rev. In Jin Moon's role in planning and guiding the overall occasion ensured its great success and brought incredible joy to our True Parents. The video captured it beautifully.

Spending this quality time personally with the True Family was indeed the highlight and a perfect way to conclude the day. All of our blessed families who attended were deeply moved and grateful to have had this special opportunity. It gave us all a sense of what is to come here in America under the leadership of the True Family: a partnership of true love with which we can transform our movement and the larger culture with ownership and responsibility. Aju!

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Rev. Hyung Jin Moon's Introduction Followed by Rev. In Jin Moon's Remarks

March 28, 2009, Las Vegas, Nevada

he following is Rev. Hyung Jin Moon's introduction of Rev. In Jin Moon on March 28, 2009, followed by her remarks before she read the Thirteenth Peace Message (A Providential View of the Pacific Rim Era in Light of God's Will— The Way Forward: Vision, Family Values and Leadership for America and the World) to over 1,200 people at the Sonoma Ballroom in the South Point Hotel-Casino and Spa in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Brothers and sisters, family, district leaders, guests, ladies and gentlemen, thank you so much for coming out today. I'm so happy to see you here in this very special venue in Las Vegas. I have the real pleasure

of introducing my sister to you. She will be the keynote speaker.

Before I get into that introduction, I'd like to just first briefly talk about a very special book. It is the autobiography of Father Moon, published by the top publishing company in Korea, GimmYoungSa. There are now 2 million copies in print; within one week after publication, the book skyrocketed to being a best-seller. Let's give it up for Father and Mother Moon.

The book goes into tremendous depth about Father's life and the beginnings of his ministry. All the things that we have heard about him—the teachings of True Family, true husband and wife, true son and daughter, True Parents—stem from an incredible spiritual root. When he was a young child in North Korea, many different types of experiences and events led up to his revelation, with God coming down and asking him to receive his mission. It was so inspiring reading through this autobiography, seeing it written in Father Moon's own pen to describe some of the incredible experiences that he had when he was a young child.

At the age of II, he was feeding homeless people in his own home, creating a shelter for them in the wintertime with his family. They always had a heart of service, shim-jung, of sharing and giving back to the community. When they left in the spring, Father would really yearn to see them again in the next winter. He says that in sharing a bowl of rice, he may have given them material sustenance, but they gave him and his family love, and that love has given him great strength throughout his entire ministry. Now at the age of 90, he has 12 active children, studying and also working in ministry and with different roles and responsibilities. He also has over 40 grandchildren. Truly a remarkable story.

Within this story is his own experience of being unjustly incarcerated, particularly in the U.S. prison in

Danbury, Connecticut, in the 1980s. During that period of time, Father Moon, as you saw in the video, took the most humble position. He would scrub the toilets of the prison cells as a spiritual practice, in order to keep his prayer life active and to truly take the servant-of-servants position. In that experience, Father Moon taught our leaders and the various visitors who saw him there.

One of the incredible things that happened during that time was that many religious leaders from differing faith traditions stood up and began protesting on behalf of Father Moon and for religious freedom. Rev. Jerry Falwell, Dr. Joseph Lowery, and other notable religious leaders stepped up and spoke on behalf of Father and Mother Moon.

During this difficult time in the history of the Unification movement, there was an outstanding young woman leader who was fighting on behalf of this great spiritual leader. That young woman was hand in hand with the religious leaders such as Jerry Falwell, Dr. Lowery, and others, walking alongside them, speaking on behalf of religious freedom. After Father was released, she attended him as he resumed his ministry in America.

She went on to study at Columbia University, getting her Bachelor of Arts degree in political science and philosophy. She then went on to study world religions at the Harvard Divinity School. She is an incredible woman and a gifted leader. She is the mother of five beautiful children, who are in attendance today. The eldest son is at Edinburgh University, getting his undergraduate and graduate degrees in business studies. The second and third children are currently at Harvard University and are world-class pianists. Her younger children are on their way to tremendous success.

This woman is at the forefront of the Unification tradition. She has been recently appointed by Father Moon as the president of the American Family



Federation for World Peace and Unity (FFWPU-USA), and she is also the CEO of FFWPU-USA. She is a passionate leader, a wise mother, a tremendous sister, a truly filial daughter, and an incredible woman.

Let's all rise to welcome our president of the FFWPU-USA, the Rev. Dr. In Jin Moon. Let's give it up for her.

IN JIN MOON: I am delighted to be here in Las Vegas with all of you, with such an illustrious gathering of men and women from all around the world. I feel quite privileged and honored, most importantly to have been introduced by my younger brother and the new spiritual head of our movement. He is doing such a phenomenal job in reinvigorating the Second Generation of our

movement and reinspiring the First Generation as well with his message of love, compassion, and healing.

I believe that it is with great insight and great wisdom that my father has chosen the youngest son of our family to be just that. He has always been called "Lovey" of the True Family simply because he was too pretty when he was a baby. I still remember my mother pushing the baby stroller with so much pride, as most mothers would. He was such a vision of love from the moment he was born. He has carried on that vision of love throughout his adolescence and his young adult life into his marriage with his beautiful wife. And he also has five children. We have an ongoing joke in our family, asking ourselves the question, "Why is it that

the ones with five children go into ministry?" But truly I am totally inspired by his work.

Today in attendance are not just Hyung Jin but also so many members of my family—my brothers and sisters and the grandchildren. And in particular I'm so grateful to have Kook Jin, who's also my younger brother but also a financier extraordinaire who has single-handedly revitalized the financial foundation of our movement in Korea. With him in place as an incredibly strong backbone, the rest of us can be like the hands and the feet that can usher in and truly harvest everything that our True Parents have been working for and sacrificing for these many years.

As the chairman of the American Clergy Leadership Conference (ACLC) reiterated just a while ago, this year we celebrated the 90th birthday of my father, who has invited all of you to come to Las Vegas, which many call Sin City. It is truly in the style of my father to not sit by the sidelines but to plop himself straight in the center of everything and ask all of us to interject a bit of heaven into Sin City, into the culture and the entertainment world of Las Vegas.

He is asking us to reimagine what has been called Sin City by asking us, Why not introduce something heavenly? Why not introduce the letter H? Instead of sin as a noun, why not introduce a verb, ING, and turn the Sin City into a Shining City? A city that does not have to hide in the darkness, but a city that can truly be infused with the light of the divine and with the beauty of what my parents have been living for, which is true love. We can turn the city of darkness into the city of light, a shining example of what America can be.

My father has always been a pioneer, ever since he was anointed by God to take on the mission of Jesus Christ when he was 16 years old. From that very tender age of 16, he has never, ever wavered in his dedication, his devotion, and his commitment and conviction to live for God and to truly usher in a world of peace. As my

father goes around the country talking about the Pacific Rim Era, he is also stressing the importance of women in leadership, which is the reason why he is pushing me and challenging all my sisters to step up to the plate and do many wonderful things on behalf of our Heavenly Parent.

This is the dawning of a new era, an opportunity that God has given us to rephrase or rebrand Las Vegas. We have an ongoing commercial nowadays that says, Whatever happens in Las Vegas stays in Las Vegas. My father is challenging all of us to rebrand that phrase; if this city can rebrand itself as the Shining City of God, then it's no longer going to be a city where everything that happens here stays here. In fact, it's going to be a city where whatever happens is going to spread to all four corners of the world.

I am truly honored to be standing at this podium, and I know that my father would love to have been here with all of you himself, but he asked me to read a speech that he would like to share with all of you. I would like to take a little bit of your time to do just that.

Thank you.

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idn't David [Hunter] do such a great job bringing you up to date on what we've been up to? I am just so happy that I have my whole family here with me to really celebrate this hour with you. I know that many of you have traveled far and wide just to spend a little time with us, and I'm very grateful for that.

There's really not much to say after our Rev. Hyung Jin Moon shared with us the vision of what we need to do, together with my brother Kook Jin, who's done such a phenomenal job, namely, the very difficult job of restructuring and reorganizing our movement. Just as Dave Hunter said, we are just at the beginning of a lot of good things to come.

I am so pleased to have my elder sister here, Ye Jin Onni. Last night we had a wonderful dinner together as a family, and I said to her, "Sometimes it gets lonely being the only sister that's on the front line, but how wonderful it would be to have an elder sister pave the way for all the great daughters and women in the audience as well." Wouldn't you look forward to that?

We have my handsome brothers here, like Kwon Jin. And we have Sun Jin here also together with us. They have truly been the wind beneath my wings. These last eight months of many new experiences—meeting all of you, seeing all your families, coming to know your kids by name, and even having the opportunity to cook for some of them on STF—have been a wonderful opportunity.

I feel like God is giving us a chance to do something awesome and wonderful for America. I know there have been a lot of changes recently, but I always say, "Whenever you have change, there's opportunity just waiting around the corner." Heavenly Father is giving us a great opportunity for America to play an important role in bringing about world peace, something that my father has talked about, even dreamt about incessantly, ever since he was 16 years old.

Just as my father has lived a life of incredible sacrifice and incredible conviction, he is challenging all of us to do the same. I often turn to my fourth child, Truston, who just turned 16 this year, and say, "Your grandfather was your age when he decided to live his life for God. So what will you decide to live your life for? Will you be a man of conviction, just like your



grandfather? Will you be a great son of our Heavenly Parent, just like grandfather?"

The kind of questions that I ask my son are the same questions I ask myself and that I ask you. Our father is an incredible man. Even though he's 90 years old and even though he may be tired, just yesterday he spoke to us for almost 12 hours. That's how passionate he is about God and about creating this world of peace that he has dreamt of for so long. He has given us the next couple of years for us to substantially see his dream and our dream become a reality.

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ello, brothers and sisters. I'm very happy to see all of you today. I must say, I am extremely inspired to see our new leader of the Unification Church here in America. You know what inspires me the most about her? She speaks fluent English. You spoke wonderfully today, Sis. We're really proud of you, and we know you're going to do a super job.



I'd like to thank you for your warm response. Usually when people see me, they run. To tell you the truth, if you ever meet me in private, I'm probably going to be firing you. That's the nature of my job, which is actually to deliver pink slips. So I'm truly grateful for your warm response.

For the last four years, our True Father has asked me to work for him. He actually had to draft me because I was otherwise happily employed, running my own business. But apparently Father needed somebody to fix some of the problems he had in Korea, and so he asked me to come. I've been working now for True Father as my public service and doing the best that I can to try to help out.

We've been doing a lot of restructuring over those four years. That means that we've had to downsize or sell many of the companies that we had. As a result, we've been able to make our business group in Korea profitable. But now we've been given the extra challenge of this recessionary economy, and we have even more restructuring to do to overcome this difficult time.

At this time we face many challenges in our community, not only in the related businesses but also in our churches. I don't know if many of you have noticed, but during the last 20 years our movement hasn't been growing much. That's true not only here in America, but it's also very true in Korea. We've been

stagnating as a church. If you study the results of the last 20 years, you can see that Sunday Service attendance is flat or declining and tithing has been declining. During that period we did so much public relations work and held so many events, even big rallies of 100,000 people. But those activities did not bring any result. This is a fundamental problem that we are facing.

This problem is something that I believe we should start to seriously address because we are not just a community of people who have individual opinions but rather a community entrusted with a very specific mission given to us by God through our True Parents. As you well know, when you have a mission, you have a responsibility. We will ultimately be held accountable for our actions and the results of those actions, in this world or the next. So let me share with you why I feel so strongly about this issue.

God has given us an incredible truth through our True Parents, which can be summed up with just one sentence. It is that powerful. It can be summed up, very simply, by saying that our responsibility is to inherit the true love of God. This is the essence of True Father's teaching. What does that mean? It's very simple.

Jesus Christ gave us a great message: to do unto others as you would have done unto yourself. From that, we learn so many lessons of brotherhood—friendship, care, concern, and compassion. But Christian theology teaches that the essence of God and His divinity cannot be known because God is omniscient and omnipotent, and therefore we as beings of limited understanding, knowledge, and power can never understand the full divinity of the Creator. As small human beings, we may say, "Wow, God is great. He's all-powerful and mighty and we're so powerless." It may seem good to us that we're able to worship such a high and mighty God.

But think about it from God's point of view. From God's point of view, what are we doing? We are condemning God to an eternity of loneliness, of being

by himself, because nobody can ever touch him. If you cannot know God, then God is truly alone. And if God is alon, e then he is truly the God of suffering and of angst.

This is the great revelation that our True Parents bring to us. Father has informed us about the suffering of God, the heartache of God. He has proclaimed in the Peace Messages and many times elsewhere that God's divinity can be known. As well, he's explained to us very clearly what that divinity is. The divinity of God is true love, and true love is a love that can bring even Satan to voluntary surrender.

It is because of this revelation that God has been liberated and freed. It is because of this revelation that we can speak of humanity being one family under God. And this is the powerful message that our True Parents have brought to this world and to all of us. And this is why, brothers and sisters, we are not a community of folk who live for the sake of ourselves, but we are a community with a mission, a mission to spread this understanding to all people of the world.

That means that we have to hold our leaders accountable for results and performance, and we have to demand results and performance. We have to see growth in membership; we have to see growth in contributions. Brothers and sisters, now is the time when we no longer talk about creating the ideal world or creating the nation of Cheon Il Guk; it is the time to actually build it. This is our mission. This is why we have responsibility. This is why we have to hold our leadership accountable from today forth.

I've been working in business a long time. The language of business is not a language of words but a language of numbers. We use those numbers to understand and measure our performance and results so that we can take out our opinions and focus on facts. By doing that, then we can measure who's actually contributed. And that's what we need to do. We need

to be able to see the facts clearly so that those who make real results can be heard. That's what we need. We need to elevate those who do, elevate those who create, elevate those who contribute: Honor them, spotlight them, give them the podium, listen to them. The people who just spew a lot of air without doing anything need to learn to be silent, listen, and learn from those who do.

This is a great country. America is a great land, the land of freedom, individual responsibility, and courage. And we have such people here in our American community, people of courage and responsibility. I would be most pleased if you Americans take pride in your church, take pride in your mission that is given to you by God, and really unite with your new leader, the head of the Unification Church here in America, In Jin Moon, to really make it successful. That would make me most pleased and proud and would make our True Parents most pleased and proud.

With that said, I don't want to take any more of your time. I know you're very busy people, and especially you have a lot of work to do, so I'll close my statement. Thank you very much

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rothers and sisters, it's a real honor to be with you all here today. Thank you so much for coming out on such short notice to support our True Parents here in Las Vegas. We're really so grateful. I'd like to extend a great round of applause to all the Blessed Families who are here. [Applause.]



Today we just want greet you and to extend our gratitude. We know all of you have done so much behind the scenes to make everything possible with all the events that have taken place today. And also I see such enthusiasm and such great love and filial piety for True Parents. We are always so moved and so grateful to see so many families from around the world carry the mantle of filial piety to True Parents. Thank you so much for that constant loyalty and fidelity.

One of the things that we want to share just briefly is that True Father has been very excited about America. And we are also very excited about America. We love America; we believe that America has incredible potential. We're so happy to see In Jin Nuna stepping up as the guide, the leader, of America. Let's give it up one time for In Jin Nuna! (Applause.)

In Jin Nuna has always been a mother figure in our family; she's raised the half of the family that was born in America. She's always guiding us and helping us, whether it be with school or even in our faith life, and so forth. We are so happy that Father is very enthusiastic about her ministry that will be starting soon. And we're so happy to see that we can focus our energies on church growth and be proud of ourselves as Unificationists, moving toward the time when our True Parents can be glorified and also our tradition as well, including all

the Blessed Families who have sacrificed, serving and attending True Parents. We really want those families to shine.

One of the things we always tell the leadership wherever we go is that if our families shine, then the movement shines. And that's very important because as leaders of the Unification Church, it not our responsibility to want or to expect our families or the people who are in our congregations just to serve and attend us. That is not the right type of Abel. It is the opposite; it is leaders who are serving. We wish to see Blessed Families succeed and have very strong faith lives as well. This is the kind of ministry that we have been encouraging all over Korea, Japan, and now in America.

In Jin Nuna has always been at the forefront of this type of discussion, being adamant and clear about that kind of direction in ministry. We're so happy that America can have a great and bright example. I loved her incredible wit when she spoke just today, turning the Sin City into the Shining City. In Jin Nuna, you're such a genius! You're so incredible. She is so amazing. And she's my sister, by the way! We're so very proud to have her lead America. She's not only a great charismatic leader, but she also is very learned, with a tremendous educational background. And she's very down to earth because she's a mom who has raised five beautiful kids; let's give it up for them. (Applause.) She's such a beautiful mother, truly full of wisdom.

We're so very proud that America has an anointed, appointed, and approved leader, who just happens to be a woman, by the way! It's such an incredible time for America to really revive itself and to move to the next stage. America, I really want to congratulate you and your new leader. We're so happy for you all! God bless you, and thank you.



