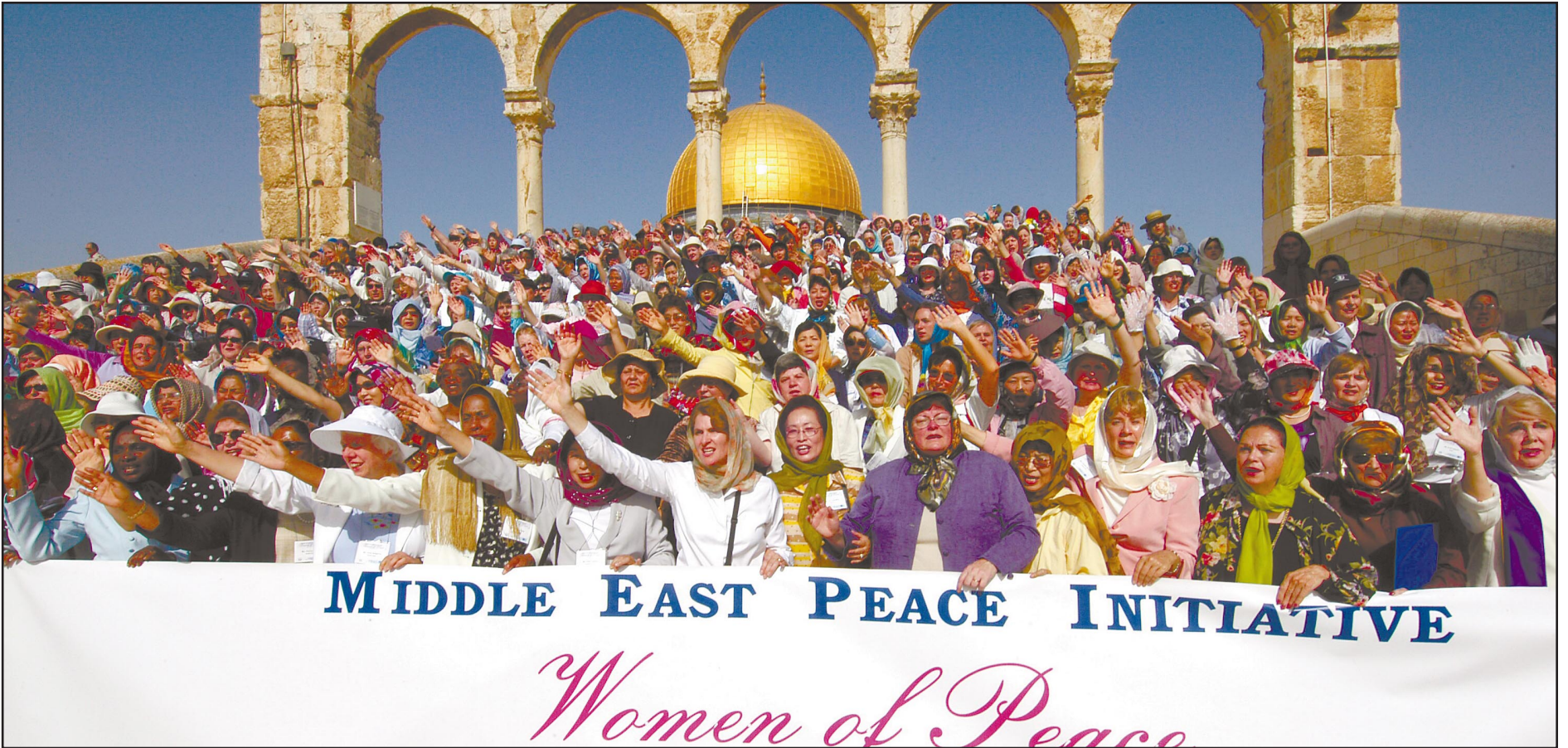


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Everything must stand on the foundation of God's Fatherland and the Peace Kingdom. All else should be burned away. There must be sovereignty and kingship based upon the ideal nation. Your work must be absolutely clear as to which direction it goes. Father has been talking about liberation (hae bang) and release (seok bang). There were 120 apostles and tribes that must connect to the vertical line and then God's Peace Kingdom will be established. Now the Sabbath should be based on the 8th day. Father has declared about the settlement and the day of attendance. He is connecting spring and summer. There are two key months. May is the end of spring and the beginning of summer connecting those key months. If you connect February and May you get the number 10. Father got up early today. Today, Mother is saying that we may not go to Yeosu because of reports of storms. Father said however, if the Master doesn't go then it won't have historic dignity. Father is determined to go. One of Father's relatives went to the spirit world but Father is not making that a

priority.

Our conscience must lead the way. Our conscience is precious. Our physical body must uphold our conscience then we cannot go wrong. No matter what, our conscience and our mind knows the truth. If a person has mind and body struggle, how can they enter into the Kingdom of Heaven? You should not be dragged along by your physical body. Satan has made 193 nations. Satan is trying everything to take Father away from the central position. Conscience is ahead of parents. Conscience goes ahead of the teacher. If you go the compromising way, God is absolute.

I must guide you. Do you understand Dr. Yang? Now we are transcending the time of religion. Absolutely this is our hope and our conscience. Do you think



I live my life recklessly? Because you all did not fulfill many things in your responsibility then I was dragged through all kinds of difficult indemnity conditions.

Adam knew through his conscience what was right. He didn't follow. That

Hoon Dok Hae

means that our conscience is really the center. If we follow our conscience we will bring the parent, the teacher and the king. Two worlds, the mind of earth and the mind of heaven must be the center. I'm revealing everything to you.

Do you wish to do whatever you want? You will not be connected to God. Don't listen to parents and do whatever you want. Many people are telling me that I can rest. Why do you go to Yeosu? Father's conscience says that he should go even earlier. You come and go based on your own criteria. But Father doesn't operate that way. Father goes according to the conscience. Father's speech yesterday, everything in your life is recorded in the spirit world. If you deny Father's teaching you will perish. The direction of my mind and conscience is the key. Father has many older sisters. They were preparing their own bag for the time of their weddings. However, my thinking was that we should think more of our parents before we think of our own marriages. Unification Church Leaders and Blessed Families represent

True Parents.

From January 13th 2001 to May 13th, 2004 is a 40 month course. In this number is the four position foundation, 40 years, 40 days, 4000 year period. Why does Father hold this kind of event? To

connect with the earth and the ocean Father will hold an historic event.

The Seoul Tower is a landmark in Seoul, the Eiffel Tower is a landmark in France. Have you offered money to Father? Even if your nation is a desert you should make it all green and then offer everything. Have you offered serious donations to Father? Do you think Father should be worrying about finances and these things at this time? This was your responsibility. You take advantage of True Parents and even rip off Father's hand for your own benefit. Do you understand? You have taken advantage of True Parents and even use True Parents for your own benefit. In this pitiful situation you deserve to perish. If my mind and conscience doesn't know this I can't say it.

Everything is in the pair system. Even when Father carries money he always thinks of the pair system. He even carries bills with the pair system. Liberation and release takes the root of the lineage out. Without proper alignment of your mind and body you don't even deserve to be here. Sometimes when you fight you know you are wrong but you stubbornly hold your position.

Does your conscience know what you have to do? Father has guided this kind of thing for many years. Father has the same confidence. Can the conscience be behind? No the conscience must be ahead.

J U N E

Ahn Shi Il • 6th, 14th, 22nd, 30th

- 3 Inauguration of the Federation for Cosmic Peace and Unification South American Headquarters (2001)
- 4 72 Couples' Blessing (1962)
- 10 Shin Yeon Nim's Birthday (4/23/90)
Il-Heung Shipbuilding Established (1986)
- 13 Hee Jin Nim & Hye Shin Nim's Blessing (1998)
39 Couples' Blessing (1981)
- 13 1st Stage of the 360 Million Couples' Blessing (1998)
- 14 Jeung Jin Nim's Birthday (1982)
Declaration of True Parents' Cosmic Victory (1999)
- 16 Washington Times Established (1982)
- 17 Declaration: Return of the Sea to Heavenly Dominion (2000)
- 18 Day of All True Things (5/1/63)
- 21 Completed Settlement of Parents of Heaven and Earth (2002)
- 23 Day of One Heart (1989)
- 24 Declaration of the Return of the Land to God (2000)
- 29 Ceremony of the Return of the Cosmos to Heaven (2000)

J U L Y

Ahn Shi Il • 8th, 16th, 24th

- 1 Chil Il Jeol: Declaration Day of God's Eternal Blessing (1991)
Day of the Celebration of Victory (1973)
2075 Couples' Blessing (1982)
- 3 Interreligious International Blessing Ceremony (2002)
- 4 Young Jin Nim's Birthday (5/17/78)
- 13 Universal Ballet Company Established (1984)

G A L L E R Y

- 15 Shin Kwang Nim's Birthday (5/28/01)
- 18 Sung Jin Nim & Dong Sook Nim's Blessing (1973)
- 24 124 Couples' Blessing (1963)
- 26 Youth Federation for World Peace Inauguration (1994)
- 27 Hye Jin Nim's Birthday (1964)
Shin Ha Nim's Birthday (6/11/98)
- 30 Kook Jin Nim's Birthday (6/14/70)
- 31 Sun Jin Nim's Birthday (6/15/76)

A U G U S T

Ahn Shi Il • 1st, 9th, 17th, 25th

- 1 Hee Jin Nim's Ascension (1969)
Day of Returning to the Home Country (1993)
- 4 Hye Jin Nim's Ascension (1964)
- 7 Unification Theological Institute (1971)
- 16 Il Sung II: Total Victory Day (1985)
- 17 Declaration Day Jeon-ban & Jeon-neung (1999)
- 20 Declaration of the Providential Age of Salvation by Love (1989)
- 22 Chil Pal Jeol: Declaration of the Realm of the Cosmic Sabbath for Parents of Heaven and Earth (7/7/97)
- 25 30,000 Couples' Blessing (1992)
360,000 Couples' Blessing (1995)
- 27 Shin Goon Nim's Birthday (7/12/83)
Shin Kwon Nim's Birthday (7/12/89)
- 28 Federation for World Peace (1991)
- 31 Pal Jong Shik: Day of the Settlement of 8 Stages (1989)

Due to the manner in which the lunar calendar corresponds with the solar calendar, Hyo Jin Nim's, Un Jin Nim's, Yun Ah Nim's and Shin Choon Nim's birthdays are not celebrated in 2004. Dong Sook Nim's birthdate (1/30) and Shin Ji Nim's birthday (7/30) does not exist in the 2004 lunar calendar; as with other leap days, it is celebrated the following day (as listed above). Every attempt has been made to create an accurate calendar, and I'd like to keep it that way. If there are discrepancies, please feel free to contact me. A lot of work and effort goes into this calendar's creation (annually for the past ten years)--including learning Japanese to be able to read an accurate lunar-solar calendar source, and gaining an understanding of the workings of the lunar calendar--Kathryn Coman [KathrynComan@worldnet.att.net]

with True Parents

Father always said that before you rule over the universe you must rule over yourself. Can you lie. Do you want to be an in law to Father. If you tell me you don't understand then I must kick you out.

You must understand the spirit world. You must attend, support and cooperate with Father's words. This is the time of great transition. True Children are longing for the heart of Father and Mother. After the declaration of Liberation and Release the all encompassing liberation has come.

Letter from Heung Jin Nim: (Read by Won Ju - paraphrased in translation).

Dear Oma Nim. I long for you. We wanted to liberate Japanese ancestors and liberate Japan. Especially in this limited time that we have for establishing God's Fatherland. Today I want to call you Oma. I long for you. Please remember Choon Mo Nim, also Dae Mo Nim always guided, cared for and raised me. Sometimes I wish that your could comfort and Dae Mo Nim. I wish you could be free

to show your love to Dae Mo Nim and Father to Hoon Mo Nim. I sometimes feel difficult because even though I'm the Heavenly Commander in Chief, I don't want to show my weakness. Mother because of you I receive so much energy. I feel desperate to protect Father's health.

Father:

Because I have Heung Jin Nim in the spirit world all the religious founders are completely united with me. The religions of this world are coming into a most fearful time. The spirit world will now come down and judge you. This is a fearful time. The religious leaders of this world must follow or they will be judged. They must follow.

Now is the time when judgment must come. You must not laugh about this matter. Father is in total alert mode. Father is ready to move at any moment. I do not want to be indebted. Father could go to the spirit world at any time - with one prayer.

But I feel desperate over the responsibility and the mission that I have been given. True Children have shed blood in front of all parents and ahead of parents.

The principle of True Love is that the individual was sacrificed for the sake of the family. Can you think of this just for yourself. I've seen people who go this path and will perish.

You must make a determination. Young Shin means conscience which also means the "Total Mind". Your all encompassing mind. Through my head and my spine, my mind must not be disabled. Even if my flesh is shattered by the lash my mind will not be disabled. My mind will stay on the standard and even if I die more blessing will come.

No one knows the internal suffering in my heart. Washington should have one owner. Among three (Rev. Kwak, Dr. Yang and Mr. Joo), who should be the representative. Michael Jenkins - Who should be the owner? Do think you should be

the owner? (No Father. Rev. Kwak is the center). Should Father appoint Rev. Kwak or should Rev. Kwak take the position. (He should be appointed by Father.) Father: What if Rev. Kwak dies?

Father doesn't need to go to lower level officials. Father is not in the position to ask any President for help. They need Father's help.

Our prayer must be a report, on exactly what occurred and how much advancement I made this day. You must never retreat or you will perish. You must advance every day. You have to offer the result and



the advancement that you made. If you accomplish Tong Ban Kyok Pa this nation of Korea could be ours. This is the Fatherland.

It's almost 100 years since the 1905 oppression. Its now time for Japan to gain sovereignty. Father is always thinking about China, Japan, Korea and Russia. That's why Father started the undersea tunnel. When the tunnel project is done, Japan can be connected to all of these countries. We want to see the movement of free flow of people and transport. Korea will become a central hub in this situation. Inner and Outer Mongolia and China and Manchuria will all connect in this way. Father was originally planning all of these key developments. Japan blocked this.

Father went to America to prepare the foundation to move China and Russia. Father is thinking of making major Hubs between various sectors of the world. Father is thinking how to utilize the full connection of land, sea and air to make harmonious flow of people and bring prosperity.

Father asked Rev. Eu to make your determination. As you hear these kinds of things then Japan can move so quickly. However your eyes are not fully open yet as to the power of the spirit world and this time of transition. When Father wanted to mobilize 180 leaders to Japan from Korea there were really no qualified leaders to send. The three providential nations must wake up. All the funds raised in Japan are for the North South Unification of the Fatherland. That is why Korea must be vertically over Japan.

From now the system has to have one head. There must be one brain and one system like a body. Now the time of Liberation and Release must take place. So that your position is not set by yourself but based on your connection to the over-

all axial line.

The system in Korea must now be changed. The Family Party should prepare to make the blessing and all these organizations should be like the Vice Chairman of the Party. All of these leaders must connect together to go in one direction. From Father's point of view, one direction is necessary. If you utilize Father's name for your own glory it is not good. Rev. Kwak you must understand Father's direction clearly. The 50th Anniversary event - from this point all leaders must connect with the brain centering on the central nervous system. (Father is making clarification of our organizational structure.) The family should be the center of the organization. You must utilize your sons and daughters to fulfill this public mission. Father coined a new term Pang - Half Tong - whole. This is the time of real transition. This is the time of release and liberation. Until we find our nation and unify the North and the South of the Fatherland. If the America and the UN unite and follow Father - Father can clarify these things in six months.

Even with the trouble in Israel - if America and China united we could create a peace keeping force. These 6 major religious leaders are supporting. Joong Hyun Pak do you understand. Rev. Kwak, Dr. Yang, Mr. Joo, Michael Jenkins (the four people are here now). You must understand that there must be a clear central point and all directions and moneys must go through one person. These four people must unite centering on this one person. You must become one and all organizations must become one. God is trusting Father, yet Father is so old. Yet God is relying on me completely. In the 80s and 90s Father will go forward without hesitation. Your family is going to the Kingdom of Heaven. Your flesh, your body



is the problem. Father gave the command that at night time your should be totally naked. The problem is that our husband and wife have not become one. When your mission is far away you begin to long for your spouse. Your spouse was created with thousands and thousands of years of preparation. The 36, 72, 124, 430 couples. Many children went their own way. Cleansing and resolution must come and special condition made to solve this.

Father is reorganizing and bringing resolution. 124, 430 couples, all blessed couples must be cleansed, the blessed



family department head here? Are you all going to Yeosu. Father when he has a providential event like the 50th Anniversary and Yeosu condition this is the time of a new beginning. Father was thinking of doing personnel changes based on this resolution of Liberation and Release. All this must be realized and so a new appointment must take place. All the major leaders must be checked. Father is thinking of changing the Blessed Family Department head. Who is a good person for this?

You must have the proper person in that role. If I ask for any information on any blessed couple I want to have it.

You must understand how fearful the fourth year of Cheon Il Guk is. The year four of Cheon Il Guk all these things must be resolved. Satan stole this and everything must be offered back to Father. In order for them fulfill three generations must be aligned and settled. People always think that my son is good but the other is a problem. That isn't correct. Both sides have a problem when the marriage breaks up.

Now is the only time. This is the only opportunity. From 2004 to 2008 is a crucial time.

Now is the liberation time in which Father must forgive and release, then grace must come. Father is trying to cleanse and resolve these issues. Father must resolve these many complicated situations. Proper research must be done about the Blessed Family Situation.

The three providential nations - Korea, Japan and America must develop the correct foundation and understanding of the blessed family situation. I already did the registration and Cheon Il Guk Blessing. Now this is the time of the noon settlement. Then we must create the correct way for blessed families. Now the standard must be set.

By May 13th these things must be resolved. If some blessed families refuse to have that kind of standard then you cannot be with us. Father had to abandon his children on this course, I couldn't even hold my children's hands. Instead I had to bless my enemies children and even give them scholarships, love and educate them. Rev. Kwak you must think about who the head of the Blessed Family Department should be.

May 5th the fishing tournament will finish. At that time, we must check all blessed families situations. Father's own direct children, even if they are in the middle of hell, I can bring them back at any time. Blessed Families should be like a protective wall around my children. But many are even guiding the True children in the wrong way allowing them to fall into Satan's trap. Father had to bless and love the enemies children. Blessed families then in return must protect the True Family. ❖

God's Daughters in the Holy Land

by Rev. Michael Jenkins

Our wonderful sisters—120 from America, 500 more from the world—have returned safely from the Holy Land. The WFWP

women were so victorious and I am deeply proud of them. As with most of us going to such an unstable environment, they were nervous, many not having been to Israel before, and were anxious, but not afraid. They trusted in the Lord.

When you arrive at Ben Gurion airport and you see the sign on the building as the shuttle bus brings you from your plane to the main building, "Welcome To Israel". You feel such a sense of history and yet a sense of anxiety. For

many there is a subtle tension inside, especially because we seek out and work with the people at the center of the conflict, a quiet feeling of wondering if we will return home. It causes one to turn to God in a way that is not an everyday occurrence. I saw that in the eyes and hearts of our women. Nevertheless they didn't hesitate and they went with such beautiful faith. They went as Mothers, sisters and daughters. All women were represented. Unification, WFWP, ACLC Clergy women and Ambassadors for Peace.

They moved the hearts of our friends and family there in the Holy Land. They embraced those that suffered and brought love to those in the Hospital. They crossed the Bridge of Peace. It sounds so simple in words, yet when I saw the Palestinian and Israeli (Jewish) sisters crossing the bridge together in tears I saw the power of heaven. To be sure, the tearful crossing together is just the beginning, but that is the

power of Father and Mother Moon's movement. It is never a one event experience. Once our sisters get each other's phones and emails, a bond will solidify and grow. That's why the Pilgrimages are growing in power. They are ongoing and will not stop. This time

they could catch the spirit of the work True Parents have done in Israel. Dr. Lan Young Moon gave a very powerful presentation on the work of WFWP reviewing especially the nine years of work with the Women's Conference on Peace in the Middle East. Through clever

Norma is leading 135 women today with Mrs. Glaubach to Hadassah Hospital to bring love to both Jewish and Arab Israelis and some Palestinians who have been injured in the conflict. All are in the same hospital together. Norma is the President of the United Nations Association of Los Angeles and is very experienced in NGO work. She said, "Out of all the hundreds of NGO's I've worked with WFWP is the most effective."

Dr. Yang who is representing Rev. Kwak, the Chairman of the IIPC, addressed the body giving a clear history of the providence that True Parents initiated. Especially centering on the Jerusalem Declaration that was the fruit of the cooperation of the IIFWP Israel and the ACLC at this time last year. This new level of international and interreligious cooperation led to profound and significant repentance by representatives of the Abrahamic Faiths.

Then last December through the success of the Coronation of Jesus and the reconciliation of the Abrahamic faiths, Rev. Jenkins cited Father's statement that this condition internally reverses what occurred 2000 years ago. The internal condition being set through this Women of Peace reconciliation work is: "As Mother's uniting from enemy nations you are in the Holy Land to heal and unite Ishmael and Isaac. Father chose you to represent True Mother to bring solution to the second root cause of the conflict in the Holy Land and throughout the world. As Mother's you represent the pure power of the Holy Spirit and as Mother's you represent the True Love of God through True Mother."

Dr. Abe, Mr. Hod Ben Zvi and many of our Ambassadors for Peace have created the foundation here that God is now using to bring peace. Hod gave a very informative review of the History of Israel for the last 2000 years and Dr. Abe gave the internal teaching on the Principle including the meaning of the Blessing and the responsibility we share.

Our women were incredible, as are the women that God has prepared in
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in particular, the Bridge of Peace had profound power. Muslims, Christians and Jews, beautiful Jewish women with the heart of Rachel and beautiful Palestinian women, with each other and with our women from 7 enemy nations.

The Peace Task Force of Korean, Japanese, American and European women are seeking to address the hearts of those suffering directly from the conflict known as the second Intifada. They are seeking out, by going door to door, the Jewish and Palestinian victims of violence. One beautiful Jewish girl who was a soldier, wept when our "Mother's of Peace" came with the spirit of True Parents. Beyond politics and transcending religious boundaries we all can, in the right moment of heart experience that we are children of one God. This happened with this sister as well as Palestinian mothers who lost their sons.

Yesterday, we had briefings for our international delegation through which

academic forums some of the most influential women scholars and NGO leaders have formed a bond of trust with us. Father asked her before she came here, "In all your world travels, what country or people do you feel closest to?" She said, "The women of the Middle East." Father said, "That is because they have suffered so much. God is close to them."

Mrs. Karen Smith presented the vision and work of True Parents at the UN and now through the "Peace UN", the IIPC global work. She noted that the "Women of Peace" through this cooperation between Israel, Japan, Korea, USA and the many European countries are helping lay a foundation for greater international collaboration.

Mrs. Alexa Ward is leading the women with an enormous sense of purpose to heal the strife here. She also brought Ms. Norma Foster who is on the WFWP USA National Board and also a key advisor to the International as well.

Europe Rising Up for the Peace Kingdom

by Rev. Michael Jenkins

The last trip to Israel had many different aspects to it. Key to Father's work is the fact that former enemy nations work together as one family. I was deeply moved by Tina Combs and our Peace Task Force members from 7 nations. They sacrificed and gave their hearts and True Parents love to bring healing to the Middle East.

One experience that I had was particularly moving was seeing our European family. One morning I could go visit them for Hoon Dok Hae. I really want to say that the European family is in a revolutionary mode. They are hot. Mrs. Song (the wife of Rev. Song the continental director) led the way. Also the commitment from first gener-

ation and second generation together was very beautiful. England, France, Spain, Italy, Germany, Austria and many, many European countries.

The Eastern European countries also are becoming very strong. Having German ancestors, mixed with Irish, English and Welsh I felt stirred in my soul. The Peace Kingdom is coming. After all the whole Protestant reformation that God brought forth which gave birth to America started from Germany. Could a new reformation be beginning again. With this spirit we will resolve the sad history of our forefathers and

bring with us the best of their sacrifices to heal the Middle East and then on to the 38th Parallel.



I see the evidence of this new spirit everywhere I go. In Yeosu the European family was incredibly vibrant for True Parents during the evening entertainment. When I went to Cheong Pyeong our European sisters were among the first to greet me and let me know that there is no sacrifice that is too great to bring God's Kingdom. Gudrun Mobo and Ann Lichner stood strong at Cheong Pyeong to move heaven and earth.

Rev. Song is absolutely creating a new movement. True Parents are proud of this great spirit. There is an energy there that has no barriers or boundaries. God is working in the European movement. God is alive in the nations who were once enemies. Push on Europe, push hard and the gates of God's Kingdom will swing wide open. ❖



A Mother's Heart for Peace

by Susan Fefferman

This is my experience with the Peace Walk through downtown Jerusalem and "A Mother's Heart for Peace" rally in Independence Park, Jerusalem, on May 27, 2004.

This was the effort of the Israeli family and the 70 members of the task force called to Israel by our True Parents. Father's direction was given on March 28th of this year, he said; "sisters...have to visit the families who lost their loved ones by terror. They have to comfort the victims' spirits, then terror will disappear."

Thus the sisters went house to house, heart to heart, listening and comforting, sometimes shedding tears together. They always prayed for the healing of the people and of the nation. Our members were primarily from Japan and Korea. There were several Israeli sisters and a few Americans, mostly 2nd gens, and Europeans. Their incredible testimonies would break your heart. So much pain and sadness and nowhere can hope be found for an end to the destruction and violence. The victims on both sides of the conflict have deep aching, open wounds. When our sisters listened honestly to these tragic stories their own hearts

ached and their tears joined those of the victims. These tears and a warm embrace from a foreigner who doesn't speak the language well can move the heart and healing begins. Our own members were transformed as well and their resolve to keep working to heal this great land deepened. This reconciliation effort is the only way to release the pain and weaken the drive for revenge. When Israeli and Palestinian women share healing tears with each other, the seeds of true peace will finally sprout bearing the blossoms of true love for everyone.

Eighteen additional sisters came 3 weeks before the event. They were from Europe and the US to form a special PR team to prepare for the rally. We shared in the door-to-door reconciliation efforts and we were also transformed. The struggle in Israel/Palestine is unlike any other we've seen. The hatred is planted in the children on both sides by the extreme elements when the children are very young. This hatred causes spontaneous beatings, and rock throwings on both sides, which our sisters witnessed. The threat of violence is thick in the air.

Yet none of us felt any real danger because the Israeli family has a long tradition of prayer and making conditions



for the protection of all and the work we must do. We joined in this tradition and each day went out with our hearts full of love and hope for the day. At the center of all the effort here is to clearly understand what God wants us to do each and every moment, as individuals and as a family. That was our constant prayer. Each visit we made was enveloped in a protective cloud of prayer and love. We felt that we were taken care of so well by the Israeli family.

Our task was to reconnect to all the Ambassadors for Peace, the WFWP members and other contacts in preparation for the rally. We met the very best people who helped us find more great people until each of us had a long list of new people to meet and talk to. We were delightfully busy and shared our hearts daily. The Holy Spirit worked with us in an intimate way and all of us gained new insights and grew in our character as true women to be unwavering in our resolve.

Since the pilgrimages started the very small Israeli family has been swamped with supporting all parts of the pilgrimages. We were able to help them in a very important way, so we became an extension of the Israeli fam-

ily! Their trust and encouragement gave us strength to go beyond any barriers that stood in our way. Yet due to our focus we could not participate in the other programs being held at the hotel. We sacrificed being with our beloved sisters in order to do a great job. It was not easy but we did it and I have the utmost respect for my sisters who sacrificed their personal desires to do the task at hand.

Our team consisted of: Hiromi Stephens (MD), team leader for Tel Aviv and Haifa, with Catherine Ono, Lesa Ellenson, (US), Margaret Baron (English, living in Germany), Antoineta Carmody (Peruvian/US), and Tina Coombs (German in England). I led the team overall and the Jerusalem team: Catherine Ichinohe (French/living in Denver), Cathy Mahardy (Denver), Linda Triggol (IN), Reivick Giuliani (Venezuelan in NY), Margaret Ali (Armenian, lived in Lebanon and our only Arab speaker, living in England), Alice Penhard (US living in France), Monika Kunde (Austrian/German but fluent in Russian), Elay Kasongo (GA), Yoko Sasaki (Japan) and for a while Joann Crooks and Lydia Phelan (AZ). We created an amazing unity of heart and mind. We slept in close quarters, shared the bathroom in very creative ways and loved each other dearly. Imagine a center full of loving mothers! We were an amazing group of women that I feel grateful to have been able to know and to work

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Israel. From the Israeli family to the Ambassadors for Peace - great women of faith are standing in the center of God's dispensation. It was so beautiful to see Mrs. Glaubach, Shelagh Shavlev and Shosh Ben Ami cross the bridge to meet their sisters. It was destiny. These Ambassadors for Peace have grown to trust the Middle East Peace Initiative.

At first they were appreciative but skeptical. They cautioned us, that many groups have come from America to work for peace. But most of them come once with good intentions and never return. It's been a year now and our plans for continuation are absolutely clear. The next pilgrimage is planned as well as our youth going forward with Service for Peace. Father's commitment: on March 23rd at the historic Coronation of True Parents on Capitol Hill he said, "until the guns fall silent in the Middle East." The Ambassadors for Peace of Israel are genuinely moved and gaining confidence. They were particularly moved by our Peace Task Force - our sisters who stayed in Israel for weeks - even 40 days. Many waves have gone since March 1. Some lived in Bethlehem in the West Bank and merged in



and with the hearts of the people. Some in Jerusalem and Ramallah, some in Tel Aviv and Haifa. True Parents love is pouring into Israel and Palestine. Some lived side by side with Jewish Ambassadors for Peace working day by day with the heart. They rode the public buses, the same buses that are targets. They witnessed door to door, from Jewish to Palestinian homes. They moved the hearts of women, the mothers who when united can lead their husbands and sons away from war.

When we raised money for those who lost their homes in the international crisis in Rafah they rose to the call

which created "Care" packages for 500 families - so many countless sisters who still were filled with a sense of anxiety over the danger asked me, "Please take me to Rafah. I feel I should go." Who are these Women of Peace, who leave the suburbs and cities of America, Korea, Japan and Europe, leaving their children and family duties behind to come to the vortex of conflict between the Abrahamic faiths? They are Women of Faith. They are True Parents daughters - Korean, Japanese, American (of all races) and European (also of all races) from former enemy nations. They are willing to give their lives not for their own nation but for

Israel and Palestine so that all nations might be free. For Muslims, Christians and Jews so that all faiths might be free. I gained so much from their presence and the real ability we have to bring in the Peace Kingdom.

I have recently seen the power in the ACLC clergy to bring down walls, I have recently seen the power in the Ambassadors for Peace and now I'm seeing the reality of the enormous power of Women of Faith in tearing down the walls. The character of most great men is directly linked to their mothers, so it

was with General MacArthur, so it is with Father Moon. Alexa and Karen fulfilled their roles with great distinction lifting up and protecting Dr. Lan Young Moon - President of the Womens Federation for World Peace International. America, on Memorial Day we just honored our veterans and those who have fallen, but also we should honor our women, who put their lives on the line to bring peace in the Middle East. There is a power in a Mother's love that is like no other. True Mother's love went to Israel and was victorious in bringing healing and love. A healing has begun that will be nourished by our Mother's so that Ishmael and Isaac can come together once and for all as one family.

Thanks to the Women of Peace, the Women of Faith. Hope Expands in the Middle East. ❖



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together.

We had so many deep, prayerful experiences followed by numerous Kyung-behs to move heaven to guide us to understand the will of God. One inspiration that we received is that God is calling our sisters to become true women, like our own Mother Moon, to be deeply committed women of faith and heart who work in harmony with others. We wished to always recognize and lift the good in others. We followed four points of unity: 1. Unity must be supported by reporting before we did something so we could protect each other in prayer and to harmonize our efforts, 2. We offered ourselves unconditionally, which meant that our ideas were offered with no strings attached, 3. Flexibility was our key to respond to God's guidance and inspiration at any given moment. 4. Nothing is too small to take seriously. A simple meeting could lead us to a great person or a deep understanding. Many small things led us to good situations or people

We mobilized, taught the Principle and listened with care to those who grieved. We were then asked to create the program for the rally to be held on May 27 at Independence Park. This was quite an undertaking, as I felt unsure about doing it right. My team supported me and WE created the program through prayer and cooperation. It was really a team of mothers working together in concert with the Israeli family that pulled it all together. We discovered that a mother's heart can sacrifice and unite beyond reason. In this way we won the heart of Israel.

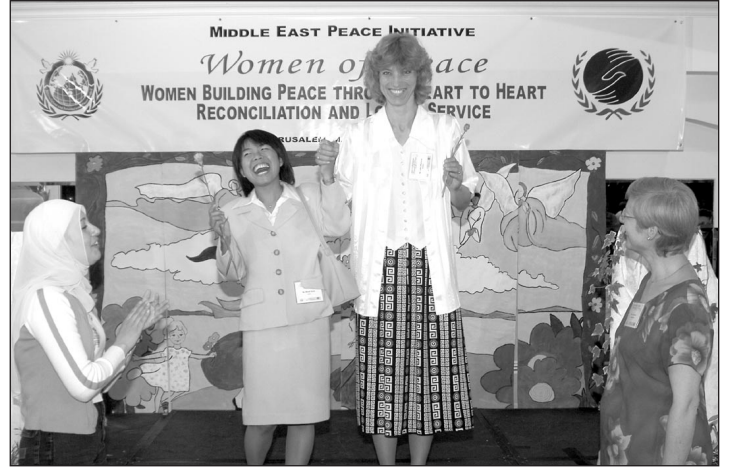
Underlying all our efforts and sacrifices was the absolute commitment to plant seeds that would grow and mature even after we returned to our homes. We did not want to have a "show" but a real moving of heart that reflected the experiences of the door-to-door efforts.

The Peace Walk was held prior to the rally and was a beautiful sight with our 500+ sisters from over 33 nations, many in native garb, walking in the bustling downtown area of Jerusalem, inviting local people to join us in the park.

"A Mother's Heart for Peace" rally focused on testimonies of those who long for peace and those who have lost someone to violence. We had two Arabs and two Israelis whose brave message was the same in heart: we must work together to build peace. (Note: Israeli Jews and Israeli Arabs have lived side by side in Israel since 1948. Palestinians are not free to travel to Israel or vice-versa without special passes. Our women were Arab Israelis)

Many busloads of women came from other towns. Several buses were organized by women Ambassadors for Peace and WFWP members in other towns, and one wonderful brother who always supports our efforts for peace. There was a festive air and women were delighted in discovering friendly faces from around the world.

Messages of welcome were given by WFWP leaders: Miri Kamar from Israel, International President Lan Young Moon, US President Alexa Ward and IIFWP Karen Judd Smith. Music was interspersed throughout the program by "Ludwig (the only man on stage) and Julia" from Malta, who were sent by WFWP



France. They had just competed in the Eurovision competition, "Tes" a conference participant who is the daughter of Holocaust survivors and our own Elay Kasongo from Georgia.

The moving testimonies were followed by Mrs. Cho, a Korean volunteer, who recounted her deep experiences in going door to door.

The final part of the program (simplified due to a limit on time) involved a group of colorful former enemy sisters who embraced on stage to show reconciliation. They included Black and White, German and Jew, Native American and White, British and Indian, Israeli and Palestinian, Korean and Japanese, Arab and Jew. There was a spontaneous call for all of the audience to become peace-

makers. I asked the entire group to get up out of their seats and find someone new. The sisters from abroad eagerly led the way, but soon everyone got into the spirit. They spent time getting to know one another and then we recited a pledge to each other in English, Hebrew and Arabic created by our PR team. It reads:

1. I welcome you as my sister to bring true peace together through the logic of love.
2. I promise to leave behind my prejudices and look at you with new eyes and an open heart.
3. I promise to care for you and your family with a true mother's heart of compassion to reconcile all our differences.
4. I promise I will respect and honor you

and your faith.

We concluded with a rousing song, "Shalom" (Peace) which then moved on to dancing in groups all over the park. Women from all walks of life, different dress, religion, language and ways of moving their bodies held hands together. Yet all united in joyous dance together at being sisters.

This simple, shoe-string budget program opened the way for women and mothers, sisters actually, to continue to work towards reconciliation and healing. The opportunity and need for many sisters to come and work here is open. All who love God are welcome. Bring comfortable shoes and an open heart. You will receive much more than you could possibly give. ❖

by Frank Kaufmann

Many who participate the Pilgrimages to the Holy Land find new life and a renewed sense of the ideals and dreams characteristic of their early Unification days. I see in these Pilgrimages genuine sacrifice, genuine results, and a real application of the principle.

Now we have completed 5 Pilgrimages to the Holy Land, (perhaps even more by the time this article appears). Each visit has its own unique character and flavor. But many ask, "Are we really making progress? Are we really making a difference?"

Daily public news from the region (the Middle East) is mixed. Some news is promising, but most is despairing. We must ask as we write these great testimonies and web-reports, "Are we living in a fantasy in which our outreach touches only pure hearted dreamers, but is without an effective strategy, and cannot reach up to the realms of power and influence where true change can occur?"

I have been blessed beyond measure to be a part, not only of every Pil-



grimage to the Holy Land, but further, to have served in providential activities both prior to the Pilgrimages, and on occasion, in missions and activities between the Pilgrimages.

Presently I see two types of Pilgrimages: 1. those in which life or death providential conditions must be set, and 2. those which are fulfilled in obedience, but the plan of God is not clearly revealed or commanded in advance.

In some, God (through Father) describes precisely what is needed, in others God's mystery is revealed along the way. I call Pilgrimages 1 (May, 2003) and 4 (December, 2003) the former sort, and Pilgrimages 2, 3, and 5 the latter sort.

Let me state (and get this pitch out of the way) my view that Dr. Chang Shik Yang and Reverend Michael Jenkins are true and honorable sons of God, True Parents, and the Providence, and should be supported. Just an opinion.

I place Pilgrimages 1 and 4 in the category of providence-revealed-in-advance.

In short these fulfilled and faithfully executed two unimaginable demands: Pilgrimage 1: Have the Jews repent for the crucifixion of Jesus, and Pilgrimage 4: Have Jews offer Jesus a crown as King of Israel. Only a nut in a zillion years would dream up and require such a thing, and only Father (also in a zillion years) could actually, successfully pull it off. (Hint: Believe the Heung Jin Nim stuff, and believe the Clouds stuff. It is true.

Whatever stands in your way, find a way past it.) These (Pilgrimages 1 and 4) are dramatic tales of stirring proportions. Learn of them, study them, and understand them. They are history. And if you are even remotely related, you carry some solid credentials for

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heaven.

But what of Pilgrimages 2, 3, and 5 (I've dubbed them the "off Pilgrimages")? Where do we find the true and mighty hand of Father and God in these? In a way, these are the real litmus test. Perhaps the inner quality of these "off Pilgrimages" has not been adequately transmitted to the eager and devoted member who longs to adhere closely to what God is doing at any given moment.

Pilgrimage 5 is an excellent example of an "off-Pilgrimage," of which I write now so as to invite every member to jump in without hesitation.

If Father gives a providential obligation (as he did in Pilgrimages 1 and 4), it is easy to be a supporter and a faithful fan. But what of the Pilgrimages in which there are no historical rallies, crownings, cross-burials, resolutions and so forth? Then who helps the likes of Yang and Jenkins? Who understands and supports the sacrifice and life-threatening dangers embraced by Christian clergy by the 100's? Oftentimes the ACLC leaders are not so well encouraged or supported. They do not have that magic mandate from on high to carry the day.

I want to tell you of Pilgrimage 5, so that you do not join the naysayers, and do not succumb to the seduction of cynicism. See if they are holding up the other magical end of Providence, namely generating an offering by faith through the pursuit of True Sonship declared in the Era of Chun Il Guk.

Pilgrimage 5 was a perfect set up for the skeptical to undermine by voice and by whisper the likes of Jenkins and Yang. "What's THIS Pilgrimage about? Why are we doing this one? What are we supposed to be accomplishing with this? Haven't we already done enough of these?"

It is my contention that every Pilgrimage has its own purpose, flavor, and face of God, be it revealed beforehand, during, or after.

Pilgrimage 5 is a perfect set up to support my contention. We just finished a "can you possibly top this?" Pilgrimage in December, 2003. Jews shattered the historical boundary of enmity between the 1st and 2nd Israels, by crowning Jesus King of Israel. What

more could one possibly do? "Why are you doing the same thing, again?" If anything the path of the 5th pilgrimage seemed to traverse a lesser course.

Even the Peace Walk had moved to the tiny Arab town of Nazareth and away from the international and inter-cosmic, Holy City of Jerusalem.

But God himself differed, and showed his face in all its Glory, using Pilgrimage 5 to shout out to the world that it should know True Father's grandeur and the truth of God's almighty power.

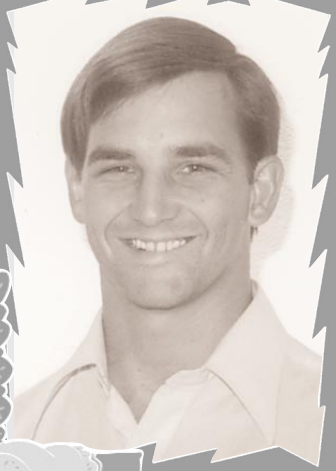
Shortly before the launch date of Pilgrimage 5, Sheikh Yassin, the "spiritual" head of Hamas was obliterated by an Israeli missile as he rolled out of morning prayers on a peaceful dawn (Yassin is a paraplegic who moves about in a wheelchair). Only his head rolled about as the Prime Minister Sharon's command was successfully executed. The devotees of this man's spiritual piety (incomprehensible though it was to most) wailed to the heavens and pledged that every American and every Israeli would pay with death and suffering for this abomination wrought by Sharon and his military apparatus.

Only days later Father, Dr. Yang, and Michael Jenkins led a contingent of ACLC ministers into this land aflame



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with revenge and death. Everyone said do not go to the Holy Land at this time.

It is a cauldron of death and fury. As leaders prepared to tell Father that a postponement was absolutely necessary, Father, in the middle of a morning Hoon Dok Hae, said "I will send 10 times, 100 times more ministers to Israel to bring the true and lasting work of eternal peace through sacrifice and through true love."

The mere fact that 100's of clergy would walk into the grinding gears of death and revenge, on no other guaranty than True Father's love of peace, alone is more than enough for the story of pilgrimage 5 to last forever.

Imagine the bonds that are formed among a community which, to a man (and woman) choose to walk into the valley of death, for the sake of peace, and with only the prayers and protection of True Father to

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shield them from destruction. These men and women, for the sake of peace, in obedience to God, True Parents, and surrender to the leadership of Dr. Yang and Reverend Jenkins walked headlong directly into the most dangerous path on earth. Do you think Father's movement is floundering? Find me a religious leader with one zillionth the influence to move people to path of sacrifice for the sake of good.

Shortly prior to this Pilgrimage 5, a phenomenal (an unbelievable story in its own right) event occurred on Capitol Hill. Father and Mother were crowned King and Queen of the Universe. Perhaps I shall tell that story soon. It is in *this* context Pilgrimage 5 occurred.

Here's the bottom line on Pilgrimage 5: "Are the claims of True Parents regarding the harmonization of the spiritual world, and physical world true? Does the spiritual world have free access to collaborate for the sake of good in dispensational activities?"

Pilgrimage 5 put these questions to the test.

Most people including all people centrally responsible for Father's directions on the Middle East presumed that Pilgrimage 5 would have to be canceled or postponed following the assassination of Sheikh Yassin. The rage, instability, and downright danger, especially for Americans, were at a pitch where one simply could not ponder walking into center of this bull's eye willingly.

There had been a number of conversations among the organizers on how to handle the cancellation or postponement of this pilgrimage. All that remained was to report the matter to Father to get his OK for the cancellation or postponement.

Leaders met with Father intending to present these plans for his decision and advice, but before the report on the situation could be presented, Father spoke for some time. He spoke about many things, including uttering the following: "The situation in the Middle East is becoming so serious. Now I will send 10 times more leaders and clergy there." Do I need to add that the question about cancellation didn't come up? The U.S. State Department issued a no-Israel travel advisory. We left for Jordan the next

day.

Not just "we" left. 120 Christian ministers left. Is it that these people do not have televisions, radios, or do not know how to read? By whose assurances are these Christian ministers walking into a cauldron of madness and blood-thirsty seeking of revenge?

People *must* consider these sorts of phenomena when reflecting upon Father as a spiritual leader.

This was the first pilgrimage which made Jordan its first stop. The routing through Jordan was what spiritually obtuse people call "a coincidence." In fact, however, this route was the par-



ent of a great many fascinating phenomena, which themselves could fill a volume.

Briefly, though, because of the political tensions and hardened national positions in the region, the Arab and the Israel universes are blocked from one another. Our own brothers and sisters in neighboring countries are not free to travel to each other's nations. By having the pilgrimage spend time



in Jordan, the Arab Peace Ambassadors and the Arab-country based Unificationists could integrate into the peace-making dynamic inherent in these Pilgrimages. This is *very* important, for many reasons. We were deeply, warmly welcomed by our brother and sister Peace Ambassadors who were so grateful and proud for these emissaries of peace to come to their country. Our welcome night in Jordan was wonderful and heart warming. David Fraser Harris (from Dam-

ascus, Syria) gleefully welcomed our group as we arrived in Amman (Jordan), and performed magnificently to add to our understanding the complex history and relations in the region. This indispensable wealth of information and perspective could never be made available to us, if we only ever traveled to Israel and Palestine.

Secondly, Jordan is the place of Mt. Nebo, the site where Moses stood and gazed out at Canaan, forbidden to enter the Holy Land. This was a site of torrid spiritual experience for our ACLC pilgrims. But more than just this was our benefit to visit this site. Recall that by now we have already done 3 major providential acts related to Judaism

in the context of these pilgrimages: 1. The May 2003 signing of the Jerusalem Declaration containing among other content, Jewish repentance for the crucifixion of Jesus. 2. The December 22, 2003 crowning of Jesus of Nazareth as King of Israel, by Jewish representatives, and 3. The February 4, 2004 crowning of Jesus as the King of the First and Second Israel in the Dirksen Senate office building in the U.S. Capitol, again by Jewish religious leaders.

With these 3 acts, Father out of his endless love for Israel and the original family of God's **C O V E N A N T**,

orchestrated spiritual and symbolic acts in history to liberate the generations of Israel. For this reason the visit to Mr. Nebo had enormous significance and power, both as the place where the Biblical heroes Joshua and Caleb inherited the providence, but now we decided to add one more element. Under the new conditions of the complete liberation of Judaism, Moses' descendants and community, we decided that our visit to his mournful site would be the occasion to put Moses' sorrow to an end. We would "take Moses on the bus with us" as we crossed the River Jordan to the Promised Land. Many on the tour had ineluctable experiences in connection with this determination.

The phenomenon of traversing the River Jordan remained a powerful part of our narrative this time on the 5th pilgrimage, again in ways which could make up the content of a volume in itself.

Finally, this itinerary provided us with the unique experience of traversing international checkpoints in the region. This was new, and it provided excellent insights into the reality of the people living there. Each checkpoint is double, moving from one sovereignty to another, back and forth. Furthermore, checkpoints are the kernel of conflict or peace. The border guards



(especially in a time of terrorism) represent the greatest vigilance, and the greatest sense of separation and enmity. Yet though this is their job and responsibility, it is not their nature or desire. Our group, as a multi-religious task force for peace, provides these otherwise stern and agonized guards with a ray of hope, and a face of gentle and hopeful humanity.

Once through immigration from Jordan to Israel, we began the Israel and Palestine portion of the Pilgrimage.

As we continued on our way, it quickly became clear that this group was avant garde. This group was the needle (the front most point, the tip) of sewing together the spiritual world and the physical world. The saints of history and the phenomenal power of spiritual reality coursed through our number throughout the days of the Pil-



grimage, yielding an unbroken flood of miracles and spiritual experiences in all the moments of the tour. For example, how was it possible to envision the eventual safety and

protection of the lives and welfare of our members trapped in Al Aqsa Masjid during an historical raid and incursion by Israeli troops following Friday prayers?

Signs of God and the spiritual world ensconced in the day-to-day life of our pilgrimage include: The rescue to safety of our four pilgrimage members who were trapped in Al Aqsa Masjid, while under assault from the Israeli State, Safe passage and restoration events in Gaza during our one-day conference in Gaza (this SO soon after the assassination of Sheikh Yassin), the Pentecost in the Upper Room on Palm Sunday, the Blessing of peace in the Gaza-Israel return (through the checkpoint), and many other such moments and occasions throughout the journey. And recall, this was a pilgrimage which did not carry a specific providential task or mandate from Father (such as the crowning, or the Jerusalem Declaration). I point this out particularly in light of the sometimes bewilderment, and sometimes cynicism in response

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HEART TO HEART

Music of the Middle East Peace Initiative

by David Eaton

On March 23, 2004 the American Family Coalition released a new Compact Disc featuring songs inspired by the Middle East Peace Initiative (MEPI). The 14 tracks on the CD represent a wide array of artists whose musical styles and influences are as varied as the multicultural make up of the MEPI and its supporters.

There is a very interesting story here. In October of 2003, Utah state senator Howard Stevensen traveled to Israel on the third MEPI Pilgrimage to the Holy Land. Senator Stevensen was moved to tears by his experience in Jerusalem and upon his return to Utah, testified about his trip to his close friend and colleague, Senator Orrin Hatch.

Now I didn't know this, but Sen. Hatch is a prolific songwriter who has produced several CDs with his friends in Utah, including Dan Whitely, a former member of folk group, The Lettermen. Senator Hatch and Dan wrote a song based on the inspiration of the MEPI ("The Jerusalem Peace Song"), which in turn inspired Jim Flynn and MEPI leadership to produce a CD of music about peace and reconciliation. They asked me to put together a compilation CD (in about two weeks!) in order that it could be available for the Ambassadors for Peace/Coronation banquet that took place in the Dirksen Senate Office Building in Washington, D.C. on March 23.

At about the same time, Rick Jozwick from California was working with composer Barry Fasman (producer of the hit movie "Fame") to produce a peace song based on the MEPI slogan — "PEACE, SHALOM, SALAAM ALAIKUM." At Jim Flynn's request I contacted Rick and a number of our musician friends who are involved in peace issues to ask them to "donate" a songs to the project.

We wanted to call the CD "Heart to Heart" which was the theme of the MEPI rally in Jerusalem on December 22, 2003. Since we didn't have a title song I quickly set about to compose the song "Heart



to Heart" with my good friend and partner in peace, Lynda Laleh Nader. We were able to get it recorded in just two days.

The CD cover is a photo of the "Heart to Heart" peace walk in Jerusalem. The slogan of "Peace, Shalom, Salaam Alaikum" has become the official chant/motto of the MEPI rallies and as you'll hear, it features prominently in a number of the songs on the CD including live audio from the "Heart to Heart" rally in December.

An enchanting arrangement of Jean Sibelius' "Song of Peace" was the music used in the Coronation ceremony in Israel's Independence Park and is also included on the CD.

In addition to Laleh, and myself, other artists represented on the MEPI CD include Jamie Peterson, Raoul Joseph, Rev. Philip Thomas, Second Generation singer songwriter Chris Alan Derflinger, Mzuri, the Sadoc Christian Singers, Kevin Pickard, Randy Rimmel, Diego Costa and Senator Hatch's collaborators from Utah.

The "Heart to Heart" CD can be purchased on line for \$15 plus \$4.95 for shipping and handling at www.peaceraally.info

On my return to Israel for the WFWP conference in May, I met many more musicians who wanted to contribute their songs to a future MEPI CD project. Stay tuned!

HEART TO HEART Songs for Peace

Track List

- 1.) Peace Marches (:27)
(Live audio from the MEPI peace rallies in Jerusalem, 2003)
- 2.) Peace, Shalom, Salaam Alaikum — a cappella version (:44)
Vocals by Rev. Philip Thomas, Laleh, Raoul Joseph, David Eaton
- 3.) We Will Stand (3:51)
(Rev. Philip Thomas/David Eaton)
Vocals by Rev. Philip Thomas
- 4.) Cool Revolution (3:53)
(Laleh/Dezrock) Vocals by Laleh
- 5.) We Are (5:06)
(Chris Alan Derflinger)
Vocals by Chris Alan
- 6.) True Love Will Find

- a Way (4:31)
(Laleh/David Eaton) Vocals by Laleh
- 7.) Peace, Shalom, Salaam Alaikum — West Coast version (4:23)
(Barry Fasman & Rick Joswick) Vocals by the Sadoc Christian Singers

- 8.) Soulin' (3:44)
(David Eaton) Vocals by Mzuri, Rev. Philip Thomas
- 9.) Jerusalem Peace Song (3:50)
(Orrin Hatch/Howard Stevenson/Dan Whitley/Stan Seale)

Vocals by Jeff Gregerson, Mel Teeples, Dan Whitely, Brooks Teeples

- 10.) Peace, Shalom, Salaam Alaikum — South American version (3:34)
(Diego Costa) Vocals by Diego Costa

- 11.) Morning Of An Age (3:36)
(Randolph Rimmel & Kevin Pickard) Vocal by Jamie Peterson

- 12.) A Song of Peace (5:26)
(Jean Sibelius) Vocal by

- 13.) Peace Shalom, Salaam Alaikum — Gospel version (2:28)

- 14.) Heart to Heart (4:02)
(Laleh/David Eaton) Vocals by Laleh ❖

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1. The Wind Beneath My Wings
2. Through the Eyes of Love
3. I Wish
4. Hero
5. Sarang E Miro
6. My Heart Will Go On
7. Love Will Be Our Home
8. From A Distance
9. Hopelessly Devoted To You
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to the Pilgrimages: "Why are we doing this again? What is this one for? What are we accomplishing with all these trips?," and so forth. At the end, there is a part of every Pilgrimage that is unknown before the outset. There is something which cannot be anticipated, something which only reveals itself as the narrative of each pilgrimage unfolds.

The bottom line of this pilgrimage was that our lives and our safety were in Father's hands. Conditions of rage, seething hatred, and determined revenge so poisoned the air in every corner of the world (following the gory assassination of Yassin), that NO ONE dreamt that this pilgrimage would hold. People were SURE that Father would not risk the lives of important and known Christian and multi-religious clergy under HIS OWN NAME in such a time as this.

which a person might call "an off pilgrimage," might, in its own way be one of the greatest testimonies to Father's spiritual power that a person could ever find, even in a life as magnificent as Father's.

This is why I write at this time. Since Reverend Jenkins usually does a fine job of keeping us all informed, I usually do not feel pressed to write "too." For a couple of these points however, I really wanted to take the time.

On the second day of our pilgrimage, 4 or our group (including some of its leaders) had gone to Al Aqsa for Friday prayers, and to pray and to meet the sheiks of this Holy Site to set up the logistics of our visit. Suddenly, quirky matters took a turn for the worse and hundreds of Israeli soldiers began to storm the sacred compound of Al Aqsa. Tension was thicker than gruel, and the elements of world war quivered at the brink. A breath in or a breath out could have defined a holocaust and international horror.

Imam Bundakji, from a life-threatening position in the mosque made a telephone call that should forever be told. "Michael Jenkins, I do not know if I will live now. If I die, please do one thing for me. Please tell Mother and Father that I love them, and please tell my Jewish brothers, that I haven't changed. I love them."

Michael called Dr. Yang in the United States. "Dr Yang, four of our brothers are trapped in Al Aqsa Masjid. We do not know if they will live. They send Mother and Father their love. Please pray for us."

Where was Dr. Yang when he received this call? Dr. Yang was about a half a mile from the Hudson River marina at Half Moon Bay. He was about four feet from Father. Father had forbidden Dr. Yang this time (for the first time) to travel to Israel with the ACLC pilgrims. "You must stay here with me and pray," were Father's instructions to Dr. Yang. This day on the Hudson was frigid, bitter, and tumultuous. So serious were the waves that Father was nearly thrown from the boat, and was in fact tossed shockingly from his seat off onto the sloshy deck. Members begged Father to please care for himself and return to shore. Father would not.

In this moment Dr. Yang reported to Father that the unthinkable was happening at Al



Aqsa, 100's of Israeli troops had stormed the sacred ground of Islam, bombs and bullets roared, our brothers were trapped with 1,000's of worshippers, the chances of mass death are high. The US State Department, and even the US Marines were at the ready due to the presence of US citizens in this tense and potentially massively tragic event.

Moments later, the leaders of Al Aqsa, by absolute *miracle* had negotiated the safe passage of the worshippers. Our brothers walked freely to safety and returned to report to all of us who were in prayer for their safe return; our Jew-

ish brothers and sisters praying perhaps hardest of us all. Pilgrimage number 5 had only just begun. ❖



Imagine what sort of conditions, spiritual commitment, and spiritual confidence would be required to risk the lives of saintly, trusting devotees by sending them into the jaws of death at such a time as this? Think of the depth of prayer and spiritual power which would have to obtain to put one's self, history, and reputation on the line, to have so many people IN YOUR NAME in a land of madness, walking moment by moment as sitting ducks!

Strangely, this 5th pilgrimage, one

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REV. MICHAEL JENKINS

Rev. Jenkins is the President of the American Church

The Providence behind Ahn Shi Il

Our central focus on Witnessing and Education are directly linked to the providence behind Ahn Shi Il. There are two components of responsibility that Father is emphasizing to fulfill our path as Tribal Messiahs at this time.

1. The Cain Tribe: This is Tong Ban Gyok Pa or (breakthrough on the neighborhood level). It has to do with Blessing and educating your home church (360) and associates that you relate to in your mission and work. This also is the foundation to fulfill the conditions necessary for stability in our blessed family - spiritual children and a stable environment of support for the Blessed Central Family. We all must have three spiritual children to restore the requirement of A & E with the three archangels in the Garden. Because they couldn't bring the proper order with the three when the family was not achieved. Because Jesus three disciples could not unite with him in heart and substance Jesus went the way of the cross. The reason behind Jesus not leaving a family is directly linked to the three disciples not having united with him.

2. The Abel Tribe: This is most central and is repeatedly emphasized by True Parents. This is why all our foundation and church organizations were completely turned upside down in Korea. Everyone was sent back to the home-town due to the urgency of this central responsibility. We must embrace, bless and educate our relatives and immediate family. This is absolutely essential for our families fulfillment in the role of Blessed Central Family and Tribal Messiah. We should bless our relatives with the Cheon Il Guk Holy Wine and bring about a transformation in our family. This is why Cheong Pyeong becomes a central component for fulfillment. Through Cheong Pyeong our ancestors are liberated and blessed and free to fully work with us. Therefore massive and rapid changes can occur within our own families at this time. (We should not use our past experience as a reference - we did not have the free support of our ancestors and the same conditions as we have now. The support of the spiritual realm and especially our ancestors release the Heavenly Fortune.)

This dispensation has unfolded based on the Coronation of our True Parents and the proclamation of the fulfillment of the Sabbath. On True Parents Day, April 19th Father proclaimed that the Sabbath has now been fulfilled and that it is expanded in that everyday is now the Sabbath.

Also he called for a new history to depart from the old "restoration" history. Therefore the tradition necessary during the restoration course is not the

same as that required for Kingdom building. Our tradition is being elevated to the course for building the Peace Kingdom. Father proclaimed that Pledge Service will now be held on every eighth day. This is for a new beginning in history. The first day of this new tradition of "eighth day" Pledge was held on April 19th (True Parents Day), the second on April 27th, then the third on May 5th. May 5th was declared as the first Ahn Shi Il.

tion of Yeong-nam and Ho-nam regions and the unification of North and South Korea. Father gave a speech titled "What is the Origin of Unification and Harmony?" saying, "The origin (God) is the treasure which never changes for tens of thousands of years. If it is visible, people will struggle with each other in order to get it. If Yeong-nam and Ho-nam try to unite with each other by themselves, it is difficult; but True Parents, the savior, the Messiah, can help them to be united

with each other; it is possible. Everything will be solved in this way." 3rd Ahn Shi Il (May 21, 2004): True Parents hosted the "Declaration Rally for Absolute Values for the Sake of Harmony and Unification," which was held on the third Ahn Shi Il in Yeosu, with a gathering of 15,000 participants. On a very

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War on Evil

Ephesians 6:12 - For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

In the final days of the second 40 Day Condition (at the top of the growth stage) key leaders who supported our True Parents were strongly attacked and asked to separate and deny their association, particularly for supporting the Crown of Peace event. I am happy to report that these key leaders - religious and political, exhibited outstanding faith.

Like the time of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., many tried to intimidate people for their association with the King movement based on condemnation of Dr. King on unfounded and unsubstantiated accusations. Dr. King was first deemed an "untouchable" because he was black, he was accused of being a communist and a threat to the security of our nation. He was ridiculed for outlandish claims that freedom and justice could be won with non violence. Based on these unfavorable conditions and the ill will of those who want to maintain the status quo of the division of races and religions, many who associated with Dr. King were smeared and ridiculed. Some were harassed and even lost their lives. The courage of Dr. King and the believers in the "Dream" turned the tide and the movement broke through.

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Welcome!

Shin Joon Nim

Newborn of Hyung Jin Nim and Yeon Ah Nim couple

May 22, 2004



The First Ahn Shi Il (Day of Settlement and Attendance): On May 5th at Yeosu, Father declared the first Ahn Shi Il. He proclaimed that the pre Millennial era referred to in the scriptures ended and the Millennial Reign of the Lord began on this day. Father's authority to change the Sabbath is rooted in the fact that he is the "Lord" or master of the Sabbath. In Matthew Chapter 12 we read that the Pharisees challenged Jesus concerning his disciples plucking corn on the Sabbath complaining that Jesus allowed his disciples to do that which was not lawful. In Matthew 12:8 Jesus explains his authority to open a new tradition saying "For the Son of Man is Lord even of the Sabbath." On this day, May 5th, the era changed from the pre millennial "era before heaven" to the millennial reign of the Lord or "era after the coming of heaven." Originally, centering on Jesus, the "era before Jesus (B.C.)" and the "era after Jesus (A.D.)" should have combined; but Jesus was crucified, and it was not fulfilled. True Parents stand in the position to restore this through indemnity.

2nd Ahn Shi Il (May 13, 2004): Each Ahn Shi Il is setting the conditions necessary for the Kingdom of God and its eternal expansion. Reconciliation of divided families is essential for this eternal foundation and the Fatherland must be the center of this process. Therefore Father set the condition with representatives of two Korean provinces that historically have not been united. Father held the "Rally for the Harmony and Unification of Yeong-nam and Ho-nam" (two provinces in Korea) on May 13, the second Ahn Shi Il. Yeong-nam is another name of Keong-sang-do, and Ho-nam is another name of Cheol-ra-do. Historically, the relationship between Keong-sang-do and Cheol-ra-do has not been good. People of each region have hated each other. The rally started with 4,300 members from Yeong-nam and Ho-nam regions. Rev. Chung Hwan Kwak read messages from the spirit world and then gave a lecture about the way of unifica-

tion of Yeong-nam and Ho-nam regions and the unification of North and South Korea. Father gave a speech titled "What is the Origin of Unification and Harmony?" saying, "The origin (God) is the treasure which never changes for tens of thousands of years. If it is visible, people will struggle with each other in order to get it. If Yeong-nam and Ho-nam try to unite with each other by themselves, it is difficult; but True Parents, the savior, the Messiah, can help them to be united with each other; it is possible. Everything will be solved in this way." 3rd Ahn Shi Il (May 21, 2004): True Parents hosted the "Declaration Rally for Absolute Values for the Sake of Harmony and Unification," which was held on the third Ahn Shi Il in Yeosu, with a gathering of 15,000 participants. On a very

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We must truly understand who are True Parents are and not allow the "realities" of the world to dominate our thinking concerning the possibilities for the Kingdom at this time. The "realities" of this world are not simply in the hands of Man alone but are determined by the providence of God and the fulfillment of the responsibility of Man. Without knowing God's providence man is buffeted by history, knowing God's providence we can, by fulfilling our Portion of Responsibility, determine the course and direction of history. The key to overcoming the problems we face in our marriages, families (with our children), our tribes (Cain and Abel), in our communities, nation and the world - are to be found in fulfilling our own personal responsibility and believing in and attending the Lord. Through our faith in True Parents (on the individual level) unifying our mind and body we can at the same time advance the unity of our marriages, our families and expand to the world level. When I see Father addressing everything from the Middle East to the 38th Parallel, the one thing that is absolutely clear. Father himself and True Mother have

Found in the Files at 43rd
It's
Alexa (Fish) Ward

An Outstanding Second Generation Debut

Carnegie Hall New York • June 2nd 2004

TTrue Father suggested Carnegie Hall for her debut. He discovered her outstanding musical talent at age of 9. In 1997, True Father personally called Jun-Sook Nim to find a musical mentor to develop her skills as a violinist.

Jun-Sook Nim recommended Professor Albert Markov of the Julliard, New York. He is a world-renowned violinist. 5 years later, True Father asked to set up an incredible debut for her and give an unbelievable impact to the whole world. So, Father recommended to use one of the biggest musical halls at this time, June 2nd 2004. True Father is expecting successful concert.

True Father has supported her for 5 years, and her talent has now blossomed:

Father gave her a scholarship to study violin in America, and she came.

She has made tremendous musical studies with her spiritual dedication. In 2002, she received a special prize in South Korea for being the "Best Musician of the Year" because

she was the youngest violinist ever to perform Paganini's 24 Caprices, which is the most difficult violin piece on stage. Even in the history of violin, only a few select individuals have performed this piece live on stage. On June 2nd 2004, she will perform 24 Caprices by Paganini. It should be noted that

she is the youngest performer in the history of Concert Violin.

Her grandfather, Young -Ki Moon, was the True Father's first cousin. He passed away to the spirit world in 1999 and True Parents gave him a special title called "Sim Jae," (True Brother at heart) because he was testifying True Father in the early days in North Korea, and until his death, he was always loyal and faithful to True

Parents.

This is a very proud moment for our movement and to the second generations as a whole, because she will be presenting our church and our members in front of many people through beautiful music, on the stage. Therefore, it is hope that our members can feel proud and also can support

her on this occasion by coming out and being a part of this historical event.

Hometown Pride

(This is an how Alison Bert, in hometown newspaper, reported on her virtuosity: The Journal News, NY, June 1, 2004)

BREWSTER — When first traveled from South Korea to the United States at age 9, her parents took her to the Manhattan School of Music to audition for Russian-born violin virtuoso Albert Markov.

The master was unimpressed with her technique. She played for "fun rather than art," he recalled, and she didn't even know how to hold the violin and bow properly.

But Markov looked beyond her lack of refinement to test her musical ability. He played short tunes on the piano and asked her to find the notes on violin. She did, instantly.

"Most normal children cannot do it," he said. "After three minutes, it was clear to me that this girl was born to play violin. I suggested to the parents to take it very seriously."

They arranged for her to live in the Unit-

ed States and study with Markov.

Six years later, the 15-year-old Brewster High School sophomore is about to make her New York debut in Carnegie Hall. She will play the "24 Caprices, Opus 1," of Niccolo Paganini — a demanding, unaccompanied 90-minute tome that few attempt in concert.

"It could be a world record," said Markov, who says she is the youngest violinist ever to perform all 24 caprices on stage, and the first in more than two decades to perform them in Carnegie Hall.

He calls it "the most challenging program that exists today." But interpretation goes beyond the demonic acrobatics Paganini displayed on violin, which led 19th-century concertgoers to purport that he acquired his virtuosity in a pact with the devil.

While she referred to the cycle as "a circus on violin," she said she and her teacher worked hard to capture the music's romantic and theatrical qualities. Practicing in her bedroom last week, she spoke of the different "characters" portrayed by each movement.

"It could be devil-like characters or angelic characters that you have to bring out," she explained.

She laughed when asked which she preferred. "I'd say those crazy ones. I'm pretty young and active."

She said the rapid-fire arpeggios in Paganini's first caprice — which has her bow speeding across the strings at nearly 16 notes per sec-

ond — reminds her of the rumbling of a motorcycle.

But the plaintive strains of his 21st caprice, "Serenade," make her think of a love song. She closed her eyes and swayed as the phrases she played swelled and relaxed, a gentle vibrato pulsating through the romantic melodies.

On her violin made by Giulio Cesare Gigli of Rome in 1759, she plays with a rich tone that's a little too large and bright for her bedroom, but which will mellow as it sails through Carnegie Hall's spacious Isaac Stern Auditorium. She said it sounds "kind of bad" in her room, but that's a good thing.

"You can catch more mistakes in these dry (acoustics)," she said. "Once you go on-stage, it sounds better, so you feel good about it."

Listening to herself critically has become a routine for her, who has a tutor so she can spend half-days in school and practice in the afternoon. She plays some phrases "over and over," said her aunt, Hajung Loveless.

She is from a small town in South Korea called Chunchon. Before having a family, her mother was a professional singer who had studied at the Mozarteum in Salzburg, Austria. She said she was given a violin at age 3 because she needed to play an instrument to get into preschool. But she played only "for fun."

That changed when her parents visited their relatives in Brewster and took her to play for Markov.

Markov arranged for her to board with people near his home in Rowayton, Conn., so she could take lessons several times a week. Because she didn't speak English, Markov said, he would "dance around her" to convey musical ideas. Soon, she became fluent.

Although her parents visited for extended periods, they still lived in

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The key religious and political leaders surrounding our True Parents will not be intimidated and they have broken through, refusing to bow to threats and fear. They have stood strong and, it must be noted, that the majority of these key leaders who refuse to deny their trust in True Parents and our movement are Black. As Black leaders they are used to such treatment and are not afraid. They are used to slander and being maligned because of race. They are used to people of other races trying to help them "choose" who is "right" to be associated with. They also know personally the "living God" and are not afraid to follow what He deems is the path that has been prepared. The faith and strength of such leadership is the hope of America.

Now, Muslims, Christians and Jews are stand-

ing firm with True Parents for the vision that all races can and will reconcile and that the family can be restored and blessed. At the time of Jesus, at his most critical moment his family and disciples couldn't understand him and key reli-

gious and political leaders separated from him to save their own lives. This allowed the forces against God to directly attack Jesus. Therefore the reversal of the history of 2000 years ago occurred on December 22nd and February 4th

when Jewish leaders gave Jesus support and his Crown as the King of Israel. Religious leaders reconciled and now the strife between Christian, Muslim and Jew can now be solved. The root of the enmity and division between Palestini-

ans and Israelis has now been reconciled. Peace can now be realized.

The leaders of today who love True Parents, unlike 2000 years ago, did not run and deny their associations, therefore the past history has once again been reversed. We are deeply proud of their faith in God and love for Jesus. As they have stood firm they open gate for thousands and even millions more to stand up as leaders and come toward the Peace Kingdom. ❖

EXCERPT FROM *The Master Plan: God's Hope to Heal Humanity*

by Kevin McCarthy

Jesus was sorrowful in Gethsemane because it was there that he lay down his foremost aspiration and, instead, burned to ashes all his hopes and dreams for the Kingdom in his lifetime. The gate was shut and then sealed. Jesus was saying farewell to the hope that God had placed in him for the accomplishment of that ideal.

Farewell, to his disciples and his people, faced now with a most arduous course of exile and destruction. Farewell, to the peoples of the next two millennia, peoples of all lands and all languages who had now lost their chance to live in a world controlled by a covenant of peace. A world where knowledge of the Lord covered the earth as waters covered the sea, where swords were beaten into plowshares and spears into pruning hooks. Where weeping and wailing would cease and be no more.

Farewell holy bride who would never be, who would never embrace or excite the warm glowing passions of her perfect hus-

band and provide for him the place of rest. This unknown beloved princess, this royal bride; the king was ready to be enthralled by your beauty. Yet, no mother embroidered your wedding garments interwoven with gold. No house rose up to lead you to your king. No brethren of joy and gladness gathered along hometown streets welcoming the royal procession.

Farewell, to these loves for which only he was worthy. Farewell to the royal seed; the sons, the daughters, princes and princesses to those hoped for moments of infinite solace and serenity abiding within the sleeping child pressed to Papa's chest. All those moments of love, those treasures, he left behind. Farewell, forever and ever.

Jesus sacrificed more than just himself when he mounted Calvary's cross. He not only laid down his own life but also all of its potential to everlastingly increase as numerous as the stars in the sky and as countless as the sand on the seashore. (Page 226) ❖

NEW VIDEO: *In Search of an Ideal: An Introduction to the Unification Movement*

by Rev. Phillip Schanker

A new video entitled "In Search of an Ideal: An Introduction to the Unification Movement," is available from FFWPU headquarters. One VHS copy was sent last week via Fedex to each region, and by mail to each state. Additional copies should not be reproduced by making lower-quality VHS-to-VHS copies. Low-cost copies are available from the FFWPU Education Department in VHS, DVD or CD formats, as explained below.

This 17-minute video is a temporary, interim support tool designed to present an overview of the Unification experience, for use in introductory situations, whether loaned to a contact, presented in a Tribal Messiah's home meeting, or shown at a workshop or introductory program. In order to effectively use this video, and to help us design an even better one, please consider the following:

What the Video Is

The video begins with "live" moments from the Middle East reconciliation experience, to catch the viewer's interest and awareness that something real and powerful is taking place. The movement is presented in the context of offering contemporary solutions to age-old problems, in a time of global uncertainty. Three sec-

tions follow, on the Teaching, the Founder, and the Activities. The video then describes the heart of the movement as recreating the ideal of family (the teaching is first presented in that context), and then moves to the search for peace, highlighting the process of reconciliation and forgiveness, from the founder's experience to the role of religion and again, the "live" experience in the Middle East. It closes with a simple invitation to those who identify with peace through reconciliation and renewing the ideal of family to work with us to make God's dream, and our own hopes for peace and happiness, a reality.

What the Video Is Not

A. As an introductory teaching piece,

the film focuses on the ideals, values, and principles of the movement, rather than on organizational names, confusing acronyms (IIFWP, IIPC, MEPI, WFWP, etc.), or leaders & personalities. The only organ-

al friendship, in-home meetings, fellowship at the center and the workshop experience. It is therefore not a replacement for personal outreach, but can be a good complement to these types of programs and experiences, showing the bigger vision and broad purpose of the movement.

We look forward to feedback and suggestions for development of an effective introductory video to the Unification faith from leaders and Tribal Messiahs. More importantly, we would appreciate hearing the response of your guests and those less familiar with the Unification Movement. A guided response form will be sent out soon.

Our current productions cost between \$5,000 and \$10,000, which is a fraction of

normal production costs because we use pre-shot video material to piece the story together, and much of the production is in-house. If we write, plan, film and edit a more thoughtful, professional introductory video, we will need to raise tens of thousands of dollars. Our video prices are not just to cover the cost of professional-quality copies, but also to recover production costs, and prepare for new videos. Though we cannot pay for all of our videos through sales, we ask that individuals or groups order higher-quality copies (made from the digital master) directly from HQ, rather than making low-quality VHS-to-VHS copies yourself.

Copies of "In Search of an Ideal" may be obtained at the reduced rates quoted below by contacting Sheila Song at FFWPU headquarters, by phone at (202) 319-3200, by fax at (202) 299-9496, or by Email at education@familyfed.org.

1 - 4 copies: \$ 8 each + s&h
5 copies: \$ 35 total + s&h
10 - 20 copies: \$ 5 each + s&h: \$5 each for 10-20 copies)
25 or more copies: \$ 4 each, includes s&h ♦

How to Use This Film

Though the film cannot convey the personal and intimate experience of our faith community, that is what YOU can convey, through person-



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ization identified is at the close, when the name, address and phone number of the Family Federation is on-screen. The only personality identified is the founder.

Lacking the time and money to write and film a more personalized introduction to the Unification experience, the film relies on existing footage of the movement's events, activities and history, and stock footage to illustrate family, religion, and other general concepts. While trying to make the message personally relevant to the viewer's needs and interests, and address the question, "What is there in the Unification faith for me?"... it is still in the more promotional, busy style of recent films on ACLC and providential events.

Recently Dae Mo Nim requested that an American or Western Leader who is proficient in Divine Principle lecturing with a solid blessed family and mission lifestyle be invited to join the core staff at the Cheong Pyeong Heaven and Earth International Training Center. With the participation of Westerners on the increase, Dae Mo Nim feels that an experienced western lecturer and leader is needed to enhance the experience that our western families (families of all races from Western countries) have with the Divine Principle and their time in Cheong Pyeong. This person could start immediately. This is a salaried and formal position. Eventually or even immediately the leader can move their family to the Cheong Pyeong

Join the Staff at Cheong Pyeong

or Sorak City area. They will have normal working hours and will in essence be the permanent Western leader of all Western programs there.

To be qualified you must have graduated from at least one 40 day training session and must have a stable marriage and family. The applicants should have experience in leadership in the Church, CARP or AFC or other Unification education based missions.

To apply please download the application form. When completed email it to Margaret@familyfed.org. (Note: you can also apply online on the Familyfed.org Website - In the Announcements Section) We expect the selection process to go

through the end of July as this position is most important for the work of Heung Jin Nim and Dae Mo Nim in Cheong Pyeong.

We see this as a great calling and opportunity. Don't be afraid to apply. If you have questions please email Margaret@familyfed.org. All western leaders are welcome to apply.

Cheong Pyeong is central to the historic dispensation for the Peace Kingdom. In the near future, True Parents will settle at the Palace in Cheong Pyeong as it will continue to expand as a central point of focus for the Peace Kingdom. Those who become part of this team with Dae Mo Nim as their guide will contribute greatly to history and humanity.

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Korea. While she didn't complain, her uncle in Brewster became concerned.

"I noticed that she seemed lonely," said Philip Loveless. "I felt that this must be difficult to be 10 or 11 years old, and her parents are going back and forth, and she's under a lot of pressure to play and practice. I said, 'Why on't you consider living with us?'"

Now, when she's not practicing, she likes to hang out with her cousins at home.

At school, she was "a hidden star" until concert posters went up recently, said her guidance counselor, Michael Farschner. "She is so modest and humble, I don't know how many students new that she was quite that talented."

She has performed with orchestras in South Korea, Bulgaria, Italy and the United States. In 2002, she was recognized by the Arts Critics Association of Korea as Best Musician of the Year.

Her compact discs include a recording of the Paganini caprices on the EMI label, to be released at tomorrow's concert.

As president of the Rondo Music Soci-

ety in Norwalk, Conn., Markov arranged for the group to sponsor her Carnegie debut.

Markov, who trained with the world's top masters in the Russian and German methods, says his student is poised to represent "the new American school of violin." He said her approach combines the technical rigor and discipline of the German school, represented by Carl Flesch, with the "free and very individual approach to self-expression" displayed by Russian masters such as Jascha Heifetz.

But the legacy she is carrying on will likely be far from her mind tomorrow night.

"When I'm on-stage, it's like a dream for me," she said. "I don't quite think of what note to play or how to play. ... I don't think it's something that you should think about. It should come out naturally — from your heart." ♦

Universal Ballet Returns to Lincoln Center

by David Eaton

This is a great opportunity to reach out to key community contacts, Ambassadors for Peace, relatives and clergy. The performance times are July 30 at 8PM, and July 31 at 2PM & 8PM. All UC members will receive a 20% discount on tickets purchased by June 30 and a 10% discount if purchased from July 1. Discount Prices are as follows:

	Orch. & 1st	2nd ring	3rd ring	4th Ring	5th Ring
20%	\$56	\$44	\$32	\$24	\$20
10%	\$63	\$49	\$36	\$27	\$22

Checks or money orders for advance ticket purchases should be made payable to: NYC Symphony and sent to 481 Eighth Ave. F22 New York, NY 10001. For more information e-mail NYCSYM@aol.com and put UBCTIX in the subject field.

Lincoln Center is located at Broadway and West 64th Street in Manhattan.

See You There!

by Rev. Michael Jenkins

I had the blessing of going to my hometown, May 18, 2004 — Chicago, I. First stop was with Bishop Kim and the ACLC monthly breakfast meeting. 200 clergy gathered as the ACLC monthly meeting in Chicago has become self sufficient and empowered with the same respect from Clergy and Politicians alike as that commanded by the major Ministerial Associations. In fact many believe it has become the central religious body of influence as the Mayor, Congressman, U.S. Senators and the Alderman of the city have grown to respect and love Father Moon for the amazing vision that launched ACLC.

In Chicago the dream of Father Moon has taken on a permanence and influence that is not something that comes because there are directions to work with clergy but rather an embodiment of the reality that a unified group of religious leaders, especially when crossing racial and religious lines has tremendous impact and stability in this modern day. The old alliances that were ethno or religio centric have lost their power as the diversity and need for understanding far and wide is the Dream that Dr. King saw for America and it is the mandate that heaven demands.

ACLC Chicago fulfills all this.

Results? What is the meaning of such influence. From Civil Rights leaders to the attraction that brought True Parents directly to Chicago of three occasions on a single event venue (never done at any time or in any other city or country in the world). Chicago has the first Christian Church that welcomed our True Parents on a public speaking tour.

Breaking through the religious lines led the Chicago movement to bond with the Minister and the Nation of Islam opening the door not only to the Million Family March but to Al Aqsa Mosque. Detroit (part of Chicago Region under Bishop Kim) have brought very central and important religious leaders who stood on the stage with True Parents in the Coronation—Imam Elahi and Rabbi W.

The good Rabbi of Chicago Region was the one who said “this gathering of Muslims, Christians and Jews is in a harmony here at the Capitol that I must say can only be because the Messiah has come.” With that profound announcement the Rabbi stretched forth his hands, reminiscent of Isaiah, over the congregation of the Lord and offered the blessing of God for his diverse Children. Then as a cosmic moment forever indelibly etched in eternity he blew the Shofar—sealing the Messianic proclamation. Results, it was

MY VISIT TO CHICAGO: Preparation for the Holy Land



the Chicago member of Congress who having been at the ACLC meetings since 2000 and having seen the unity of Clergy movement founded by Father Moon since the eighties was absolutely solid and deeply grounded in his faith in God as he lead the prestigious procession of the Coronation with Republican and Democrat, Protestant and Catholic, Muslim, Christian and Jew. This is real and the results are the tangible manifestation of the Mainstreaming of the Son of God. Something that Jesus dreamt of 2000 years ago and ever since.

As I brought the message I felt a sense of “heart” that was deeply comforting for one who wails over the suffering of God’s children. From Rafa in the Gaza Strip to the streets Tel Aviv to the bloodied streets from Baghdad to Chicago. Please God, forgive us for not moving faster. If we just could move



faster and proclaim and realize more successfully the cry that must be fulfilled at this time in History “Let My People Go!!” Our people are God’s children, Christians that we grew up with, Jews that we have now repented with and our dear Muslim brothers who we now weep and march together with. Let our People Go. Just when your shout seems not to be stopping the bloodshed and violence, I find myself looking at God face to face — in the face of A.I. Dunlap. Who 40 years ago as a youth and young A.M.E. Pastor faced another monster who many believed would never loose

their legal sanction to kill in the name of the false superiority of one race. It was there in Danville, Virginia that Rev. A.I. Dunlap led a group of students on a march and met the white robed men with a Cross emblazoned in a small circle on their chests. These KKK with their pointed white sheet hats had Thompson Sub Machine Guns. As they faced down Rev. Dunlap and the youthful marchers the Holy Spirit came, as she always does in the moment of life or death, and gave Rev. Dunlap a scripture which he cried out:

Psalms 121:1—4 I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the LORD, which made heaven and earth. He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that keepeth thee will not slumber. Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.

Upon reciting this verse a tremendous sense of power and energy from God swept over him (the same thing happened to David before Goliath), he then faced the Devil with a profound sense of inner peace and said, “Go Ahead and Shoot !!! For You Can Kill My Body But Not My Soul”. Stunned in disbelief as Dunlap began walking directly toward the central man they visibly

shook and miraculously parted allowing the humble marches to walk right through silently. God made a way out of no way.

This is the A.I. Dunlap that I saw there at the Chicago Prayer breakfast on Tuesday morning. God sent me there so that I might gain strength as we go to Gaza. This is the Dunlap that when the Chicago Tribune smeared our work on the front page in 1987 saying “DuPage Officials Linked to Moonies.”. The devastating headline caused the Superintendent of Schools (later state superintendent) who had been to 4 CAUSA conferences to immediately claim that “they lied to me” “I didn’t know Moon was in it.” A football star, a hero, a great politician, a popular guy, the superintendent with one word “MOONIE” became jelly.

Like Peter, just one week earlier at



the state capitol at a conference for ALC this important person proclaimed in front of a bi-partisan conference of 29 State Legislators that this group founded by Rev. Moon was one of the “most important educational organizations to help the legislators know the “Constitutional Roots” of the great American Republic. It was hard to imagine when I called him the morning of the headline his saying to me, I can’t be part of this, it will ruin me. I’m sorry, I’m sorry. In interviews he claimed he knew nothing. Four times with Dr. Pak, four times watching the film on “Truth is My Sword” concerning the time when Donald Frazier held congressional hearings to try

to destroy our True Parents. Did the superintendent know? You bet he knew. But in the moment of trial, he chose to save his own life. It was very, very sad. I will not recount the immense tragedies that befell this pour soul after this choice. However, this is real and it is history. He later repented to me and we embraced. He is forgiven. Lord let him be blessed now for he truly suffered great tragedies after his mistake.

That was the “Moonie” headline when read by Rev. A.I. Dunlap that caused him to say on his porch that August evening in 1987, “Mike, you want to picket the Trib?” I was stunned.

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WANTED:

Full-time Elementary School Teacher

The Principled Academy, preschool-8th grade, situated in the spacious facility of The Bay Area Family Church in scenic Northern California, is seeking a full-time Elementary School Teacher, for either 2nd grade or a combination 3rd-4th grade class for 2004-2005 placement, starting late August.

JOB DESCRIPTION: Plan a yearly curriculum in each of the major subject areas. Plan and carry out daily instructional lessons. Set up classroom to meet needs of the students. Participate in and conduct regular Morning Services based on a monthly theme. Maintain progress records on all students and confer periodically with parents. Attend weekly staff meetings and five evening events.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Valid Teaching Credential or Certificate with one year verified teaching experience in an elementary or middle school. Energetic, Flexible, Creative, and willingness to work as part of a team.

HOURS: September-June: 8 am-3:30 pm; standard school year calendar

SALARY: Placement on teachers’ salary schedule per units and experience

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THE THIRD AHN SHI IL EVENT IN YEOSU
Declaration Rally for Absolute Values for the
Sake of Harmony and Peace
 May 13, 2004 • Blue Sea Garden, Yeosu

T rue Parents hosted the "Declaration Rally for Absolute Values for the Sake of Harmony and Peace", which was held on the third An Shi Il, May 21, 2004, in Yeosu, with a gathering of more than 13,000 participants, overflowing from the 10,000 chairs that had been prepared.

The venue was Blue Sea Garden, a newly constructed facility near the city of Yeosu, which includes residential premises for True Parents and a hostelry for members attending



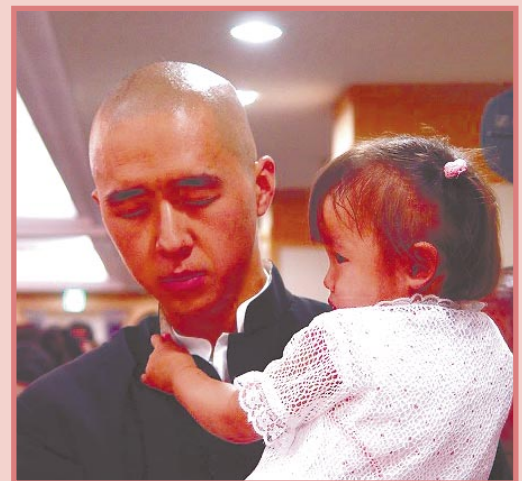
workshops, right on the coast.
 In a very beautiful and shiny day, father spoke to the crowd with the title "Declaration of the Absolute Values for the Sake of Harmony and Peace", emphasizing the

importance of the establishment of the absolute values within the families which is the base to bring about the true changes in the society ... all the creation including human being are created to live for the sake of others, and because of this we can not live the way we wish ...
 During the celebration, the Japanese and Western members among the crowd were called forward and "matched" with Korean members in a brotherhood/sisterhood ceremony. The Koreans then invited their international counterparts back to their homes for a day.



The 42nd Day of All True Things

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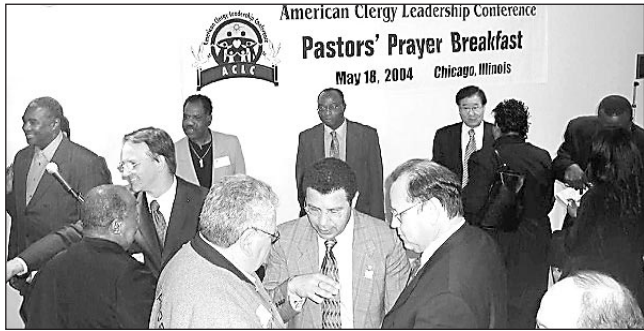
When I asked others what they thought, they like me thought this idea was crazy.

When I looked out into the audience all these memories came back to me as I preached about the reality that we must build families in the image of God. That we must realize that Father Moon is the Messiah, that we must build the Peace Kingdom. Looking at A.I. my heart went back to where I came from and how God took me through the streets of this very tough city only to one day find myself walking side by side with some of the same Clergy—like Rev. Levy Daugherty, Rev. Leroy Eliot and Rev. Jesse Edwards and Bishop Stallings and women like Bishop Margie Dela Rosa—side by side in Gaza. Chicago was the training ground, just as God put each and every one of us in the training ground that he knew would best prepare us for the future.

Looking at A.I. and Bishop Kim my soul was comforted and strengthened, then I saw Rev. Bruce Sutchar, true blue, always there, always brilliant with great wisdom about the city, the history, the Jews, the law and the clergy. Looking back further at the Prayer breakfast was Rev. M.E. Sardon. The first day I arrived in Chicago in 1983 on IOWC I was taken by David Capra to meet the clergy that was on the Project Volunteer Board, Rev. M.E. Sardon. The first pastor I met in this great city. Rev. M.E. Sardon, with us then and now 21 years latter at 92, with us now. It is amazing. This great civil rights leader was the first to say Amen when Dunlap said, "Let's Picket the Trib." Sardon and Dunlap were known names in Chicago. Before anyone hear of Martin Luther King Jr., Rev. M.E. Sardon was picketing the bread companies because they refused to hire black drivers even though the majority of their sales in that area was to black drivers. The Mayor at that time (we won't name any names), but it was in the 50's, asked Sardon to let go of the protest and said to him, "We can work this out with the Bread companies."

So he went with the Mayor to one of the main bread company and was invited into the President's office. It was there that the President pulled out a check saying, "Rev. Sardon, here is a check for \$30,000 dollars to help your ministry and your fine work for the community—all you have to do is call off the march." "Well, my, my, my" Sardon said. (Sardon is big man around

6'2" and 260, a former Captain in the Army Corp. of Engineers in W.W.II and one of the few black officers to serve under Gen. Mark Clark.) "My, my, my. I'm sorry I just can't do that for we just want fairness and ask that you allow our certified black drivers to apply for work at your company. I'm sorry I just can't accept this check, what I really want is a chance to show you how well our young men will do under your



employ." With that he tore up the check and before the disbelieving Mayor and Company President, he walked out the door, picked up his picket sign and took his place in the line.

The next day on the Picket line the police came roaring up in a squad car and handcuffed Rev. Sardon and took him to jail. He was booked on Felony charges of running a racket of "shacking down" the stores on the street that wouldn't hire blacks. Things became real dark in his life. A Felony Charge. Even family and friends and some clergy wondered if he had done something. Finally after many weeks in jail, he was brought before the judge. The case was presented and it just happened that the judge looked at Sardon and immediately upon hearing the presentation of the prosecuting attorney said, "Case



Dismissed." "What" the prosecutor replied. The judge said, "I've known and watched Rev. Sardon work in this community for many years and know that there is no way he has anything to do with this allegation. — Case Dismissed!"

We serve a living God. Sardon went on to negotiate many, many opportunities and jobs for qualified black men. Sardon was now walking on the Trib to decry the discrimination of Rev. Moon.

At the Prayer breakfast Tuesday, I looked over further and there was Rev. James Bevel, now a special advisor to Minster Farkhan, and one of the most known and written about young civil rights leaders who walked with Dr. King. Jim taught me for many years the principles and ways of inclusion and non violence. Jim was the one that after the Dr. King was jailed in Birmingham and the adults were afraid to keep going he organized the Children's crusade and

marched with students against Bull Connors fire hoses and police dogs. He taught the children, some grade school girls, "when you look into the policeman's eyes, do not fear, love him. Imagine that he is just like your uncle and say I Love You!!" These children won the day and the heart of America was turned. Jim also strategized and led the March on the Trib to clarify that the word "Moonie" was a label that was designed by haters to destroy the work of the man of God.

Some Unificationists protested and said, we like this name, and Rev. Bevel would teach, "Who came up with it?" We answered that it first appeared in Time Magazine. He said, you don't realize do you that these terms are designed to isolate, ostracize and destroy you. That's why "Nigger" could cause people that normally would come to black peoples aid to tremble and run. No one wanted to be called a "Nigger Lover". These hate terms can kill. They cause death and destruction. "No, No, No he said. We have to do a movement to educate the Publisher and the editors about this."

Thus the march on the Trib began. With these Civil Rights leaders that were convinced to their life's blood that another "King" was on the planet. Another "Martin" had been sent by God. Only this time God was being even more clever, he sent this preacher from Korea and gave him a name that has the Sun and the Moon. With this kind of preaching in New Macedonia Baptist Church our hearts became light. About 40 gathered that first day of our rally and march on the Trib. We were encouraged. Then a new experience came about for Bruce and I that day... Everyone was excited, everyone was ready... We preached and worked all day and clarified the violation of the Trib and the hate behind the word. We wrote our statement and Rev. Bevel gave it a title Are the "Moonies" our new "Niggers" Wake Up Your Hearts. We all protested the title. "Jim", I said, "this is too strong". He said, it doesn't matter if its strong or not, it is true.

We went down to the Trib, leaving in many cars to carry the 40 preachers. When we go to the Trib, No One Showed Up!! Just Bevel, Sardon, Rev. Jakie Roberts and Dunlap, Bruce, Rev. Tommy Watson and I. "Man", I thought to myself, "We're going to get creamed by the Trib!!!" Rev. Watson, Bruce and I stayed outside with the picket signs (as Rev. Bevel requested). Sardon, Bevel and Jakie went in to see Jim Squires the managing editor of the Chicago Tribune. They discussed the whole term and Squires was unconvinced claiming, "I can write whatever I want to." Rev. Bevel said no, your privilege to write doesn't supersede our rights in America. You cannot violate other people and get away with it. If you keep violating minorities and discriminating against people of faith you eventually will make our community angry. You don't want our community to get angry believe me. The meeting ended in a deadlock.

That night Mr. Squires called Rev. Bevel and said, "Jim, I've been following your career for many years. You have done a fine job and we wouldn't want to see you good name ruined.

What are you doing with Moon. You don't know what I know. We have sources as a newspaper that give us in depth information. Moon is no good." Rev. Bevel said, "Oh I see, what is that information. I would like to know about this for if this man is as evil as you say he is, I would like to be the first to pick up a stone and join in the stoning. If he's that evil I need to know. Let me see what you have on him" Then Mr. Squires said, "It's confidential information that I can't let you have, just know that it is very bad." Rev. Bevel said, "If its that bad we should bring it out."

Mr. Squires said, "Listen Jim, if you don't hear me we may have to dig up your background." Jim said, "Fine, please do, if you've got some dirt on me we should put it all on the table so I can clean myself up." The threats failed. Jim was standing on faith and principle. Rev. Moon was like Dr. King. Cut from the same cloth. He was sure of it.

The next day our rally at the church grew, we broke through and eventually 100 gathered at the Trib. Dr. Pak and old warrior for justice gave incredible and courageous advice each step of the way, he told me, "Michael, what ever



you do don't let this cool down. Keep up the pressure." The local Family Church leaders totally understood and did not allow the fire to dwindle.

A sit in at the Trib was organized and Bevel, Sardon, Roberts and Dunlap were arrested. At the jail I went with Rev. W.M. Johnson to post the bail and as we walked through the doors you could here them singing at the top of their lungs old spirituals. The Jail house was rocking, the police were smiling.

This led to a four month court battle. The first court appearance, everyone said, would be just a day to throw out the case. Nobody cares about a misdemeanor trespassing charge. We went in kind of carefree that day. Bruce Sutchar though I better call Don Kaplan my best friend and Jewish Lawyer. Don showed up. (Thank God). We got there and two well dressed attorney's were there for the Trib. I asked them, you're going to throw this out aren't you. They said, "No, we want a conviction." A conviction, whoa. They wanted to humiliate the clergy. However as we stood before the Judge, the clergy were very seasoned over many years. The bailiff called The Chicago Tribune vs. Sardon, Bevel, Roberts and Dunlap.

Then again, I watched the history unfold. They were there willing to go to jail for Father Moon. This set a different kind of condition. Amazingly the 30 or so clergy that came with us to the court that day all knew what to do. They all stood up and walked through the wooden gate of the Perry Mason style old Chicago courtroom. 34 ministers stood before the judge. All the clergy had the clerical collars on. Then the judge said, the Trib versus all these clergy. I don't know what this is all about but there is no way I can win in this situation. I reuse myself from this

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Israel Service Project

Young and young at heart volunteers wanted for Service For Peace's Global PeaceMaker program in Israel, this coming July 30 through August 10th. Work with Palestinian, Jewish and Arab youth to serve the community and help model peace in the Middle East. A total of up to 15 volunteers from the USA are needed to join 15 others from Europe and Asia, and 15 more local participants.

Cities to be visited will include Bethlehem, Jerusalem, Haifa. As well as meaningful service opportunities, there will be cultural exchange, a day and overnight hiking and camping in the desert wilderness, visits to historic sites, and much more.

Fee is \$700 all inclusive, plus airfare.
Interested? Email Mike Balcomb,
mbalcomb@serviceforpeace.org

Walk Across America: A Prayer Of Peace And Reconciliation

by Rev. Thompson

Many people, upon hearing that an 1800 couple Japanese brother was planning to walk across America from California to Connecticut June 1, 2004, had the same reaction. "What kind of crazy Kamikaze Japanese guy is this?" However upon meeting Mr. Matsuo Machida the doubts and skepticism is washed away by the realization that this is one of the most unassuming brothers one could ever meet and that he feels very clearly called by God to do this. Mr. Machida has walked the length of Japan twice and walked from Pusan to the 38th parallel in Korea to reverse the course Father walked from Hungnam to Pusan. Bill Bechtel who has volunteered to be the assistant to the travel for the first leg from San Francisco to Reno, Nevada commented that this man is so humble and yet you feel that he is living in the joy of God. Indeed that is the sense that many people felt after a short time with Mr. Machida. He seemed quite overwhelmed and rather embarrassed by all the fuss that his Walk Across America is generating.

Originally the walk was planned from Los Angeles to Connecticut but because of the hot weather which would be encountered in the southern states it was decided to begin in San Francisco instead. This seemed to make sense from the viewpoint that the first Holy Ground in America is here at Twin Peaks and the birthplace of many of our members was here in the Bay Area. This change of venue presented a problem logistically for Rev Man Ho Kim and the church staff who had to prepare in just two days on Memorial Day weekend. The church members rallied around and were able to prepare a wonderful welcome and send off for Mr. Machida.

On May 31st at the Bay Area Family Church we held a kickoff ceremony for this historic walk. We heard that one of the reasons Mr. Machida is walking across America is to bring attention to the fact that 20 years ago America put True Father in Danbury prison and this is a wrong which is yet to be corrected. After watching a video about Father's time in Danbury we heard from former President of HAS-UWC Dr. Mose Durst that Father was the same in prison as he is anywhere else, always a man of heavenly dignity. Dr. Durst said that was one of the lasting lessons that he learnt from Father was the dignity of men and women of God and he contrasted that to today's world where we see the breakdown of culture. Rev Leland Harrington, an ACLC minister came and gave his words of support and encouragement for this endeavor.

Mrs. Yasuo Erikawa did a great job of introducing Mr. Machida and also Mr. Yasuo Inokuchi. Mr. Inokuchi has fasted 40 days on 7 different occasions and planned to start another 40 day fast on July 20th, the anniversary of Father's incarceration. Mr. Inokuchi and Mr.

Machida flet like kindred spirits in often being misunderstood and lonely in trying to follow and carry out god's calling. Mr. Inokuchi found out that at the times he had fasted in the past, unbeknownst to him that was the exact times that Mr. Machida was walking. Somehow, by God's hand, this Walk Across America has brought them together to offer their dedication to God ad True Parents.

Mr. Machida was moved to tears and those tears in turn moved the heart of the audience. By the time we had the cake cutting and Mansei's we were all inspired and ready to participate with Machida san on the walk.

Next day June 1, 2004, the anniversary of Yankee Stadium, we went to Twin Peaks Holy Ground in San Francisco. On a typical brisk morning brothers and sisters prepared our hearts and offered

amazing support for Mr. Machida as he started his historic trek at the sight of Father's first Holy Ground in America created on February 1965. After powerful representative prayers by Rev Baek Joong Ku, West Block Director, representing Korea, Mrs. Yasue Erikawa, World Itinerary

Worker, representing Japan and Rev. Bento Leal, ACLC Regional Director, representing USA, words of encouragement from Ambassador For Peace Il Kyun Shin we then had a powerful statement of determination by Mr. Machida. 3 Manseis and we were off walking. First destination was the Golden Gate Bridge. This caused a mini stir with the Park police who run the bridge and the surrounding Presidio as they thought they were witnessing a protest, which they are very cautious about. Upon reassurance that this was not a protest and not an attempt to disrupt bridge traffic they gave permission to walk the bridge, albeit without any signs or flags on display.

And so the historic Walk Across America has begun. Mr Machida is on his way. He is determined and committed to making this a great spiritual condition for the liberation of the Danbury situation and to be an inspiration to the elder son nation of America.

The Third Day began bright and early at 4:00a.m. and the course took Machida san through the town of Fairfield and into the countryside on the way to Davis.



Two of the accompanying staff Mr Inokuchi and Mr. Takeda returned to Japan leaving a travelling party of Mr Shin from Korea, Mr. Machida from Japan and Bill Bechtel from America. Communicating together in broken English and heart they have constant decisions to make and routes to plan out. On the way they meet all kinds of people. Very early in the morning a man bicycling to Sacramento and later, looking rather out of place a man building a 36 foot boat in the countryside. They were joined for part of the day by a few KEA members who offered their support and walked for a while. Tonight they will stay once more at the home of Rutherford and Olga Smith in Davis and then be off early in the morning heading through Sacramento and beyond.

Another early start at 4:00a.m meant that another day of great progress could be made. Walking at over 3 miles per hour and walking for 13 hours means that they have been covering 30-40 miles a day. Mr Machida seems to be at his best with very little fuss and when he can just put his head down and go. Today they hit the capitol city of California, Sacramento. They were hosted for lunch by Shinoske and Miyano Takahashi at their Japanese restaurant and they had a wonderful sharing together. Then back to walking. This time they walked until 9:00p.m. then they met with Sacramento members at the home of Family Church Pastor Charles deWatteville. A wonderful welcome for Mr.

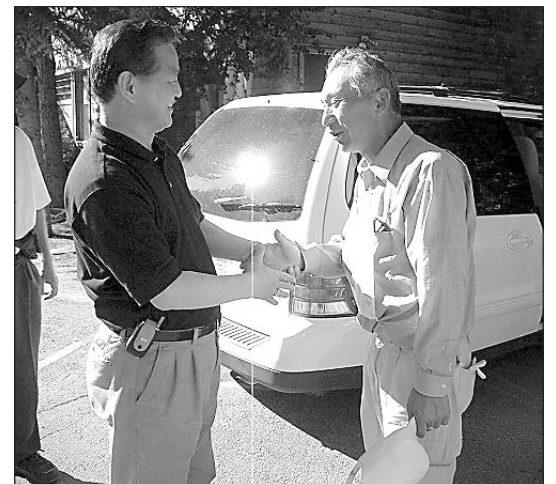


Machida and a chance for the members to hear his story and his motivation. Tomorrow they leave Sacramento and head for the mountains towards Lake Tahoe—spectacular views but more challenging walking. One member said Mr. Machida is like teh Buddhist monks who would walk from temple to temple, pray-

ing as they go.

Through the city of Sacramento on to Auburn and then to Applegate. The Walk Across America started at 4:00a.m. and kept going until 10:00p.m. After a wonderful night with Sacramento members and a good (short) sleep Machida san was off walking and keeping a good pace. He ran across two women who asked him what he was doing. When he told them he was walking across America they said "Are you kidding?" When they saw his sign they realized he was not kidding and they whipped out their cameras and started taking pictures. They wanted to be helpful so they gave directions as to how he could cut some time.

Unfortunately following those directions was not easy and they got Mr. Machida off track on Christian Valley Road. Then by some divine guidance Brian Goldstein was driving along with his two sons and came across Mr. Machida. They walked with him for a while and then realized that this was not the right direction and so they were able to get him



back on track. The deWatteville family walked for a while and kept him company. Now he heads into the Sierra mountains and on towards Nevada.

The first day of climbing started bright and early at 4:00. Leaving the home of Paul and Junko Eagle, Mr. Machida set off for the Sierra mountains anxiously looking forward to the challenge ahead. Through Auburn, Baxter, Dutch Flats and Cisco toward Immigrant Gap the walk kept going. As the body of former

President Ronald Reagan (the President when Father went to Danbury) was crossing the country from coast to coast so the body and spirit of Matsuo Machida was walking across America, one step at a time. Today's climb took him to 6500 feet above sea level and involved 14 miles of freeway walking with traffic whizzing by. The Highway Patrol said told Bill Bechtel that there was no legal issue with walking on this stretch of freeway but they did say that it is highly dangerous and to

walk with extreme care. This plus the steep grades made the walk the most challenging so far but Mr. Machida simply said, "I love it!" The party will sleep in a camp site at Immigrant Flat tonight and then move on towards Truckee and Reno.

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case. The court date was continued. The next time the Judge didn't show up. The next time the judge was sick. Don Kaplan, a pro bono Jewish tiger attorney had a subpoena served on Mr. Cook the Publisher of the *Trib*. His lawyers frantically fought to dismiss this subpoena but it couldn't be done. The Publisher of the *Trib* was going to have to face these civil rights leaders and explain why he wouldn't meet them the day they came. (Because of his refusal to meet they sat in on the *Tribune*).

Each court date was electric. The word was out in Chicago. 10 to 15 TV and print media would come with cameras clicking away, but each time there was nothing in any paper the day after!!! Wow. The *Trib* had collective power with the media. The clergy were most surprised that the Chicago Defender reporters article got spiked. They called the owner who sheepishly told Rev. Dunlap, A.I. I'm sorry. We get all our newsprint paper from the *Trib* and they threatened to cut us off if we weren't silent."

The *Trib* lawyers fought with Don

Kaplan and then Don hit with the Rap sheets of Bevel, Sardon and Dunlap. All deep in the Civil Rights history. Countless arrests between the three of them. All for civil rights. No crimes, just righteousness.

The *Trib* realized that the clergy would gladly go to jail. They were going to take this one all the way. They were having a religious experience dealing with injustice.

The *Trib* called back. We drop the charges, but on one condition, the clergy sign a waiver saying they won't sue the *Tribune* for false arrest. The Clergy refused, the case was dropped anyway.

We sent a Christmas Card to Mr. Cook renewing our request for a meeting. One month later our delegation met in the top floor of *Tribune* Tower in the office of the Chairman, CEO and Publisher of the Chicago *Tribune*. Like Rev. Bevel always taught most of the people in leadership that are doing us wrong are just good people who have been misinformed. Some are hateful bigots, some are just ignorant and some are communists committed to destroy God's people. Mr. Cook was a very fine man, he had the wrong information. He knew from that day on that Rev. Moon was real preacher. Like Rev. Sar-

don said, "Rev. Moon reminds me of Dr. King. In fact this is the first time I really felt that Martin was around again."

Mr. Cook set the policy. The *Trib* never used the word "Moonie" again. With this spiritual victory, the rest of the media let this pejorative fall without a fight. Injustice and hate eventually, when uprooted with love and sacrifice will eventually fall. It was a classic Jacob and Esau battle. Jacob can only give God's love and heal Esau, not from a position of weakness, but only from a position of victory. When we won the court battle we could have sued the *Trib*. However, we wished Mr. Cook a Merry Christmas and assured him that we meant no harm but only to discuss with him how we might work together to build a better city. His heart opened because from a position of strength we chose to love.

I sincerely thank God and True Parents for those clergy and for Bishop Kim who has grown the movement into the most real and viable living witnesses that I know of.

Thank you Chicago. Now I'm ready to March with the Women of Faith into the heart of Gaza, Jerusalem and Ramallah.

America, is the only nation truly prepared by God to be the Elder Son. We

must cleanse her now. The False (Gay) Marriage teaching and practice will dissolve in our path, the immorality and hate in America and throughout the world will dissolve in this path. How important is the Interreligious Council and the work of the Prophets.

Rise America. Land of Ancient Dreams. Send Forth Your Light In Sacred Holy Beams.

America—Your light is you beautiful Holy Daughters that will fly across the Atlantic and the Mediterranean today to meet our destiny. Alexa and Karen lead us on. Dr. Yang will give True Parents heart and spirit on the front line there. True Parents and Rev. Kwak will pray for our victorious walk. Pray for Dr. Abe, Hod and all our Israeli brothers and sisters and Ambassadors for Peace. Pray for the Fatherland, Motherland and Elder Son and Younger Son (European) Women as they walk in total faith. Who would send the best women of the movement into the fiery furnace. Only the Lord would do this because he knows that just as Shadrach, Meshak and Abednego went into the fire and survive, they also found one more there. That one more is Jesus. Jesus is waiting for us now. The King of Israel and Palestine. Glory to God. We serve a living God. ❖

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On the 7th Day California was completed. Mr. Machida said "Ronald Reagan was #1 Californian and now he will help me on this journey." Last night the group camped out. Bill Bechtel estimated how far Mr. Machida would get and chose a campground. He just finished pitching the tent and was about to go pick up Mr. Machida when who walked into the campground—Mr. Machida. They were so happy to see each other and connect exactly at the right place that they hurried towards each other. Bill considered giving a "High Five" but because of cultural differences thought better of it and then was thinking to bow and in the split second of indecision they both hugged each other and experienced great joy on the Sierra mountain top.

They slept in the chilly tent and rose

at 3:30a.m to begin again. Yesterday there was a lot of freeway walking but today was much more rural and very few cars. Spectacular views all around as they passed Soda Springs and Donner Pass (where the famous Donner party had met the severe winter and had to turn to cannibalism to survive) and on to Truckee. Over 7000 feet in elevation they had climbed.

In Reno they all visited and prayed at the original burial site of Young Jin Nim. Then they went to the home of Michael Smith for dinner. The Reno family members brought two Ambassador For Peace guests who had both walked across America in their younger days and they were able to share their testimony with everyone. Dr Yang in turn shared about the recent Israel Providence and all of the great work for Peace In the Middle East. Patrick Hickey gave a gift of a book about Highway 50 "The Loneliest Road



In The World' as that is the next stretch that the walk will take through Nevada. A new driver came to relieve Bill Bechtel who had done a great job in getting the party safely through California in a timely manner. Now 2nd Generation Jessie Berndt will be the driver and he is looking forward to the adventure

Today Mr. Machida had company as he started off walking in Nevada. He

had Dr Chang Shik Yang and Mrs Erikawa to walk with him. Dr Yang offered much encouragement and advice and Mrs. Erikawa walked together the whole day Now the walk is on Interstate 80 on a wide strip next to the freeway. They experienced the first rain today, just a light drizzle and it was welcome. The scenery was so beautiful with early morning mist coming off the lake and gorgeous meadows.

Interesting story in today's USA TODAY about a man who is walking from North to South, Florida to Boston covering 1200 miles. At the same time that Machida san is walking west to east. The purposes of course is very very different and on a total different level.

Jesse Berndt had his first day at the wheel as the support person and is learning from Bill Bechtel what he needs to do. He is the right brother for this mission and is going to have a memorable experience. Tonight they will stay at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Song in Carson City the they hit the long lonely roads of Nevada.

Mr. Machida saw a rainbow across a lake and he was very excited because he remembered seeing the same thing when he walked Japan and he said this was God's sign that he was going to be successful on the walk.

Patrick Hickey asked Mr. Machida what he thought about while walking and the emphatic reply was "NOTHING—I think about nothing—and then every once in a while God gives me some amazing thought and my task is to capture it to share with brothers and sisters.

The trek moved onto 1-50 from Carson City to Fernley then on towards Fallon. This is the route of the old Pony Express and of course it is also "Bonanza" country. On for 350 miles across Nevada the walk continues. ❖

I N V I T A T I O N

The 3rd International Family Service Project: "Establishing A Culture Of Peace Through The Culture Of Heart" 13th – 22nd August 2004 • Slovenia

by Lara Zmaher

The International Relief Friendship Foundation invites you to take part in 3rd International Family Service Project held in Slovenia, where families and volunteers from all over the world are setting up a role model of cooperation among families from different nations and religions, stressing an active role of a family in the society.

Family Project's vision is to inspire families to educate children in the spirit of solidarity and service, teach them about loyalty, respect for others, honesty, self-sacrifice and taking responsibility.

Together with volunteers families will help (small restoration works that everyone can do) to the local institutions (kindergarten, old people home, schools) of two small communities Verzej and Ljutomer

During the project, beside the service, there will be two days of orientation program (making acquaintances, discussing family values), evening programs and round tables, outings to a beautiful landscape along the river Mura, participation in family games, local cultural events and folklore.

A special program will be made for children. They will have a chance to take an active part in the project, help their parents and enjoy in other activities prepared for them (hunting treasure, handcraft work, swimming and playing sports).

Participants will be accommodated at the Salesian institution with long tradition of hosting and organizing camps for children, seminars for families and parents.

You are all warmly invited to participate with your families and experience unforgettable adventures living, working and sharing together with other families and volunteers.

Report and photos from last year family project are available on:

<http://www.irff-europe.org/project/slovenia/familyproject03.html>

We are looking forward to your participation. More information about the project and program you can get from Lara Zmaher (email: larisazmah@volja.net). Application forms are available on <http://www.irff-europe.org/agenda.html>.

Lara Zmaher is the Director of IRFF Slovenia

20 New Ambassadors for Peace Los Angeles

At the quarterly Ambassadors for Peace appointment ceremony, May 22, 2004 in the City of Downey, we had several Bishops, Mayors, Council-persons and other Civic leaders receive their appointment from Bishop Baek Joong Ku.

The City of Downey is located 8 miles away on the South East side of Los Angeles. We have a good friend and brother in the City of Downey - Mr. Keith McCarthy (Mayor pro-tem) who was the Master of ceremonies for this auspicious event.

This is our second quarterly meeting with the last one held in January 2004 in the City of Lynwood. This time, in Downey, it was held in a beautifully equipped hall. The hall can seat at least 450 people theater style and about 250 people banquet style. For us the Ambassadors for Peace ceremony is always banquet style.

The program was interesting and designed well. It started with the Origin under the direction of Music Minister Rick Joswick singing opening songs. Mr. Barry Fasman, who is a composer and also an Ambassador for Peace conducted the choir.

The M.C Mr. McCarthy invited Rev. Teddy Hart to give the invocation. Rev. Hart is the current Pastor of Mt. Zion Church, the church that was headed by the late Dr. E.V. Hill.

Listening attentively to; Rev. Teddy Hart's opening prayer and Rev. Johnson's Testimony

A video highlighting the work of True Parents and the Middle East Peace Initiative was shown. This video which lasted 20 minutes emphasized True Parent's crowning ceremony in Washington D.C. last March.

The video was well received and further testimonies came from Rev. William R. Johnson and Imam Tariq Aquil. Rev. Johnson explained that he was at the Crowning ceremonies on Capitol Hill. And he brought the Congresswoman Linda Sanchez from his district. He related that it was such a beautiful ceremony and that he was glad to have been part of it.

Imam Aquil gave a moving testimony about how he respects Rev. Moon. Imam Aquil expressed how Rev. Moon practiced True Love in Danbury by praying and planning for the rebuilding of America, while the same America unjustly imprisoned him. Imam Aquil got a standing ovation for his words.

Next we had the Los Angeles Peace Chorus under the direction of Ambassador Dwight Stone sing a couple of songs. They sang with such a heart of peace and enthusiasm.

These songs help set the stage for our key-note speaker Mr. Michael Balcomb.

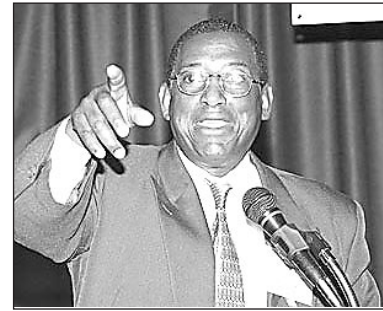
Mr. Michael Balcomb, Executive Director of Service for Peace,



started his presentation by showing a promotional video. This presentation showed how young people in the Service for Peace is making an impact in many different parts of the country. Mr. Balcomb's talk entitled "The Role of Youth in Creating World Peace" was well received by all. Afterwards many of the Ambassadors for Peace (past and present) approached Mr. Balcomb to inquire about having Service For Peace to come to their neighborhoods.

with their appointment certificates. A group picture was taken with all the Ambassadors of Peace (past and present). A total of seventy Ambassadors for Peace were in the group picture.

Cake-cutting ceremony followed right away. This was a very special cake donated by a very famous Chef-Chez Sateau (An Ambassador for Peace) who owns and operates a very high class French restaurant. His gour-



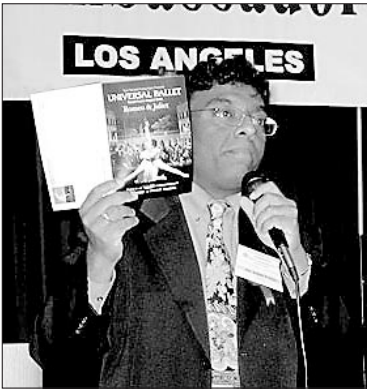
met, prize-winning cuisine has won Olympic gold and is a favorite of dignitaries such as President Bush and Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher.

Our MC Mayor Pro-tem Keith McCarthy invited everyone to join hands and sing "Let There Be Peace on Earth".

Then came the part that everyone was waiting for; sitting down for a meal! And the meal was absolutely fabulous. Prepared by our Pastor Timothy Henning, his wife and a few volunteers, the food was delicious and many guests went for seconds and thirds.

Rev. D'Silva then showed a few video clips of the upcoming Universal Ballet entitled "Romeo and Juliet". Rev. D'Silva encouraged the Ambassadors for Peace to purchase tickets.

The event was definitely a success, and everyone is looking forward to the 3rd quarterly meeting to be held in September, 2004. ❖




Then the famous Sadoc Christian Singers with Los Angeles Peace Chorus and our own Origin went up on stage to sing "Peace, Shalom, Salaam Aleikum".

Rev. Baek Joong Ku then presented all the new Ambassadors for Peace




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When you look into yourself, you will find something of vast value, which is something like the Source, the Origin, God

Sun Myung Moon

Mr. Michael Balcomb, Executive Director of Service for Peace,

Teens Revitalize & Empower NY

by Tokufumi Joshua Noda

Centered on the theme "Revitalize & Empower," Harumi Kawamura and Kimikami Miyake put together a powerful and successful retreat recently. Held at the Tri-State Christian Camps in Port Jervis, NY, the coordinators set out to complete their objective: to spiritually revitalize and empower the second generation of college age to inherit True Parents heart, and with the support of experienced staff members and outstanding speakers, they accomplished just that.

The retreat lasted for four days, from Thursday, May 20 through Sunday, May 23. This time period was organized into three stages: resurrection, re-creation, and empowerment. Furthermore, each theme began in the evening and ran through the next day until the next theme would be uncovered again at night. The first period started Thursday evening and featured the electrifying energy of the MC, Lillie Kirkley. Activities and icebreakers culminated to the trust walk, a symbolic event in which blindfolded participants held fast to a rope that led them through an unseen maze of circles, only to find that their destination was the warmth of a bonfire. There, brothers and sisters shared deep testimonies, tears, and prayers as they determined to let go of burdens and resentments that would hold them back during this peri-



od of resurrection. The clock struck midnight, but the night was not over as groups competed against each other in challenges that ranged from finding your shoes in a field in complete darkness to digging holes in the ground with your bare hands. There was no prize, but the losing team graced us with a wonderful love song to the campsite's one and only emu.

The next day featured a journaling session led by Harumi Kawamura, followed by an extensive and serious prayer-walk run by the Christian camp-site. The prayer walk was a deep experience for many as everybody took the time to pray and reflect on certain aspects of their lives throughout the twelve stations situated on the trail. This day also featured the first appearance of the powerful worship team that even attracted participants from other retreats in different parts of the camp. The all-star line-up featured George Kazakos as the engine of the band, Laurel Sayre on vocals, Koichi Nakai on guitar, Joey Farrant on bass, and Jasun Feddema on drums. In the evening Dr. Ward shared a powerful testimony about his early days in the Church, and shortly after brothers and sisters enjoyed a time of fellowship during the Coffeehouse Night that featured live music, waiters, waitresses, and of course, cookies, cake, and coffee.

The second stage of the retreat entitled "re-creation" set the tone as that evening came to a close and the next morning began. In the morning, Joe Hyung gave a practical presentation on mind and body unity, filled with useful strategies on how to take care of your body centered on your spiritual well-being. Then in the

afternoon, Higashino-san, Akiko Ikeno, and Gelo Fleisher all contributed to our understanding of Jacob's course, and how it applies to our turbulent lives of faith. That evening featured testimonies by Jin Man and Joni Choi, a second generation blessed couple who shared their experiences so that we could inherit their heart. That evening ended the period of re-creation and began the final stage: empowerment.

The next morning was filled with powerful testimonies and presentations by elder second generation beginning with Insoo Kim's deep and insightful presentation on how to lead a life of faith. The rest of the morning featured testimonies by Lillie Kirkley, Naokimi Ushiroda, and Hanako Ikeno, all who poured out their love so that we could inherit their words and grow from them. Right after lunch Jinman Kwak, an elder second generation brother, captivated and inspired us with the

testimony of his life growing up in the church.

By the end of the retreat, brothers and sisters inherited the limitless value of each individual through their testimonies of faith, love, and heart. Tears were shed



as we all realized the incredible spiritual power that electrified the air as many participants found their questions answered and their lives in the process of a breakthrough experience. ❖

Region 17's First Teens' Workshop

by The Teens of Region 17

The weekend kicked off with orientation and a short talk from Rev. Starr and Jeri ssn. We also got a short, but inspiring, lecture from Rev Kwan. Afterwards, Rev Starr introduced five teens (Alex, Mitchell, Eric, Vinny, Koshin) who were to come up and give a lecture about important topics such as Faith, Family, Purity, etc. Each one was given fifteen minutes to express their thoughts and views on their specific topic. The kids and the parents were both equally inspired and moved by the heart and honesty that the teens who spoke showed. Once the speeches were finished, we all broke up into groups and discussed the topics which were just brought to our attention. We found that this way of discussion was very effective because we were able to interact more on a personal level, thus learning their personal opinions and views on the speeches given. After the discussions, we were given an hour or so to socialize and break the ice. Eventually, we all settled down and got ready for bed.

The next morning, we had to wake up at 4:30 to get ourselves ready for pledge. We then broke up and into our groups and read HDH for a good amount of time. We, thankfully, were able to get some more rest afterwards. Then the adults spoke and they each had 15 minutes as well. First, the moderator Rick Schnorr introduced Pat Hickey, Janice, Amelia, Jacob Schnorr, Mark, and Cory Boitano. There were talks about strengthening family, and service for peace. Then we



had lunch and we left for Lake Tahoe. Rick Schnorr brought a boat all the way from New Mexico and we all got to take a ride on it. We also swam, played football on the sand, and had a barbecue. When we got home, a few adults including Jeri ssn gave some talks about how they were proud of us and

how the 2nd generation had inspired them. Jeri ssn talked about her dream for the 2nd generation with much passion and heart. It was very moving. We then discussed what we learned that day. We had ice cream sundaes too!!! We then finished up our meetings and headed off to bed.

We awoke on Sunday ready for more fun. It all began with Sunday service. The speakers were Reverend Kwon and 2nd generation leader In Soo Kim. Jessie Bernt and Takamitsu Sakuwa were also invited to come up and talk. All in all it was a pretty good Sunday service. After that, we had group meetings and headed out to the park. When we got to the park we played some crazy capture the flag games. Then after that everyone ate and drank because they were hungry and thirsty. Then it was back to the action. We played some massive games of matanagae. Everyone had a really good time running around. Then sadly our time ran out and we had to head home. When we got home we had some dinner and then David and Kendra Stein gave their testimony on the

blessing and life as a blessed family. It really inspired all of the 2nd generation about the blessing.

After their speech was finished, the girls and boys were able to split up (girls went with Kendra and the guys went with Jesse) for the sake of asking questions, finding more about the matching/blessing, and learning about what went on as you go through married life. Both sides (girls and guys) thought that this specific topic, and the way that it was organized was really effective and more meaningful. All the BC's can testify that they had many deep conversations and gained so much more knowledge and perspective after the meeting. After the meetings everyone split back into teams and wrote their reflections on the workshop, then since it was the last day every one stayed up pretty much all night.

The next day, we all woke up and received a lecture from Rev. Kwon, Rev. In Soo Kim, and selected testimonies from a few members of each team. We then had lunch and cleaned up the house. Everyone packed up there stuff said there good-byes and left. We believed this to be a wonderful workshop and worth all the hard work (which we failed to mention) that it took to get it all together. We will miss almost everyone that came and thought it was a wonderful experience for every one. We are looking forward to next years work shop and can only hope that it will be half the work shop this was. ❖

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Teens All Over Ohio

by Jin Schrattenecker

Greetings from Columbus and the entire Ohio region! So much has been happening here recently, and unlike ever before we can feel the providence moving so quickly. Here is a report about our 2nd Gen activities for the months of April and May:

From April 6 till April 12 the WAIT (Washington Aids International Teens) team came and worked with the local BC's here in the city of Columbus, Ohio. This visit did not just happen overnight, taking weeks of preparation by Kaeleigh Fefferman, the Tsubata family, and the entire WAIT team. The Columbus BC's were joined by our brothers and sisters from Cincinnati, West Virginia, and even Illinois. The spirit was high as old friends met again and new friends were made.

The high school group took ownership of this visit, finding performance venues for the WAIT team. In total we performed 15 times, reaching over 2,500 people. Jason Kaplan, through many late phone calls, was able to secure four performances at our City Center mall, and every performance was a great success. We also were



able to perform at several schools in the area, the last two performances coming at Westerville Central High School, where Waverly Bair bravely performed in front of all of her schoolmates.

During the week, the local BC's were educated about the seriousness of the AIDS epidemic in our world: over 5 million people die from AIDS every year. We also learned about the heart of the WAIT team, and what it takes to get up in front of strangers and speak out for abstinence and sexual purity. It was a wonderful opportunity to break shyness barriers, as well as to grow closer to each other as 2nd Gen. By the time the WAIT team had to return to DC, everyone was in tears, as we truly all felt like one family with a single, unified heart.

Creative juices were flowing, so the Ohio community decided to take charge and begin our own team, the OH WAIT team. Using the skills we were taught by WAIT, the brothers pulled together and developed a breakdance routine, as well as refining two holy hip hop raps. The sisters are currently choreographing a dance in addition to their singing. The group, 25 BC's in total, then comes together to act in the funny and famous WAIT skit.

On April 29th the OH WAIT team hit a milestone, having its first official all-Ohio BC performance. We performed as part of the Dia de los Ninos (Children's Day) youth convention, sponsored by the City of Columbus. Everyone, children and parents, worked hard and made it a success, as the performances went off without a hitch. With an overwhelmingly positive response, we became even more inspired to improve our acts and to perform again.

May has seen the blossoming of flowers and of



talent, as we have continued to practice hard, looking forward to future performances. After successful Mother's Day fundraising activities, 1st and 2nd Gen here are working even closer now to keep track of funds and organize efforts. We have found that consistent meetings have kept inspiration high and constant, and this has brightened our community immensely.

None of this could have happened without the love and support of our True Parents, nor that of the DC WAIT team, nor the Ohio parents. Showing support through opening up their homes, cooking food, transporting equipment and kids, and through guidance and support, the 1st Gen here have really been wonderful. The Ohio region has been sparked, as we have been given an opportunity to come together and work towards a common goal, spreading the message of purity and of God's love for all people. ❖

by Hank Chin

In mid-March 2004 the Connecticut Youth Ministry held its first workshop since its inception in February of 2004. The high school weekend workshop was held from March 12 to March 14 in a beautiful seaport on the eastern tip of Massachusetts. Twenty seven participants, two mothers, and eight college-aged second generation made their way through a long drive to a revitalizing setting and atmosphere completely free from human pollution or baggage.

The workshop schedule included a variety of group discussions, lectures, sports, testimonies, outside prayers, games, and a scavenger hunt in downtown Boston. All activities were done in teams in order to stimulate an atmosphere of team competition, thereby compelling teammates to bond closer. The lecturer was Mr. Tetsuaki Takeda, a long time favorite of University of Bridgeport CARP students. He focused mainly on internal guidance, helping the students to understand the reasons for our traditions and beliefs. According to some participants, it was "the first time I ever paid attention to a

workshop lecture". At the end of the workshop each student determined a specific action-oriented goal which they shared in front of everyone else and resolved to achieve. Each participant was also given a CD of all the pictures taken at the workshop as memorabilia of their precious experience.

Since the workshop the CT Youth Ministry has been developing step by step to attend to the needs of a rapidly growing community of blessed central families. Other activities include weekly educational courses, prayer meetings, and sports. Our goal is to hold a workshop at least twice a year, welcoming second generation from other areas as well. ❖

CT Spring Workshop



The BC Arts Fest

by YoungSun Compton

The BC Arts Fest started out as the dream of founders Akina Toffey and Clair Hoover. The idea to have blessed children gather for a workshop, its soul purpose would be to focus on the arts... which have been largely absent from our movement." A weekend devoted to the particular artistic abilities of lessed children, to explaining why the arts are so nportant, and to help those implement their skill to further the providence.

The first arts fest was held at UTS in March of 2003 and had roughly 150 participants. Lectures were given by various First Gen. as well as testimonies from Second Gen. Participants art work would be put on display as well as a night of musical performances. As a whole, it was looked at as a success and was followed by a meeting of core staff and some participants, to discuss how to take what they have done to the next level, so to speak. The decision: to have more "fests" more often. The next was held at UTS again, in early December.

The next was held in Southern California in early

April (2-4) and I was lucky enough to have been able to attend. The workshop began on Friday evening with registration, orientation, some ice breakers, and cabin assignments. Saturday began with Hoon Dok Hae. After breakfast Aunt Sheri gave a lecture followed by an artistic expression of ourselves. Each individuals work was put together to create a huge mural. The next lecture was given by Mr. McClellan. He focused mainly on why the arts are so important, and why they are especially important during this day in age.

After Lunch we broke into focus groups; song-writing, video, and visual arts. The songwriting group discussed certain techniques used when approaching songwriting. The video group was introduced to movie making. They were shown the time and effort that goes into even the shortest of productions, from casting parts to the actual editing process. Finally, the visual arts group practiced exercises and techniques that would help in the creative process of drawing and painting. The day was ended with a night of entertainment. Various



musical and dance performances along with a number of short films were presented throughout the night, making for an excellent episode.

Sunday morning consisted of mainly participant's testimonies. Then we all packed our bags and got ready to go. The final closing was held at around noon. I personally had a great experience and felt that everyone in attendance had a good time. ❖

by Jarish Cohen

We had a successful interfaith symposium at Temple University. The idea to have this symposium at Temple was inspired by the Temple Muslim Student Association President. Laurel Sayre, one of the Philly student Carp members also attends Temple and was a key organizer in the event. Six different religions were represented by student panelists. These included: Catholicism, Islam, Judaism, Buddhism, Won-Buddhism, and Unificationism. The keynote speaker was IRFWP Executive Director Dr. Frank Kaufmann who talked about ongoing Peace efforts in the Middle East and about the core of how we as people are all connected as children of God.

After the panelists spoke and Dr. Kaufmann gave his presentation, the whole room broke up into discussion groups which were moderated by group discussion leaders. The discussions were focused on why inter-religious cooperation is important and necessary and what we as students can do about it. Overall, the atmosphere was very inspiring as students of all different faiths came together and put their petty differences aside in the name of peace and tolerance. The concept that we are all children under the same God is easy to grasp once you think about it, but so hard to think of when you view your neighbors as an individual of another race, religion, ethnicity, etc. We are all part of the same whole, we are all connected. All we have to do is bridge the gaps with love.

The semester came to a close and we had our last a mini-outing with the STF/Full Time Carp team at a local park next to the Penn campus. We played a bit of volleyball and then enjoyed a dinner/banquet all together. The STF/Full time team also decided to join the last Divine Principle study Night (DPSN) of the semes-

Philadelphia CARP



ter. It was great to have everyone together as one family one last time before the semester finally ended. It's amazing that most of us are different in many ways, and may not agree on different things and yet we are but the same when it comes to the ultimate goal, the ultimate dream, which is fulfilling God's dream to bring this world back to Him.

The co-founder of Carp/ President of Carp, Naokimi Ushiroda, and student Carp member/Wharton Valedictorian of the class of 2005, Gelo Fleischer have graduated and have thus finished a remarkable chapter of their lives. These two Second Generation BCs really helped in fashioning a community that has become more and more like a family. They have also had a profound influence on many of the Second Generation BCs who have come to know then not just in Philly, but all around the country as well. Personally they have become great brothers to me this semester and have always welcomed me into their lives.

And as the next chapter begins for the coming year, I will be the new student Carp leader for the Philadelphia area for the academic year of 2004-2005, and many new, exciting, promising things loom on the horizon. The world is just yearning and crying out for our help and support, desiring to be loved. And if you just stop one moment to look at the world around you and listen a bit, you can hear it, you can feel it.

HARDSHIP IS MY BLESSING

*Amidst a world of darkness I must be Light.
Amidst a world of sadness I must be Joy.
Amidst a world of hatred I must be Love.
Amidst a world of confusion I must be Certain.
Amidst a world of disgust I must be Pure.
Amidst a world of evil I must be Good.*

*But this is the only world that I can touch, taste,
smell, hear, and see.
I am blind Father,
Where is the Light that I must be?
Where is the Joy that I must be?
Where is the Love that I must be?
Where is the Clarity that I can see?
Where is the Purity that I must be?
Where is the Good that I must be?*

*Keep those people away from me.
Those people that hate and kill with swords
Wait,
They are my brothers.
But when I offer love they retaliate with slashes
across my chest!*

*Do not worry, Father it does not hurt.
I still await your next order.*

*Father, this fight has been going on for too long!
I do not see an end!
Why did my sister have to go through such pain?
I work as hard as I can and I still do not see victory.
Why is it only you understand me?
It is not fair, Father!!*

*Oh I am sorry, Father, so sorry Father.
I did not mean to cause you fear of losing me.
I got carried away. I let myself wonder.
I know Jesus had it hard,
but you know its hard for me, right?
Please forgive me... its just...
How many times must I lose you?
Too often I ignore your persistent call,
push you away.
But from the bottom of my heart I love you always.
I will try harder this time.
Harder than my last promise.*

*Oh give me strength, wisdom, speech, and heart,
Father so I may carry out your will!
I cannot do this alone.
I will not do it alone.*

*I have no pleasure in anything other than serving
you, Father.
I clearly see nothing more important.
No one can desire wealth, power, and fame
when one has felt your presence.
Father, that's it!
I can see the kingdom!
I see hope!
It is coming!
The Sun and Moon are brighter!
Lets get started right away!*

Miihan Stephens (2nd Gen, 16)

FOR KIDS

by Françoise

June

Exams:
- English
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Find the seven differences between these two drawings of end-of-school exams

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This is the thirty-fourth in a series of excerpts from the book *40 Years in America: An Intimate History of the Unification Movement 1959-1999*. The editor is Michael Inglis, the historical text by Michael Mickler. The book is available from HSA Publications for \$70 + \$8 s&h. Contact them at: 4 West 43rd Street, NY NY 10036; tel: (212) 997-0050 xt250 or at their web-site: www.hsabooks.com.

In Search of the

by Dr. Michael Mickler

Dr. Mickler is Vice-president and Professor of Church History at the Unification Theological Seminary.

It would be mistaken to imply that the movement's only recourse during times of difficulty was to turn inward or that it found sustenance solely in the world of the spirit. It also found a great deal of renewal in the world of nature. Here, again, the movement's experience was rooted in the formative experiences of Rev. Moon. Raised in the countryside, he exhibited an absorbing fascination with the natural world from his earliest years. Not unlike others who have laid claim to original revelation, many of his most important religious experiences, including his initial call and inspiration for innovations in his ministry, occurred while praying or meditating in isolated, often desolate settings. However, nature was not simply a backdrop for religious experience. It also was a teacher, providing object lessons in beauty, immensity, mystery and "genuine love." The creation, of course, also witnessed to the Creator.

In addition to this, the natural order had a prophetic edge. That is, it exposed the distortions of human culture and personality and pointed the way toward more authentic existence. Rev. Moon was particularly interested to penetrate through the veil of human artificiality to the primal truths of nature. For him, the natural world taught "a more fundamental kind of knowledge" than school or even religion, which, itself, was destined to be superceded by more natural ways of living and by the primacy of what he termed "original human nature." The Kingdom of God on earth was nothing other than the original human way of life. It began with an original couple and extended to an original family, society, nation, world and cosmos. These were ongoing themes in Rev. Moon's thought and ministry. However, under the impress of the Completed Testament Age and given the world's continued misunderstanding, themes of original creation and of a restored Garden of Eden, even if only on a limited scale, came to the fore in unprecedented ways during the 1990s.

Rev. Moon's understanding that the world had entered a new historical epoch, the Completed Testament Age, which rendered all previous religious expressions, including that of the Unification Church, obsolete, provided the underpinning for what was a dizzying array of initiatives during the decade. Essentially, Rev. Moon began recreating the movement in a way that broke from previous religious antecedents. The progression of proclamations and declarations were an effort to re-start the movement and, indeed, history from a new set of principles and axioms. The intention to recreate things from scratch or what Rev. Moon referred to as the "zero point," also lay behind the displacement of *The Divine Principle* by a new sacred canon of *Hoon Dok Hae* volumes. *The Divine Principle* in numerous ways was beholden to the Old and New Testaments and was understood to lead believers only to the portals of the Kingdom. Humankind needed Rev. Moon's original words, preferably in their original language, in order to reconstitute themselves.

Rev. Moon also began to develop several distinctive themes based upon his understanding of original human nature. One of these was that of human conscience. In a speech entitled, "Let Us Find Our True Self," he encouraged congregants to recite with him, "Conscience exists ahead of parents, conscience exists before the teacher, conscience exists ahead of God." Conscience, according to Rev. Moon, followed "the standard of the original mind" and transcended religious authority. Human sexuality or what he termed "absolute sex" was a second important emphasis. During the 1990s, he spoke with increasing frankness in both informal and public talks about the proper use of the sexual organs, peppering his remarks with examples drawn from the nat-

ural world. A third theme which he developed toward the end of the decade was that of "Jemi," roughly translated as "hobby-culture." Rev. Moon's position was that human beings, by nature, were meant to engage in activities for which they felt the utmost interest and excitement. That was how he approached life, and he encouraged members to follow his example.

It would have been best if the world's people could have affirmed these teachings *en masse*. However, this appeared unlikely at least in the short term. As a consequence, Rev. Moon continued to work most directly with members and, in particular, with the movement's leadership. His style of education was to have leaders join him in increasingly primitive natural settings for physical challenges and expeditions, usually involving fishing. The Hudson River was a major training ground during the 1970s. Tuna fishing off Gloucester, Massachusetts was a focus in the 1980s. In the late 1980s and early 1990s, Kodiak, Alaska emerged as the primary training ground. Rev. Moon was fascinated by what he termed the "way of salmon," and noted that the Alaska frontier bred a truer breed of American. Having gone as far north as possible, Rev. Moon proceeded in a southerly direction for the remainder of the decade. During 1993-94, he educated members on the grounds of a huge ranch purchased in Texas. After 1995, the focus shifted to the primitive inland regions of Brazil.

The progression was not simply geographical. It also involved a shift of perspective. In Kodiak, although the movement had substantial business holdings includ-

South American heartland." The *Times* may have correctly stated several partial truths. The movement, indeed, was not as successful as it wanted to be in North America. Its Korea-based corporations also faced difficulties at the decade's end. It also was true that Rev. Moon and the movement were, to some extent, reinventing themselves in South America. However, to suggest there was a causal relationship among these separate lines of development was misleading. Rev. Moon had been actively pursuing opportunities in the South American interior since 1992 and made the decision to make South America a focal point of his work by 1995, significantly prior to what the *Times* described as his recent "disenchantment" with the U.S. and long before the Asian monetary crisis hit Korea. The real reason for the movement's investment in South America had much more to do with Rev. Moon's sense of immediate providential necessities.

In fact, Rev. Moon was pursuing two separate providences simultaneously in the Americas. The first was a public providence. It took shape in accordance with his grand vision for the two continents. In particular, the inability of the two Koreas to reunite following the death of Kim Il Sung in 1994, which Rev. Moon viewed as a realistic possibility and, hence, a providential failure, opened a new providence in the Americas. The underlying assumption of this providence was that the unity of North and South America would, in ways not precisely specified, contribute to the reunification of Korea. In 1995, Rev. Moon undertook an ambitious speaking tour of twenty-three Latin American nations

which included audiences with eight heads of state. In these speeches and meetings, he emphasized the region's "stunning, and abundant, potential." In his words:

"There are seemingly unlimited natural resources, and the human energies have hardly begun to be tapped. Latin America is a rich, peaceful, natural paradise of grandiose mountains and virgin lands. The mountains, rivers and jungles harken back to the original state of creation, the Garden of Eden."

Contemplating "the glory-filled days that await Latin America in the 21st century," he counseled leaders to "not follow the footsteps of the developed nations," blindly repeating "environmental errors" and falling into selfish materialism.

The purpose of these talks was not to bash the U.S. and other developed countries. Rather, the vision was for North-South unity, the first step of which would be in the sphere of religion. Thus, in December 1995, the movement sponsored a major conference in Montevideo, Uruguay entitled, "Christian Ecumenism in the Americas: Toward One Christian Family Under God." Rev. Moon's hope was to spark unity talks and eventually reunification between Roman Catholics and Protestants. Then, in September 1996, the movement launched *Tiempos Del Mundo*, a Buenos Aires-based extension of *The Washington Times*. It was to open as a weekly first, expand to a daily and eventually grow via satellite and additional technology into a hemispheric newspaper. Former U.S. President George Bush spoke at the inaugural banquet. There, he lauded *The Washington Times* as "an independent voice" that had brought "sanity to Washington, D.C." Never once, he stated in a direct reference to Rev. Moon, had "the man with the vision" interfered with the newspaper's operation. Still, there was a significant amount of opposition to the new venture.

Still, the realities of what the movement actually was capable of accomplishing on a macro level in South America or on behalf of North-South unification were more than sobering. Among centrist South American leaders, there was moderate interest in Rev. Moon and the movement as a source of investment revenue. On



Tree of Blessing
Chung Pyung Lake

ing fishing trawlers and a fish processing plant, it was not expected that leaders who traveled to North Garden, as the movement's central residence was called, came for any other reason than for training. Their primary missions lay elsewhere. This situation changed to some degree with the purchase of the Texas farm. There, the educational program was conceptualized in more comprehensive and idealistic, even utopian terms. Rev. Moon expressed his heartache and determination to address the problem of world hunger in his position as a True Parent. The Texas farm was to become a place to educate people in agricultural techniques. Rev. Moon envisioned as many as 500 people from 60 nations receiving such training and instructed every blessed couple to serve on the farm for 40 days a year. There was to be fishing, farming, factories, mobile homes, a deer ranch, and an ostrich farm. The property was to be divided so that different regions of the world would be represented. However, these plans were never consummated. Instead the movement relocated the locus of its activity to South America where land was incomparably cheaper and where it launched into a full-blown communitarian venture.

In late 1999, *The New York Times International* stated that having "been rebuffed in the United States" and "facing financial difficulty in his native South Korea," Rev. Moon was "seeking to reinvent himself...in the

Origin of the Universe

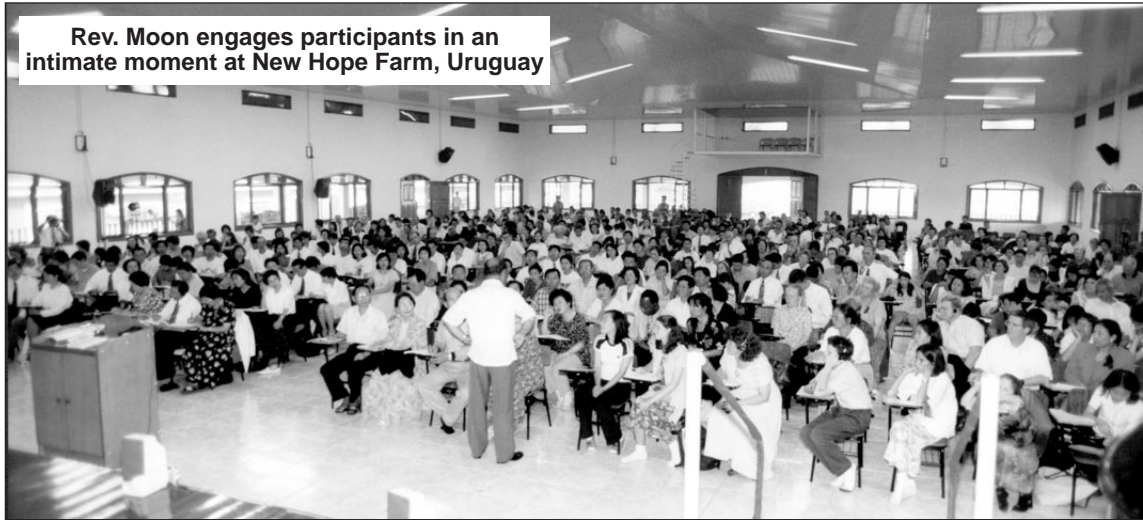
this basis, Rev. Moon could gain access to top-level leadership and even heads of state as demonstrated during his 1995 speaking tour. However, there was less receptivity among politicians to the movement's religious vision. In addition, politicians in South America, no less than politicians elsewhere, were sensitive to pressure from the movement's opponents. On the left, there was lingering resentment over the movement's activities during the cold war, in particular, what progressives viewed as its support of repressive right-wing regimes. On the right, especially among conservative Catholics, there was staunch opposition against the movement as a heretical sect. In this regard, Rev. Moon's prophetic testimony during his 1995 speaking tour that Mary had failed and that Jesus should have married was hard-ly calculated to win supporters among the continent's Catholic majority. In fact, the only unprecedented show of unity between

Catholics and Protestants during the late 1990s was in their occasional unified opposition to Rev. Moon and the movement. The movement's media outreach had potential, but it was a long-term venture and would take years to develop.

Simultaneously with its macro-level efforts, the movement conducted a micro-level providence. The assumption here was that if the leaders of North and South America, or elsewhere, could not respond to the movement's vision of unification, they would have to be shown a working model. Originally, Rev. Moon's plan was that governments of the Mercosur customs union (Brazil, Argentina, Paraguay, Uruguay, Bolivia and Chile) would donate contiguous lands for development "as a model for an ideal, international and interracial nation and world." However, when they did not step forward sufficiently, the movement, itself, began purchasing vast tracts of land in the South American interior. At the micro-level, there were more opportunities for immediate results, and in early 1995, the movement established New Hope Farm outside the town of Jardim (pop. 21,000) in the Brazilian state of Mato Grosso do Sol as the centerpiece of its efforts. Mato Grosso do Sol was in the Brazilian outback, a land of "two million people and twenty-million cows" according to its governor, and Jardim was in the neediest part of the state. Nevertheless, members viewed the land largely, though not entirely, through the eyes of faith. Dr. Tyler Hendricks, who visited New Hope Farm in early 1996 and whose commentaries in the *Unification News* helped shape American members' perceptions, wrote of mud, leaking tents, mosquitoes, and a fishing partner who was stung by a sting ray. He concluded that New Hope Farm, at its current stage of development was "ground zero for the Kingdom of Heaven on Earth." Still, it was "infinite in potential based upon a spiritual vision." As he put it:

"There are millions of empty square miles between Sao Paulo, Buenos Aires, and Campo Grande [Mato Grosso do Sol's capital city]. They are verdant, luxuriant

plains and hills and valleys. They await the loving and strong hands of the true owner who can make them abundant for the sake of a hungry world. I confront my Yankee prejudices and my "north of the equator" prejudices. The world needs pioneers, not just of new technologies of matter but new technologies of the heart."



In a companion piece on the "Development and Potential of New Hope Farm," Dr. Hendricks waxed more visionary:

"The footpaths between the tents someday will be major thoroughfares of a great city. The daily life of the pioneers will be remembered like that of the Pilgrims in Plymouth Colony, Massachusetts. This was the vision that God gave me as I dried out my mud-soaked shoes and made my way to the shower room. Seeds planted by suffering have the deepest roots."

Movement leaders acknowledged that the region "was impoverished, devastated of its natural forest, its rivers ruined, and with a fauna and flora being compromised daily in the process of clearing the jungle for the purpose of ranching." They also acknowledged an illiterate population of about 65 percent, a high level of unemployment, collective pessimism, high interest rates, expensive and slow transportation, and a tendency of land to become swampy or flooded. At the same time, they regarded it as significant that Jardim, which in Portuguese meant "Garden," was geographically located in the center of the South American continent, just a two-hour plane ride from numerous major cities. Project New Hope Director, Rev. Yoon Sang Kim expressed "the ambition of becoming within seven or eight years an example of progress, beauty and happiness for the whole world and then to collaborate and encourage development in all Latin America and the world."

There were clear indications that these were not just words and that the movement meant business. One indication was the appointment of Rev. Yang Soon Kim as project Director. He had managed movement projects at Chung Pyung Lake, Cheju Island to the South of Korea, and had for the past two years been project director at the Texas farm. A second was the assignment of the entire Unification Theological Seminary graduating class of 1996, some fifty students, to the New Hope Farm Project. They assisted in construction and were assigned as missionaries to thirty-three towns within a

200-kilometer radius of Jardim. Since there was no hospital in the vicinity, Rev. Moon donated new ambulances and sent a medical team to each of these towns. Another indication of seriousness was continued construction and the continuous purchase of properties. The project employed some 300 outside workers

and one member suggested that a better name for New Hope Farm would be "New Hope Construction Site." A bridge was completed across one of the two adjoining rivers in May 1998, making the project much more accessible, and a large Temple and Educational Center with a seating capacity for more than 1,200 was dedicated the following July. There were dormitory apartments for 600, a large dining facility with upstairs lecture halls, and an envisioned university complex consisting of six buildings, each with six large classrooms.

With this infrastructure in place, Rev. Moon dedicated the newly completed Temple as an "Educational Center for Ideal Families and World Peace" and called upon blessed couples worldwide to participate in forty-day workshops. There was some initial confusion about the relationship between the forty-day workshops at Chung Pyung Lake, Korea, which were still ongoing, and the new series which had started in Jardim. Rev. Joong Hyun Pak explained to the American membership that the purpose Chung Pyung Lake was to cleanse sins, like cleaning a dirty bottle. The purpose of New Hope Farm was "to fill the bottle with new wine." He also noted that while the teacher at Chung Pyung Lake was Dae Mo Nim, the teachers at New Hope Farm were True Parents themselves. Chung Pyung Lake, he said, "brings us to the top of the growth stage," but New Hope Farm was "training for the Completion stage, until we reach Direct Dominion...[where] husband and wife can learn from each other and God directly." Completion of the Jardim workshop also conferred upon participating families the opportunity to have their photo taken with True Parents, to be entered into True Parents' Eternal Family Register, and for couples to bless their own children.

Despite these incentives, American families were slow to respond. At the first forty-day workshop, there were over 300 Japanese families, 300 Korean families, and a small American contingent of 11 families. This led to a push for more attendance.

Rev. Moon, on visiting the U.S., asked for shows of hands by couples who had attended the Ideal Family Workshop, and movement publications ran a series of articles under such titles as "Joining the Family of True Parents," "Oh Glorious Eden, Jardim of Delight," "Jardim, The Abundant Life for Unificationists," and "Swimming in the Sovereignty." The combination of pushes and pulls had an effect, but the passage of time which enabled families to put aside the several thousand dollars or more expense money, the approach of summer vacation season in the North-

ern hemisphere, and positive word-of-mouth reports from those who returned were equally important. The late spring, summer and early fall months of 1999 were peak travel seasons, and hundreds of American and European families made their way to Jardim. In fact, New Hope Farm was bursting at its seams. Members converted the school buildings into barracks-like sleeping quarters and day-care facilities, arranged complex logistic schedules for the service-learning and pilgrimage portions of the workshop, and virtually fished-out the nearby rivers. The workshop schedule lacked the intensity of Chung Pyung Lake, and organizers placed more of a premium on personal and family reflection. Couples were encouraged to hold hands when strolling, and afternoons were mostly free for "hobby-life." For many, and especially for those who wrote about the experience, New Hope Farm or New Hope East Garden, as it had been renamed, was a Garden of Eden.

For Rev. Moon, it was something else. Having explored all of the back rivers in the area, New Hope Farm was more of a base of operations, a first-stage experience and stepping stone for forays into wilder and yet more primitive regions. During the second half of 1997, he explored the upper reaches of the Paraguay and Amazon Rivers. The Paraguay River was understood to divide the continent east and west and the Amazon north and south, but their sources were only four kilometers apart. Rev. Moon envisioned the area being preserved as a "place of encounter where God, people and all things meet in a New Eden." He further envisioned representatives of 185 nations settling along the banks of the two rivers. This was no idle speculation. In July 1997, he set out by boat on the Paraguay River. According to a travel companion:

"Every 50 kilometers, we set out a sign numbered on a stick... It was not easy to do that, because it is swampy ground covered with growth, and we had to clear the area; walking through the water and getting bitten by bees and ants. We set 63 signposts along the Paraguay River."

Rev. Moon did the same along the Amazon, although given the vast stretches of river to be covered, he adopted a different strategy, flying to different sites, renting boats, and exploring the river. Rev. Moon expressed admiration for the small villages and villagers who were viewed as "pristine Adamic families." The same companion noted that "It was so hot and steamy" and "we all got blisters on our mouths" but that despite his exhaustion and the unbearable heat, Rev. Moon "continued to push us, saying that this is where we can build the Garden of Eden." ♦

Workshop for Special Category Blessed Children Brings Hope, Understanding, Possibilities

In April, an historic and hopeful "Special Workshop" for Second Generation who have fallen took place in a private location on the east coast. Its purpose was to unfold a clear path to the Blessing, convey a calling to build a principled, God-centered family, and discover God's boundless love and great hope for these young people and their families. Despite the short notice, and the struggles of some participants with feelings of guilt, or concerns about embarrassing violations of privacy if they "came out of the closet," more than 20 youth and parents participated in this privately organized, discreetly held workshop.

Applicants were asked to respond privately to Rev. Phillip Schanker, whom Continental Director Dr. Chang Shik Yang has asked to assume personal responsibility for supporting and coordinating this special category nationwide. The location and program was reported privately to each participant, and the program held in a peaceful, natural environment not owned or operated by HSA-UWC. The sincerity and motivation of each participant was carefully clarified, and all participants were sworn to respect the privacy, integrity and secrecy of each participant. Every effort was made to protect the painful, sensitive situation of each family.

Virtually every participant testified

(see testimonies below) that they experienced a liberation from hopelessness, a sense of direction and possibilities for the future, and the tremendous heart of the loving God. Some parents and children attended together, exposing and healing deep wounds in the parent-child relationship. Some parents attended alone, gaining deep insight into their role & responsibility to support their son or daughter. Some strategized together, gaining insight and learning how to more effectively embrace their child's heart and situation. Some youth attended on their own, finding release and encouragement by connecting with others in their same



situation.

The opening evening's sharing was so deep, honest and painful, that I feared it would overwhelm some participants. But the sense of shared difficulty and connection was so strong, and the ability to be open so relieving, that the entire group came together with a sense of purpose, mission and responsibility, and the concrete sense that God and True Parents were reaching out in love, and opening a great door for their spiritual lives. The hard realities of their new course and position were discussed frankly, and the hopeful sense of their

eternal value was underscored. Lectures, testimonies, prayer walks, Q & A sessions, and the heartfelt sharing of Dr. Yang moved all who attended. Opportunities to meet by family, situation, or as adults and children separately, were also helpful.

Some comments and reflections from participants are included below. At least one and possibly more workshops for this category will be held later this year. Those interested in participating should contact Rev. Phillip Schanker privately at truedad@familyfed.org.

Testimonies

"I know this was a difficult trip for many people but I'm sure they are all glad to have been in attendance after this hope filled weekend. I'm not trying to downplay the seriousness of our situation by any means but it's very comforting to have everyone here and knowing that restoration can still take place...This is what we are all about, to help one another no matter how low things get or how difficult the situation." *Youth*

"Fear and shame were quickly washed away with a very supportive and loving, embracing staff...who laid all the ground work and provided help. Rev. Yang particularly helped us to understand that great love from God and TP for the 2nd Gen and the



value of who we are as Blessed Families and reinforced the eternal, unchanging value in front of heaven for that. So much of God's grace was present. A grace that I could not feel in many other situations but it was cascading and ever-present in this workshop. Hands are reached out to everyone and there are people there to deal with the most difficult of situations, finding the way for each one. Thanks to those who informed us of this time and place." *Youth*

"When I heard about this workshop I knew as a parent I wanted to attend to gain guidance and understanding myself. But I wasn't sure if my daughter should come with me or not. We both worried about all the rumors that might come out of this workshop, the fingers pointing that might result both from other 2nd Gen & other parents. We understood there would be the initial experience of feeling shame when other 2nd gen. saw my daughter, how she might feel seeing them too. I must say that this first process... went very quickly for everyone because of the atmosphere of total love, acceptance & even appreciation of these 2nd gen that all the staff and parents expressed & the children felt from the first moment they arrived until the last. Through the course of the workshop our hearts went through many ups and downs, but God's deepest love was present in such a profound way that no child or parent was left for very long in a place of heartache and pain. I often heard from any blessed child who felt how lonely they feel, especially when

they are in the midst of blessed children! By coming here they could realize they are not alone...I felt that in the days & years ahead they will find strength to go the course, knowing those others brothers and sisters are going together with them." *Parent*

"Your seriousness about creating a non-judgmental, warm environment was quite touching. While you were crystal clear about the challenges of their spiritual situation and about the course of restoration they need to follow, you also offered much hope and affirmation of their great personal value before heaven and in the providence. My prayer is that BC's who have fallen will feel comfortable to attend this uplifting and supportive workshop. The only confrontation they will have, if any, will be with themselves. There were plenty of opportunities for reflection, counseling and give and take with peers. There is also a strong commitment by both staff and participants-including parents-to confidentiality... I have never felt so close and accepted by my broth-

ers and sisters during my entire 36 years in our church. It was a real liberation experience." *Parent*

"I was challenged to share my heart in a family meeting with my wife and son. I think this had a good effect on my son and brought us closer than we have been in

years. My son could now feel how much I love him and how important his future as a blessed child is to us. It was one of the best experiences of revival & rebirth that I have encountered in many years. Thank you... from the deepest part of my soul for making TP's love real and God's providence of the restoration of love so precious and meaningful once again." *Parent*

"For the past three years, my husband and I have struggled with how we could help our daughter who had fallen. We believe in a God of forgiveness and love, yet within our movement, there seemed to be no solutions as to how we could help her to be restored or at least begin a path of restoration. After the initial hurdle of arriving and greeting other participants. We began to feel an embracing love & support from the staff and could share a lot of our struggle & pain, as well as feel the heartache and deep pain of brothers and sisters of both generations. Yet, I felt an overwhelming feeling of love for the courage each young person & each parent had in even coming together in this way. Through the pain and tears, I felt moments of inspiration, that through this deep pain we were feeling, there was a really beautiful, loving, giving heart being revealed each of those who had made a mistake. I felt we were being given love and support—and HOPE! This was an answer to our years of prayer and concern for her when I saw her responding positively to this workshop and feeling more and more comfortable here. I really began to feel the tremendous heart of God, the love that he has for each young person here and the parents who have suffered." *Parent* ❖

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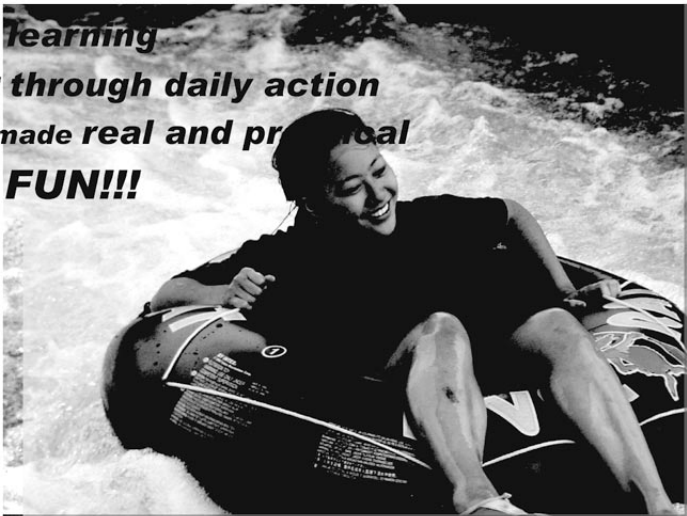
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This article is about people. Each one of us, and our companions, and every one in the world.

Every day we hear popular sayings about humanity. Some are correct, and some are wrong; some are new and insightful, others familiar and mundane. The Internet has thousands of these posted, and they're often hilarious. Thus, we understand a lot about people, and yet we fall short in so many ways.

This quest for self-knowledge has been going on for a long time. Certainly since Adam and Eve, and their artistic descendants who painted Lascaux Cave. The ancient Greeks, and the people of India, honored philosophers and holy men whose names remain famous thousands of years later. Curiously, with similar evidence at hand, they reached very different conclusions about humanity and the universe.

Far from waning, that quest has only expanded. America employs tens of thousands of professionals to find this self knowledge, and to do some deep contemplation. The popular culture has accepted all this with enthusiasm. Women's magazines are filled with articles and quizzes about personality types, and every possible human relationship. Much of it is goofy psychobabble, but some is quite accurate.

Because of this, there is widespread public understanding. Overall, that's a good thing. (It's hard to think of a case in which ignorance trumps knowledge.) Everyone knows what it means to have an 'inflated ego,' or to be an 'introspective hypochondriac,' or to possess a 'type A personality.' These are sophisticated psychological concepts, that were known vaguely, if at all, a hundred years ago.

This knowledge can lead to doubts, often breeding worry or self criticism. (The kind that has nothing to do with

spiritual repentance.) Our fears can be exaggerated!

People are terrible at assessing risk, ignoring common dangers while fretting over the latest media scare. Investigative reporter John Stossel has done an excellent job of presenting this issue.

Meanwhile, scientists are learning more. They can now observe people's reactions to stimuli or questions, internal reasoning processes, and incipient response; by using brain scanners, directly and in real time! Philosophical note: those researchers usually refer to "the brain" in the impersonal 'third person' point of view. Some have concluded that a willing person can overcome its innate wiring.

Relationships

Familiar though it is, this self-understanding can broach some touchy personal subjects, which are difficult to talk about. This being a family publication, I'll skip about nine-tenths of the potential topics . . .

A man's need for prowess, whether with a lion-killing spear or a paper wad tossed into a waste basket, is well known. A woman's longing to be fashionable, whether on the throne of Troy or amidst a downtown crowd, is also beyond doubt.

Hence a man will exercise, or at least, attempt to diet and save his hair. He'll strive to get more money, in order to support his family. She'll spend endless hours shopping for clothing and cosmetics. Then, still more hours dressing up, in order to present herself well to her husband (whether prospective or current) and the world.

There are plenty of exceptions, but this behavior has been the norm, worldwide, since ancient times.

No amount of rationalizing has changed this behavior. Feminists, metrosexuals, and various others continue to try. To the extent they *have* altered things, most of it has harmed marriages and children. Dr. Laura talks about this every day on the radio.

Cooperation

Throughout history, the Golden Rule, in all its forms, has guided human relationships. It's usually cast in a moral sense.

Bringing this rule into one's own life is not guaranteed. Famous people such as Hillary Clinton and Werner Erhard, when decades into their lives, have publicly shared their "profound revelations" that [author's paraphrase] "there are things larger than yourself," and that "helping others progress will help you also." They've couched it in an emotional way.

In the logical sphere, the famous 'Prisoner's Dilemma' analyses the Golden Rule. It proves that cooperation is normally the best strategy. Without trust, both parties *will* suffer. To no one's surprise, in these situations, many people are cursed enough to say "no" anyway.

Philosophers call it Altruism, and wonder if such a thing

Psychobabble

hill and field open and natural. And they expect housing to be readily affordable for everyone.

Unificationists are a 'tribal' group, and we've even used that term. We're one of the most diverse groups in history, with many good consequences.

With our Second and Third Generations growing to maturity, we hope that our BCs will stick together. Thus to support each other, rather than adopting a secular lifestyle.

At your author's local High School, we have enough BCs enrolled to form a clique of their own. This school year, BCs composed a majority of its soccer team. It insulates them from peer pressure to do many common, and really stupid, things. (College remains a different story.)

This gathering of BCs continues in the STF program, with one unexpected result. Young people have joined, and participated with STF successfully. But *then* left our movement—because they didn't feel a part of the BC clique.

That strikes me as terribly unfortunate. I joined at a younger age than most of the folks on STF, and I've moved freely (if not always easily) between many different social circles; regional, economic, religious, etc. The early Christians who went forth to pagan lands didn't worry about staying on Jerusalem's social 'A list.'

In any case, we'd better make room for everyone! Our renewed emphasis on witnessing must include an awareness of this situation.

It is fortunate that many Unificationists are getting degrees and certificates in Marriage and Family Counseling. Those members will do much to bring our worldwide family into the coming Kingdom. ❖

can exist, especially with genuine sincerity. The truth is, it does exist, and it's *always* better. Using experience and wisdom, there are special considerations. Being a total doormat doesn't really help anybody.

The universal acceptance of the terms listed above are a tacit acknowledgment of Goodness. Also, of the ultimate source of morality, best called God.

GROUPS

Humans are social creatures. We tend to look at people, including ourselves, as members of a group.

Some group classifications, such as racial ones, cannot (now) be avoided. Ethnicity may come from nationality or language, and these are often possible to change. As for religion, this may be enforced by personal conviction, peer pressure, and even (in certain insecure societies) by national law. Yet this can also be changed.

Such groupings can be beneficial, or cause horrible conflict, as the current troubles in Israel and Iraq show.

Primitive tribes were small and clan-ish. Over the course of history, larger groups have (mostly) subsumed that tribalism, starting with Roman, and now American, citizenship.

People usually place their own group above others. This can be good, but too often it's not. American engineers are spending millions of dollars to install separate, parallel water systems all over Iraq, because one tribe's little village refuses to trust, or to share *anything* with, "that other" group's nearby village.

Not all modern groups are as sensible as they'd like to think.

Californians use more gasoline, per capita and in total, than any other region on Earth. But, they forbid oil drilling where they can see it (offshore), and oppose it when they hear about it (northern Alaska). The state requires a special 'boutique blend' of gasoline (that may or may not reduce pollution), and enforces strict refinery regulations, so that no one can build more. And they expect gasoline to be cheap and abundant! The same bizarre process applies to fresh water.

Californians largely favor immigration, even an open border with Mexico. But, they restrict development, and fight to keep every

GETTING ON TV

by Chad Martin

The Billings, Montana Family Church has had a very good experience with the local public TV station. For \$50.00 a year they let us use their video equipment, help us edit our material, and show our one-half hour programs twice a month. They prefer local programs and speakers. We purchased a sound system with a mixer, four microphones, and speakers.

We connect the sound system to the camera and get professional-level sound recording. We purchased a ZR60 Canon digital mini camcorder for \$400.00. It has a red microphone port where we can plug in an external microphone to our sound system. The videos are also useful in witnessing to people who do not normally attend our services.

Our congregation is maturing spiritually, advancing technically, and growing. Our youth band of 13 recently performed at the Montana State University Department of Education Convocation where 500 people attended, including the University Chancellor and the Superintendent of Public Instruction. We videotaped the practice in the auditorium the week before the performance, as well as the performance, which we will show on TV. The videos help with self-reflection and our ongoing discussion including what is appropriate and legal to show as well as how we can improve our public behavior and performances.

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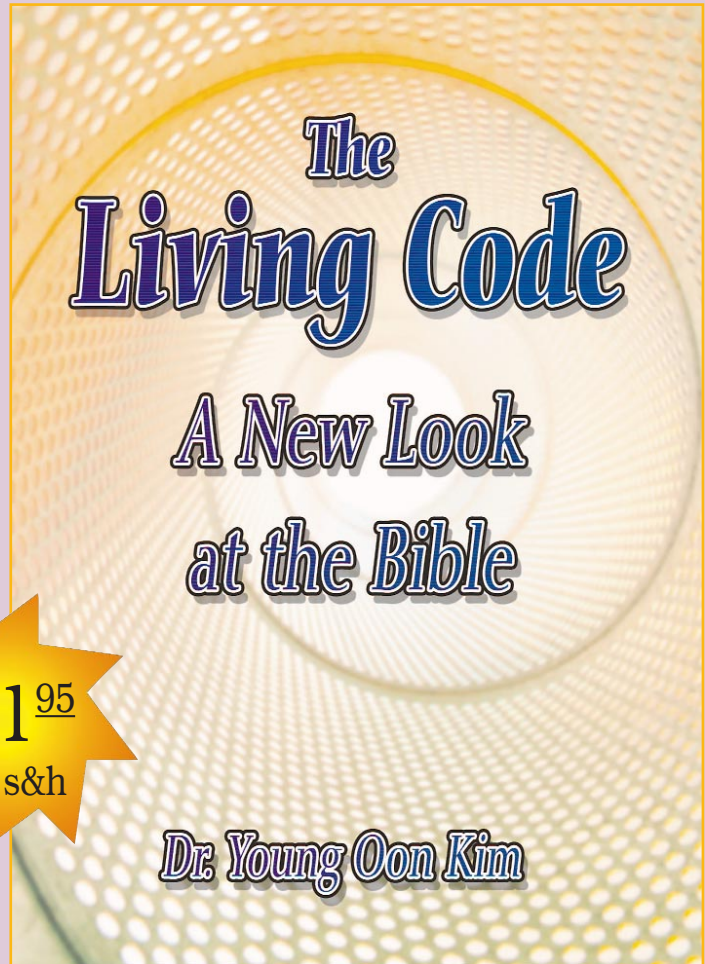
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