God's Day Established - The History of True Heavenly Parent Day

January 1, 1968



God's Day 1981. location unknown

God's Day was the last of the Unification Church's original four Holy Days to be established after Parents Day (3.1.60 lunar), Children's Day (10.1.60 lunar) and Day of All Things (5.1.63 lunar).

It also was the only one of the original four Holy Days celebrated according to the Gregorian (solar) calendar, beginning January 1, 1968.

True Father observed that if humankind's original parents had not fallen and had achieved perfection, they would have received God's blessing and that day would have been God's Day. As it was, True Parents had to restore and install each of the original Holy Days, representative of God's three blessings, over seven years following their Holy Wedding in 1960.

In 1996, True Father added the word "True" to God's Day and the other original Holy Days.

In 2010, True Father established the "Heavenly Calendar," which displaced the Gregorian calendar in Unificationist observances and corresponded in most respects with the lunar calendar. As a result, from 2011, True God's Day was no longer observed on January 1 but on the first day of the first month of the Heavenly Calendar (February 3 of that year).

On January 7, 2013, True Mother announced that Unificationists should address God as "Heavenly Parent." Thereafter, True God's Day became "True Heavenly Parent Day."