

## The Coronation Ceremony of God's Kingship

by Reverend Sun Myung Moon

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What do we celebrate today? (The Coronation of God!) What a strange term. God? (Coronation!) Who did the coronation? (God!) Can True Parents do this by themselves? We can hold this ceremony because all the people on Earth and in Heaven were blessed and form a homogeneous nation.

Therefore, to do that, religions from Judaism, to the second Israel centering on Christianity, to Korea, went through the realm of the first, second and third Israel and the Old, New and

Completed Testament eras. The Completed Testament is the era of the blessing of all. Because of the fall of the human ancestors, all things created by God couldn't stand in the realm of blessing. God taught people by establishing numerous religions, leading them through the salvation providence and raising them step-by-step to the era of Completed Testament.

The people of the peripheral religions were not aware of this. Only Judaism and Christianity paved the road of serving God as our Father. And in the failed history of Adam and Eve, only one son was born on Earth whose blood lineage God could love. The elder son was born. Although the son was born, no "only daughter" appeared. God struggled greatly throughout the four thou-

sand year salvation history. It can be said that God created Adam again. After making Adam, God created Eve as Adam's counterpart. God created Eve by imitating Adam, applying same principle and blueprint used when creating Adam.

The Bible says that God created Eve by taking the rib of Adam. It means that God adopted the core of Adam to create Eve. God found the only son through  
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## Morning Address, True God's Day 2001



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Given January 1, 2001 Cheong Pyeong International Training Center Korea (Translated by Mrs. Soon Ja Richardson. Unofficial notes by Rev. Michael Jenkins) The morning began with the True God's Day Pledge Ceremony was held with our True Parents. (Many thousands gathered in their holy robes). True Father asked Rev. Kwak to read. The 1994 God's Day address then spoke.

Why did you gather here? To meet someone or to talk to a friend? Did you gather here thinking about something? How about God? Did God gather here with some thought in mind? As long as traditions or old ways exist from the fallen world, restoration is not completed. Through

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### True God's Day Motto for 2001

Let us fulfill God's absolute, unique, unchanging, and eternal will, which is the subject of True Love, by uniting with the liberated Parents and children of Heaven and Earth, through one heart and one body.

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the direct lineage of love, but did not find the only daughter. After finding Eve, God would have restored fallen history through a family. God prepared Jacob, twelve tribes thought of as chosen people and Israel, to establish the nation. Jacob's twelve children gained ground and expanded the area of victory. This was the nation of Israel and Judaism until Jesus' advent.

The nation of Israel was external and Cain-like, while Judaism was internal and Abel-like. The mother would be chosen on the foundation of Cain and Abel. After that, by serving Jesus, Israel and Judaism would unite as Cain and Abel. Then, centering on the blessed family, a clan and nation would have been established. Nobody can deny this.

Even though Rome dominated the world, it would have been no match. External things are like flesh, while internal things are like bones. Flesh cannot defeat bones. Centering on Israel, the unity of all nations and the liberation of God would have been achieved two thousand years ago. But, because Jesus couldn't form a family by restoring Eve, Israel and all prepared things were destroyed.

Because the foundation of people was lost, Israel perished. And in the seventh century, the religion of Islam emerged among the central people. Muslims were brothers but became adversaries. Ishmael and Isaac were direct descendants of Abraham. But they became enemies and fought throughout history. They fought centering on Jerusalem, and Israel was lost.

If Cain and Abel had achieved peace in Jesus' time, the history of war between left wing and right wing on the national level would have been solved on Earth and in spirit world. But because the prepared nation Israel failed, Christianity became the second Israel. Because Jesus lost his body, Christianity representing the spirit world expanded its influence worldwide. After World War 2, Christian culture unified the world. By unifying the world, the era in which the mind and body can become one arrived. Satan was completely conquered. The allied nations and opposing nations could have been restored to God. Centering on this foundation, if Catholics and Protestants had become one representing Christian culture and welcomed the Second Advent of the Messiah; the world would have been united by 1952, seven years after 1945. The Coronation of God would have been held at that time.

But Judaism, Israel and Christianity did not serve the Unification Church. To this day they have tried to chase the

Unification Church. As the first Israel and Judaism opposed and chased Christianity and almost perished, Christianity opposed the Unification Church and almost perished. All religions perished. Christianity, Buddhism, Confucianism and Islam now have the form of religion, but they have perished. Not only religions, but also societies, nations and the world have become hell.

God's ideal realm of love was not on Earth. In America, there is no family in which husband and wife, mind and body are united with the original standard. There is no family in which par-

so, they cannot overcome lust. Therefore, when someone attempts to achieve perfection, Satan will attempt spiritually to make him fall. A beautiful woman will appear and ask him to embrace her. If he surrenders and embraces her, it is over. Centering on love, life and death divide. Unless they have spiritual experience, people do not know how deep this problem is. Our body is the stage of Satan. To restore this stage to the ideal position, God worked and experienced disappointment over and over. Therefore it has taken thousands of years. Buddhism, Confucianism, Chris-

have been able to fall. Satan could not have separated them.

But, during the growth period, the fruit was not ripe. Unripe fruit does not produce seeds. It has no eternal life. The place to dispose of those lifeless things is hell. It has no relationship with God. Therefore, what kind of problems exists in the father-and-son relationship? The son inherits the parents' blood lineage. Inheritance of blood lineage does not just happen by itself. Can it take place through a single individual? It cannot take place with just a single entity, whether it is parents alone in the parent-child relationship or man alone in the man-women relationship. With the foundation of the harmonious unity of man and woman, the internal and external character of blood lineage becomes completely one with the fundamental cosmic principles. Then the substantial mind, representing the internal character, results in a substantial body representing the external character, and man is ultimately created (a life is brought into the world).

Likewise, the meeting of the invisible content and visible form causes an explosion. Heat turns water into steam. As the temperature rises, it turns to vapor, becoming invisible. Analogously, when the invisible God, who dwells in this super-heated invisible environment, meets with a visible form in the deep freezing environment, there is an explosion.

Therefore, God Himself took spherical form centered on the internal and external character of love. However, the relationship between the two extreme characters reflects merely an internal movement and does not appear on the surface. Thus He cannot feel

stimulation. However, if there exists a physical form that could function as a stimulating object ... It is like an explosion caused by collision of hot and cold, or of two extreme elements through the mind.

If love becomes the axis and if the couple is willing to love forever, they can have eternal relationship. They can become a family centered on God. Its seed will grow in an eternal motion. The seed will become a sprout and the sprout will become a fruit, a God-like fruit. Branches and buds will grow. The tree will grow big and branches will grow in all directions. Adam's family was to have become that tree. Adam and Eve were supposed to have multiplied their descendants to fill the whole world. They would have made so many factories to create citizens of the Kingdom of Heaven. They would all have lived with God in the spirit world and True Parents on Earth. When they entered the spirit world, they would have lived there forever as one body. They would have made the Kingdom of Heaven on Earth and in Heaven. Do you understand? [Yes.]

Christianity, until now, has been trying to unite Cain and Abel on the spiritual side. It tried to restore the spiritual foundation centering on physical bodies, but it was not able to restore the substantial, physical world. But



ents and children do not fight. All are separated in a world of individualism. God's ideal is the pair system. The pair system exists in the mineral world, plant world and animal world. Heaven and Earth should have become one, but everything separated.

How can we turn this around and unite them? Who should do that? At the beginning, Adam's family failed. Then the Messiah failed at the national level. Jesus was to have restored the nation and world. Because it should be recovered on Earth, the Messiah at the Second Advent inherits the realm of Christian culture on the world level, even as the world is perishing and religions have perished.

Christianity, Catholic and Protestant, is in the position of inheritance but are fighting and not even thinking of uniting. Until unification, they will fight and religions will fall further to the ground. In the end they will reach a dead end and the Messiah will relegate them to the last place.

Now people lost Heaven, religion, the world, nation, society and the family. They deny grandparents, parents, husband and wife, and children. They deny God and religion. Men and women all fell to the isolated individual position of a fallen archangel. No matter how much they desire, train or resolve to do

tianity and Islam remained as forms of religion that educated people the world over about the mission of the messiah.

Who is Lord of the Second Advent? He is the True Parents. True Parents bring true love and true blood lineage. False parents have fallen love and lineage. In the original world, people create families centering on God. To achieve a family of true sons and daughters, true blood lineage should be connected. To become children of True Parents, the blood lineage should be connected to True Parents. Without blood lineage, the parent and child relationship is impossible. Even God cannot separate blood lineage. Fallen Satan cannot separate it. We should be engrafted into the blood lineage of God, on the original standard.

When one goes over the national level, he goes into the direct dominion of God. Therefore he cannot have a relationship with Satan. If Jesus had married, Satan could not have killed him. Because he came at the level of completing his responsibility, he entered into the direct dominion of God. In direct dominion, God's blood lineage is connected; therefore there is no way for Satan to separate it. The problem is that we have not advanced to that level. If Adam and Eve had married and loved, the fall could not have occurred. They would never



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God had to restore the physical world. Battles ensued. God went above nations and tried to make of humankind one people. Thus, after the Second World War, the allied nations were victorious over the axis nations and helped rebuild them.

In other words, the time has come for overcoming the Cain—Abel conflict. Based on this condition, during the postwar era, if the primary nation, America, along with England and France, had realized and accepted God’s will, God would have overcome the most difficult obstacles within three years. And within seven years the entirety of God’s Will would have been realized. In other words, based on having created the foundation of unified people under God, we would have realized our wish for a Heavenly Kingdom on Earth, where both spirit and physical worlds unite harmoniously.

Since body and spirit could not become one in Jesus’ era, we have suffered a 2,000-year history of indemnity. On the victorious foundation based on such conditions, someone has to step forward to assume the position of spiritual parents and has to fit everything in its right place. Jesus could not do this. Since he could not marry, he could not officiate the marriages of others. Thus even God could not give Blessings. What this does is to bring forth the concept of True Parents, who can reverse and change the blood lineage through initiating the Blessing. The fact that false parents bred and spread their seed caused the struggle between God and Satan in the beginning of human history. True Parents can stand in the middle and end this struggle.

After reconciling God and Satan, the unity of Jesus, centered on the foundation of his family, and Judaism and all religions around him, the restoration and God’s Will would have been accomplished and a divine sovereignty would have become possible. However, since this did not take place, it eventually led to World War 2, and in the post war era an analogous situation came about. America and the world represent Judaism in Israel and the other religions, respectively. Since this once again could not unite, it has taken this long so far ... more than 55 years, going on 56. Thus, to hold this Coronation Ceremony to honor God is like a dream. Who was supposed to hold this ceremony for God? Who destroyed the hope for such a ceremony? Did God? Satan, Adam and Eve—all three are responsible for the mess. Because Adam and Eve could not assume the True Parents’ position, Satan entered the picture and the foundation of True Parents’ blood lineage was not established. Since the fall left trails of Satan’s blood lineage, neither God nor Satan for that matter could deny or reverse the consequences. It is difficult for Satan as well as God to destroy what he has created thus far. No body likes to destroy and entirely modify what he or she created. This is true even for Satan.

God cannot reverse the consequences of the fall. If He had the ability to do so, He would never have lost Adam’s family to Satan. By principle and even by simple reasoning, this is clear. The only person who could repair the damage was the perfected Adam. You have

to understand the fact that the [perfected] Adam’s family is the only family that can possess the love of the original nature [that originating from God]. All of you blessed families should assume that position of [perfected] Adam’s family. Representing the rest of the world, you should pray in the name of a blessed central family.

How many people do we have here? (About 4,000 people.) Is it 4,000 couples, or 4,000 people? (4,000 people.) 4,000 people are here representing 4,000 families, right? (Right.) No matter how many millions of people run in a marathon, there is always a winner, the best out of millions of runners. Who else gets awarded? 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places, right? What kind of medals do they get? Gold, silver and bronze. How come there is no black medal? There are three, because of the principle. Everything consists of the number three, in three stages. Heaven and Earth ...

Like the center of a 360-degree circle, everything needs a central position as a reference point. The completion of restoration is no exception. Then what is the center of the blessed family? Who gives the Blessing? The parents do. Who officiates the marriage? Who should officiate the ceremony through which children can resemble their parents and inherit their parents’ blood lineage marked by their parents’ harmonious unity? The officiators are the parents. Today’s typical marriage is an act of stepping up next to someone who is famous for using a ladder, because humankind has been dragged up to the archangel [in the sky].

On October 14 of last year, all the holy saints and those families that were matched with Father’s children attended. This was to perform a unification ceremony of all religions. In summary, the True Parent is the king of the family. Has this term ever existed? Has there been anyone who could claim that he or she is the king or queen of the family, standing as a representative of Heaven and Earth? In order to become the king of the family, you have to be the parents among the parents and the first son among first sons. The first son should marry first and start his family first. Everything has an order. There is a term in Korean called “reverse marriage.” [This refers to reversal in the order of marriage, especially between brothers.] The order is violated quite often today. This reflects the content and concept of restoration. Thus one tries to go this way and that way and even follow the reverse order. The “reverse marriage” should not take place. If the order is reversed, everything will go belly up. The world has become this way. Now, how are we going to repair or undo this? Incest, illicit love relationships and all such problems stem from this confusion and chaos. Grandfather and granddaughter, grandfather and daughter-in-law, etc.... These incestuous relationships occur because people revolve around without knowing their center, and consequently they catch and consume one another. In this era of confusion, of great chaos and family-level confusion, whether of immediate family or relatives, everyone revolves around randomly to hook up with one another without any order, without knowing 1 degree, 10 degrees, 360 degrees or 180 degrees.

So, who can bring order to this world? God could not interfere with the fall as

it took place in the Garden of Eden. Further, God could not interfere with Satan’s marriage. Likewise even in the last days, there is no way God can interfere. If one is sick, one cannot survive without eliminating the root source of the disease. Since false love, false life, and false parents were created, True Parents have to reject these and restore

love, life and lineage through indemnity. What does it mean when one says, “those who seek death will live”? Until the indemnity is complete, those who live in the world of death and who walk to the edge of death with the spirit and energy to say, “even if I die, I will still have the energy to live,” will live. There is no resurrection for those who find

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- 1 True God's Day (1968)  
Sekkai Nippo Established (1975)
- 2 Day of Victory of Love (1984)
- 3 Heung Jin Nim's Ascension (1984)
- 5 Ye Jin Nim's Birthday (12/11/60)
- 10 Kook Jin Nim & Soon Ju Nim's Blessing (1989)
- 11 72 Couples of the Second Generation Blessing (1989)
- 12 1275 Couples' Blessing (1989)
- 13 Shin Yul Nim's Birthday (12/19/92)  
International Federation for the Victory Over Communism (1968)
- 18 Jun Sook Nim's Birthday (12/24/67)
- 20 Shin Gil Nim's Birthday (12/26/87)
- 24 Hoon Sook Nim's Birthday (1/1/63)  
Lunar New Year
- 26 Yeon Jin Nim's Birthday (1/3/81)
- 29 Father's Birthday (1/6/20)  
Mother's Birthday (1/6/43)
- 30 Choongmo-nim's Ascension (1/7/68)

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- 1 Day of the Opening of Heaven (1985)  
Segye Ilbo Established (1989)
- 5 Hyo Jin Nim & Yun Ah Nim's Blessing (1999)
- 6 Inter-religious and International Federation for World Peace (1999)
- 7 360 Million Couples' Blessing (1999)
- 8 Shin Jung Nim's Birthday (1/16/83)  
1800 Couples' Blessing (1975)
- 9 Shin Man Nim's Birthday (1/17/00)
- 11 16 Couples' Blessing (1978)
- 12 Kwon Jin Nim's Birthday (1/20/75)
- 13 First International Blessing of 400 Million Couples (2000)  
Cosmic True Parents' Federation Established (2000)  
Family Center for Universal Peace and Unification (2000)
- 15 Shin Sook Nim's Birthday (1/23/84)
- 17 International Security Council Established (1985)
- 20 In Jin Nim & Jin Sung Nim's Blessing (1984)  
Heung Jin Nim & Hoon Sook Nim's Blessing (1984)
- 21 74 Couples' Blessing (1977)  
Montevideo Declaration of the World University Federation (1996)
- 22 Dong Sook Nim's Birthday (1/30/55)  
430 Couples' Blessing (1968)
- 23 Day of the Victory of Earth (1977)
- 27 Declaration of Parents of Heaven and Earth (1998)
- 28 One World Crusade Established (1972)  
43 Couples' Blessing (1969)

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- 4 Shin Won Nim's Birthday (2/10/88)
- 12 Jin Sung Nim's Birthday (2/18/62)
- 13 Shin Ye Nim's Birthday (2/19/00)
- 21 Shin Chul Nim's Birthday (2/27/92)  
World Research Institute for Science and Technology (WRIST)  
Established (1984)
- 25 True Parents' Day (3/1/60)  
Sung Jin Nim's Birthday (3/1/46)  
Aewon (Garden of Love) Bank Established (1994)
- 26 Martial Arts Federation for World Peace Established (1997)
- 27 New Ecumenical Research Association (New ERA) Inauguration (1980)
- 28 International Christian Professors Association Established (1981)  
43 Couples' Blessing (1969)
- 31 Hyun Jin Nim & Jun Sook Nim's Blessing (1987)  
The Sao Paulo Declaration (1995)



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death sad and fearful and run away.

That is why the Bible says that those who seek death... (Will live!) And those who seek life (Will die!). Live? (Will die!) That doesn't sound too good. Then, what about God? What if God takes the position where He seeks death? (He will live!) He will live. If God seeks to live then there is no consummation. What about me? It is the same. If I decide to live, I will die, and if I seek death...? (You will live!) That is the case. Do you think about whether Reverend Moon of the Unification Church thinks about being Messiah or True Parents? If I did, I would have to die every day. What do you think? If we seek death, there would be a huge commotion everywhere, everyday. But it makes sense to say we should seek death, even in the environment where it is not possible.

Those who seek death should form ties that are closely associated with Heaven and Satan, according to the time periods of three stages. When you tie knots, you are making new knots. When you make new knots, are you making big knots or small knots? As you make new knots, the thinner robe is better, right? That is ideal. If they become big, give them big hats. When they become narrow, nothing can come in.

It is the same with God and True Parents. What about those who want to enter the Kingdom of Heaven? Is it the same? [Yes, the same.] Because I wore a heavy crown this morning, my head hurts, so please answer quickly. In order for Him to save even one man, even God has to go through the circumstances of death. He must throw down the rope and pull the person falling off the cliff with all His might. For God and us to live, we must have that standard.

God has gone through death so many times. Those who want to go to the Kingdom of Heaven must be able to go through such hardships. So in the end, God must tire out before you. Who is older, God or you? God is the oldest, right? We must cling to the rope and reach the highest ground. How difficult would this be? By the time we make it to the top climbing up the rope, God will collapse from the exertion. Then what should we do? Should we carry Him on our backs and take Him to the hospital? If there is no hospital, we must do whatever we can on our own to save Him. We can pray, or we can go over the hill of suffering.

Who is the Messiah and Savior? Should he relax and enjoy life, or should he go through suffering so that God can rest? Can a person who enjoys life and allows God to die as a result be the Messiah? So, if I suffer, should Unification Church members play around and enjoy life? Should people who play around go to the Kingdom of Heaven or to Hell? [Hell.] Should I do what they want me to do, because I think Father doesn't know the world? Life and death

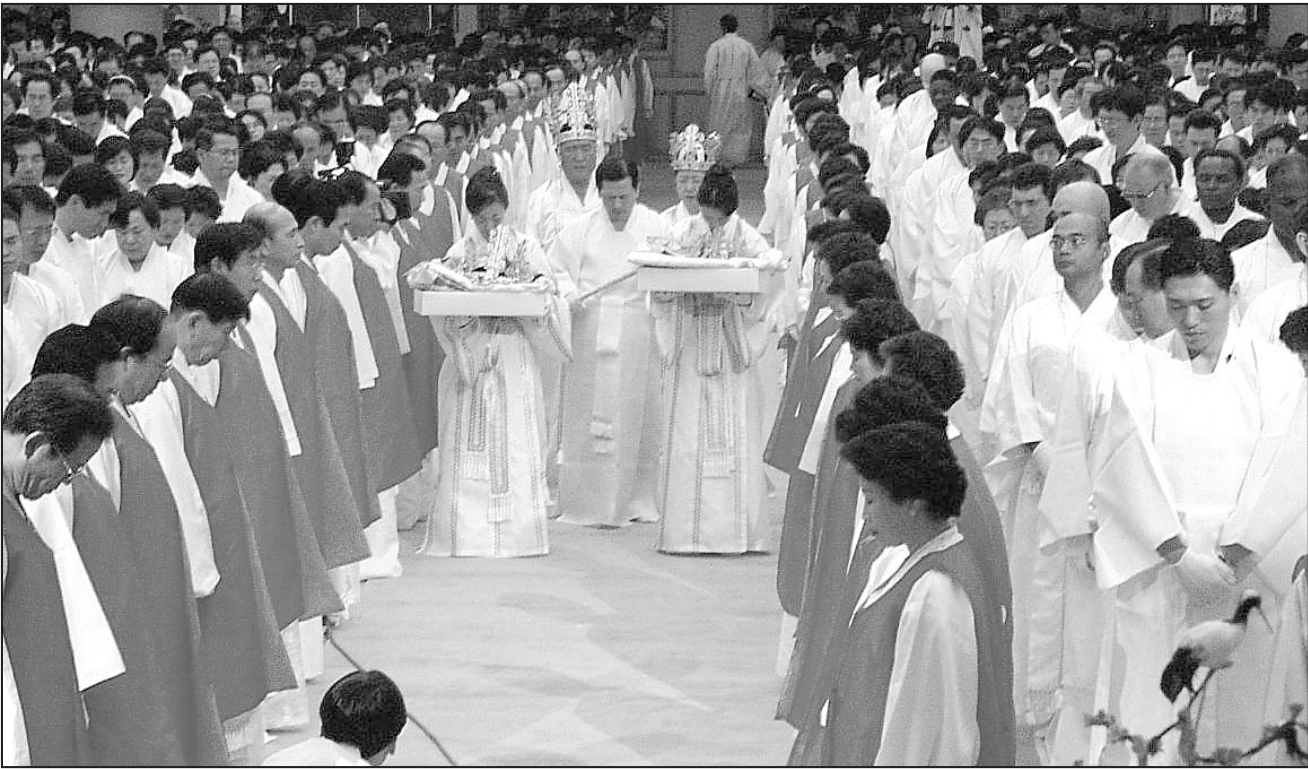
are at hand, and they just want to live a comfortable life. We should say that we all will die together. If we do, then we all can live. A person should not say that only he should live.

If it is absolutely certain that a father wants to give his life to his son, that son must follow that father to the end. If he does not, in the end they will separate. If the father wants to die and the son wants to live, what will happen? Will they separate or not? If the father's act is different from the son's act, it becomes an act of Hell. The grandson born through that kind of son cannot even come to his grandfather to give him a kiss.

Among the Unification Church members, is there anyone who wants to suf-

gotten.

Did you fulfill your responsibility? Blessed families here, who are trying to earn regional victories for the unification of North and South Korea, are you fulfilling your responsibilities? If you get regional victories, can the world become united? Without the UN, can the world become one? As you do battle in the region, I have to work with NGOs? The NGO representatives from across the world talk about societal evils and other issues within their realms of influence. When they hear about the large perspective of how the UN should unite the world and solve the problems of Communism and other problems, they are overwhelmed and don't have a solution And therefore they appreci-



fer more than me? Western members in particular must desire to receive more persecution than I have. Did you come here to go sightseeing? Or did you come here to listen to me and go through a suffering course? It is a problem. There cannot be individualism here. Graduating from Yale or Harvard makes no difference. Lowly laborers can do better than such. Who likes free sex more, white people or black people? If black people like it, they do because they learned it from white people, right? Free sex, homosexuality and lesbianism will end due to AIDS and drugs. In large parts of Africa, 60% of the people have AIDS. They will collapse in 15 to 20 years. The AIDS virus hibernates for 8 to 12 years. They will be destroyed in two generations.

Are the 120 people who were standing here confident? Can you follow me? If you are confident, why do you hide your faces? If I liberated God, you should liberate me. Many countries are still not liberated. You have to liberate those 120 nations. The 120 disciples of Jesus represent 120 nations. They have to become the kings of 120 nations. You must become admirals of each nation and bring the nations back to God.

What are the 160 families? They have to bring back all the nations of the world. If you are unable to take back a nation, you cannot become an officer of the Kingdom of Heaven. If you become a king on Earth, you can become a king in Kingdom of Heaven. Good kings can become kings of the future, but bad kings will go to Hell. They will be for-

ate someone with a plan. They say that I am correct. They think we can hand down pure lineage while indulging youth immorality, family breakdown and AIDS.

I have worked in South America for a few years now. The people there say that the Pacific age has come, and they want to catch whales in the sea and do other ocean-related activities. Will you follow me? [Yes.] If you want to follow me, then you have to learn to become captain of a boat. You all have to go to Antarctica now and live at least one year as krill fishermen. You have to go as couples. How may couples are here? There can be about 20 couples per boat. Even women should work.

Are you all confident to register into the Kingdom of Heaven? There is a difference between Heung Jin, God, and Jesus. If I represent God, Heung Jin is like Jesus. You must understand that you registered into the Kingdom of Heaven with a course remaining to pass through. If you don't want to die by accident in some Bermuda triangle, you must pass the test.

What is today's topic? The coronation of God's kingship. The speech before the coronation is finished now. No matter what, you must go the way of suffering. You must learn what the course for you is after God's coronation. So the problem is lineage. Say "Pit joo!" [Pit joo!]. What does it mean in English? Blood lineage. Say "Blood Lineage." [Blood lineage.] That is the most important. Kingship is not important. Parenthood is not important. Society and government are not important.

School is not important. The many nations of this world still belong to Satan and not God.

But now the nations have nowhere to go but to follow God and True Parents. Is George W. Bush the center of America? Gore won the popular vote. He lost because of the electoral college. It's over. What does the US tell to the third world? It says that they should choose democracy and the bi-cameral legislative system. And those countries say to the US, "Worry about yourself. Don't come here and preach to us. Look at yourself." Without democracy, what will Western people do?

the four-year presidential term should be changed to an eight-year term. After four years candidates have to compete for the presidency again. What time do they have to do any work? They waste so much national wealth on elections. It should be eight year terms. Even in democracies it should be 16 years if you count 8 years for the husband and eight years for the wife. And if it is a family it should be 32 years. That will give hope. What can you do in 4 years? They start their election campaigns after 2 years. It's all over. Democracy will collapse. The principle doesn't allow it.

One reason why a free, democratic nation like America struggles is because of the unions. I will tell you how you can resolve problems with the unions. In the same way blue-collar workers form a union, stockowners and executives should also form a union. They can work together to raise money for their family members. Then each year will be much more productive than the last. There must be mutual benefits for both parties, the employees union and employers union. They can compete with each other and see how much money they can make within three years without returning any profit to the owners. If employees have worked hard, we can give a bonus to their union. If the employers have worked more, they deserve to receive more. In this way they will never fight. In western society, there is no one who has given this any thought. If this doesn't work out, I will call all the religious organizations and blessed families of the world. We will make a religious union. We can do that, can't we? Let's say I make a religious union. Will you join with me? Will you make it? (Yes.) Your answer should be yes.

Our unification members work all their lives and receive modest pay. Not only that, they even offer some of their earnings. Can a union exist in this kind of environment? No way.. I can clean the mess America has within three to seven years.

So, unions eventually will disappear. Does Russia have unions? Does China have unions? Does North Korea have unions? What is this? Why do advanced societies have unions?

From now on, whether you like it or not, no matter how you look at it, whether you are oriental, a westerner or black, you must listen to me because you are



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having a lot of trouble. So, you decide not to stand in a troublesome area. Today you decided to stand with me and your determination should not change. You must have affection.

The clothes you are wearing (pink color gowns) look like the color of Jesus' paradise. This symbolizes Jesus Christ. White symbolizes God. Green symbolizes the Holy Spirit. That is why nature is green. The ocean is blue and the mountains are green. The sky is blue. Pink flowers and white flowers look fine together. You are wearing this kind of symbol. You should not be ashamed of yourselves. You must have strong shining lights so that bees and butterflies are attracted by you. This I wish dearly. (Amen!) Please try.

A person who prays, "I pray in the name of blessed central family" must resolve all the problems with families, tribes, people, the nation, world and cosmos. Centering on my clan and tribe, we can guide our nation. Our tax could form a stronger nation. If there is a palace in Satan's nation, we must build better palace. Don't you agree? (Yes.) The Blessing Offering fund cannot be touched. Even I will not touch that fund. I will spend that money to build a palace where all your descendants and all people can freely settle, and a place of government, a parliament.

Shouldn't the palace of the Heavenly Kingdom be ten times, a hundred times better than the one of Satan's? We should realize this before we go to spirit world. You have no right to go to the Kingdom of Heaven if you have not realized this. Do you want to earn that right? Do you just abandon your relatives? You must witness to them. You must unite them into one and reach the presidents in Satan's world.

What is a filial son? He is a son who dies for his parents. What is a patriot? He dies for his king. It is the same for saints and sages. You should write this important teaching on your notebook. What is this year's motto? The liberated parents of Heaven and Earth, True Parents and liberated children tightly unite into one. There is no gap in this union, no gap for water to enter. There is no gap for air to seep in. There is no gap for light to come in. After uniting into one, then what? (True love.) Indeed, true love comes next. After the Parents of Heaven and Earth become one and parents and children become one, true love can come alive. True love is one mind and one body. Within true love, the center is the subject. May we accomplish the center of subjectivity. This is not only one year's motto, but every one must practice this truth for a 3,000-year period.

Do think this motto is good or bad? Am I dumb? Through this time, blessed families have the registration ceremo-

ny for the transition of the four-position foundation over three eras and three generations. This is all you need. Today all things of the new millennium are liberated, but God is not yet liberated and True Parents are not yet liberated. Nonetheless, the Parents of Heaven and Earth and children are liberated, so you should not be afraid. Even if you are locked up, you must not be afraid. I am so curious about Heaven that I want to go to the Kingdom of Heaven as quickly as possible. If I go there young, is this good or bad? All the cosmos is in my hands. You should not deny that you are the ultimate one. You should not worry. That's how it goes.

Have I searched for food or truth? (Truth.) Can you see truth? No. Can

and come with me. Sons and daughters should prepare for parents to have the kingship ceremony. Now God must have full authority centering on this kingship. Please come out, I will guide your way. You know how to guide, right? Whether God can visit or not, you know how to guide Him, right?

From now on things have changed. People who worry should die. What did I say? People who know and worry should die. Should they die or not? (Don't die.) I will stay even if everyone dies. You have to think of it that way. Do you know how to achieve individual perfection? Do you know it or not? Yoo Kwang Ryul, do you know the experience of the individual's mind and body becoming one? Do you know it or not? After the fall, the body that inherited

do not discriminate against blacks or those who did not complete college. The person who practices true love, realizing human rights in the correct way, possessing love for the sake of others, is in the mainstream. The creation of Heaven and Earth began from that point. I cannot forgive the act of diluting and squandering this main current of thought. This is the second of all sins.

The third point is to refrain from stealing public money. It means not to use public funds to fulfill selfish desires. There are three types of sin, and of those who go to jail, at least 70% go for this reason. Will you understand this only after being put into jail? Human rights infringement and lineage violation are problems concerning men and women. Then come the money problems. Following these are the problems dealing with power. Money, knowledge and power have ruled.

Article I of the constitution of the Kingdom of Heaven is that you will not stain the blood lineage. The purpose is to preserve the lineage, keeping it completely clean. It means to maintain the purity of blood lineage for eternity. From this point, the blessed blood lineage that has been inherited through God's love and God's life cannot be contaminated by the actions immersed in the habitual pattern of the fallen world. Can you abide by the rule? (Yes.) All those couples that are certain to follow the rule, regardless of whether you're a man, even if you are not sitting with your spouse, all those who are willing to keep your lineage from being stained, close your eyes so that only God can see you and make a determination. Raise your hand firmly and pledge. People sitting next to you... since all are couples, if someone is not with a spouse, it is okay even if you are here without your spouse.

You must not forget this memorial day. Even if there is a quarrel between a husband and a wife, if you provoked it, you must resolve everything on January 13th. In the West, thirteen is the worst of all numbers. If the center consists of 12 months, the principle of Heaven and Earth must circulate through the year. However since this does not exist, everything is in chaos and this place has become an irrational, confusing world. God's desire is to straighten this out; therefore, once you understand this, you must abide by this principle even if you have to die one thousand times. Think of this moment as a time of making unbreakable, impermeable determination.

The second point is not to violate human rights, and the third point is not to steal public money (nak chwi), using public property for yourself. When you see something you desire, even if gold falls from a building, you're committing (nak chwi) if you use it to purchase something. You cannot use it for your self-desire. It's public money. Even if you bring it to me as a church offer-



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Satan's blood lineage became stronger than the conscience. This is the problem.

You should not follow your bodily desires. "My body, my body." Even if my body bursts into tears, you should just be grateful. Why tears? If you don't want to die, pray to be willing to die... Jesus went the same way.

From now, you have to abide by an immutable law, even to the point of dying—the law that one must not stain the blood lineage. The second point is not to infringe upon human rights due to a mistake in the area of insa jocha (moving people, hiring and firing). Whether a woman or man, black or white, everyone is equal. One must not discriminate or violate human rights. For this reason, the leaders of the Unification Church have convened here. Regional leader or national messiah status doesn't mean that you have the right to change someone's position according to your own desire.

There are plenty of people whose ancestors are better in nature than the ancestors of the regional leaders and national messiahs. Hence I refrain from insa jocha. When I do, however, I select from the highest level. Do not infringe upon human rights. Wherever I go, I



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ing (yun bo), I would not accept it. Even if I received it through Mother, I would not spend it. This is more fearful and terrible than poisonous drugs. You will surely be caught when you go to the spirit world.

If there is anyone here to whom this applies, you should repent for everything before this year passes. The most fearful thing is Article I of the constitution, which is to maintain the pure lineage. You must not stain it. There are many possessions of women that can be taken away (but not that). If you women carry a knife, you must stop the act by stabbing any part of the enemy's body within reach of your hand. Don't take his life, but if he still continues the behavior, defend yourself strongly. Lineage is more precious than life.

Now, if a couple is ideal, would one be happy to see the other sleeping around with other women or men? How about black people? They feel the same. And for whites? Would you be happy to see your wife standing next to another man? Is the person sitting beside you your wife? No? She is not your wife? Is she your wife? Is he your husband? Why is he sitting over there? Where is your husband?

What's the first? Purity! Second? Abuse of human rights! Third? Nak chwi of public money! On this memorial day, in order to maintain the sovereign power, the kingship of Heaven, and to stand before it as a people (bek sung), parents, wife and children (chu ja), and brothers and sisters, this is absolutely necessary. Therefore, you cannot neglect your older brother. You cannot neglect your younger brother merely because he is handicapped. You cannot neglect in-laws or relatives. The world neglects everyone, doesn't it? You who graduated from a university neglect those who only completed high school. This violates human rights. Following that offense is the misuse of public money. The nak chwi of national property! This is a sin having to do with public money. I don't ever take such actions. When people make donations, I don't even handle the money. So how do I make a living? I earn my living. If I am in need of a car, I know how to make money.

Therefore, first keep purity, especially the western members. The question is how to maintain the lineage. So what is the second point? Human rights!

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“Centered on the [coming] sovereign nation of the True Parent in Heaven [God] and the True Parents on earth, through this opportunity, the True Parents wish and pray that the children, through the direct lineage as the royal family, attending God with everyone in the Spirit World in accordance with Your original ideal of creation, would bestow the same blessing upon the earthly blessed families through the triumphant condition of Kingship that is now established, thus bringing peace and prosperity to all humankind for eternity. Accordingly, with Your own authority and privilege as the One sitting on the

To protect human rights. Third? [(nak chwi) of public money!] You already took a large amount from the public funds, didn't you? You all don't do work yet are hoping that I will allow you to go home once a month, or once a week, right? The poor new Unification Church members. They come to this place and what is it to which they are contributing? All the troublemakers gather here seeking a comfortable place to sleep, without even following the rules and regulations. That's all nak chwi. It completely destroys the public environment. This is equivalent to nak chwi of national property. It is horrible. Those who lead such a lifestyle will not succeed regardless of how much they try to live a good life. Try living such a way. No matter how much you pray to God, you will not be able to evangelize effectively. Even if you bring a guest, he or she will come as far as the front door and turn back and leave.

The whole universe dislikes those who incur a debt. Do you like to be in debt? Within your clan, if one person from the Kim clan induces a problem for everyone else and causes the clan to fall into debt, who would like it? Later on the Kim clan will nail him upside down. This time will come.

So do you understand the three points? (Yes). Count the number of determinations you have made in your heart, one, two, three..., one, two, three..., one, two three... try it a several times. Do you pledge to do that? Purity, equalization of all people, and then nak chwi of national property. You must understand everything well and make it your habit. You will avoid the wrong actions only when you reach the stage in which as soon as your mouth and eyes open these words come out.

There is no doubt you will face these challenges in life. There will probably be many such circumstances, but if you make an effort to abstain from violating the law, the challenges will turn you into a victorious person; therefore I won't have to tell you anything. Amen! (Amen.) This is the conclusion.

So, what do we do next? Where are you going to reside? You want to live well, right? Do you consider living alone to be a good life? (We have to live together.) Of what does a life lived together, a happy life, consist? I ask you, for a good life built based upon the official law of God, what kind of environment, what kind of pe, and with what group of people must you live? It is simple. There are three answers. Parent-children relationship, conjugal relationship and brother-sister relationship,

throne of Kingship with the power to give blessings to all humankind, we earnestly, earnestly wish and pray that You would realize all of these [petitions] and Your promise as well.”

### Conclusion of the Coronation Ceremony

The MC announced:  
“We have with us incumbent presidents of nations and gifts of plaques to our True Parents from the leaders of the Philippines and [three other named countries]. Gifts have also been presented on the occasion of the Coronation Ceremony for the Kingship of God from the nations [where our Family is established], which are displayed here. I report this to our Cosmic True Par-

ents.”

with brothers and sisters in the position of children to the parents. It is a relationship among children of the same parents, the relationship between brother and sister.

This is why one's family has a mother and a father, then from that couple there are sons and daughters. Therefore you have the brother-sister relationship because you stand before the same mother and father. In my eyes, third cousins, the in-laws and all the cousins and so on including all people are related, having the brother-sister relationship.

Therefore, once the parents-children relationship and conjugal relationship are connected, brothers and sisters will automatically come to exist. The relationships within this wide range of humankind may be called brother-sister relationships. They must live a good life in harmony. To live a virtuous life, guidance is necessary. Each person has to be an example for the others. That defines a virtuous living. If you cannot become a model for others, you are not leading a true life. This turns your life into a debt. If you serve as a good model, if your life can serve as an example before the mother and the father, the husband and wife, and children, then you are living a virtuous life.

So, what will result from living such a life? The day will come when the king of Heaven and the king of the Earth will visit the family with the exemplary life. Early in January of each year the kings must visit. The time will come when the nation will recognize the family within its borders living the best life. The family receiving the recognition has three generations that form a perfected four-position foundation.

The time will come when the president will present the award in family's home. There are three relationships, those of parent and child, husband and wife, and among the children. Brother-sister relationship is a consequence of the harmony of all these relationships. Therefore, whether in a brother-sister relationship or children's relationship, in order to become a person standing in the position of subject, you influence others positively, such that not even one person can live without me. If it is true say “Amen” and if it's not true say “No-men”. (Amen). Raise your hands and say it again. (Amen). A-men! A-men! Cheer to the enthronement of Heavenly Father! 1,000 years... 10,000 years!

No matter what you may come across, even if you are confronted with death, even if you are accused as a traitor and

executed, if you keep these things absolutely, then your family will belong to the heavenly royal family that possesses unabated freedom, unity and liberation. I want you to remember this clearly. Keep is as a motto. In the motto of the third millennium, I mentioned pure lineage, then the equality of human rights, and next the preservation of national public assets. That means do not be thieves. What is next? Be an example! Be an exemplary parent, exemplary spouse, exemplary children and exemplary siblings. If your cousins, nephews, relatives are doing well, then your children will follow their example. If you form such a family, people in your village will say, “We should follow that person. I want to live with him.” Then that person is surely a citizen of Kingdom of Heaven and Heaven will remember him. [Amen!]

I am also living that way. Wherever I go, whenever I see a grandpa or grandma, I want to serve them and buy them a meal, because I was not able to attend my own grandparents. So, it is not an easy life, but my foundation becomes bigger and bigger because God is on my side. More and more people flock around me and are concerned about me wherever I go. Dozens of years have passed and now even grandpas and grandmas, old people who are almost about to die, await me. Even the village dogs do not bark but want to follow me around.

If you live a life of goodness to the degree that dogs do not bark at you but want to be tickled by you, then people will be close to you also. Why would people oppose the master of love? They want to be close. You have to make it so. Even the passing birds would feel the same. Am I right or wrong? [You are right.] Do you like me? [Yes!] Do you want to live with me? [Yes.] Would you still want that if I spanked you three times a day? [Yes!] Do you still want to live with me? [Yes!] If I hit you, it will have the beneficial impact of the indemnity ceremony, right? So it will never be a loss to you, even if you are persecuted and attacked.

I explained to you on this historical day, the day of the Coronation Ceremony of God's Kingship, the three most important things that humankind must uphold and by which you can be truly liberated in your family and in your nation. Thus, I hope you can remember these memorable contents and keep them as the goals of your life. [Amen! Applause.] May you realize all the things to which you say “Amen.” Amen! ❖

ceremony.

After this, True Parents removed the crowns and new outer special robes which they had been wearing during the Coronation Ceremony.

Then True Father announced, “All of the people of this earth, all races together with True Parents, have made this Coronation Ceremony for the Kingship of God possible.”

Next, True Father offered the True Children food to eat from the offering table. After this, True Father directed the leadership to divide the offering in order that it might be shared by various groups of members. Then, True Parents shared some food from the offering. ❖



# The Coronation Ceremony for the Kingship of God

by Mary Jane Despres

*After attending the 8th 21 Days Blessed Wives Workshop for Registration in Chung Pyung that began January 13th, I've recently returned to America. Here's an unofficial, hopefully accurate report about the Coronation Ceremony for the Kingship of God on January 13, 2001*

This was my first visit to Chung Pyung since the construction of the Cheongsung Wanglim Palace, which translates to “the Palace of the Heavenly Presence.” True Father said at its dedication: “What is the name of this sacred place? It means the realization of Kingdom of Heaven on Earth and in Heaven for the Fourth Adam.”

Entering the Main Hall of this palace for the first time early in the morning of January 13th, I certainly felt like I was entering a heavenly, royal palace, as there were two beautiful pairs of thrones on the stage, and everyone gathering there was wearing holy robes. In front of us was a beautiful mural of outdoor scenery flanked at each end by an Oriental window with light shining through it and an ornate column. Featured on the mural were a red sun and white full moon illuminated by spotlight against a golden sky, steep dark green mountains and tall trees partially hidden by clouds, a towering waterfall and flowing streams, as well as several deer and cranes.

At the top of the stage area were two white thrones, prepared for Heavenly Father and Mother, called on this occasion “the Royal Parents of Heaven and Earth.” Below these thrones were golden thrones, prepared for our True Parents. Below the golden thrones was a large offering table, covered with a white table cloth with gold trim upon which were placed many beautifully stacked foods on cake stands and in bowls. Inside the hall, there was a heavenly atmosphere that contrasted to the tightly packed, almost overwhelming multitude of brothers and sisters dressed in holy robes who were gathered outside the entrance to the Main Hall along what are usually spacious corridors. Surely everyone who arrived early in the morning was anxiously hoping to be able to fit into the Main Hall where the singular event of God’s Coronation, to be held only once ever in history, would take place.

As I came into the hall around 6:00 am, brothers were cleaning and adjusting the stage area and the offering. Someone then called certain elders to the front of the gathering, including Hoon Mo Nim, Dr. Neil Salonen, Rev. Phillip Schanker, and Rev. Jacques Marion.

At 6:25 am, 42 people whom I imagined were selected elders entered the stage area. Twenty-one of them stood on the left side, facing the stage. Among these was Mr. Zin Moon Kim. Twenty-one others stood on the right side, facing the stage. Among these was Rev. Chung Hwan Kwak.

At 6:27 am, forty-eight men and women (called “ushers” by our translator), all of whom were wearing long, deep pink vest-like garments over their holy robes, processed in two lines on either side of the center aisle and seemed to stand in attendance along the front end of the aisle and along the sides of the offering table. Yet, after just a minute or so, they recessed to the back of the hall, as if this had been a practice of the procession that was to take place during the forthcoming ceremony.

Next, a brother stood in front of the offering table and prayed silently what

ents arrived about two thirds of the way from the rear of the hall up to the stage, they stopped and True Father offered a prayer to Heavenly Father—a beautiful, joyful prayer. Here’s an excerpt:

“Through this, the liberated True Parents centered on the True Parent of Heaven and Earth [God] and the liberated True Children on earth became one in mind and body. And, by indemnifying and liberating the Will —Your wish — which is absolute, unique, unchanging and eternal as the dominant character of true love, as True Parents are attending You, we would like to offer You the ceremony of joy in which You can be crowned in the original standard. With a joyful heart, please forget about past sinful human history and stand on the victorious foundation of liberation.”

After True Father’s prayer, Hoon

ed to fulfill in Adam’s family, according to the original ideal of creation, at the point where heaven and earth become one.”

After this prayer, our True Parents come to the stage area and bowed to Heavenly Father. True Mother’s right leg appeared to be in pain, as if she had recently been doing extensive bowing conditions. Then True Father sits down upon his throne, and True Mother bowed to him, using one hand to assure that her crown would not accidentally come off her head while bowing. Then she was seated in her throne.

Next, Rev. Chung Hwan Kwak addressed the gathering, saying: “This is the Holy Coronation of God’s Kingship. True Father had to officiate. This ceremony could be offered to liberate God. We are unworthy, as sinners, to be here. Only by True Parents’ love could we be here. We must pledge to resemble the Cosmic True Parents, honor God, who has regained His original position and True Parents who have officiated.”

### A Series of Heartistic Kyung Baes

Rev. Kwak asked that True Father’s four children in the Spirit World and all the True Children present might now come and offer a drink and kyung bae to Heavenly Father. True Children, represented by Hoon Sook Nim and Yun Ah Nim did so. True Parents sipped a drink. Then about eight other True Children who were present for this ceremony came and did the same.

On behalf of the Old Testament Age and of the New Testament Ages, Rev. and Mrs. Bo Hi Kyung and Dr. and Mrs. Bo Hi Pak offered kyung baes.

Couples representing several listed Blessing Groups come forward and offered kyung baes.

Next, representatives

of Korea, Japan and the United States offered kyung baes.

Then, six (of the eight) Continental Directors offered kyung baes on behalf of their Continental regions.

Four people representing four major world religions, including Christianity, Confucianism, Islam, and Buddhism, offered kyung baes.

Next, three brothers representing the National Messiahs offered kyung baes.

Then, four men who are relatives of True Parents offered kyung baes.

Next, three brothers representing the Abel Nations offered kyung baes.

Next, two brothers and one sister representing the Cain Nations offered kyung baes.

Then, three people representing the Spirit World offered kyung baes.

True Father then prayed with his hands outstretched. This is an excerpt from the third prayer:

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I imagined to be a prayer to offer the preparations and offering to Heavenly Father.

At 6:50 am, a brother placed what appeared to be black cushions on each of the white thrones of Heavenly Father. The ushers then officially processed from the rear of the hall to their positions at both sides of the center aisle in the front of the hall, beginning the ceremony.

Next, Hoon Sook Nim, the wife of Heung Jin Nim, together with Yun Ah Nim, the wife of Hyo Jin Nim, who were positioned in the continuing procession in front of our True Parents, started to carry beautiful silver-colored crowns to God’s thrones. To my surprise, True Father directed them to wait a moment. True Parents were wearing golden crowns with circular-shaped metallic decorations that sparkled as they moved. True Father’s crown had two strands of jewels, which swung back and forth on either side of his head as he walked along. As True Par-

sook Nim and Yun Ah Nim proceeded to the white thrones of Heavenly Father and Mother and placed the silver-colored crowns on each of the black cushion-like supports. Then, they carried two beautiful robes and carefully, with dignity, placed them just in front of the crowns. The robes were of fine white fabric with red and gold Oriental trim.

Meanwhile, True Parents were still standing in the aisle. At about 7:30 am, True Father prayed again, preciously offering Heavenly Father dominion. This was the second of True Father’s prayers. Here is an excerpt:

“Heavenly Father, You can now be settled in peace and exercise Your authority not only in the position of the Master having dominion over the creation, but also based on the standard of kingship, transcending the spirit world and physical world, and the past three ages. You can stand in a free and autonomous position, based on the foundation of going beyond the level of all of the things that You want-



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Hoon Dok Hae you should complete the restoration process. In 10 years how old will I be? 90. In 20 years 100. In 30 years 110. In 40 years 120. If Moses didn't live for 120 years the Israelites would not have been able to cross the Jordan river.

In your mind are so many complicated thoughts. You must not repeat the same mistakes. God knows when we were created and the time we are in. You must get rid of all complicated thoughts and situations. You must cut off from everything you have to go back to the original more than any other time. Everything will be done according to the truth. Our motto - Liberation of Cosmic Parents and Children of heaven and earth. You must forget the word "suffering" however you should never forget the word liberation. Without God, True Parents and True Love mankind cannot be liberated. Without True Parents and True Love, God can't be liberated.

Hae Bong - (Liberation), liberation is where this indemnity law is working from every direction. 360 degrees. Everything is centered at the center or absolute zero point. (Father asked us to make the sound of a lamb baah!) This way is the way of the sacrificial offering. It is the straight and spiritual way. From the zero point or center everything can be judged right or wrong. As the center turns on it's axis however the standard never changes. In all directions and all situations there is one standard.

What is the difference between this kind of liberation and the liberation of a person that was just released from prison? The person from prison is still blocked in every direction. His relatives, all people and the nation are full of boundaries through which he cannot go. True liberation removes all boundaries and all sharp corners from oneself. Then there is no direction or place that a truly liberated person cannot go. The number 16 is very important. 16 nations fought for the liberation of Korea. Liberated Cosmic parents and children. Each person has a mind and body or 2 parts. So the parents have 2 parts and the son and daughter have 2 parts or 8 parts. If you include the spirit world it becomes 16. 16 is the number of liberation. 16, 160, 1600, 16,000. 16,000 is the number of liberation. All National Messiahs must go to the Pantanal and catch 160 different kinds of fish representing 4 different species. 160 is the number of liberation. True Father caught this number. 160. He caught 32 Baku in one day. 11 Dorado in one day. Is there any national messiah who caught the 160 ? No one. Only Father did it. Are you liberated? How far are you liberated? Is God liberated? Jesus could not be liberated. Not without True Parent's can God be liberated. Until God's hope through Adam and Eve are fulfilled God can't be liberated. Without the children being liberated God could never be liberated. Now the cosmic parents must be liberated and the 6 billion people on earth must be lib-

erated. To liberate God and mankind religion became necessary. Mind and Body became trapped by the fall. Religion became necessary to liberate this condition. This was the beginning of the liberation of God. You don't know what the root or source of liberation is. Who is going to liberate God? God himself can't do it. It was man who fell in the garden of Eden. Therefore it is man who must take responsibility for the fall. Only the Messiah can bring the liberation of God.

Adam and Eve made the mistake therefore someone representing Adam and Eve must indemnify it. Can lesbians and homosexuals do it? They are only thinking of fulfilling their own sexual desire. They can't produce children. They have no mind on the future. They can't make babies. They have no place



to stand in their lineage. The ancestors have no place with them. There is no order up or down. They have no future generation. There is no purpose for the whole of humanity.

Husband and wife must become one united body. Every king must bow his head to his loyal subjects. How about God? Does God bow down to his children? Unless the children fulfill their responsibility, God can only bow down to God. Are you useful to God or not useful? Does God have the right to punish? If I step on you what is your attitude are you grateful? You should be unchanging if I kick you. God needs 3 generations to be truly liberated. Three is the number of liberation.

Which does a baby love a mother's breast or the breast of an old grandma. Do you love my words? What do you want the most? To fall in love with God or to fall in love with some person? [To fall in love with God!] In True Love God can be like an older brother and also a father. What kind of liberation does God desire? The liberation of love. What kind of love? True Love. How many kinds of True Love are there? There are many. Up and Down (Parents and Children), Front and Back (Uncles and aunts), Left and right (brothers and sisters). The core of the liberation of God is True Love. Core love.

You have sucked the life blood out of your Father and Grandfather. Do you think I can just run away? Is it easy to find the Divine Principle? The problem is in the womb. Woman blocked the way for God's ideal. The fall was cre-

ated by the woman. At the age of 15, 16, 17 girls start buying makeup. True love is Liberated Cosmic Parents and Children's love. The love of Grandfather and grandmother, the love of Father and Mother, the love of children, the love of grandchildren.

The core is True Love. With True Love there is liberation and you can have anything you want. Will we have farmers in heaven? There are no farmers or factories needed to make bread in heaven, however when you want delicious bread with the power of True love you will have it immediately. If you have True Love there is nothing that you can't do. Ability comes with True Love.

Which came first male or female? Communists say the female came first. Father says the male came first. Everything about the woman was made for the man and for the baby. Women search for a handsome ideal man.

(At this point Father spoke to the Japanese members for over an hour in Japanese.)

God wants liberation. Liberation in what way? In politics? With money? God doesn't need those things. God is seeking liberation in love.

I had all kinds of experiences in dealing with the situations of women. Every kind of problem that women had I worked to solve. That's why all women can feel that they like me.

What does God like most? Absolute faith, absolute love and absolute obedience. Unless I'm willing to give my life there can be no concept of salvation. You must commit yourself this day. Who is going to liberate God? God is hoping and longing for the marriage of Adam and Eve. This is God's marriage, this is True Parent's marriage. To meet God you must be at a perfect 90 degrees. 91 degrees will not meet God. God now has True Parents. God has been longing for this day.

To fulfill husband and wife you must not play with fire. Adam and Eve played with fire and fell ruining the whole cosmos. How can you fall with this understanding? Your conscience must be made to be strong. The fall is why animal offerings became necessary. The animals have no resentment they are a pure offering. Their blood is shed and this blood has no resentment it is pure. From this point God had to go down to the level of a servant.

I never wanted division to come. The

division of north and south or the division of my family. We must reflect and change before January 13th. Kingship is not done in the name of Rev. Moon. It is done in your own name. I have 4 children who went to the spirit world before their life span finished. This was not supposed to happen.

Knowing all this can you commit the fall? Centered on yourself you say you like your spouse or not. This is not the way of heaven. True love is the way of heaven, centered on God's hope and happiness.

Because of True Love, America, Russia and China are afraid of me. You must love your enemy even more than you love your own family. This is the secret of True Love. This is why some are afraid.

I have so many impossible situations that I'm dealing with, however can I run away? Why not? Because I know God. No matter how heavy the situation or how much I am pushed down, I cannot escape the fact that I am the Son of God. I can't run away. You can't dance around with the things of this world. You must totally clean up. This is the meaning of registration. Unless you have registration God can't welcome you. God actually can't do it. True Parents had to do it. What was that? Make Satan surrender. In March, 1999 Satan surrendered. Because of True Parents Satan could surrender. God could not make Satan surrender. That would violate the principle. Man gave Satan his power and only man can make Satan surrender.

On October 14, 2000 Father did a special ceremony to remove all the boundaries of religion and race. There are no more barriers in the spirit world. All are one in the spirit world. The 7 year period from 1997 to 2004 are the years in which all things can be cleaned up. OT and NT eras have been concluded. The Completed Testament Era has dawned. There is no more division. Jesus, Buddha, Socrates their wives are here.

Freely, I gave you the signature and authority. Now America must help God's providence, the UN must help. If they don't help they will lose their fortune.

You are listening to me today with the assistance of the angels. The UN, all nations and even the Mafia are listening to me because none of them have the solution to the problems of the family and the youth problems. They are all interested in the solution to these problems. We have the solution therefore they must help us.

You cannot live in any way that you wish. You must live so as not to dirty your lineage. God has no concept of things belonging to himself. We must have no concept of our own belongings. We must give and forget. As we offer all to God, God will bless us with greater blessing than that which we offered. I may seem cold but I'm afraid that if I don't tell you this truth you will blame me in the spirit world.

Let us sincerely repent and cleanse ourselves as we enter this new era. Raise your hands if you pledge to make this total commitment. Amen!! ♦



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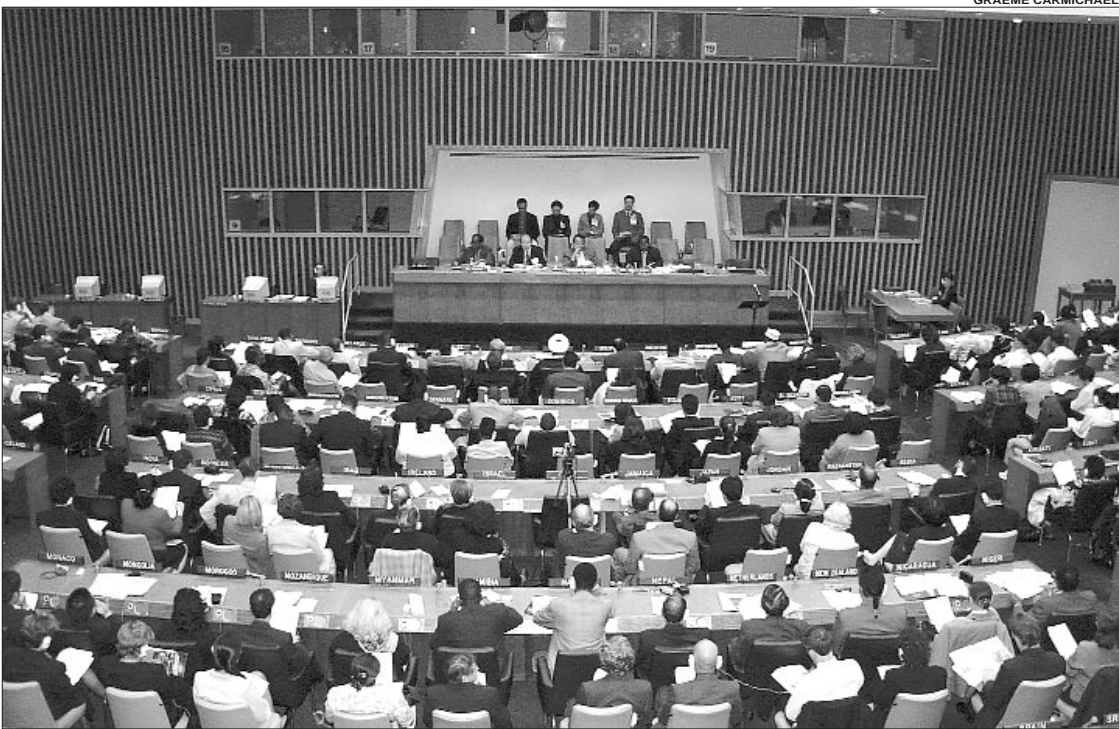
# The Millennium Declaration of the United Nations: A Response from Civil Society

by Dr. Mark P. Barry

The Millennium Declaration of the United Nations: A Response from Civil Society” was held in New York at the United Nations Headquarters and New York Hilton Hotel from October 20-22, 2000. Hosted by the Mission of Indonesia to the United Nations and co-sponsored by the Interreligious and International Federation for World Peace (IIFWP) and World Association of Non-Governmental Organizations (WANGO), it was attended by over 500 representatives of NGOs and civil society from 105 countries. H.E. Ambassador Makarim Wibisono, Permanent Representative of Indonesia to the United Nations, Dr. Chung Hwan Kwak, Chairman, IIFWP, and Dr. Wally N'Dow's, Secretary General, WANGO, co-chaired the conference.

The conference took place five weeks after the Millennium Summit of World Leaders convened at the United Nations attended by 150 heads of state, government and royalty — the largest gathering of world leaders in history. The world leaders unanimously adopted the United Nations Millennium Declaration at the Summit's conclusion (approved in General Assembly resolution 55/2). The document, itself derived from U.N. Secretary General Kofi Annan's We the Peoples millennium report — contains a statement of values, principles and objectives for the international agenda of the new century and sets deadlines for many collective actions. It is a significant statement outlining the shared values and those critical areas in need of serious consideration as we look into the new century and new millennium.

The co-sponsors convened this conference to respond to the Millennium Declaration — the core results of the Millennium Summit — in the belief that it is essential for representatives of civil society to enter into dialogue, as partners, with governments, and offer their wisdom, insight and recommendations, as called for by the Secretary General. The responses consisted of reactions from IIFWP, WANGO and individual NGOs who examined the Declaration in detail, including its stated values.



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The conference served to link constituent NGOs from within their tradition to the United Nations IIFWP's response focused on the role of the family, while WANGO specifically focused on the six values elaborated in the Declaration. These six enunciated values were intended to be linked to the larger community of NGOs, especially the religious and spiritual community and value-oriented NGOs, from within their respective tra-

ditions.

The partnership of governments, NGOs and civil society can help realize the vision and objectives of the Millennium Declaration. This conference represented the first such effort in the process of discussion, support and advocacy of the principles and objectives outlined in the Declaration. It also represented a follow-up effort by IIFWP, which sponsored “Assembly 2000:

Renewing the United Nations and Building a Culture of Peace” at the United Nations in August, just prior to the Millennium Summit, to evaluate the results of the deliberations of the world's leaders.

The conference itself was structured around the eight major themes of the Millennium Declaration: 1. Values and principles; 2. Peace and security; 3. Development and poverty eradication; 4. Protecting our common environment; 5. Human rights, democracy and good governance; 6. Protecting the vulnerable; 7. Meeting the special needs of Africa; 8. Strengthening the United Nations

Presenters reviewed each of these subjects and offered recommendations. Special sessions were held on three additional topics of the potential partnership roles of NGOs: “NGOs as

Partners in Debt Relief and Financing for Development,” “NGOs as Partners in Values and Public Service,” and “NGOs as Partners in Strengthening the Family.” Discussion groups were then convened around the eight themes of the Millennium Declaration, in terms of how NGOs respond to the Declaration and how they can work together.

### Opening Statements

At the opening of the conference, Dr. Neil A. Salonen, Secretary General of the IIFWP, welcomed the participants. He observed that many of the problems of our world transcend the traditional political questions with which the United Nations has traditionally dealt — oftentimes, they become questions involving an entire region or the globe. Often the roots of conflict can be found in culture or religion rather than nationality. Thus, only a broader discussion and examination of a question that can bring about certain solutions. “The IIFWP vision,” he said, “is to create one network where members of the religious community can come together and give their advice to members of the political community with an eye toward broadening and transcending some of the solutions that have been limited by political questions in the past.” The IIFWP has proposed a broader construction of the U.N. system so that there would be a formal way for world religious leaders to provide advice to the world political community. Dr. Salonen urged the NGO community represented in the conference to act in order to make a difference in the world: “if we do that, it will be a catalyst because I believe the time is right,” he said.

Mr. Taj Hamad, Executive Director of WANGO, reminded NGO representatives of the significance of

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Habitat II, held in Istanbul in 1996, which was a landmark meeting for NGOs who were called to attend as full U.N. partners. Similarly, this conference is also a watershed for NGOs because it represents the inauguration of the first global association of NGOs. He observed that the Millennium Declaration made many promises to the next generation, and it is our responsibility to keep them; NGOs must work harder than before. He asked participants: What do you want to do with this Declaration? How can WANGO help you achieve what you want to do? How can we enhance NGO interrelationships, U.N.-NGO relations, and NGO-state relations? It is up to NGOs to seize the moment, he concluded.

Each of the Co-Chairs made preliminary remarks that set the tone for the deliberations. H.E. Dr. Makarim Wibisono observed that it is essential to examine and respond to the Millennium Declaration, the magnum opus of the world community through the United Nations, so that it contributes to the “creation of the worthiest world for us to live in.” He said the eight categories of issues dealt with in the Declaration are the dominant challenges facing the world community in the 21st century. He stressed that the United Nations Charter epitomizes the intrinsic values and fundamental principles of international relations; its overarching goal is the enhancement of the human condition and the provision of human security. The Charter mandates that the United Nations create stability and well being to promote socio-economic progress. Today, he said, the challenge for governments and civil society is “how to collectively fashion an effective system of global governance to manage the massive changes, transforming the shape and substance of international relations at the onset of the millennium.” Thus, in this context,

the role of civil society, he noted, as partner of governments and the United Nations, cannot be over-emphasized, particularly in the follow-up of recommendations adopted by the Millennium Summit. Future global decisions will not only be decided by government representatives, but by representatives of global NGOs.



Co-Chair Dr. Chung Hwan Kwak, speaking from the perspective of the IIFWP, said that the world cannot achieve lasting peace without a greater partnership and cooperation between governments, civil society and the world's religions. Secondly, he stressed that the family as the foundation for world peace must be strengthened as it has profound social, moral and global significance. He then mentioned the three proposals made at Assembly 2000 at the United Nations by IIFWP Founder Rev. Sun Myung Moon: to establish a council of religious leaders within the structure of the United Nations; to establish peace zones under U.N. jurisdiction between the borders of nations in conflict; and, to establish a day of international appreciation for the family. Dr. Kwak noted that the IIFWP proposed at Assembly 2000 the development of an international educational program that emphasizes: 1.

The importance of character education; 2. The profound social significance of the family; 3. The value of interreligious and international harmony and cooperation; 4. The need for a close cooperative relationship between NGOs and the United Nations; and; 5. The need to cultivate a universal attitude of living for the sake of others and build a team of global peace volunteers who embody these ideals.

In particular, he said that NGOs and civil institutions should act according to the highest moral standards and ethical norms, and avoid becoming too narrowly focused or self-interested; special interests should never cause us to overlook universal interests. Finally, he asserted that the “world is on the threshold of a great new moment, one

in which the history of suffering, injustice and selfishness, can be transformed.” This change will come through a change in culture or consciousness, which will also have the capability of providing practical solutions to global problems.

Co-Chair Dr. Wally N'Dow termed WANGO a new house for civil society and NGOs. In particular, he applauded its inclusion of the religious and spiritual dimension — one that addresses human solidarity and the need for civilizational change. He noted that the rise of NGOs has been described as a power shift away from the government as the only authority over the human future, and to the non-state sector in the lives of people the world over. N'Dow said it was a watershed moment in the history of the United Nations when the Millennium World Peace Summit of Religious and Spiritual Leaders convened inside the U.N. Headquarters in late August. It was a “fundamental acknowledgment that it is not enough to view the world mainly as a political



arena for contest and competition, but it is more important as we move into the 21st century that we work for all or work for none, to bring the spiritual dimension into full focus.” He said NGOs are teaching there is another kind of globalization, that counters or mitigates the negative effects of economic globalization: the globalization of the human spirit, of faith, a globalization from below, mediated by love and understanding by the non-governmental sector of humanity. N'Dow spoke of several ideas that should govern the partnership between NGOs and governments: 1. Global partnership as a way of reaching out across the boundaries of community, race and nationality; 2. Enablement so that partners can act properly and with energy; 3. Information technology as the backbone of NGO collaboration; and, 4. Leadership training as a foremost task of NGOs.

He contended that human security must no longer be seen in terms of how to protect national territory with military power, but in terms of educational, health, nutritional and other basic needs being met. He said NGOs are more than ever involved in a new humanitarianism of both conflict prevention and post-conflict reconstruction. Regarding economic globalization, he assert-



ed that the world must not be viewed as a journey for trade and commerce, with life driven by market forces, but as the unfolding of a divine drama, where others' problems are one's own concern.

### Reviewing the Millennium Declaration

The major points of the Millennium Declaration were then examined and evaluated by several scholars and NGO leaders. Ms. Deborah Moldow, Co-Chair of the Values Caucus, said thinking about values and principles uplifts our consciousness, putting us in touch with our sense of purpose and that which is noblest in the human spirit. Her belief is that all people share our highest values, and that a sense of shared values can be an important cross-cultural bridge to understanding and concerted action. She cited the six values and principles in the Declaration: freedom, equality, solidarity, tolerance, respect for nature, and shared responsibility, which are reaffirmations of the principles of the

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U.N. Charter. The United Nations is the only repository for the world's values, and for 55 years has served as a laboratory for finding common expression of shared values, the common good. Of course, governments can sign on to a statement of values and go home to business as usual. But, in her view, governments are made up of people who have consciences, and can be prodded by the NGO community. She said that NGOs are known as the conscience of the United Nations.

Mr. Solo Dowuona-Hammond, President of the Olof Palme Peace Foundation, on the theme of development and poverty eradication, noted the lofty objectives in the Declaration, such as halving the world's extreme poverty by 2015. All of these goals hinge on the "recognition, promotion and protection of human rights and good governance."

The right to development is an inalienable human right, and sustainable development places people at the core, viewing them as both a means and end of development, not as a means to other people's ends. Human rights and sustainable development, he said, are inextricably interwoven and mutually reinforcing. Regarding the North's apparent reluctance to implement debt forgiveness for lesser developed countries (LDCs), he suggested that the United Nations set up a committee within the Economic and Social Council that would operate an escrow account for LDC payments; from these payments, projects could then be undertaken in conjunction with LDC governments, the private sector and civil society. Thus, such an arrangement could ensure the efficient and judicious use of resources, avoiding corruption and the cancellation of debt.

Dr. Nicholas Kittrie, Chairman of the Eleanor Roosevelt Institute for Justice and Peace, addressed the theme of human rights, democracy and good governance by first highlighting the chasm between the Declaration's espoused values and the reality. He asked how much credibility lies behind a resolution of an international assembly which, after 55 years since its creation and the issuance of innumerable declarations, permits nearly half of the world's population to subsist on less than \$2 per day. The Declaration sets out to attain seven specific human rights objectives, including upholding the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Yet, for example, of the 190 U.N. member states, only 95 have signed the existing protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights. Thus, there are many words, promis-



es and resolutions, but far less in the way of actions. There is little hard evidence of how many Declaration objectives are indeed being implemented. Moreover, the Declaration demands that governments not merely refrain from doing wrong and evil, but requires, in effect, "participation, sensitivity, and cooperation by people, churches, mosques, synagogues, temples, [youth] organizations, labor unions, scholars, and philosophers," he said. True implementation of the U.N. objectives calls for popular support and popular vigilance, not merely governmental pronouncements. This is why, Dr. Kittrie said, that a civil response is required, and a civil mobilization needed, to build a better world.

Dr. Yvette Stevens, Office of the Special Coordinator for Africa and the Least Developed Countries, U.N. Department of Economic and Social Affairs, discussed meeting the special needs of Africa. She said that in the Millennium General Assembly there was general support for a comprehensive and integrated approach to be taken toward

conflict prevention in Africa, including peace-building, poverty eradication, development and democracy. The Security Council's agenda centered on how to enhance U.N. effectiveness in the maintenance of international peace and security in Africa. It spoke to the need to address pressing social and economic problems, to ensure robust African economic growth, and integration into the world economy as essential elements of conflict prevention. It also gave prominence to post-conflict peace-building, reducing the spread of disease, especially HIV/AIDS and malaria, and the problem of illicit trade in natural resources, including diamonds. At the Millennium Summit, 35 African heads of state spoke, noting that Africa is a microcosm of the challenges the United Nations will face in the 21st century. Several called for the creation of a global assistance fund to be used for poverty eradication. Many leaders also called for debt cancellation so that resources could be reallocated for pressing economic and social needs. Dr. Stevens



noted that Southern African leaders said HIV/AIDS is the challenge of the millennium for their countries, and that the United Nations and the private sector must work together to seek an effective remedy to this pandemic. Leaders also complained that



African countries have been unable to harness the opportunities of globalization. They advocated fair terms of trade, open markets, strengthening capacity and narrowing the digital divide. British Prime Minister Tony Blair called for a "new partnership for Africa where all the problems are dealt in a coherent and unified plan." Leaders also observed that, in order to reduce poverty, concrete steps need to be taken to increase official development assistance (ODA). Overall, she noted, the Millennium Summit deliberations, as reflected in the Declaration, called for a new deal for Africa to address the plight of poverty, conflicts and HIV/AIDS, based on the independent thinking of Africans and a comprehensive approach by its partners.

Dr. Allan Gerson, Director of the War-to-Peace Transition Project at the New America Foundation, discussed strengthening the United Nations. He



observed the post-Cold War period has been primarily characterized by civil wars and internal or intrastate wars. These forms of warfare result from the vicious cycle or reactions of war and poverty: armed conflicts weaken the ability of the state to provide minimal social services and development, and this inability further fuels grievances and a readiness to take up arms. Only the creation of employment opportunities can nurture and sustain fragile peace agreements, and this will require a greater partnering between the United Nations and international financial institutions. The United Nations, he

said, is essentially a political institution that does not know much about economics. NGOs can successfully act as intermediaries between the United Nations and these international financial institutions. Finally, he called for a new structure in the United Nations that gives a voice to NGOs and the private sector so that they can work better together in a collaborative way.

The other three major themes of the Millennium Declaration - peace and security, protecting our common environment, and, protecting the vulnerable - were addressed by a reading of the relevant article of the Declaration itself.

### Debt Relief and Financing for Development

Mr. N'Dow gave an overview of the problem of debt and financing for development. He noted that many governments are at war with their own people, and that a large part of that war is caused by abject poverty and the lack of meeting basic human security needs. He stressed that the poor are not only poor but also vulnerable, especially women and children. He discussed the subject of debt relief, which has been led by NGOs throughout the world with some success. Raising the subject of unequal trade, and the achievement of trade with equity, he recounted that index-

ation - indexing what one nation produces to what that nation needs to purchase - had been extensively worked on by world leaders a quarter century ago, but the deliberations did not bear fruit. After the Cold War, he observed that we now have a war for resources and markets, which impacts on development. We must examine, he said, the relationship between the arms trade and poverty, under-development and civil strife. Finally, he reminded participants that 2001 will see a major United Nations conference on financing development, in which NGOs must

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actively participate.

Dr. P. Basak, speaking on behalf of Mr. Oscar de Rojas, Executive Coordinator of the Financing for Development Secretariat of the United Nations, agreed with Dr. N'Dow that a new war of grabbing natural resources is taking place. He said 80 per cent of the Declaration directly or indirectly concerns environmental degradation. Three questions need to be answered: what can be done to keep the planet healthy, lively and full of vitality; what types of sustainable development programs can be undertaken to obviate environmental problems; and, from where can the finances be mobilized for such development? He focused on the last question, and emphasized that all economic decisions have to be integrated with the environment of that country. This is because conservation and restoration that ignores human needs is not sustainable. He then proceeded to give six examples of how this integration may be accomplished, and in the process, funds obtained without asking from major world bodies.

### Values and Public Service

Dr. Frank Kaufmann, Executive Director of the Inter-Religious Federation for World Peace, discussed the theme of values in a theoretical and philosophical level. He observed that a clear delineation of values must underlie all attempts to chart a positive course for the United Nations in its second fifty years. He described in greater detail the formulation of curricula, as mentioned earlier by Dr. Kwak, that infuses the wisdom of the ages into the contemporary values listed in the Declaration, as well as arriving at sound and tested pedagogical methods to transmit these values to others.

Dr. Kathy Winings, Vice President, International Relief Friendship Foundation, discussed integrating values and service. She argued that NGOs have learned that for sustainable change to occur, it requires the efforts of more than one generation and more than one sector of society. Now is the time to go beyond the confines of our own

particular spheres of responsibility if we are to fulfill the Declaration. Education is needed not merely for literacy and intellectual development, but for the "knowledge that we gain through learning from our past and from the



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wisdom of our cultural and religious heritage. This is education in the six values in the Millennium Declaration." Such education, she said, provides the vision, motivation and direction toward which we must go, as a global society, but it is especially needed by the coming generations who will substantially shape the future. Service projects are one way to bring to society those values that can contribute to creating a culture of peace. Dr. Winings said that the "beauty of responding to these values is that it challenges our tendencies toward isolated disciplines and provides an arena in which intercultural, interreligious and interdisciplinary cooperation can occur naturally and harmoniously."

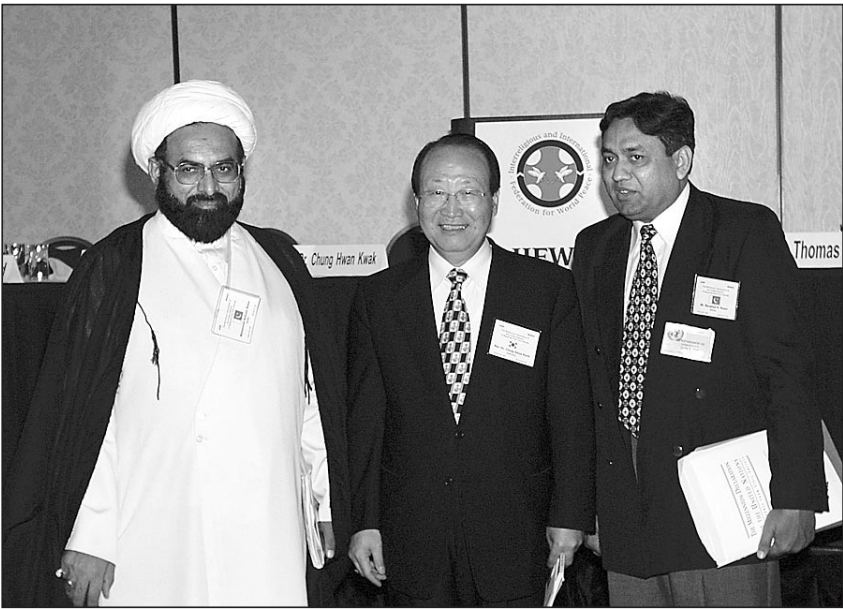
Dr. Andrew Wilson, Associate Professor of Biblical Studies at Unification Theological Seminary, spoke of crafting a global curriculum for WANGO that offers the wisdom of the world's religions and cultures as they elucidate the values underlying the Millennium Declaration. He stated he is against the notion that globalization must flatten the world's cultural diversity. The world's cultures will address values

rooted in their respective religious traditions. Of course, this raises the question if various cultures will arrive at divergent rather than common values. American educators, Dr. Wilson noted, have successfully overcome the problem posed by culturally determined values through a

process of evaluating values by consensus. Character education today in the United States emphasizes values remarkably similar to the six listed in the Declaration. He said he was therefore convinced that we can meet in a common affirmation of these six values. Moreover, he suggested that the centrality of the family, including respect and care for the elderly, be additionally affirmed given that it was not included in the Declaration.

### Strengthening the Family

Dr. David Blankenhorn, President of the Institute for American Values, discussed why all states should recognize and protect the family. He said, "[G]overnments must recognize and respect the natural family in much the same way, and for exactly the same reason, that they must recognize and respect human rights, since the natural family is a gift from nature and nature's God, thereby constituting a fundamental dimension of human flourishing." The family is cradle of civil society, its first and most important institution. He decried "no fault divorce" in the United States, which he termed unilateral divorce. For the state arbitrarily to declare that a marriage may be immediately and unilaterally broken by either spouse for any or no rea-



son is, in essence, to abolish any legal recognition of marriage. He urged that a coordinated, international, multi-sector social movement be begun to strengthen and defend the institution of marriage.

Ms. Phyllis Bennett, faith-based liaison for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, noted that this year's World Summit on Social Development, sponsored by the United Nations, declared the family as the basic unit of society, playing a key role in social development, and pledged to promote a strengthened role for the family. She said we must recognize that the profound importance of the family transcends cultural and religious boundaries.

Karen Judd-Smith, IIFWP Director of Development and Public Affairs, said the family is the vehicle to implement the very things that allow us to create a culture of peace on earth. "Every single person builds peace through day-to-day relationships within the family," she said. It is within the family that one first learns, through the example

of parents, how to live for the sake of others. The issues of poverty and sustainable development can first be creatively solved within the family framework. Thus, the marriage relationship and family is the core from which we can transform our society, she said.

Rev. Dr. David Randle, President of Wellness Health and Lifestyle Education, discussed the interrelationship of global perspectives, culture and religion, and leadership education. He noted that the process of leadership has everything to do with being effective in facing challenges of the material world, and today, it has been discovered that challenges are most successfully met and overcome by whole groups tapping into such things as purpose, passion and compassion, which lie at the core of human beings. He said the call to leadership is now more like a journey than a job, a journey to the heart and soul to remember the values and visions that most inspire us and reawaken the experience of deeply caring for ourselves and others. When it comes to the effectiveness of an organization or program, it depends upon people and how well they are able to interact to make a difference. He stated the chief relationship skill is communication that can create breakthrough results.

### NGO Discussion Groups

Eight discussion groups met simultaneously on each of the main themes of the Millennium Declaration:

The Values and Principles group noted the roots of Western culture are grounded in the wisdom of the community, but has degenerated today into an obsession with the rights of individuals. Some participants felt that the Declaration reflected the values of only the North not the less developed South. Representatives called for the creation of a values structure that

all can agree upon.

The Peace and Security group asked WANGO to develop a culture of peace, which would include education against drugs and armaments, and for education in peace and tolerance. They called for WANGO to be a mediator, negotiator and implementer of peace zones, as elaborated by Rev. Moon.

The Development and Poverty Eradication group called for NGOs to be interconnected on the local, national, regional and global levels. They noted that education of those in poverty is important, as oftentimes the poor simply do not have the opportunities to develop themselves. NGOs should help manage official development assistance, especially to safeguard it from corruption.

The Protecting Our Common Environment group suggested WANGO offer input into the ten-year review of the Rio Summit in 2002. The group identified the critical importance of water, and the possibility of water as a source of

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conflict. Water should be seen as a human right. Leadership training for NGOs was seen as vital, whether to withstand the pressures of commercial interests upon NGOs or to assist elected officials who respect the environment to find alternatives in the process of development. The group stressed a consistent representation of the South in U.N. processes and the importance of South-South cooperation.

The Human Rights, Democracy and Global Governance group recommended that WANGO take the lead in education on human rights. Much of the world's population does not know what their human rights are or how to implement them. The group also suggested that WANGO create an index of good governance. It was noted that government is by a small group over the whole population, but governance, which starts with oneself, is something in which everyone can participate. Transparency and accountability of governments was also stressed.

The Protecting the Vulnerable group stated that the category of vulnerable includes not only children, but also the elderly and the physically challenged. War-torn areas also have refugees who are exceedingly vulnerable. In terms of working together to implement the ideas in the Declaration, it was recommended that WANGO act as a facilitator among the spectrum of NGOs to assist in networking. Younger NGOs need to learn from older NGOs, and vice versa. Regional collaboration is particularly important.

The Meeting the Special Needs of Africa group recommended several points: that NGOs in cooperation with governments ensure that every child receives a basic education; that delivery of health care must reach the intended beneficiaries; that African countries introduce major languages into their respective curricula (French, English and Portuguese); that NGOs educate civil society as to their basic rights and empower them to bring good governance to African states; that debts that African countries owe should be for-

given; and finally, that the U.N. Security Council be restructured so that an African state could be given a veto power.

The Strengthening the United Nations group said the United Nations must reach out to NGOs in all communities and give them more input and participation. It should be clear how U.N. funds are allocated since how much goes to administration was at issue. NGOs should have more power, the group said, for they are the backbone and grassroots of the United Nations. There should be more representation from both the youth and the elderly. They noted the United Nations needs to be a leader by example: more action and less words. It should recognize and award exceptional programs. The Security Council should be restructured with the Third World given more voice.

### Closing Statements

Amb. Dr. Clovis Maksoud, Executive Director, Center for the Global South, observed that it is important to realize that not whatever is legal is necessarily legitimate, and in some instances, what is legitimate is not necessarily legal. Civil society, as the repository of legitimacy, must ensure that legitimacy is a matter of dynamic consent to governments - this is because many governments, under the pretense of being custodians of sovereignty, practice human rights violations in a systematic way. He argued that we must rectify the North-South equation, which is a matter of shame and a challenge for the 21st century. We must deepen our sense of commitment to internationalism in order to allow sovereignty to become a legacy of human liberation rather than a shield and pretext to dehumanize human relationships. He added, "The United States, as now the only superpower, must be deterred so that [it] rediscovers its own values, so that its val-



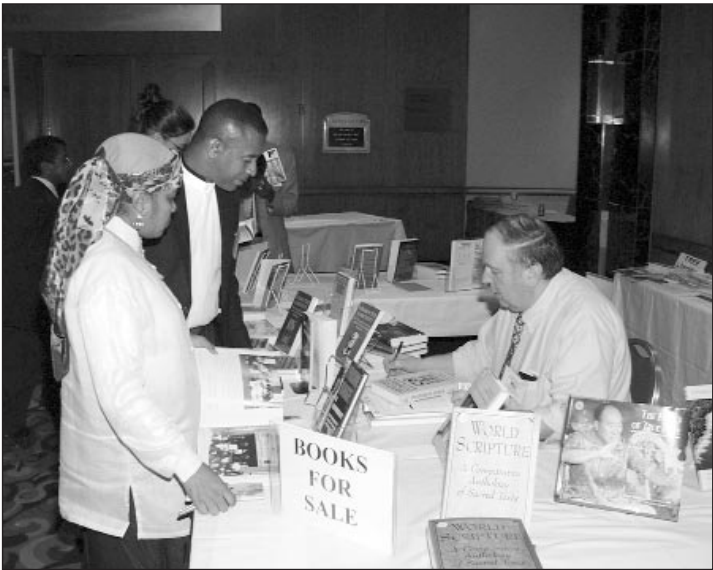
ues are no longer a negation of some of its policies."

Ms. Maria Figueroa Küpçü, a member of the Board of Directors of the International Development Conference, noted that there is understandable skepticism about the Millennium Declaration, but the dangers of not trying to achieve its goals are too great a risk; together, we can succeed. She said the Declaration could have gone further to include how governments will help parents, grandparents and the extended family - all of which is so critical toward nurturing young people toward their full potential. NGOs can best show how these ideas can become reality by modeling change in their own organizations and expecting high standards of behavior from those who represent NGOs. NGOs should serve as role models to others. She said they have a "unique ability to reach into communities, to get closer to the people than any gov-

ernment agency could because we can change attitudes, persuade friends [and] encourage them." She urged that NGOs become the training ground for tomorrow's government and business leaders, adding, "Only when there is cross-pollination of these sectors will the values that we think are important in the NGO sphere become internalized in the policies of society and the business practices of our corporations." She stressed that NGOs not remain isolated but learn to speak the language of their partners.

In closing the conference, Dr. N'Dow once again proclaimed that WANGO is an idea whose time has come, and will become the premier global network of civil society in nations large and small, and the premier world body for training in human leadership. Dr. Kwak, in concluding remarks, stressed that NGOs should avoid the dangers and temptations that have toppled individuals and governments - selfishness and moral failure. Rather they must maintain the attitude of service to others. Participants were invited to attend future IIFWP and WANGO educational programs in their respective nations.

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I want to focus my thoughts and heart in the direction of the second generation youth. What is second generation? Second generation is someone who is born from the first generation. It's based on the standard of True Parent's blessing. If you receive the blessing in the first generation, then the children of that first generation are the second generation. So the standard is the blessing of True Parents.

Second generation is someone who is born from father and mother, who came together through the blessing of True Parents. Then there are second generation members who are born from a father and mother before they received the blessing. They are Cain-type second generation, a little bit different type. I hope that this time will be for the second generation a time that you can reaffirm your identity as second generation members.

God created human beings, Adam and Eve in the garden of Eden, but because Adam and Eve committed the fall, God could never see a lineage that had His true life, true love and true lineage. In the 6,000-year history He has been trying to restore and recover that lineage. True Parents came to this world, and for the first time there could be a true son and true daughter, true husband and true wife and true parents. This is the meaning of the holy wedding ceremony that took place in 1960.

Of course, 2000 years ago Jesus came as the son of God, the second Adam. Jesus came in Adam's position, but it wasn't enough just to be Adam. There had to be an Eve as well. Jesus needed to meet Eve and be able to form a true husband and wife relationship and have children, but he died before he could accomplish that. So 2,000 years later, in this age, Father came in the same position that Jesus came, and then Father and Mother inherited the mission of Jesus, and the Holy Spirit formed husband and wife relationship and then established for the first time the lineage of the second generation.

So through the holy wedding True Parents established that position for themselves. Then based on that authority they blessed your fathers and mothers, the first generation. Then you were born as a result of that blessing. So as second generation you have inherited something that no one else in history has inherited. For the first time in human history you were born in the lineage of God. You have inherited that lineage from your mother and father.

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This is the first time that God has been able to see this in history. Are you then of great value to God or not?

God is watching over you and God has concern and interest in you, every second of every hour, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, because you are of such value. You should never forget that. When you get up in the morning, you should feel pride that you are a son or daughter of God, that you were born from the lineage that God established through the blessing of the first generation. It's not enough to have a beautiful or handsome face in order to be a wonderful member of the second generation. It's not enough to have good grades and get into an Ivy League university. The most important thing is that you understand that you are a true son or daughter of God who has inherited the lineage from the blessing of your parents in the first generation.

If it were possible, God would want to have just blessed families on this earth. That was the heart of God in the flood judgment at the time of Noah. What do we learn from the story of Noah and the flood? How many people survived that flood? Noah, his wife, three sons and their wives, so eight people all together. Everyone else received judgment. Why was that? It was to have only God's pure lineage remaining on earth.

You know in the Bible it says that after the flood that God promised through the rainbow that this kind of thing would never happen again because during that flood he saw many people dying and drowning, crying out for help. Many, many people died, and God saw all of that.

God is a God of love so He continues trying to reach out to everyone in the world, to give everyone salvation, but there has to be a main line through which God's salvation is carried out. Through Noah, Abraham and Isaac, Jacob, then through Jesus, then True Parents has been the main line of salvation history. There are 280 million people living in the United States today, but the main line of God's providence takes place through the blessed couples, the first generation and second generation. That is you who are here today. Do you believe that? If you believe it, say Amen.

The main part, the core of that mainstream is the second generation. Second generation is more valuable than your parents because you are the core of that mainstream. So each of you second generation, you are more valuable than the remaining 279,999,999 million people who are living in America. Because of Adam, all of humanity inherited sin. God's providential history, was Adam, Noah, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and Moses, it was always the case that if one person fulfilled their responsibility then all of mankind could receive salvation through that person's accomplishment. On the other hand, if that person failed in his responsibility then all of humanity had to participate in paying indemnity for his fail-



ure. Because of the fall of Adam, three things were lost—God's love, God's life, and God's lineage. Among those three things, love, life and lineage, which is the most

important? Is it love? We might think that love is the most important, but recently Father has been saying that lineage is most important. That's because love and life are just a matter of one generation. It's through the lineage that love and life are passed on to succeeding generations. So second generation, please hold up your hands again. I want to give you a very serious message today.

I returned from Korea three days ago. Day after tomorrow I go to Korea again. The reason for my coming to America this time was to meet you. As we begin this year, it's important for the first generation to think of our heart as the chosen people. Also as our second generation grows up, what kind of tradition we are going to pass on to them. I want to discuss those matters with you today.

On the morning of the 4th of January in Korea, all the continental directors went to visit True Parents. We took photographs of matching candidates, and especially the photos of second generation candidates were arranged in albums which we took to True Parents. On that occasion True Parents said, "From now on I'm not going to do the matching. The parents themselves have to take responsibility in all matters." There should be committees on the church, regional, national and world level to decide these things, but basically it should be the responsibility of the parents themselves.

Is this good news or sad news? If you say it is good news then you must be very confident as parents, and you know where you are and what you're doing as parents, you're confident of where you're going and you have nothing to be embarrassed about before God. For me it's not so good news because, to be honest, when I ask myself have I achieved the spiritual standard whereby I can confidently choose the eternal spouse of my child, I am not so confident yet.

So until now we just made the proper documents and photos and took them to Father, and then the parents just go to sleep and wait for Father's decision. But when Father says, you do it, suddenly we become very serious. In one respect it means that True Parents have that much trust in us. In that sense it's good news. We knew that eventually it would be this way. In that sense it means there has been an advancement in the providence. The problem is that we have to be able to follow the spiritual standard that True Parents have set.

In the garden of Eden, who was supposed to match Adam and Eve, and who match their children? Adam and Eve would have matched their children. It's the original way that parents would have matched their children and given them the blessing of marriage. From now on True Parents are not going to preside over these matters. All the paperwork had been prepared for peo-

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ple wanting to be blessed on the 27th, so we asked Father, please, just this one last time would you do it. He said no.

When you think about matching your children, you may think it's easy. But think about how it's really going to work. It won't be easy. I'm very serious about this. Are you? It means that we will have to advance the maturity of our community spirit because our children are going to be someone's son-in-law or daughter-in-law, so we must have a higher standard of faith and community life in order to do this in the right way.

Of course parents never have ownership over their children. We are just responsible for them up to a certain point, and then they leave the home. During the time we have responsibility for our children we have to give them the proper standard of faith and tradition.

Let me ask the first generation, what kind of son- or daughter-in-law would you like? I'm sure there are many priorities in your mind, but what's the most important thing? Faith, filial piety, purity. All those things are what first generation parents would like to see in the spouse of their child, and all the second generation need to be raised in the atmosphere of those virtues. But what about the social environment in which we live?

This morning I received a phone call from a friend who is a professor at a Korean university, but his wife and children are here in America so he travels back and forth. In that phone conversation I gave some advice to my friend. I told him it was not wise for him to leave his family here in America, for two reasons. In the first place, children should grow up in an atmosphere of love of both parents. They need the strict love of their father and the embracing love of their mother every day. Unless there is an unavoidable providential reason of some sort, parents should raise the children together.

The second reason I gave him was the environment in the American educational system. As you know, America is a great country in many ways, and schools here give good external, horizontal education. But it is missing the most important thing—that is, education in vertical values. There is no education at all in vertical values. It has everything else, but there is no vertical teaching about filial piety to parents or patriotism to the nation. It is too horizontal. It places too much emphasis on the individual. It's too easy for that individualism to turn into selfishness.

It's good to emphasize the individual character of each human being, but the children can never be placed before the parents. That is why it's so important to have the tradition of pledge service. I'm sure everyone did pledge this morning, where parents bow to God, to each other, and then children bow to the parents. In Korean society there is a very clear ranking between parents, the first son, and all the siblings down the line. It's a very vertical relationship. If the parents are not there, the oldest brother or oldest sister will be the center of the family and the sib-



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lings unite centering on that child. But if individualism and the horizontal aspect is emphasized too much then there is no respect among the siblings for each other. That's easy to see in America. Is my analysis wrong?

Parents are in the subject position. When children are growing up, parents need to educate them very strictly. The important thing now is, how do we leave the pure lineage of God. How do our children inherit and receive and carry on the lineage of God so they will be different from the Cain-type society around us. God has opened the gates to salvation. Father says it doesn't matter if you're a believer or unbeliever, whether you are in the spirit world in hell, everyone can be saved. The problem now is that everyone has to be re-created centering on the mainstream of the providence.

Even though spirit world has been liberated, in the physical world we are still surrounded by strong Cain-type culture. That is why we have this crucial mission to raise our children to be princes and princesses in God's royal family so they can be in the core of the mainstream to bring salvation to the entire world. I'm not talking about external education here, but internal education of the heart.

There are four elements to this kind of education. First, they have to know God. It doesn't matter how great a person may be. If that person doesn't really realize God in his own life, that person cannot really raise children in the proper way. Second, to help your children know the True Parents, their mission, and their relationship to us. The next important thing is their consciousness of their lineage.

What is it through which we inherit the true lineage? It is through the blessing. So the value of the blessing has to be very clear and must be inherited completely. The church needs to have a very good educational system so the consciousness of the chosen people can be passed on to the second generation. But it is only once a week that the church can do that, for two or three hours. More than 95 percent of the time during the week is spent outside the church, in the family. So the primary responsibility for education lies with the parents, not the school or the church. Particularly education in matters of faith should come through the parents. The most important part of education is to teach how to maintain the purity of the lineage. We need to emphasize the meaning and value of purity in order to strengthen the heart and spirit of every second generation child to a degree that no temptation can penetrate.

After our encounter with True Parents on January 4th, we met with Rev. Kwak and heard a very wonderful testimony. It may be something that doesn't fit in with the American cultural environment. Rev. Kwak's oldest son lives at Belvedere, so when Rev. Kwak comes to America and visits this family, he sees his grandchildren, and in greeting they all do kyung-bae before him. Then, as would be common in the Korean cultural context, Rev. Kwak will motion for one of the grandsons to come forward, and he will point his penis and

ask, have you kept your part holy? This is very valuable. At first he only did that with the grandsons, but later also with the granddaughters, always reminding them that this part of their body is very important and must be treated very preciously. It would be a big problem if someone outside the family did this. But parents and grandparents do it with an educational purpose.

Next year and the year after about 600 children of the 8,000 couple blessing will be old enough to enter college. The children of our blessed couples are entering college and becoming adults. I'd like to see the hands of the second generation who are 13 years old or older. You need to have a consciousness within yourself of how important your purity is. Your parents can't do it for you. If you are 13 years or older, it is your responsibility. Just as Adam and Eve did, you are hearing two voices. One voice says, don't eat the fruit of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. On the other hand you are hearing a voice that says, go ahead and eat it. It is your responsibility to do the right thing.

When you are at school you may see a beautiful girl in your class, or a handsome boy and your heart may start to pound when you see him or her, but you have to control that. You need to control those things outside the family, with an awareness that you are important to the salvation of America, that it is important for you to maintain your purity in order to accomplish your mission for this country. Your parents cannot watch over you 24 hours a day, so you have to protect yourselves. You heard the Divine Principle, so you have that power.

All the second generation in the back there, do you understand? Your spouse is not going to be someone who is outside of the church. When the time comes, your parents, in consultation with the committee established in the church, will choose your spouse for you. So until that time it is important for you to protect yourself, your life and your purity, and be aware that your sexual organ is not something that anyone should see or touch, and certainly it would be hell for you to actually use that sexual organ in an improper way.

In the media and in the environment around us there is a very libertine attitude toward sexual things, but that is Satan's environment. We need to be different. We need to maintain purity so we can accomplish our mission in the providence. It would be better if I didn't have to speak of these things to you, but I have to because the first generation, centering on the continental director, is doing the matching for this blessing. During the course of this matching I got to the point where I couldn't go any further. I just had to put it away and go some place else for a few hours. There was one female candidate who in her confession said she had had sexual relations with 10 men, that she had used drugs and done other things. Of course she had repented all these things and returned, and now it was our responsibility to find her a spouse.

Second generation, raise your hands again. So I'd like to ask you, five years

or seven years now when you participate in the matching, would you like your spouse to be someone who has had sexual relations with many men or women, or even just one other man or woman? Or would you like someone who has remained pure up to the matching? Does it matter to you? (Pure!) Say again, everybody. (Pure!)

Because I am the responsible person, much information comes to me. Money is not a big problem. Knowledge or intelligence is not a priority. Power is not an issue. The most important thing is pure love and pure lineage. That's valuable and precious. God even took a humble shepherd like David and made him a king. I predict that, if our movement can fulfill the central most providential roll of our Heavenly Father, we will have a president elected from one of our blessed families in the USA before the 50th president is inaugurated. In fact, Father has said that, especially about children of interracial families. Because they have suffered more pain during the course of their growth than others, they will be chosen by God as the first to take responsibility for this country. It is my prayer that the children of a black and a white parent will be the first.

But the most important thing is lineage. You want to have a pure person as your spouse, don't you, second generation? You need to make

sure

that your children maintain purity. You yourselves need to keep purity so that you can become the son- or daughter-in-law of someone who is looking for someone who is pure. Parents and children have to work together on this. Your parents are busy taking care of you, and they are busy because they have to follow various directions that come from True Parents. If you are 13 years or older then you have to take responsibility for yourself.

I actually prepared a completely different sermon today, but God told me to speak to the second generation about this serious matter. Among the population of this country, a very minute number are members of the second generation. If it were possible, True Parents would like to have our own schools and universities so blessed children could grow up without any negative influence from the outside. Instead our children have to grow up in the society at large.

If a second generation person made even one single mistake, originally there was no way for salvation. Now Father has allowed a possible way of restoration. That means, after a Fall, a second generation member will lose the status of being part of the second generation. After falling, this member belongs to the first generation instead. So you have to completely and absolutely maintain purity.

On this first Sunday of 2001, all second generation members should make a pledge. All of you stand up, please, and repeat after me. "I will maintain my purity at the risk of my life." I can't hear you. Again, loudly—"I will maintain my purity at the risk of my life. "It

is my responsibility to maintain my purity." It's not my parents' responsibility. It's not God's responsibility." You have to do it yourself. You have to protect yourself. God is watching you and True Parents are watching you. Your ancestors and all of spirit world are watching you because they want you to participate in building a great America and a great world.

In order to receive the fortune of heaven, you have to maintain your purity. Do you pledge? Pledge with both hands, straight up high. Keep your hands up and show your sincere determination to our Heavenly Father. Please sit down.

As was mentioned earlier, all blessed couples will take the holy wine again, including children and grandchildren. On God's Day, after 7 a.m. pledge service, there was a ceremony in which Father and Mother gave the holy wine to all the True Children. This holy wine ceremony has a very different meaning from the holy wine at Cheong Pyeong for the national blessing. This is a condition for us to be able to participate in the Coronation Ceremony for the kingship of God that will be held in Korea on January 13th. The second meaning is that it is a reaffirmation of our determination to maintain the purity of our lineage.

Each family can determine exactly what day this will happen. Just be sure it's before January 13th. Each parent and child write down a biography of their mistakes. Children don't need to show it to their parents or their siblings. It's only between each individual and God. Gather them up and burn them, and then follow that with the holy wine ceremony.

This morning after 5 a.m. pledge service at my house I asked my 13-year-old daughter if she had anything she felt regret for. She said yes, and I said, write it down. Maybe children regret something they did toward their parents, or fighting with their brothers and sisters. Please repent everything so that we can return to our pure selves as sons and daughters of God.

In conclusion, I have spoken on Blessing and Responsibility. Our Pledge Service represents the very essence of our spiritual life. The tradition of bowing to our Heavenly Father and True Parents on Sunday mornings, the first of each month and our Holy Days should absolutely be maintained. Here is a quick description of how the Pledge Service should proceed:

1. The whole family bows to Heavenly Father and True Parents.
2. All recite the Family Pledge.
3. Prayer by Father or Mother.
4. After the prayers are completed, husband and wife bow to each other.
5. Parents sit before the altar and children bow to the parents.
6. The children kiss their parents on the cheeks.
7. Words of Principle education.

It is also important to sustain the Hoon Dok Hae tradition on a regular basis every morning at 6am. If you can not do it for one hour in the morning at least do for 30 minutes. If that is not possible it is alright to do it in the evening with your whole family. These Hoon Dok Hae sessions will contribute much to our spiritual growth and maturity. ❖





# A North American Member's Odyssey through

by Tyler Hendricks

We were with True Parents in their everyday life teaching and living God's everyday workshop. We departed the White Plains airport in the Challenger jet at 6 p.m. on November 28 and slept through the night on its soft but narrow seats, losing two hours in the proposition. Around 6:20 a.m. we touched down in the western Brazilian city of Campo Grande. It took us about an hour to wade through customs, with an oh-so-friendly official behind the plastic shield hunting and pecking at his computer. It was raining, but a decent restroom afforded us all a chance to put our faces on.

Once cleared we boarded another jet, the "Pilatus" PC 12, made in Switzerland. It seats eight squeezed tightly, which we always do. It is the SUV of the air travel world, able to land, the pilot Chris told us, on a runway as short as 140 meters. The next day, we needed just that. From Campo Grande we flew on to Jardim and drove to New Hope East Garden. There we were greeted by nothing less than a John Phillip Sousa-style marching band, decked out in bright yellow and white uniforms. It was made up of students at our New Hope School. They played "When the Saints Come Marching In" as we, well, marched in. A crowd of about 300 gathered with the band to welcome us. The school now educates through eighth grade and has 200 students.

True Parents went upstairs into the new quarters. I looked for the cute little hacienda that once was there, in vain. It's gone, as gone as the old buildings at Chung Pyung Lake. What's there now is much better. Upstairs, we kyung bae'd, enjoyed some fruit, and Father spoke.

Father spoke to about 15 leaders at first, in the new house. Then he invited in the other members who were waiting, about 50 or so. He spoke at length to the Japanese missionaries. One couple is doing well in their town, gaining 120 members. The husband is a medical doctor.

On our way out after lunch, we drove to the new athletic building. Father and Mother cut the ribbon for the struc-



From that house, one has a 360 degree view of the surrounding countryside, unobstructed for hundreds of miles in any direction. Mr. Koo Bae Park showed Father an approach book for a business group. The book emphasized ecology and featured a smiling local in a hard-hat with the slogan in English "a new concept of work." It also had a map of South America with lines centering on Jardim. A port in Montevideo is envisioned connecting the continent's vast inland to world markets. More on that later.

I reflected to myself, while in that little airplane, that our True Par-

ents could be flying in their private jet to Monte Carlo, Las Vegas, Rio, Paris, Milan and so forth, living a high life. They deserve it and probably would do the world some good that way too. But here they are, flying around the wilderness of South America, trying to create a nation out of the rejected land, that can be offered to God, trying to feed the world from a sources that God can bless and befitting the Garden of Eden, with youth of all nations participating selflessly. The heart of a dreamer. The legendary Don Quixote comes to mind. It is too touching to deny; Father's heart is too pure for words.

The Salobra meeting moved on to a long report about soccer teams we have purchased in Jardim (called "Cine," pronounced "seenay") and Sao Paulo (called "Sorocaba"). The Sao Paulo team sold a player for \$20 million (!), and will use the money to build a stadium. The team, I am told, has their own hotel and medical center, plus a scientific system for scoring goals and defending. Father was inspired by Rev. Heung Tae Kim's report, encouraging him to reach the top within three years.

He asked each person present to donate \$100,000 to the team, or if that is difficult, to send \$3,000 a month. He chose a bus that he would purchase for the team. He called for the Washington Times Foundation to create a North America-South America soccer association. Rev. Kim also reported that one of the members of the House of Representatives of Brazil attended Father's speech at the UN and following that at East Garden. The man, who is expected to be the speaker of the house next year, gave an official report about the Assembly 2000 to the entire congress of Brazil, including Father's proposals.

And I was thinking, the main thing I want my children to know is who True Parents are. I want them to understand the value of True Parents in their life. Here I am, I said to myself, sitting for hours without understanding what's being said, just because Father is who he is. That's all: he is who he is. I am



ture, and signed a soccer ball and basketball. As we left, I saw something else new, a small refreshment stand across the street, called "Bela Batock." It was wonderful to be back at NHEG, even if just for a couple of hours.

We boarded the plane and flew over the new land of 1.2 million hectares, about which Father was speaking. It is a rectangular property, approximately 60 km high and 140 km wide (about 3,382 square miles by my calculation), centering on a community named Puerto Casado, which has a population of 3,500, a post office and police station. It is entirely in Paraguay, in the Chaco

province of Alto Paraguay (upper Paraguay).

We departed the Jardim "airport" at 2 p.m. to do an aerial reconnaissance of the new land. It is forested heavily, with large areas cleared of trees for the sake of cattle grazing, although no cattle were visible. We flew low over the land, mostly flat but with a few clusters of hills scattered about. Along the river are concrete plants, quite visible because of their smoke. After the tour we touched down in Salobra. The party checked into the hotel that we own there, freshened up and drove up to True Parents' house on the hill.

The land between the hotel and house has been bulldozed almost completely, with perhaps forty trees left standing. The vision is to build a nature park, with a variety of fauna and flora, water works, trails and so forth. We sat next to the swing, near the swimming pool.





# South America with God and True Parents

sitting in a small Korean group with Father the same way I did the first time I had the chance, in the early 90s at East Garden, when Mrs. Gil Ja Sa Eu beckoned me into the dining room where I could sit with her on the floor. It is Father's love for the rejected land. It is Father calling for HDH at 9:45 p.m., with himself the first to nod off, just because he is who he is and he has to do it. He is duty-bound to God, and he himself is usually—no, always—the first to suffer.

It turned out that we did HDH in the evening because there was a tight schedule in the morning. I guess that's a heavenly law, now: if you're morning schedule is too busy, then do HDH the evening before. I was wondering what the busy schedule was going to be. After resting at the hotel, we returned to the house at about 5:30 a.m. The sky was just getting light. A few minutes before 6 a.m., True Parents walked out. There we sat by the swimming pool, to watch the sunrise. This was our pressing schedule. Beautiful.

After a quick breakfast we drove to the "airport" and took off at around

jubilant as they escorted us to a building they have just completed: True Parents' house.

A year ago, there was nothing there but river, grass and birds. Now there are a dozen buildings in varied states of completion. There is a water purification system and an electrical generator, televisions, air-conditioners, leather sofas, SUVs, refrigerators, the whole nine yards. Everything is shipped up the river. There is a special house for the friendly policeman dispatched from the nearest city, about 100 km away. But most important is that in Leda we have a church.

No, there is no church building, yet. It is half constructed, built to hold about 300. But there are members. The young workers, who were referred to as "gypsies," have become Unification Church members. They study Divine Principle and our traditions. They bowed to True Parents and listened to Father's hour and a half speech.



7:30 a.m. There is no waiting in these airports. In fact, there is no ticket counter, lobby, door, gate, metal detector, PA system ... nothing, nada. It is just a small nondescript building and an empty field. But where we were going to that day made the Salobra landing site seem like JFK. We were heading for a place called Leda (sounds like "leather" as spoken in the Bronx). We circled Leda for a few minutes, at first, planning just a fly-over. But the two pilots, Chris and Alexander, are young and adventurous Brazilians. Father discussed with them several sorties, and it was inspiring to have Chris say, "Sure, why not? We can do it!" So there we were, splattering down in a cow pasture. Yeah, landing is great, I thought. What about taking off?

My worries were obliterated by the spirit of the welcoming party. From the other side of the fence came Rev. Kamiyama, Mr. Iino, Mr. Nakata, and about a dozen more National Messiahs, followed by 80 men in jeans and tee-shirts and a Paraguayan police officer. They were

ly Values, and especially about the value of the sexual organs. These are universal solvents. Here was a man who recently addressed the UN, relishing this chance to talk to a group of gypsies. They were sunburned, many without socks, but he saw in them a universal humanity.

After a tour of every nook and cranny of Leda, which took about five minutes, we went back to the airplane and made the take off without a problem. Our destination was another cosmopolitan pleasure-spot: Puerto Olimpo. It is the kind of place in which the airport "terminal"—and terminal does seem like an appropriate word here—has the letters scrunched up at the end to fit. You know, like the birthday cards your kids



Photos by Tyler Hendricks

write for you. We drove down the generous boulevards to our center. National Messiahs built it a few years ago, so I had seen pictures but never had been there. There are two structures with a small water tower, just on the other side of the river's embankment. There is a row of toilets and showers separated by corrugated metal. Next to it is a room filled with large tables with blankets on them and a doctor's office style charts of the human anatomy covering the walls. Little children play at cleaning up, and sheep graze nearby. The omnipresent Japanese wife served us the inevitable and refreshing fruit at a small meeting table.

Soon the report was over and Father said, "time to eat." We clambered up and down the embankment to board a good-go. True Parents walked on a rickety ladder set horizontally, as there is no dock there. Our Japanese staff Futoshi knelt under the ladder, supporting the ladder, with Father on it, with his back. It was a crisp day with a bright blue sky as we headed up river about 10 minutes to the fabled Hotel Americano. It is a special place, truly. Carved out of the outback on the riverside. In front is the river, probably 1/2 mile wide, with several vegetation rich sandbars running

parallel to the shore. The hotel has a main building and a string of rooms connected by a boardwalk. Everything is on stilts, set back from the water by about 25 feet of lawn. Behind is another 25 feet of lawn and after that is eternity. Right now, we don't go into eternity. There are too many mosquitoes there.

Father called Mother to him and together they led a long prayer on the



porch. Everyone was eaten up by mosquitoes, and Father said afterwards, "we must work harder than the mosquitoes." It was about 7:30 p.m. on November 30, 2000.

After dinner we gathered in True Parents' dwelling to hear stories about soccer and meet the Cine coach, the National Messiah from Israel, Dieter. Father gave him advice about soccer, Rev. Peter Kim translated and Dieter nodded. We again did HDH the night before, read-see **ODYSSEY** on page 18





## ODYSSEY

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ing a set of recent messages from Jesus, Muhammad, Buddha, Confucius, Augustine and Socrates, given through Hoon Mo Nim (Hyo Nam Kim). The messages came on October 14, 2000, the day that Father declared that all the walls in spirit world are broken down. On that occasion, these individuals expressed their gratitude to True Parents.

The next morning we returned by boat to Puerto Olimpo, then by the PC-12 to Campo Grande and from there on the Challenger to Montevideo. We drove from the airport in to the Victoria Plaza Hotel, now the Radisson Victoria Plaza Hotel. It joined the Radisson chain a year ago, partly to meet the competition presented by a new Sheraton Hotel in Montevideo.

The discussion moved to hotels, and then to the passing of Mark Wilenchik, Managing Director of the New Yorker Hotel. Rev. Peter Kim reported in some detail about Mark’s seung hwa. Father said, “He went to the spirit world right after the national level blessing and registration. He didn’t pick up any sins, so he is lucky.”

We then drove to Punta del Este, settled into True Parents’ beautiful house, and were off on the most unusual fishing outing I’ve ever had. We drove to a beach and walked to a small encampment of ice chests, soccer balls, fishing gear, umbrellas and a sleeping bag. There we sat down, about 25 yards from the surf. In the distance there stood 33 fishing poles, planted in the sand, leaning toward the water. They were like sentinels, or like the great statues facing the sea on Easter Island.

I talked with Jorge, an Uruguayan brother who takes care of the poles, together with part-time help from an Argentinian, two Brazilians and a Paraguayan. Every December-January since 1996-97, Father has set these 33 poles and they stay up 24-7. Each has two hooks. They are fishing for corbino. Some days they catch ten, some days one, some days zero. We watch the poles. We are famous locally for our consistency. The only problem is surfers who demand that we pull some of the lines for them.

We sat on the beach until after dark. It was cold and windy, and some of us tried to get the people talking to Father to stop talking so that Father would decide to leave. They didn’t stop; I think they knew that Father did not want to leave and so provided Father an excuse to stay, to listen to their reports. Finally Father said, let’s go and we scurried off across the sand to the cars. All except for the brothers taking care of the poles.

Punta del Este, Saturday, December 2: HDH started at 5:20 a.m., and Father spoke at 6:30 a.m. We fished from a boat all day Saturday. We caught few fish until late in the afternoon, when everyone suddenly started catching. After fishing we returned to True Parents’ house.

Sunday, December 3, 2000 Pledge Service Punta del Este: We gathered, about 60 of us including local members, in the beautiful and simple prayer room at the Punta del Este house.



Photos by Tyler Hendricks

Father asked Dr. Yang to give his testimony for 15 minutes. He did so and it was received so well that Father granted him two more 15 minute periods, the third of which he turned into half an hour.

There were 800 scholars from 20 countries; it was the 27th world peace conference put on by PWPA. The theme was that the family is the core of the culture of peace. Our UN foundation is effective at a major UN branch office in Thailand. We used the UN conference center there for this conference. The Thai vice-minister of foreign affairs gave the keynote address; he is a former prime minister. They requested that Rev. Kwak give the second keynote speech. The IIFWP is comparable to the UN in the mind of these scholars. It is ironic that eight years ago, our members were jailed by the military gov-

the discussion continued, regarding transportation routes and so forth. The problem is that international trade connecting the world with the South American inland is hampered by the lack of any deepwater port on the continent’s eastern coast. This means supertankers cannot dock; they have to anchor offshore and have their goods brought in by smaller boats.

I was informed that he South Americans have never been concerned about this. They have been self-sufficient. The impact is that South American exports are minimal. Father knows that for South America to succeed in the new millennium, it will have to open itself economically. Part of that means trade, to open the vast interior to the outside world. So Father’s travels took him from the hinterlands of Paraguay to the Atlantic shores of Uruguay, where 66



ernment of Thailand, and still the court case is dragging on. This conference demonstrated our international eminence.

We broke for breakfast then went fishing until about 1:30 p.m. The group enjoyed the rest of the day shopping with True Parents and having dinner at a McDonald’s.

Monday, December 4 Punta del Este: After HDH, Father spoke. The day was very windy, so fishing was not possible. Instead, we traveled about fifty miles west of Punta del Este, to an area called la Paloma. We drove to a harbor. There is a police or military building there and a small industrial park. There is a long breakwater creating an inlet about half mile long and quarter mile wide. Inside there is dredging going on. There our True Parents took us out onto the breakwater. As we shared some sandwiches and apples in front of the crashing surf, Mr. Koo Bae Park reported about his progress researching Father’s idea to create a major deepwater port there. For an hour or more

hooks (the number of books in the Bible) from 33 poles (the number of nations in South America, Central America and the Caribbean) are cast into the sea. Father is being faithful to his covenant with God made in 1965, when most of us were buying brand new Mustangs.

Tuesday, December 5, 2000 Punta del Este: After HDH, Father spoke. We then heard Hoon Sook Nim’s report, via fax, about the recent UBC tour of Geneva, London, Vienna, Budapest and Athens. It was a great success, overcoming some prejudice along with way. The British press labeled their arrival a “Moon Landing” in the headlines, but came around to honor them as equal if not superior to the Royal Ballet. Thus their work redounds to True Parents. Next year the UBC will perform at the Lincoln Center and in Washington, DC. The tour was undertaken without the necessary number of dancers, so the lead dancers were overtaxed. Hoon Sook Nim herself was suffering from an injury in last year’s tour that she has not had time to restore. Yet the stress on the

lead dancers forced her to dance, with injections to relieve the pain.

We fished that day by 1:30 p.m., then lunched at home. Rev. and Mrs. Jung Og Yu arrived in the afternoon, along with Rev. Heung Tae Kim and Rev. Yoon from Jardim. They had meetings with Father for the rest of the day.

Wednesday, December 6, 2000 Punta del Este: After HDH, Father turned his attention to the Japanese graduates of UTS, class of ’99. They have been studying Spanish since they arrived in

Uruguay, and now Father decided to assign them to cities in Uruguay as their mission fields, to build up the church. Four of the twelve were with us, but all were assigned to a city by lottery.

Father then spoke of a Mrs. Park, a North Korean who in the 1940s received a revelation that she was the wife of God. Father tried to work with her and with her son-in-law, who was one of the wealthiest men in North Korea. But she failed. Father also talked about an ancestor of President Hyo Won Eu.

We had lunch in Punta del Este, then drove into Montevideo to have a tour of our new house, called “National Garden.” We have been restoring it for 18 months. It is not really a house; it is a chateau, almost a castle, that could qualify for the logo of Disney World. The Argentineans built 150 years ago



as their embassy to Uruguay. Argentina could not keep it up in recent years and it fell into decay and we bought it. Now it is almost finished and is truly a magnificent building on a large parcel of garden land at a busy intersection in the city, about 10 minutes from the Victoria Plaza hotel. It is worthy to be a presidential residence.

We had dinner at the Victoria Plaza, during which Father said that the businesses should support the church. He asked the business leaders if they tithed every Sunday. He fingered Mr. Shin, who said that he gives \$100 into the plate every Sunday. Father said that not only he, but all his employees should do so.

We departed the hotel after 9 p.m., heading for the airport and back to New York. I hope the reader has benefited from this glimpse into the life of True Parents. My grasp is not strong or deep enough, and it’s cornered by the limitation of language, but at least I’m holding on. Keep your hands on the plow. ❖



# Unification Church Re-Registered in Russia

by Jack Corley and Konstantin Krylov—  
Moscow

On Dec. 25, 2000, nine years to the day since the collapse of the Soviet Union and just six days before the legal deadline for re-registration, the Unification Church of Russia received documents confirming its re-registration from the Russian Ministry of Justice. This was the culmination of an intense legal battle for 21 years to re-register our church under a new and more restrictive law on religious organizations passed by the Russian government in 1997.

If our church had been denied registration, the Ministry of Justice would have begun the process through the court system to liquidate our church as a legal body. This would have meant that the Unification Church would have no legal rights to witness, fundraise, publish, invite foreign missionaries or hold church services. In other words, the only way to operate would have been as an underground movement reminiscent of the Soviet era.

In 1990, the Soviet government had passed a law on religious freedom which allowed all people to openly practice their faith. The Unification Church was formally registered in the Russian Federation under that law on May 21, 1992. At the time, the Ministry of Justice was so concerned about showing the world that religious freedom had

indeed arrived in Russia, that the Vice Minister of Justice held a special ceremony to present us with our church registration documents. A notice was also placed in all the major media announcing the registration of Rev. Moon's church.

With the new spirit of religious freedom, foreign missionaries from many religious organizations poured into Russia, seeing it as a fertile witnessing ground. In response to this, and with the active support of the Russian Orthodox Church, Communist and nationalist members of Parliament sought to change the 1990 law on religious freedom. In 1997, a new law on freedom of conscience and religious belief was signed by President Yeltsin, requiring religious organizations active in Russia for less than 15 years to re-register by Dec. 31, 1999. (This deadline later was extended for one more year, until Dec. 31, 2000.) It was well understood that the Russian government would use the opportunity to deny registration to those organizations of which they disapproved. Because many leaders in the Orthodox Church and the Russian government opposed the Unification Church, the stage was set for a protracted battle.

Before the new law came into effect, our movement already had a taste of

what to expect from the Russian authorities. In July 1995 two anti-cult organizations brought a suit against the local chapter of CARP in the city of St. Petersburg. They accused CARP and the Unification Movement of brainwashing members, causing irreparable psychological harm to their parents, and, through the international Blessings, 'diluting the Russian gene pool.' Over the next five years our movement was subjected to the most egregious violations of law by various levels of the Russian justice system. At one time five lawsuits against us were being heard by the same judge simultaneously: two from anti-cult organizations, one from city tax authorities, one from the St. Petersburg city Justice Department, and one from the district prosecutor. However, with the help of our excellent lawyers Galina Krylova and Helen Khudiakova we were able to shake off these lawsuits one by one.

In 1998 the same anti-cultists attempted to liquidate the federally registered Unification Church through the courts in Moscow. However, the plaintiffs failed in both the district and city courts to convince the judges of their claims. In one notable incident, the plaintiffs physically attacked our lawyer Galina Krylova as she left the courthouse. When the Moscow City Court

judges announced their decision against the plaintiffs, the anti-cultists screamed at the judges as they left the bench, 'You have been bought by Moon.' Unusually, the chief justice stopped and turning toward his accusers asked, 'If we are bought by Moon, then why did you come to my court?'

In spring 1998, we began the process of re-registering our church with the federal authorities under the new law. Five times our attempts were rejected, often for the most frivolous reasons. On occasions when our staff visited the Justice Ministry, they were practically mocked by lower-level bureaucrats, who assured them, 'Moon's church will never be re-registered in Russia.' However, with the spiritual and material support of our Continental Director, Dr. Joon Ho Seuk, and the earnest prayers of Rev. Hyun Shil Kang (Korean National Messiah to Russia), we kept faith, despite many discouraging episodes.

Several days before receiving the re-registration documents, our lawyer visited the Justice Ministry and was told by the person responsible for offering recommendations to the vice minister of justice, 'I am tired of fighting you people, and I will recommend that you be registered.' In the last few days before we received the registration, several of our church centers were raided by the FSB (Federal Security Bureau, the successor to the KGB). On the evening

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# Hoon Dok Hae in Afghanistan: Small Miracles are the Best Kind

by Marilyn Angelucci

I think that it was the beginning of November when we received the word. Every nation in the world was to organize a Hoon Dok Conference for 360 people before the end of the year. Well, for us this was close to impossible. My husband and I had been working in India for the past three years with Afghan Refugees. Actually we are the Cain National Messiahs for Afghanistan but because of the Civil War it is impossible to work there now.

So we are working in India with WFWP with some projects to support Afghan Refugees. We have an afternoon school for 100 Afghan children and a sponsorship program for children who otherwise cannot attend school. We have many good contacts through our Service Projects, that was not the problem. Being just the two of us to do such a task was the insurmountable problem. At any rate we marched forward, like good heavenly soldiers

First we sent our budget proposal to IIFWP and we were granted sufficient money to educate 120 Afghanis. This was the first miracle. At this point we realized that truly Father wants to educate “all “ the nations of the world and we were to facilitate that mission. Big ones, little ones, providential or not, every country is important in the eyes of God. So now we had the money and we had the motivation, but how to fulfill?

At that time we were notified that Asian HQ was organizing a Capacity Building Seminar for all Asian Leaders. The purpose of the seminar was to pass down the victory of the Conference in the Philip-pines to all the Asian countries. By the grace of God, my husband could attend

this seminar and received so much support and guidance that proved to be invaluable towards the success of our conference for Afghanistan. My husband came back inspired and really to go.

As we seriously considered our situation we realized that this was the time of Ramazan.

Ramazan is the time of fasting for the Moslem people. Every day from sunrise to sunset for one month they must fast according to Islamic Law. This year the month was from the end of November until the end of December. So how could we even do a one-day seminar when none of the participants could eat? And whether or not they would attend such a function during this time was another question.

We contacted our Asian HQ and were told that Frank Kaufmann was assigned to support our area. He was very helpful but still it was up to us to fulfill. Considering neither my husband nor I had even attended a Hoon Dok Conference it seemed so elusive, we couldn't even imagine the format or proceeding to follow. Unfortunately we had never succeeded to send an Afghan VIP from India to an International Hoon Dok Conference. So we really had no substantial support. At this point we had no staff, no place and no time, but still we marched forward.

At that point we received the phone call that chanced everything. Dr. Kaufmann called and informed us that Rev. Kwak had decided that because Dr. Kaufmann was to be in the area for another engagement that he should come and support the Afghan Conference and that we should do a conference for 40-70 people. When we heard this news it felt like the hand of God had descended from the throne of heaven to save us from our

despair. Now we felt that no obstacle was insurmountable. But as we know from our past experiences, as soon as we made our new determination, then the next obstacle showed it's pretty face. Our Conference must be held on Dec 1<sup>st</sup> because this was the time period that Dr. Kaufmann had for us. That was eight days away. Somehow now our reaction was different. We could feel that God cared about our success and now we didn't worry about making mistakes or not bringing the victory. Now we were working together with God and that's what pushed us forward with confidence

With only eight days away we couldn't find a Hotel, so where to go with our orphaned conference. Than the inspiration came. As I mentioned previously we have been supporting our WFWP activities for the Afghan Refugees and therefore had friends at the Embassy of Afghanistan. Just a few days before 70 of our children had been invited to the Embassy by the Ambassador to do a Culture Program for him and the staff. They were very moved to see their children sing and dance to their traditional songs. Of course, at the end of the show, the Ambassador had said, “If there is anything I can do for you, let me know.” So we made the official request to Embassy to use their conference facilities for our conference. The Ambassador's reply,” We must help them because they are doing so much for the Afghan Children.” Here we can see the Principle in action, another small miracle. Because our members had invested for the sake of the Afghan people unconditional the Embassy had no choice but to allow us to use their facilities. The other aspect was that they were all very happy and enthusiastic to work together with us for the victory of the conference. So the problem of staff and place was solved. Also holding it at the Embassy solved the problem of time or when we can hold the conference. Because they too must follow the fast of Ramazan, the staff could suggest a schedule that would be acceptable to all the community people as well. So we marched forward, but at this time it seemed like we were on a magic carpet. A magic carpet that had been created by our True Parent's foundation, but now we could see results from our own foundation which helped us to feel that actually we were contributing to our Father's world wide victory.

The day of the conference arrived. We had decided to hold the conference from the afternoon until evening. Everything

was prepared. All the details had been worked out and we were ready to begin. Dr. Kaufmann had arrived the night before and we had sufficient time to brief him and create our internal unity. We were at the Embassy together with the staff and close contacts about fifteen in all. The time to begin the conference had arrived but the other guests had not. We waited patiently. What could we do? Everyone was in his or her place, we only needed the participants. As you can imagine we started to become nervous. But it was different this time. As I stood on the Embassy steps I could feel the support of the creation and the spirit world. I was listening to the birds and examining the beautiful roses in the garden. Suddenly I was taken aback by a beautiful robin that was singing so loudly, obviously to get my attention. I listened to his message and heard him say clearly to my heart, “Don't worry, they are coming”. I was so comforted I went back into the Embassy with a smile on my face.

Of course, it was true. The next time I went to the steps to look out about twenty-five people were coming through the gates. Then another ten followed by a group of five, and it just continued until the conference room was full. Tears came to my eyes as I realized that someone had called them and they were answering that call. Most of them had been to the mosque as is their tradition and I know that Mohammed or one of his associates had reminded them of their promise to attend. The spiritual world was determined to make this conference a success.

Rev. Kwak had said to bring between 40-70 people to the conference. We had 70 participants who gave their utmost attention throughout the proceedings. It was such a distinguished group and very appreciative of the content that they heard.

We are very grateful to everyone that helped, from Rev. Kwak to Dr. Kaufmann to Asian HQ. to the Embassy Staff. But most of all we are eternally grateful to the spiritual world, our ancestors and supporters from the Islamic spiritual world that we can feel still with us, even as I write this piece. How I wish I could see them and know how they will work, but I guess that would eliminate the element of faith which we must demonstrate with our deepest sincerity. Therefore we continue to march forward anticipating the small miracles that inevitable lie before us. ❖

The words in the word list are hidden in the diagram of letters. Find them by reading forward, backward, up, down and diagonally, always in a straight line. Some of the letters in the diagram are used in more than one word and some are not used in any words. If two forms of the same word (RICH and RICHEST, for example) are in the word list, they will be found in different places in the diagram. When you locate a word in the diagram, draw a loop around it. Cross out the word you found in the word list.

## This month's topic: Family Pledge Number Six

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Compiled by Wendy Stovall—Salt Lake City, UT

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before the registration documents were signed, a very negative program about our movement was broadcast on Russian television Channel One, the main government channel. It seems that until the last moment, there was an intense discussion as to whether the Unification Church should be granted legitimacy. On receiving the re-registration document, we noticed that all parts of the document were typed, except for the date (Dec. 21), which was handwritten.

This victory represents a very important step in the development of Russia as a law-based society. Despite intense pressure from politicians and the Ortho-

dox authorities, the Ministry of Justice had to recognize that the Unification Church had fulfilled all its obligations under the Russian Constitution and law and therefore could not be denied registration.

On a providential level, it represents an acknowledgment of True Parents by a nation which is destined to play an important providential role in the establishment of God's kingdom on earth.

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# Witness to the Word Incarnate

review by Bob Selle

In *Messiah: My Testimony to Rev. Sun Myung Moon, Volume I*, Dr. Bo Hi Pak undertakes a first- ever autobiography that provides a wealth of heart-touching descriptions of never-before-heard details about the lives of Dr. Pak and the Rev. Sun Myung Moon. It frequently had me in tears. In fact, I find the book to be eminently suitable for Hoon Dok Hae reading.

Volume I of *Messiah* is entirely different in content and character from Dr. Pak's previous two- volume work, *Truth Is My Sword*, which is a collection of his speeches over the course of four decades.

One of the anecdotes in *Messiah* relates the tale of a young lieutenant of the Republic of Korea army's Ninth Division, 28<sup>th</sup> Regiment who visited a house of prostitution in Seoul during the Korean War, after the Chinese army had been pushed north of the 38<sup>th</sup> Parallel.

Such a visit was hardly unusual, for streams of soldiers or leave were constantly cycling in and out of South Korea's capital city to take their pleasure in the profusion of bars and bordellos that had sprung up since the war's onset.

The young lieutenant who had been ordered by his superior officer to come with him and a group of other officers to the *kisaeng* house, participated with the group in a sumptuous meal in a warm, multi- room house, one of the relative few that remained standing amid the rubble of Seoul. Then the lieutenant was ordered by his boisterous commander to go to a private room with the prostitute who had been assigned to him.

The *kisaeng* and Lt. Bo Hi Pak—the future Dr. Pak, who would become translator

and special assistant for decades to the Rev. Sun Myung Moon—retired to a room together. The woman tried to coax the young man into an intimate relationship, but he had taken a personal vow to remain pure until he could offer his virginity to his future wife.

That night, the two slept in the same bed but didn't touch each other.

This is just one of a parade of fascinating stories told by Dr. Pak in his new book.

He starts with tales of his youth—his life on a farm, his relationships with his mother and father, his occupation as a schoolteacher, and the miracles it took for him to enter the Korean Military Academy.

Then he tells of the horrors of the war and the marvels that surrounded his wartime life. He says it all prepared him to hear and understand the Divine Principle of the Rev. Moon.

Dr. Pak relates how he was introduced to the Principle through meeting Miss Young Oon Kim, a former theology professor who worked as a secretary on Dr. Pak's military base, and the thunderbolt experience it was for him to hear the new teaching. He provides a running account of the ways in which Miss Kim taught him, the teaching itself (from the Principle of Creation through the proof that the Lord of the Second Advent is on earth

## BOOK REVIEW

**Messiah: My Testimony to Rev. Sun Myung Moon, Volume I (published by University Press of America, 405 pages), by Dr. Bo Hi Pak**

and that he is none other than Rev. Moon), and the excitement and thrill it stirred in him.

The author gives a capsule biography of Rev. Moon to acquaint the reader with the high points of the religious leader's extraordinary life.

Then Dr. Pak moves on to how he experienced the "miracle" of being chosen as the assistant military attaché in the South Korean Embassy in Washington, D.C. He describes the support and sendoff he got from Rev. Moon as the young army major went off to the embassy in America's capital city.

Once settled in his embassy duties in Washington, Dr. Pak began to hold lectures on the Divine Principle in the basement of his home. The room soon became crowded with listeners. This eventually stirred controversy in the American Christian community, which spilled over into the Korean Embassy and then into the press in Korea itself. But Dr. Pak was able to come through it all unscathed. His evangelizing laid the foundation for the Unification Church to be established in the eastern part of the United States.

After a three-and-a-half-year tour of embassy duty, Dr. Pak, then a lieutenant colonel, retired from his beloved military. But he soon returned to America and Washington, this time as a full-time Unification Church missionary.

Dr. Pak gives amazing behind-the-scenes details about Rev. Moon's first American visit in 1965 (Father stayed three months in Dr. Pak's home in Arlington, Virginia), Rev. Moon's arrival in the U.S. on December 18, 1971, his 1972-1974 speaking tours, and the providentially pivotal rallies at Madison Square

Garden, Yankee Stadium, the Washington Monument, and Moscow.

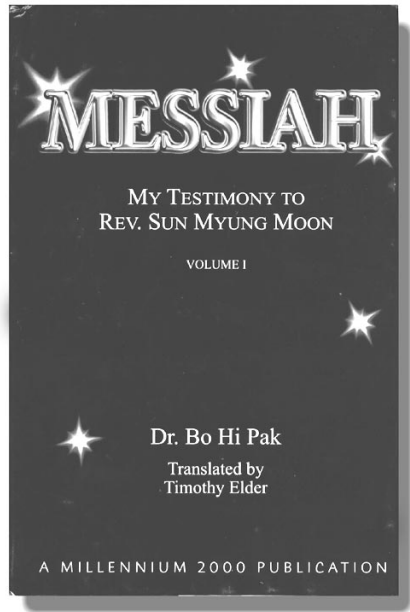
The author translated for Father during his public addresses — and, indeed, for most of his private talks to Western church members as well over the course of 25 years. Of his trials as a translator, he says: "Because Reverend Moon was not using prepared texts, there was no way for a translator to prepare for one of his speeches—except to pray. Honestly speaking, the first time I translated for him, at the 'Day of Hope Banquet' in Baltimore, I doubt that I was able to convey even as much as half of Reverend Moon's message. I could not stop sweating." Over the course of his two-and-a-half decades of translating, he says, the perspiration he shed could probably have filled several big barrels.

Dr. Pak also gives an in-depth account of what went on in private during Rev. Moon's involvement in the Watergate crisis and in his meeting with President Nixon.

The waves of persecution set off by Father's Watergate stance are also spotlighted in Dr. Pak's book. They culminated at one point in former Congressman Donald Fraser's attempt to demonize the Unification Church and use this action as a stepping-stone to greater personal political power. Dr. Pak relates in some detail the "crucifixion" Fraser put him through in forcing his appearance before his House Subcommittee on International Organizations to answer ludicrous charges that the Unification Church was a creation and tool of the Seoul government.

The book closes with Fraser's ignominious exit from national politics. Dr. Pak ends the volume by saying, "The Lord is my shepherd," an apt motto for his entire life.

Volume II of *Messiah*, due out later this year, will provide an insider's report on such milestones as the founding of *The Washington Times* and Father's meetings with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and North Korean President Kim Il Sung. ♦



## Interreligious Dialog at the MFM

by Dr. Thomas G. Walsh

On October 14-17, 2000 the IIFWP sponsored its 12th International Seminar in Washington, D.C, with over 300 participants representing more than 70 nations gathered to discuss the theme, "Renewing the Family and Building a Culture of Peace." In attendance were former heads of state from several nations, including Egypt, Guyana, Surinam, Seychelles, Columbia, the Bahamas, and Belarus; also the current Vice-President of Zimbabwe. More than 50 religious leaders participated, representing Catholic, Protestant and Orthodox Christianity, Judaism, Islam, Sikhism, Hinduism, Zoroastrianism, Buddhism, and Shintoism.

The theme of the family, and renewal of the family, is a central part of the mission of the IIFWP, and this focus has been reflected throughout its International Seminar series. Themes for this seminar included the following:

The Social Significance of the Family; The Family as the Foundation for a Culture of Peace; The Religious Significance of the Family; The Family and the United Nations.

On the weekend that this seminar was convened, a Million Family March had been called in Washington, D.C., Co-Sponsored by the Nation of Islam and the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification-USA. All seminar participants were invited as special guests for both the Gala Opening Banquet of the Million Family March and the March itself, located on the Mall in front of the nation's capitol building. One million people representing all religions, races and cultures assembled for the March. Several of the religious leaders from the International Seminar were featured in the MFM program.

On the closing evening of the seminar, the participants had the opportunity to hear from Mr. Hyun Jin Moon, the keynote speaker for the closing banquet. Mr. Moon encouraged the par-

ticipants to embrace what they had learned at the seminar and to take action, putting the ideals into practice

and inspiring others about these family ideals in their nations. ♦

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# Swearing-In Ceremony at New Eden Academy

by Joy Garratt

On January 22, 2001 students at New Eden Academy began a new semester with a special “New Start Day.” In December all students participated in a ceremony of repentance in which they each burned their confessions during a prayer service on the beach of Long Island Sound. Over the winter break most of the students then participated in the Jan. 13th ceremony with their families. Upon their return, New Eden held a one day training program for a new start.

Rev. Young Taek Yang, regional director of the church in Connecticut, himself a second generation 72 couple who lives with his wife and 3 children on the NEA premises, opened the day with a speech about the value of purity in all things and the recent forgiveness and coronation ceremonies.

Mrs. Nora Spurgin, Director of Character Education and Dean of Students at New Eden reviewed with students a 21-point code of conduct and major school policies and their daily appli-

cation.

At the conclusion of the program every student took a special oath by laying a hand on the Bible and Divine Principle, raising their right hand, and repeating the following pledge:

“I will uphold the standards of New Eden Academy by striving daily to keep purity of heart, mind and body. Centering first on God and True Parents, I will keep pure brother-sister relationships and avoid anything that would harm the body such as cigarettes, alcohol and drugs. I will strive to achieve my highest potential as a student at NEA during the spring 2001 semester.”

Mrs. Spurgin explained that she felt inspired to do this when she watched President Bush being sworn in by taking the oath of office and observed how moving this event was to those present. Student council president, Romin Johnson and underclassmen president, Theodore Kirkley, held the Divine Principle and the Bible while Romin led each team of 3 or 4 students in repeating the oath. Romin also gave a heartfelt speech about his own commitment and desire to keep NEA stan-

dards strong and pure. Another student, David Lee, expressed his wish that his fellow students would care enough to help each other maintain the standards.

“If you feel you can’t take the oath, then you shouldn’t be here. Taking an oath is a way to remind ourselves of the guidelines which have always existed and help us keep our commitments,” Mrs. Spurgin advised.

Other News:

NEA welcomed 3 new students; Jake and Jesse Richardson from Korea, and Bonn Phan from Taiwan.

Four seniors who have nearly completed their course work are spending a final semester working on internships for which they will receive credit. Internships incorporate volunteer programs or training-associated work projects. The four students will return for graduation services in June. Being a small school, NEA was able to set up this creative and productive arrangement. In public schools students often view their last semester as “party time” if they need only a few credits to graduate. The NEA seniors are continuing to take university courses toward a

first year of college.

This semester, the Character Education class has begun a mentoring/community service program. Each student is required to perform 24 hours of community service in conjunction with individual or group mentors. Opportunities for creative service include helping a U.B. professor write and illustrate children’s Bible Stories, preparing special music for Sunday Service, working as teacher’s assistants at Bridgeport Hope Elementary School, working in offices, cooking with Mrs. Gertrude Yasutake, etc. NEA hopes to build up the program to include mentors not only in the local university and church community, but also in the greater Bridgeport areas.

Daniel Bessell and Jini Blanchard Bessell and their one-year-old baby, Sung Bok Sara have moved into the dorm and are helping as dorm parents. Everyone is happy to have this lovely 2nd generation family around. They monitor the recreation center (Marina Basement) every evening, where in addition to ping-pong, pool and board games, students and baby Sung Bok entertain each other! ♦

## Ship of Miracles in the Korean War

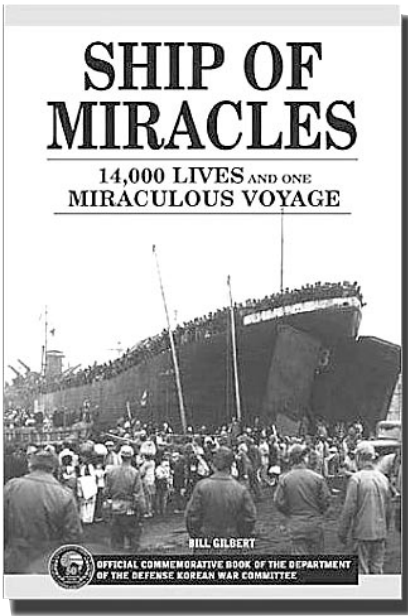
reviewed by Nancy Hanna

The *Ship of Miracles* is the extraordinary story of what has been called ‘the greatest rescue operation by a single ship in the history of mankind.’ At Hung Nam at Christmas 1950, the SS Meredith, a US Merchant Marine meant to carry no more than 12 persons, rescued 14,000 Korean refugees from the port city of Hung Nam.

*Ship of Miracles* has special interest for Unificationists. In addition to telling the incredible SS Meredith rescue story, it tells the larger story of the whole Hung Nam United Nations operation which caused Rev. Sun Myung Moon to be liberated from prison in the labor camp at Hung Nam and also relates Rev. Moon’s personal escape to the South.

The *Ship of Miracles* is one of several books now being released to commemorate the 50 year anniversary of the outbreak of the Korean War. The Korean War is called by many “the forgotten war”. Many feel it was ignored by the media establishment because it was a successful war against communism-not a politically correct event.

*Ship of Miracles* recounts the dramatic and inspiring account of the largest evacuation of military troops and a civilian population in history. Under heavy fire from



Chinese militia close by and at the risk of their lives the American Navy evacuated 100,000 American troops and at the risk of their lives an additional 100,000 Korean civilians. These civilians, mostly families including children and elderly, hearing of the Americans arrival and risked their lives to flee to Hung Nam in hopes of leaving their life in communist North Korea.

The Chinese communists had a policy to chop the heads off anyone found trying to escape south. The civilians had fled to Hung Nam in hope the United Nations forces would rescue them. The flood of 100,000 refugees begging to be rescued was totally unexpected by the United Nations forces who were trying with great difficulty to evacuate 100,000 troops themselves. Courageously, the United States Navy worked frantically while under fire from Chinese troops less than two miles away to evacuate troops and refugees by ship through the mined harbor.

*Ship of Miracles* devotes 4 pages to recounting the har-

rowing escape of Rev. Moon from Hung Nam and North Korea. Peter Kim, Larry Moffitt of the Washington Times Foundation and Michael Inglis are some of the people the author gives thanks to for their assistance in his research.

The book has a forward by General Alexander Haig who was at Hung Nam 135 miles into enemy territory. General Haig writes “ Mere words cannot describe the severity of the conditions, the fury of the fighting, the numbness of the winter, the drama of the withdrawal and the heartbreaking plight of the North Korean refugees.”

Captain Leonard La Rue was the captain of the SS Meredith and its tiny crew. Captain La Rue was a deeply religious Catholic who after the Korean war became a Benedictine monk. His commander in Japan told him that he did not have to go into Hung Nam harbor to rescue the civilians because the harbor was heavily mined and it meant risking the lives of aboard. However, the captain did not hesitate a second in his decision to rescue the civilians and none of his staff officers doubted or ever questions his life threatening decision.

It was a frigid Korean winter and the refugees that boarded had little food or water. During the three day voyage to the South, they had to stand mostly shoulder to shoulder in the dark holds of the ship. There were no windows and no sanitary facilities. The American crew were in awe of the stoicism, good nature and cooperation of



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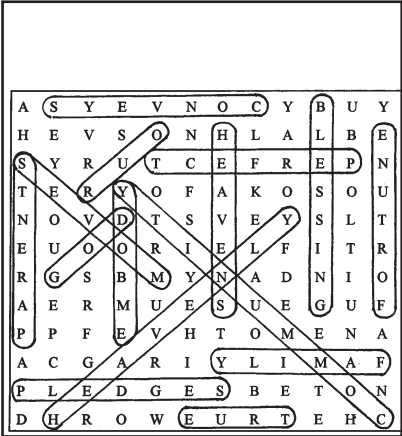
the refugees as they went through an unprecedented ordeal. Five babies were born on the voyage and miraculously not a single life was lost.

The SS Meredith delivered its precious cargo on Christmas Day on a small island in South Korea. Captain La Rue later wrote “I believe God sailed with us those three days. By all the laws of logic, the loss of life could have been enormous. Yet not a soul perished.”

I first heard about the SS Meredith rescue from Mr. Bob Lunney, a friend in ours in our hometown of Bronxville New York. Mr. Lunney was an officer under Capt. La Rue during the miraculous rescue. Coincidentally, he was later chosen as the lawyer to appeal Rev. Moon’s tax evasion conviction. Mr. Lunney, a great admirer of the Korean people, provided extensive personal testimony and photos to author Bill Gilbert.

Mr. Lunney and his son years later visited Captain La Rue when he was a Benedictine monk and asked him to explain to his son how he was able to make the decision to risk the lives of his men to evacuate the refugees. The monk simply said “The answer is there in the Holy Bible: “Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.”

*Ship of Miracles* is available from Amazon.com . My e-mail hanama@panama.c-com.net ♦



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DIVINE PRINCIPLE STUDY

Human History and Man’s Transformation from Death to Life

Volume 5. Part 3.

Auguste Compte, the founder of sociology, theorized that man progressed through three stages: the theological, the metaphysical and the positivist. This doctrine of progress, adopted since the time of the French Revolution, details a cultural ascent of humanity similar the physical evolution identified by Darwin. For many, this rational approach to history parallels (though often not taking into account) religious evolution, and resurrection.

Like judgment, resurrection has been going on since the dawn of history; and like revelation, it has a progressive nature. Humanity’s religious ascent is from a primitive superstition and savagery to a greater sophistication and awareness. Students of the history of religion claim that mankind slowly turned from animism to polytheism to monotheism. God could shed only as much light as man could understand and constructively employ.

Divine Principle points out that the religious evolution of humankind may be thought of as proceeding through a succession of stages comparable to a person’s life. If Adam and Eve had remained true to their instructions from the Lord, they would have proceeded through the steps of formation, growth and completion to true personal maturity and a fully mature relationship with God. Similarly, the evolution of humanity’s spiritual consciousness can be seen as moving through three stages.

While God no doubt began striving for humanity’s resurrection immediately following Adam’s fall, there is little we can point to in the events recorded in the first chapters of Genesis that would suggest that the Lord had gained a secure foothold with man. Such developments as Cain killing Abel, Noah cursing his son Ham and the con-

struction of the tower of Babel offer us little hope.

**Abraham**

With the arrival of Abraham, however, some foundation seems to have been established. He is the individual with whom God initiates his covenant with mankind. He is the person who the Bible depicts as faithfully offering his son Isaac on the altar; also his grandsons Esau and Jacob succeed in reversing the animosity of Cain and Abel by overcoming their enmity and accepting each other.

For Divine Principle, then, Abraham and his family constitute the starting point of universal resurrection, and the two thousand years between Abraham and Jesus comprise the formation period of humanity’s return to God.

Although Abraham was an anointed man of the Lord, during his time even such chosen people were so distant from God that they normally approached Him through animal sacrifices and vegetable offerings. After some spiritual advancement had occurred, God gave the Ten Commandments through Moses. Later the Hebrew prophets arose and elevated the spiritual life of the Israelites by teaching additional ethical and spiritual aspects of God’s nature and the religious life.

In general, however, individuals who lived during this time could do their part in returning to God by faithfully obeying the Mosaic law, which we may think of as the initial stage of the revelation of God’s Word. Overall, we may think of this period as a time when man’s relationship to God was gov-

erned by law.

**Jesus**

On the basis of this formative stage of resurrection, God sent Jesus of Nazareth with the mission to raise humankind’s spiritual status to virtual completion. However, because of the failure of the people of his time to accept Jesus, such noble aim was not

general as the time of justification by faith in the New Testament Word.

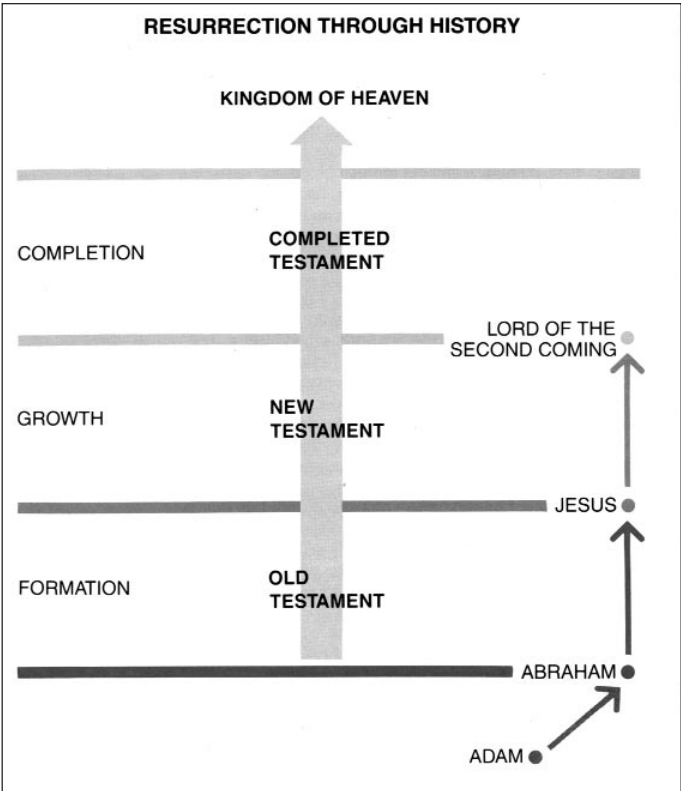
In accordance with this pattern, we may readily anticipate the next step. The Second Advent is to be fulfilled on the foundation of the previous stages. In our day the mission of the Messiah is to bring the Completed Testament, which is to fulfill the promises of the Old and New Testaments and complete the establishment of God’s Kingdom on earth.

Men and women of this time can be resurrected to the completion stage by accepting and embodying the new expression of the Word and by accepting and supporting God’s new Messiah. Therefore, while the previous age was the age of justification by faith, the Completed Testament age is a period of justification by service to the new Lord.

Divine Principle teaches that an individual attains completion when through the messiah he rids himself of the original sin and enters into full relationship of love with God. Completion does not mean that spiritual growth stops. On the contrary, it continues forever. Whereas the Apostle Paul portrayed the early Christians as “groaning inwardly as we wait for adoption as sons” (Rom. 8:23), in the final stage of resurrection men and women are to evolve from the position of being true sons and daughters of God. We may thus hope that the great promise of the writer of the Book of Revelation will ultimately be fulfilled:

Behold, the dwelling of God is with men. He will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God Himself will be with them (Rev. 21:3)

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Life after Life. ❖**



achieved. Rather the period from his death to the present became simply a second major stage in human religious evolution.

Whereas the Old Testament Word was the initial guideline for the Hebrews’ approach to Yahweh, the New Testament fulfilled this role during the years following Jesus’ death. We may thus think of the New Testament as the growth stage of the revelation of God’s Word, and the New Testament Age in

A Christian Experiences UTS

by Akpanoluo Etteh.

I am a believer in our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. I am a silent activist whose heart aches and is full of pain to see and hear of the injustices and suffering of folks around the world. I’ve studied the Bible (albeit peripherally) and have found that not only have we, as Christians, fallen short of the glory of God, but we have completely ignored the greater prayer of Jesus found in John 17. That prayer in John 17 verse 11b, which says “Holy Father, keep them in thy name, which thou hast given me, *that they may be one, even as we are one*” has largely been ignored and/or glossed over by most of us. Every so often when I sit back to ponder that phrase—*that they may be one, even as we are one*, I ask myself this question: When will the Body of Christ become one? Almost to a person, the overwhelming response from my fellow Christians has been: “Never, until the Lord returns, because the Devil owns this world.” But “thanks be to God,” as my brother Apostle Paul

would say, “through Jesus Christ our Lord,” there is a Church that answers my question in the affirmative and that church is the Unification Church.

It is amazing that I have lived in the USA for twenty-plus years, and the only thing I heard about the Unification Church was “the Moonie flower seller.” It never occurred to me to ever inquire what their belief system is all about. I guess it would be right to conclude that I was not ready. As the saying goes: “When the student is ready, the teacher will appear.” In addition, providential appointment often, if not always, comes when one is least expecting it. And so it was with me. Through many unpleasant circumstances (which deserve to be left untouched here), in mid April 2000, a gentleman visited a friend’s office in Boston and I happened to meet the visitor (Mr. YB) and was introduced. A couple of weeks later, Mr. YB (a Christian of another denomination) told me about his exciting experiences attending the Unification Church’s many conferences. My curiosity took over. I pestered Mr. YB until he took me to

the Church. Once introduced to the video presentation of the Divine Principle at the Church, I was greatly impressed by what I heard. I was further excited over the fact that the founder and leader of the Church, Rev. Sun Myung Moon, had received a mandate from Christ Jesus for not only the “unification of World Christianity” but for the unification of all religions of the world. This vision certainly addresses our Lord Jesus’ John 17 prayer, and much more.

For a long time, since “being born again,” I always had a strong desire to attend a Christian theological seminary. Thus it was an answered prayer for me when, at the American Leadership Conference in Worcester, Massachusetts in August 2000, I met a graduate from the Unification Theological Seminary (UTS), Rev. Bismarck. I was pleasantly surprised to learn that UTS was offering limited scholarships to Christians from other denominations to attend the Seminary. I was more pleasantly surprised when I became the recipient of one of those scholar-

ships.

At UTS, the church practices what it preaches. Serious and sincere efforts are made to recruit students from across the world and from other Christian denominations. The serenity and beauty of the campus are awesome. The student body is not only welcoming but very lively to interact with. What is more, the faculty, including the President, emphasizes not only professionalism but, more importantly, they strongly urge all students to strive to leave the school with stronger faith than what they came with. What inspired me the most is seeing the founder, Rev. Sun Myung Moon, the true man of GOD, eighty years old, with the agility of a 35-year-old, combining that vitality with the greatest vision of all, the vision for “One world, under GOD, indivisible, with true and sincere freedom, true and sincere liberty for all.” Yes, the world is now witnessing the words of Our LORD JESUS: “[H]e who believes in me will also do the works that I do; *and greater works than these will he do.*” John 14 verse 12a. ❖



TRUE PARENTS' HISTORY FOR CHILDREN

Part 2

In many states there were no members, and the travelers were on their own to find a park or mountain or some other likely location for a holy ground. Sometimes, they used their map; sometimes, they asked for directions to a park. The moment the car came to a halt at the park, Father was out searching for the right spot. The others had to hustle to keep up.

One person—usually George—recorded everything with a movie camera as well as a still camera. Another—usually Gordon—wrote down instructions on how to find the holy ground. But these same men often had to participate in the ceremony, so it was impossible to do everything and still keep up with Father. The moment he was finished with the blessing ceremony, Father hurried back to the car eager to continue.

They could only shake their heads in amazement. “He doesn’t walk; he speeds,” they laughed. “We should have gotten in shape before we came on this trip.”

Father had told them to change drivers every two hours. Once, as George was taking his turn driving, he suddenly heard a single English word from Father, “Faster.” He looked at the speedometer and he was already doing 110 mph! Throughout the trip they went “faster” and, strangely, they seemed to be invisible to all police patrols.

As the days went by, they settled into this new lifestyle. Often, the three on the second seat carried on conversations in Korean. Sometimes, they translated a few things for the others, but more often they didn’t. Mrs. Choi

sometimes used the time to teach Father some English.

Miss Kim took care of the food. She bought bread and lunch meats at the grocery store and made thin dry sandwiches. “Here’s your sandwich,” she would say as she handed them out. One sandwich! Their growling stomachs sometimes protested, but no one said anything.

One day, after they had eaten, Father asked, “Are you still hungry?”

“Yes,” chimed in all the voices at once.

“Then let’s get more food,” he answered with a big smile. From that point, they had more to eat.

They usually tried to get gas at Chevron gas stations, because George had a credit card. Often, Father watched intently over his shoulder or followed him into the station to see how this piece of plastic worked. Nothing like it was available in Korea.

The trip across Texas was amazingly long, broken only by the rolling tumbleweeds and scattered ranches and oil wells.

“So much unused space,” Father commented again and again, with Mrs. Choi or Miss Kim translating. “In Korea every centimeter is used. Why does anyone worry about overpopulation with all this land?”

No one had the answer.

On the way to Dallas, Texas, they were given a quick lesson in just how dry and brutal the area really was. A storm brewed; but not a rain storm. It was a raging dust storm. The earth of Texas suddenly whirled up, building into thicker and higher clouds. It sifted into the car until everything was covered with grit. They could hardly

see where they were going, but they kept moving anyway. It seemed like an eternity before the storm gave up. Neither snow, nor rain, nor sleet, nor hail—nor dust—would stop the progress of this heavenly mission.

Father blessed ground in Dallas. Before they left, they had to buy some more rope for the car top carrier. As George walked out to the car he happened to look back, and there was Father following him. He wanted to come along and see the big American hardware store and watch him pay with a credit card again. Everything was new and interesting to him.

Oklahoma’s red soil was a change and so were its bumpy roads, but it also had few people compared to Korea. Everywhere, there was plenty of space.

“Yes, there is a lot of room here,” someone explained to Father, “but the people are generally quite poor. Ever since the dust bowl of the 30’s, it has not prospered.”

There was a small prospering center in Oklahoma City, however, and Philip Burley and others were ready with a very warm welcome. That evening was spent singing and sharing. Each person sang a solo for Father, and Father sang a solo for them. Holy ground was created in a park amidst the picnickers and canoers.

They crossed from Oklahoma into Kansas that day. Suddenly, someone in the car saw something interesting “Look over there! A herd of buffalo!”

“So this is where they roam.”

“Yes, well, years ago, there were thousands of them all over the plains, but

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most of them were killed. We seldom see them anymore. Of course, with all the people moving in, there wasn’t really room for them to roam anymore.”

A bit further, as they climbed onto the flat plains of Kansas, another change was noticed. There was snow on the ground.

“The weather will be colder for the next couple days,” remarked one of the passengers.

“Well, let’s hope this is all the snow we’ll find on this trip,” responded Gordon. “We planned the trip so that we would get to the North last, so hopefully by then the snow will be mostly gone.”

“Yes, hopefully,” agreed the others.

The 80 mile-per-hour Interstate 80 was a welcome relief after the potholes and narrow roads of Oklahoma, and they sped with all due haste through the flat winter fields of Kansas where corn and wheat would soon thrive. In City Park of Kansas City, Father blessed the holy ground wearing his new winter coat. It was definitely still winter there.

Missouri became a little more hilly with more trees. It was snowing, and the roads became icy. They had to slow down—but not too much—and, after some uncomfortable moments, they managed to arrive safely in St. Louis.

There, Bob and Vivien Oswald, along with another couple, welcomed them into their home.

“How did you hear about the Principle so far away from other members?” asked Mrs. Choi.

“Mary Fleming wrote a correspondence course and sent it to us,” they answered.

Miss Kim added, “Approximately 12 to 15 people have taken that course and joined.”

There were just two couples in St. Louis, so what an occasion this was for them. To meet any members would have been a joy, but they began by meeting Father himself!

In the midst of some cedar trees of Forest Park, the cold wind cut through their coats, and their fingers and toes soon felt frozen. Father paced off the holy ground a little faster than before. The four Missouri members were amazed to notice how completely Father focused on what he was doing.

“He wore no gloves or boots, and he didn’t shiver from the cold,” they reported, “and his shoes didn’t even seem to get wet.”

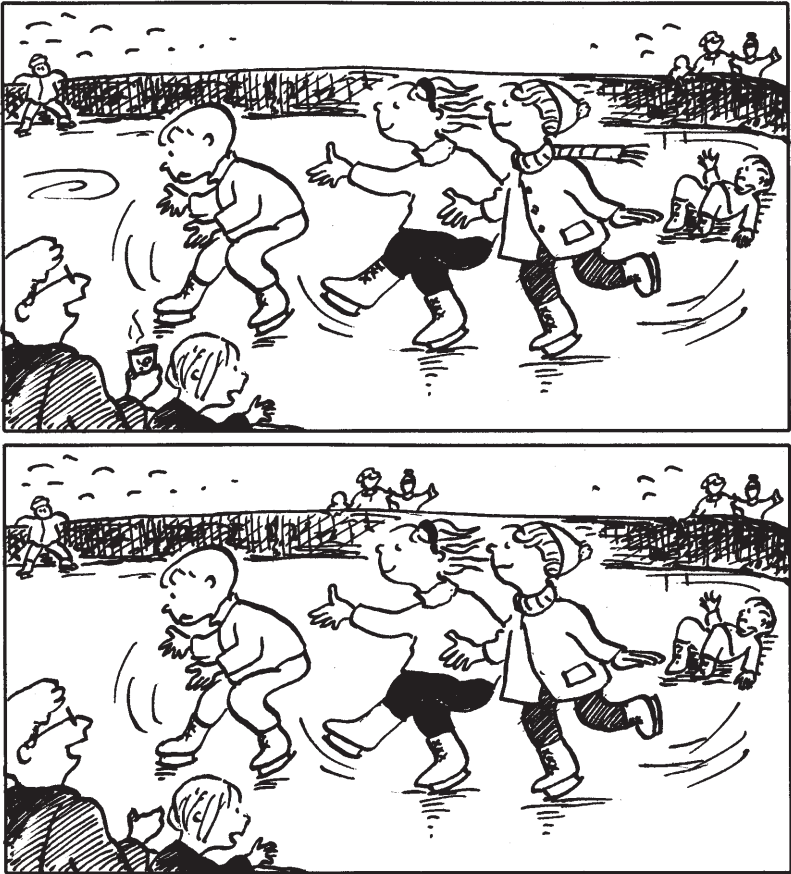
Heading back South, the little band of travelers looked forward to leaving the snow and ice behind. There wasn’t time to drive to Kentucky’s capital city, so they just drove into the western tip of Kentucky where snow still covered the ground and blessed ground in Paducah. Quickly, they pressed on to Tennessee.

When they reached Memphis, Tennessee, it was already dark. In heavily wooded Overton Park, they groped their way with flashlights through the pitch blackness and slushy melting snow. As they tramped around, trying to find a good spot for a holy ground, they suddenly received visitors—the police.


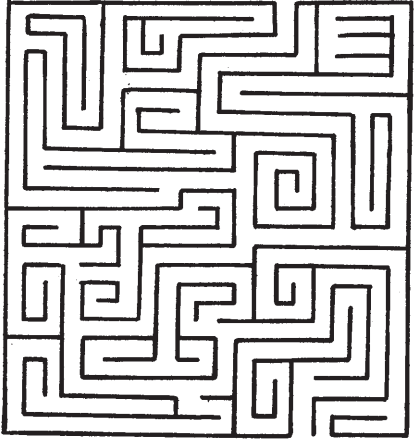
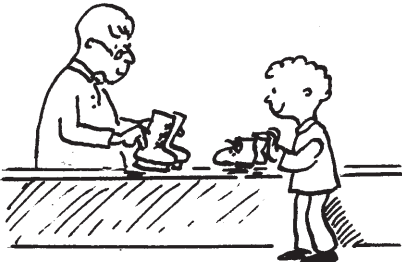
“What’re y’all doin’ out here?” they

# FOR KIDS

by Françoise



Find the seven differences between these two drawings of an ice skating party



Help them find the ice skates



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America’s Visitation

asked suspiciously.

George went up to them and showed his HSA-UWC card and explained their unusual mission the best he could. “We just want to pray for Tennessee,” he said. “We want to choose a spot here, and have a little ceremony to pray that Tennessee can be blessed.”

The policemen looked dubious, but, for reasons probably unknown even to themselves, they gave their consent. “Well, I reckon it’s OK this once, but don’t stay long, ya’ hear? The park’s not supposed to be open after dark.”

Using their flashlights, Father quickly performed the ceremony, and within minutes they were speeding into the countryside once again.

They made it all the way to Little Rock, Arkansas, late that night. In the morning, bright and early, Father chose a spot in War Memorial Park beside a golf course. As he spread the holy salt and prayed, the others kept a wary eye open for speeding golf balls.

For a short time that day they traveled the narrow hilly roads of Alabama, past small farms and simple shacks. Father made note of how green everything was even in late winter and wondered why there should be so much poverty.

The swamplands of Louisiana revealed still another side of America—green and stagnant and rather eerie, and yet there was a certain beauty about it.

Father blessed ground in New Orleans that night. Ernie Stewart, who was on his way to Florida where he was to be stationed in the army, was there to greet them. When they left early the next morning, he was their new passenger.

The dancing blue waters of the Gulf of Mexico on their right made their spirits bright that day. They barely stopped for anything, as they made good time through the day and shared the roads with the truckers throughout the entire night.

Early on March 8th—the 11th day after leaving Los Angeles—they arrived in sunny Tampa, Florida, where Rebecca Boyd (Salonen) and the other member had been eagerly awaiting their arrival. Col. Pak had come down from Washington D.C. Doris Walder (Orme), who had been going ahead of the party to help prepare the way, was also there. In Lowry Park, among the tall pines covered with Spanish moss, the 15th holy ground was blessed. The alligators nearby paid no attention.

Then it was on down to Miami in southern Florida. Since they would be sleeping in Miami that night, George did not try to sleep while Gordon drove. Gordon decided to drive the whole 4 or 5 hours himself.

When they arrived, they went to the most obvious attraction, the beach. While Father got his first view of the Atlantic Ocean, Col. Pak bent down and ceremoniously wrote in the sand in Korean letters three feet high, “Abo-gee” (Father). Father smiled and in smaller letters he wrote, “Omonee” (Mother). Then, he dipped his fingers in the ocean and a gentle wave reached up to touch the soles of his shoes.

Father chose a beautiful piece of soft green turf with a tall slanting palm tree

overhead for a second holy ground in Florida.

Then Mrs. Choi informed the drivers, “Master would like to see Key West.”

This was not in their travel plans. By this time, Gordon was tired from driving from Tampa. George was tired because he hadn’t slept. And it was 150 miles over the Key Islands and connecting bridges to reach Key West, the southernmost point in the United States.

It wasn’t easy, but George did it. As soon as they arrived, they stopped at a restaurant.

“I’ll just stay in the car and sleep while you’re eating,” said George. He curled up on the seat and quickly went to sleep. After awhile, a tapping on the window woke him up. There was Father, smiling and holding up a hamburger for him to eat.

So bright and beautiful was this land of blue-green waters, white sparkling sands, rows of waving palm trees, and billowing white clouds. The herons, ducks, pelicans, and other abundant wildlife obviously loved it, too. Father collected a few seashells and some sand to take back to Korea, and they visited the home of Ernest Hemingway.

“America has so many different kinds of places,” he remarked. “It’s like many different countries rolled into one.”

**Up the East Coast**

The time came on March 10 to point the car north. After a day on the east coast of Florida, they were introduced to the red clay soil and pink magnolias of Georgia. In a beautifully flowering park in Savannah, among some strong oak trees, ground was blessed.

Then, on through Columbia, South Carolina; Raleigh, North Carolina; and historic Richmond, Virginia. There were no members throughout this stretch, and they moved quickly on.

The next day, they were met in the mountains of West Virginia by Col Pak, Moon Hye Yoon (Seuk) and several other members from Washington D.C., who presented Father with a big wreath of yellow flowers. Father blessed ground among some young trees in a “holler” (in Appalachia that’s a small valley).

One car from D.C. had been festively decorated with little flags the way they do for dignitaries in Washington. “Would you like to ride our car into Washington?” invited Col Pak. The answer was

yes, and they quickly made the change.

Arriving in D.C. couldn’t have been more perfectly timed, for spring brings out the best in that city. The budding trees, the cherry blossoms almost ready to bloom, the spring flowers, and the patches of bright green grass all promised, “spring is coming.”

It was 1965—the explosive sixties. The streets were peaceful, and President Johnson was at home in his White House. It was hard to imagine that in

fith (Fernsler) and Barbara Mikesell (Ten Wolde).

They passed under an arch of flowers, walking upon a white carpet rolled out for the occasion, and shook hands with each member.

“Please come in and sign our guest book,” said Col Pak graciously. And after they were seated inside, he ceremoniously announced, “We would like to present you with the keys to Arlington House, the Fellowship House in D.C., the Jhoon Rhee Institute, the New York Center, and the whole city of Washington, D.C., for they all belong to you.”

Father lowered his eyes in gratitude and accepted them on behalf of Heavenly Father. Then, they were treated to the most delicious food on earth—pulgogi, fluffy white rice, and all the trimmings—a most welcome change from hamburgers, French Fries, and sandwiches.

The second day was for sightseeing, and on the third day Father had decided on two sites for holy grounds in the nation’s capital. First, they went to the Ellipse behind the White House. With the White House before them, and the Washington Monument behind them, Father stepped off the 4-position foundation and scattered the holy salt. Police were patrolling all around, because a demonstration was expected to take place later that day. Father’s little group must have been invisible, because the police didn’t pay any attention to them.

Next, they went over to the Capitol building for a picnic lunch. With the great white dome of the Capitol looming

before them and the Washington Monument piercing the sky behind, they stood around a fir tree (it is now gone and walking on the grass is forbidden), and Father blessed the ground. They closed by praying fervently for America. Suddenly, the chimes from a nearby tower began pealing, “God Bless America.” They smiled at each other with tears in their eyes and knew this moment belonged to their Heavenly Father.

For five days, Father stayed. He visited the Jhoon Rhee Institute and Fellowship House, a row house at 1907 “S” Street, which would be the Center for many years.

**Every day, Father met with the members and visitors. Sometimes, he talked far into the night. Never before, had these members experienced such long meetings without breaks, and they surprised themselves by sitting still so long and getting by with so little sleep. They felt tremendously blessed to be in the presence of their Leader at last. V**





# Christian Preparation for the Second Coming

by Mark Callahan

As a religion, Christianity serves two primary purposes. The first is to resurrect fallen individuals up to the level (i.e. status) of adopted children of God whom God can rightly claim as his own. Through Christianity, God can experience the role of a parent and the heart of a Father. Secondly, Christianity prepares a world-level foundation to receive the Lord of the Second Advent (i.e. The Second Coming of Christ). To this second purpose, Christianity has undergone three distinct dispensations so as to prepare for and receive the Return of Christ. The first dispensation was Christianized Judaism. The second was Roman Catholicism and the third dispensation was Protestantism. In each of these dispensations, an attempt was made to prepare an environment in which the Messiah could reappear and be received.

According to the Divine Principle, the Divine Will or Providence is to be fulfilled through three stages, ages or generations at the most. Since the Protestant dispensation for Christianity is the third stage, the Returning Christ will actually appear and work initially with Protestantism. This occurred after the Second World War in the crucial seven-year period 1945-1952.

Today, I wish to address the first initial dispensation for Christianity and how God sought a foundation for the Messiah's Return through Judaism in the crucial 40-year period after Pentecost. Judaism until the advent of Jesus was centered on Moses. It had been a nationalistic religion whose identity was tied to Israel. According to the Genesis account in the Bible, the name 'Israel' was given to Jacob by a defeated angel (some translation say 'man' or 'God') who had wrestled with him (Genesis 32:28). Judaism became a covenant religion that God shared with the physical descendants of Jacob/Israel, who with God's help, formed a nation.

Judaism however was meant to be more than a nation-level religious faith. Through Jesus, a shift should have occurred: Judaism should have become a world-level religion embracing Gentiles as well as the Jews. To accomplish this, the Jews were to transfer their loyalty from Moses to Jesus. Moses and Jesus shared many similarities that should have aided the transition. For example, as infants, both were almost killed in a state-sponsored program of infanticide. Both were viewed as liberators; Moses delivered the Hebrews from Egyptian bondage and Jesus liberated the believer from bondage to sin. Each had an intimate contact with the Word of God; Moses received the initial Ten Commandments from the hand of God and Jesus was the Word made flesh.

If the Christian Jews had successfully integrated Jesus into mainstream Judaism, what kind of 'Foundation for the Messiah' could have been laid? Christianity would not have developed into a separate and distinct religious faith apart from Judaism. Judaism would have undergone a great Reformation. Judaism would have been lifted up to a world-level faith that could have embraced the Gentiles. Jesus came with a new covenant and a new divine lineage. He was to replace the position of Jacob and extend his new lineage to both Jews and Gentiles. This new lineage was obtainable through the Holy Spirit and Christian rebirth.

To accomplish this Jewish Reformation centering on Jesus and the

served in Christ's physical ministry while Christ lived on earth before the crucifixion. If this continued to be one of the basic credentials for true leadership among the Jewish Christian leaders in Jerusalem, then Paul must certainly have felt slighted. Perhaps too, Paul's exceptional efforts and sacrifice brought forth a strong pride that contributed also to the possible tensions between the two Jewish factions of early Christianity.

But this speculation can only suggest possible difficulties and failures. The results nonetheless are undisputed: the first dispensation for Christianity did not occur. The Jews did not accept Jesus as their new liberator and as a consequence were never inspired to love and serve the Romans. Instead, they continued a quest for a national liberation apart from Rome. They wanted their God to crush the Romans with divine retribution and exalt Israel above all other nations of the world. The Jews failed to understand that loving the Romans whom in turn would lift Israel up with divine glory and honor could fulfill these aspirations. The Jews failed to perceive their fate and destiny bound to Rome's. Had Christianity fulfilled its first dispensation for the Second Coming through Judaism, the pagan Roman Empire would have become a Jewish Roman Empire! Jerusalem was predestined in this first dispensation for to be the capital of this new Empire. Because the Greeks instead of the Jews actually receive Jesus, Emperor Constantine moved the capital in to the Hellenistic city of Byzantium (later renamed Constantinople) in 330 AD instead of Jerusalem -to mark the Empire's new beginning and its separation from a pagan past.

The Jews failed to perceive the value of Jesus as the Son of God in a manner similar to the parable of the tenants (Luke 20:9-16). The tenants failed to receive and honor the owner's son. The evil tenants were cast out and new tenants were put in. In 70 AD, the Jewish 'tenants' were forced out of their homeland in Palestine and scattered among the nations of the world and persecuted for nearly two millennia. Relief for the Jews came in the providential year of 1948 when Israel -and Korea, once again became independent nations and Christ reappeared on earth with his ministry. So who were the new tenants that replaced the Jews and carried forth the Christian dispensation? According to the Divine Principle, the new chosen people were the Germanic people and Roman Catholicism:

"In this manner, the center of God's providence of restoration shifted from Judea, the land of God's bitter grief, to Western Europe, formerly the territory of the Western Roman Empire now occupied by the Germanic tribes" (*Exposition of the Divine Principle*, p. 333)

What about the Orthodox Christian faith that emerged in the Greek-speaking Eastern half of the Roman Empire?

Why was the so-called Byzantine Empire (450-1453 AD) not used by God in the second dispensation for Christianity? The Gentile peoples of the Roman Empire had a unique position, as did Israel. The Greek-speaking Hellenistic Christians certainly influenced and shaped the future course of Christianity but nonetheless, they could not become the new 'tenants' or chosen people to lead Christianity. Their fate was determined by having another relationship involving Israel that will now be explained with an analogy. If we compare Jesus to a masculine sperm cell, an 'Immaculate Conception' was to have taken place between subject heaven and object earth. The nation of Israel can be likened to the feminine sexual seed or ovum from the 'handmaiden-earth', which was to meet 'groom-heaven' and receive His Will. Together, the fertilized union of Jesus Christ and Israel would have created new life. The Mediterranean world can be likened to Earth's womb. The development and rise of the Roman Empire can be likened to the highly-developed and prepared endometrium lining of the uterus that is prepared to receive and support the fertilized union of egg (Israel) and sperm (Christ).

The Greco-Roman people, being in the position of the world's womb had a very specific mission -to receive and grow the new life. But here's the important point: Israel was the seed for new life and not the Hellenistic peoples. The Divine Principle states the fate of Rome (the womb) was altered when it destroyed the city of Jerusalem and the Jewish state (see quote below). By destroying the 'egg,' the womb also destroyed its own value. For this reason, even though the Hellenized Greeks and Romans became Christians -and even went so far as to make Christianity the single official faith of the state, there was no egg. Israel had been destroyed. The womb -in a sense sanctified, was nonetheless empty and no life or fortune could rise from the Christian Roman Empire.

Nineteen years after Christianity was declared the official state religion of the Roman Empire (391 AD), the city of Rome was invaded and sacked by the Goths. The critics of Christianity wrongly interpreted this misfortune as a sign that Rome's greatness had come to an end because the empire had forsaken its pagan gods. The defensive Christians too were surprised and could not understand why Jesus could have allowed such a transgression. In 455 a Germanic tribe known as the Vandals once again overran AD the city of Rome. Their wanton destruction gave rise to the modern word 'vandalism.'

In this Dark Age of confusion, St. Augustine appeared and wrote the *City of God* to give hope and understanding to Christians who could not understand why their Christian empire appeared so 'sterile' (Ok, my word) and unable to give life to the world. Augustine wrote of a new place -a spiritual place that God could call His own. This 'New Jerusalem' as Augustine called it, had nothing to do with the Christian Roman Empire. What Augustine anticipated was a new vineyard and new tenants. Charlemagne and the Carolingian Empire took up that City of God vision held by Augustine in the ninth century after Christ. That new

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Holy Spirit, Judaism was to have moved beyond its exclusive national faith into a more inclusive world faith for all people. To achieve this, Judaism had to do two things: accept the resurrected Jesus as the Messiah and love the Roman enemy. Had this occurred, then the Jewish Reformation could have built the foundation for the Second Coming. The Second Coming would have come much earlier in Christian history -as Jesus had promised.

St. Paul of Tarsus was an exceptional Jewish follower of Christ. He understood the new covenant through the resurrected Jesus had to transcend its Jewish origins so as to embrace the world of Gentiles. He helped the Jewish leaders like Peter in Jerusalem to loosen up and not be such strict observers of the Old Law. But even Paul did not understand truly understand the need to work through Judaism as well as through Christ. Perhaps Paul did not feel so comfortable working in Jerusalem. His unity with the twelve apostles is questionable. When the eleven apostles chose Mathias as the twelfth apostle to replace Judas, the criteria for leadership was one who



# Testimony about the Coronation Ceremony

by Ruth (Fineberg) Cleaver

I attended the 7<sup>th</sup> Blessed Wives Workshop in Cheong Pyeong, which finished on January 11<sup>th</sup>, and was very privileged to be able to attend the Coronation Ceremony on January 13<sup>th</sup>. I do not feel qualified or able to convey the meaning or internal content of the ceremony, but would like to share what it felt like to be there, and what I saw.

Those of you familiar with the main building at Cheong Pyeong know that it can get rather crowded at times. I had already experienced God's Day as well as the Registration Blessing time, but the number of people sleeping in the building and hoping to attend the Coronation Ceremony was in another league altogether. We awoke at 3:00 a.m. (if you did manage to find a place to sleep) and put on holy robes. By 4:30 a.m. all the corridors were so absolutely jam packed with people that you couldn't move in any direction whatsoever. Everyone wanted to be in the main room with True Parents but many ended up watching in other rooms by closed-circuit television. At one point, desperate to get upstairs, I managed to attach myself to a fairly tall and strong brother who was inching his way through the crowd, saying "National Messiah" (it was so crowded that he never noticed I had locked arms with him and let him pull me through!). The members wanted to let us pass but there was literally not an inch to spare in any direction. Slowly we made our way to the stairs, which were thankfully empty, being controlled by the security brothers. As my couple had been asked to attend on behalf of our nation (New Zealand), I was able to go upstairs.

Once in the main room, everything was orderly and dignified. The setting was so visually rich and beautiful that

I did not know where to look first. On the large stage were two offering tables on different levels. The one in the back had 2 striking-looking white carved thrones and a full offering table in front of them—that was for Heavenly Father. In front and slightly lower were 2 red and gold brocade chairs, with another offering table in front of them - for True Parents. Both offering tables were very elaborate and had some unusual stackings that looked like sculpture, not food. For example, on one of the tall stacks there were little branches from trees, and little birds made out of straw or something similar. The feeling was very ornate, and exotic. The backdrop to the whole stage had a painted nature scene, and shining from behind this scene were two lights, one red and one white, round like a sun and moon. On either side of the stage were many national flags, in front of which were the gifts presented to True Parents for this occasion. There were plaques and sculptures, paintings and carvings—a rich tapestry of the world's artistic expression. A rosey-pink colored carpet stretched from the back of the ballroom to the stage. When the ceremony began, ushers lined the carpet and stage. These were selected Korean couples wearing their holy robes over which they wore bright pink sleeveless long vests.

When Father and Mother entered at 7:00 a.m., we learned that Father himself would be the M.C. for the ceremony, as no one else was qualified. We also were told that God would be escorted into the ceremony by Heung Jin Nim, and that the four great religious leaders were attending. Alas for those of us who don't have eyes to see! We really didn't know what to expect at this event. There had been many references to it during my 21 days. For example, we had heard that Father

was 'as excited as a little boy waiting for Christmas' in the days preceding it. We also heard that God would come down to earth for the first time ever (!!!). So we waited with held breath to see what this ceremony would be. Father and Mother entered to the sounds of very other-worldly oriental music, walking from the back of the room towards the stage on the pink carpet. Father wore a huge gold-colored crown, with 2 long gold chains or tassels hanging down on either side of his face. Mother also had a substantial sized gold-colored crown, though different in shape from Father's and not as large or elaborate. Many times during the ceremony Mother adjusted her crown, giving the impression it was quite uncomfortable. Later in the program, when Father spoke to us, he joked that his crown had been so heavy he had almost forgotten what he was praying about!

The main points of the ceremony itself consisted of Hoon Sook Nim and



one other young woman going up to the white thrones and placing on them a set of clothing and a silver crown (a separate set for each throne); several prayers by Father, a series of bows by representative members, and ceremonial eating from the lower offering table by True Parents and members of their family. During the ceremony, Father and Mother seemed tense, wanting everything to be perfect as they directly attended God. At one point early on, Mother lost her footing and fell, and we all gasped and held our breath while seeing if she was alright. The overall feeling was very solemn and serious. I don't think the ceremony itself lasted more than an hour, by which time Father and Mother had taken off their outer robes (white and gold, as on Blessing days) and their crowns. Father then spoke to us in a manner that was sometimes serious, sometimes playful. It was amazing to me that after this historic and monumental event had taken place, Father could be so relaxed as to joke with us about his trousers being loose and falling down! He joked with one of the ushers, a brother in the hot-pink vest I described, saying : "Why are you wearing that? You look like a flower!" Then he explained that pink was Jesus' color.

Father spoke to us for about an hour, and then it was all over. All the prayers and the speech are available over the internet, and since coming home I have been studying them to try to understand more deeply what we saw and experienced. It was certainly unforgettable, a moment in history to share directly with the True Parents, and I am very grateful for the opportunity to have done so. I hope you can all quickly see a video of the ceremony so you can experience it for yourself. ❖

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land, faith and people became the second dispensation for Christianity. Medieval Catholicism was God's second foundation to receive the Messiah. The Byzantine Empire (the eastern half of the Roman Empire that survived and continued for a thousand years after the Western half collapsed) continued to exist for the purpose of providing security, nutrition and support to the West. In other words, the Roman Empire continued to exist and serve its providential mission as a womb but in this instance, for the Carolingian Empire instead of the Jewish State of Israel.

If the Jews had become the first Christians, "*Jesus would have been honored throughout the empire as the King of Kings. He would have established a worldwide dominion with Jerusalem as its capital. However, because the Jewish people disbelieved, Judea was destroyed and the*

*Roman Empire was fated to decline"* (*Exposition*, p. 333). Judaism was to have undergone a Christian Reformation. God had pre-

pared a world to embrace and receive that New Jerusalem. Jerusalem was to have been the eternal city and the center of the world. What an honor!

What a wonderful promise was given to the Jewish followers of Christ. Though the Jews had been responsible for the physical murder of Christ Jesus, if they had received the resurrected Jesus, their collective sin would have been forgiven and the lineage of Abraham through Isaac and Jacob would have been blessed. When God began the second dispensation for Christianity through Western Europe, the fortune of the Jews changed significantly. Since God had promised to bless the descendants of Abraham, the blessing continued but was passed from the descendants of Isaac to Ishmael. This is the basis for the rise of Mohammed and Islam. ❖

## Encouragement

In the midst of nowhere,  
God with all His love and comforting heart  
Called and said to me...  
My child, my precious daughter,  
I don't want to see you alone and lonely anymore.  
I took care of you and nurtured you, but waited for you to come to me,  
Hoping you could grasp my presence,  
And now, I'm so happy you can realize that I'm always at your side.

Feel free to feel the warmth of my love  
Born again your strength in peace, hope and love,  
You're beautiful and unique, talented and wonderful.  
You have all the power in yourself to make things successful  
Just believe in yourself,  
Have the courage that you can do it.

Follow your heart,  
Never walk in anyone's shadow,  
Be courageous and be brave,  
Have confidence that anything you wish for  
Will definitely be yours.

Be strong in every trial and life upheaval.  
Again, be positive that everything you do will bring success.  
Believe that you can reach your star, your dreams.

And if you're in the midst of difficulties,

Most challenging situations in your life,  
Don't panic; relax and be positive.  
Remember that life is ups and downs.

Don't be discouraged in any failure.  
But believe in yourself, that next time will be yours.  
Full of hope and contentment.

When you're in the midst of decision,  
Follow your true heart and conscience.  
They are your best friends, your loyal and true friends.  
She will lead you to your bright future.

Remember that life is too short; make it worthwhile.  
Wake up each day with a smiling and bright spirit,  
Energetic and full of hope and enthusiasm.  
Believe that each day will bring success and fulfillment.

Always think that everything in your surroundings  
Is beautiful and ideal, friendly and lovable.  
Learn to appreciate what is good and perfect in God's eyes.  
Never hurt others, in words, in actions, even in thought.  
Never harbor any resentment or anger toward the one who hurt you.  
Instead, love him/her and try to understand him/her more.

Learn to love everybody as your own brother or sister.  
Think of them as your own self.  
Loving others is loving yourself,  
Respecting others is respecting yourself.

REMEMBER, YOU'RE SO WONDERFUL!!!  
And I LOVE YOU.

Lourdes Senorin Fanogav



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THE START

What about the end of time?  
And what about the start?  
How do we learn we have the dregs?  
How do we find the very best part?

The book of knowledge, the book of nonsense  
Are side by side on the library shelf.  
I find myself indulging in these,  
I'm a very inquisitive elf!

The times I start to finish  
The things I have begun  
Are lessons on the way to  
The winnish I have won.

Take her feet and put them down  
She's locked into a coma  
Take her hand and treat her nice  
She's on her way to home-a.

The first ten classes  
Taken out of the masses  
Were truly a very good start

Now's the time to stop just starting  
Go middle and finish with heart!

Too many streets to travel down  
Is like a time to go round and round  
And see your very own town.

Imagination is funny  
It makes the bees think of honey  
It makes me want to be funny all the time!

Now seriousness and aptitude  
Prevail my very attitude  
For zillions of years are in the works.  
Our loving creator and all you see  
Will find us together...you and me!

Mardi Esselstyn







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This month we're going to look at religious organizations and the people who join them. America hosts a profusion of groups, and allows them unprecedented freedom. However, some people claim that's not a good thing. There are new and old groups; and good and not-so-good ones; each with its own style and leadership. Despite this tremendous variety, we can discern some basic patterns. The Divine Principle provides a clear map of human nature, and of the characteristics of groups.

Cain and Abel

The Bible divides people into 'sheep and goats,' and the Divine Principle extends this into two archetypes: Cain and Abel. One tends toward selfishness; the other, toward altruism. Individuals and groups will combine these traits, and they also evolve over time.

Cain type religious groups often enjoy initial popularity, but sometimes meet terrible (and well-publicized) ends. The Abel types are usually persecuted at first, and are only appreciated after decades of ministry.

The Cains range from the medieval John of Leyden to the modern People's Temple. Opposite this, the Salvation Army is an example of a once reviled, now highly respected ministry.

In visiting many congregations, this author has encountered both sorts. Cain types are elitist, as certain of their own salvation as they are that just about everyone else is damned. There are a surprising number of Only True Faiths out there!

In a milder version, I've seen a mainstream Pastor nod with suspicion toward the church down the road, grumbling about "all the manmade doctrines cluttering it up." And (surprise!) the Pastor down the road returned the sentiment—in spades.

Cain type Pastors are tearing at Christianity's hide, searching for heresies and cults everywhere, and emphasizing differences.

Abel type Pastors work hard for their flock, on call 24 hours a day, all year long. Handling the many crises that arise, and sharing some hard-won wisdom. Reaching out to the less fortunate, locally and abroad, without boasting about it much. They worry more about people's hearts than doctrinal hair-splitting.

Distinctions

Which is which? There are clear distinctions.

Capitalizing on the indulgent 1960s and materialistic yuppie decades, Cain

spiritual groups have a self-centered orientation. "You are God," the New Agers say. "Make your reality, with your own rules."

I call this 'hi-tech Hinduism,' though they lack the self-discipline of traditional Hindus. I'm all too familiar with their epitome, Werner Erhard's once-popular 'est.'

Abel groups focus on other people, providing material necessities and Divine truth. They persevere even though God's Will is difficult.

Cain teachings are often couched in mystery, or even plain ignorance; reserving hidden teachings for their 'inner circle.' Sometimes this is harmless, but often it's arrogant and clan-ish.

Even Christians can fall prey. Decades ago, I heard a sermon about God's Greatness. The speaker, a widely respected clergyman, said, "We just don't understand, and that *proves* how great God is. We're so small, and He's so big. It's wonderful—we'll never understand." I thought, "God gave us brains for a reason."

Abel teachings are clear, clean, and sensible. The truth may hurt sometimes, but there's nothing secret about it. It may require time to learn, and to gain the proper perspective, but it's proudly offered to all. The truth inspires, and informs about God's Heart and Will.

Past and Future

Each religion began with a founder, and that person's character and teaching set their organization on its course. Each congregation has a Pastor, and each Faith, a leadership structure. Are they Cain or Abel types?

This question of 'character' is a broad one, affecting anyone who becomes a leader, or a celebrity. In secular society, Abels will be charitable and mature. They're well regarded, and leave a good legacy. Cains give way to free sex, illicit drugs, bribery, etc. Often, they meet a tragic end.

Cain religious leaders are proud, and sometimes immoral. They'll distort the truth for their own convenience. Fortunately, despite the hype they generate, they're actually few in number.

Abel leaders have (or finally gain) maturity. They work harder than their followers do, and understand the balance of Heavenly and secular authority. They stick with the truth, even at great cost. As Jesus said, you can "know them by their fruits."

A Cain leader might tell a buxom woman follower, "I missed a few details in my sermon on immorality last Sunday. If you love God, love me His servant. Let's retire to my inner chamber and explore this further, shall we?"

An Abel leader will say, "Be moral, as God's written Word instructs. Be as strict, under all circumstances, as I have been myself." Every individual is held responsible to God.

Cain prophecies are elitist, envisioning a future dominated by a handful of 'chosen ones.' Without any real sacrifice or merit, they'll become top dogs, while sinners are vanquished or destroyed. Many envision a deadly Tribulation and fiery Armageddon.

Abel prophecies embrace everyone, and leave room for as many as possible (if not all) people to be saved. The chosen people must sacrifice themselves for the sake of others, working to heal, physically and spiritually. Many envision a quiet 'Kingdom amongst you.'

Converts

No leader amounts to anything without followers. In recent decades, there has been much talk about 'who joins cults.' The anti-cultists warn college students, "Any time you're feeling a bit off, a cult awaits to snatch you up!" It reminds one of the wicked wolf in children's fairy tale books. Supposedly, people have such weak minds that any charismatic person can just suck them in.

In fact, at least four kinds of people join religious groups. \*Dependents. They want to be carried along, told what to do, and comforted. They can provide something to their group—but but not much. They aren't reliable, and unless they grow up, they usually don't stay long.

Sometimes, charismatic individuals can hold onto a small following of dependents. The foreign missionary's "rice Christian" converts are a well-known parallel.

\* Proud Saved. These doctrinal hair-splitters are obsessed with 'making it in.' Were you Baptized properly? Trinity doctrine correct? Using musical instruments in your church, or not? Often, they're pleased with the thought of all 'those people' going to Hell, where they 'obviously belong.'

Imagine St. Peter at the gates of Heaven, going through such a detailed checklist! Unless they gain a larger perspective, they're going to end up exactly as lonely as they make themselves . . .

\* Seekers. California is full of them, though not quite the hoards of the 1970s. A local cartoon once depicted a couple on a date. The woman was saying, "It's so refreshing to be with someone who isn't on a spiritual quest."

Most of them seek Nirvana: a New Age of freedom and relaxation. Release from the guilt and burdens of this life-

time and, supposedly, past ones also. They might want to share their 'enlightenment,' but that would just be a bonus. Few seekers leave an enduring legacy. Unless, somewhere along the way, they learn to really love.

\* Resolute Idealists. They become the founders and leaders; the movers and shakers. The greater their ideal, the larger their effect upon society.

If they go into politics instead, they become profound reformers, or revolutionaries. If they err somehow, and become Cain types, they can cause great disasters.

Abel type idealists can accomplish truly wonderful things. God calls them at the appointed time, and they might eventually be recognized as Saints.

Danger?

Do the anti-cultists have *any* legitimacy? No one should ignore genuine tragedies, such as the awful mass suicides which sometimes occur. Yet, we must not tar every new religion with a broad brush.

Some dangerous groups aren't even perceived as religious, though they share many characteristics. There are clannish, semi-mystical groups, such as the Chinese Triads. Also, revolutionary groups with a zealous ideology, like the former Symbionese Liberation Army.

There are apocalyptic groups, such as the survivalists holed up in America's remote areas. I have an old friend, a US Park Ranger, who was wounded by one of these outfits.

There are racial supremacy groups (from *every* race) which proclaim that they are the "only pure, truly human Race."

Genuine religious groups that really are dangerous are very rare indeed! How can we tell?

Do they have a *lot* of guns? That isn't always illegal, but it gives caution.

Are they literally isolated? So are some of the most gentle Catholic Orders, but they might be paranoid types.

Do they have an 'End Is Near' apocalyptic belief? So do half the churches in America, but it might get them stirred up.

Is there illegal activity going on? That's hardly unique to religion, but it shouldn't be excused.

CONCLUSION

How should society deal with religions? Better to take the Bible's advise, from Acts 5:33-39. If it's of God, it will not be overthrown! But if wrong is being done, that's what secular laws are for.

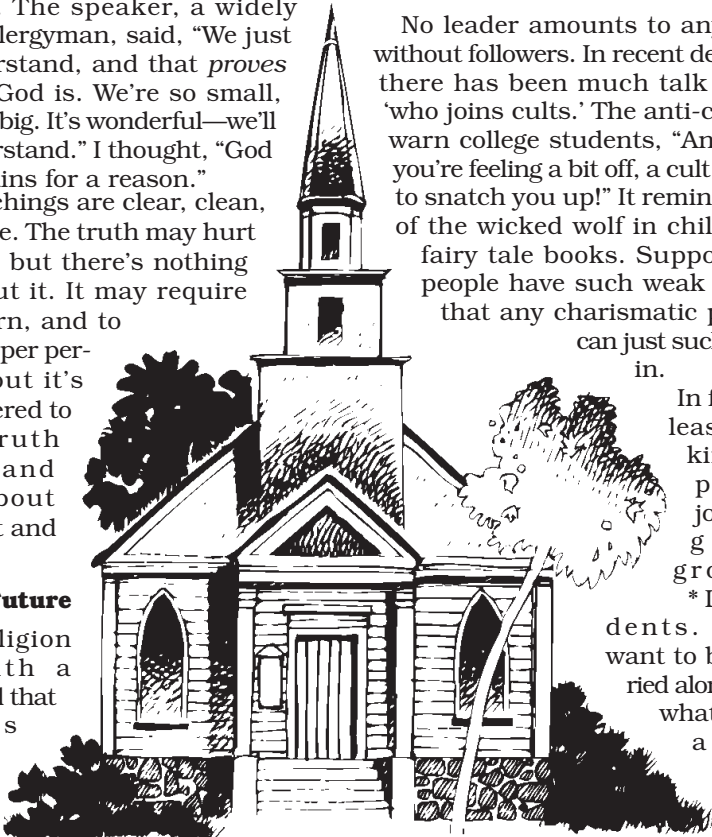
As President Bush says, faith-based organizations can do far more good than any bureaucracy ever will. Besides, the much-ballyhooed 'separation of Church and State' appears nowhere in America's founding documents.

I suspect that (except for strident atheists) when Americans oppose 'the involvement of religion,' it's Cain types they're really worried about.

This nation enjoys freedom of religion. Let's keep it that way! Someday soon, America really will become a shining City on a Hill. ❖

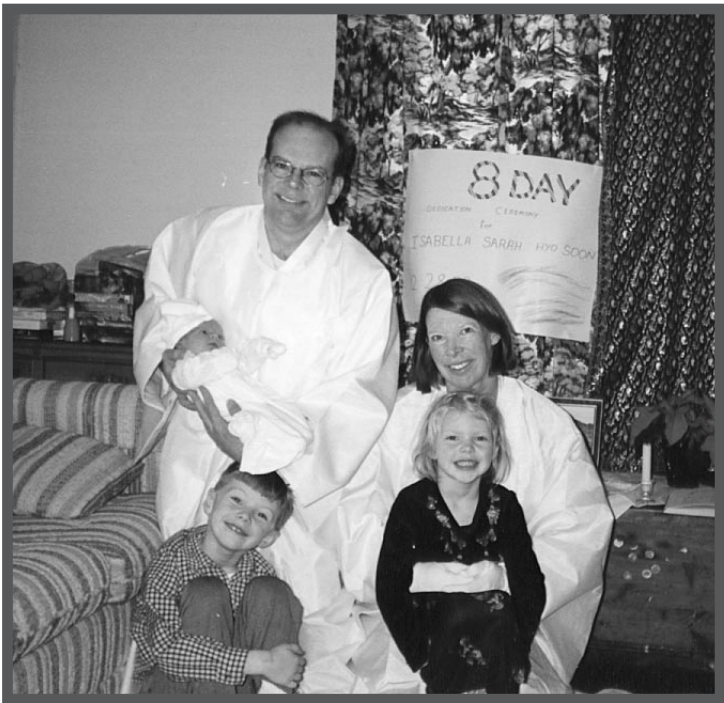
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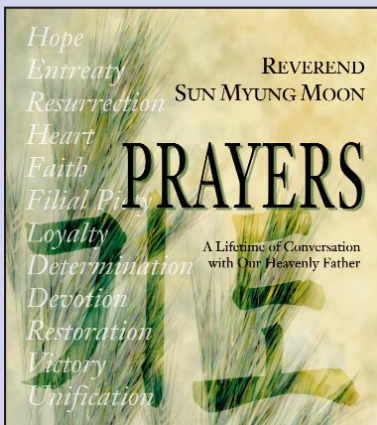
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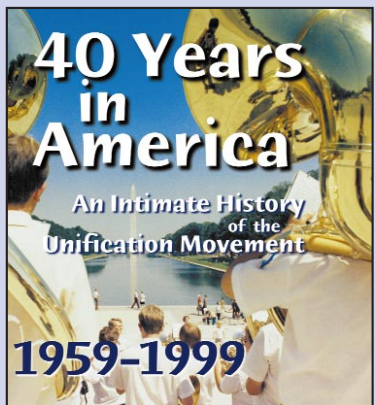
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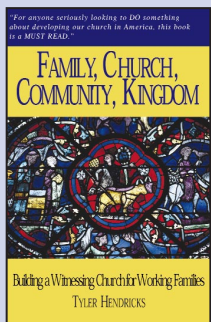
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