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## ally for the Unity and Completed Settlement e Parents of Heaven

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istinguished Ladies and Gentlemen, brothers and sisters of my beloved motherland, and the seventy million people around the world who are watching this historic convention: I offer my sincere gratitude to all who are attending this meaningful "Rally for the Unity and Completed Settlement



of the Parents of Heaven and Earth"! We have finally entered a truly historic and providential era worthy of great



proclamation. For six thousand years, Heaven and Earth have yearned for the ideal world of peace, that is, the King-

dom of Heaven on Earth and in Heaven. The Heavenly fortune of the present era supports our establishing it

Heaven has allowed the growth of religion in relation to certain ages and specific cultures as the providence unfolded in history. Humankind has worked with unceasing effort to realize a world of peace within this religious realm. In the end, however, everything will be resolved through understanding the content of God's providence and His heart.

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## Celebrating the 20th Anniversary of he Washington

The celebration of the anniversary of The Washington Times generated much comment and analysis. The following are selections form this coverage:

the Rev. Sun Myung Moon and a crowd of 3,000 celebrated the 20th anniversary of the newspaper he founded, The Washington Times, in the nation's capital.

Moon, the 82-year-old leader of the Unification Church, started the Times on May 17, 1982, nine months after The Washington Star closed. The Times has a daily circulation of 110,120 and a strong following among political conservatives in the U.S. capital for its editorial philosophy.

The other newspaper in the nation's lion in his News World Communications, capital is the Washington Post.

Moon has invested more than \$1 bil-

which recently bought United Press International.

> Moon delivered an hour-long address in Korean with a printed version in

English given to guests, on the life of Jesus.

"I hope that The Washington Times, UPI and other major media will accept this lofty command from Heaven and take up the task of educating humankind,

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## The 26th Annual Commencement at UTS

### **Rev. Kwak Receives Honorary Doctorate**

by Dr. Tyler Hendricks

he Unification Theological Seminary held its 26<sup>th</sup> Commencement on Saturday, June 22, with 19 students receiving Master of Religious Education degrees and 5 students receiving Master of Divinity degrees. Emcee Dr. Michael Mickler, UTS Vice President, welcomed more than 300 faculty from the main campus and Extension Center, administration, supportive clergy, family, friends and neighbors to a great beginning to UTS' second

quarter century.

It was a small graduating class, the smallest in UTS' history. So, this graduation of new Unification Church leaders was all the more historic, memorable and meaningful. The small size of the class reflected the difficulties UTS was having two to four years ago, when these students were entering. At that time people were talking of UTS packing up and moving away. I myself entertained such thoughts. The admissions office



was instructed to stop recruiting new students. So this graduating class is a hardy band of believers, who committed themselves to UTS when we were in our hour of greatest struggle. To them, we offer our gratitude and recognition.

#### **Role of UTS**

Robert K. Greenleaf, in his work, The Power of Servant Lead-

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### FOUNDER'S DISCOURSE ON UNIFICATIONISM

## **SETTLEMENT** from page 1

Today, people talk about a world of peace, about one world, yet the real question is whether we can create harmony and realize peace within ourselves. Suppose there were an all-knowing God and a good person who had a firm resolve. If there were such, we would conclude that there would be someone determined to carry out that task of unification.

Most of you talk about loving, serving and sacrificing for each other. That is admirable. Loving one another means fervently giving to and loving another party, rather than taking or requesting love. The basis of peace emerges in an environment where people serve one another. Flames of revival blaze when

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people sacrifice themselves for the benefit of others. Flowers bloom and spread their fragrance when people serve one

Just as the negative pole of a magnet never fails to attract the positive pole, we can perceive and understand God through the power of our conscience. The more we approach God, following our conscientious mind, the more we can feel peace, happiness and fulfillment within our heart. If we follow God's love, which is the womb of peace, our internal organs will receive stimulation and vibrate with emotion. After having lived our life in this way, we should end it gloriously and with

confidence. Even if we feel anguish about death, we should pray desperately as we pledge our commitment and fulfill all our responsibilities within our lifetime.

The world will become a pile of rub-

ble, like an untended grave, if we do not pray for it to be saved even at the expense of our own life. We may dislike seeing someone's face furrowed with old age, but the wrinkles on that person's forehead symbolize the conditions for peace.

Although our posture may be stooped, when we realize that this is a beacon of hope, we will rid ourselves of the resentment upon which offers evil a foothold to expand.

If we work only for ourselves, we become friends of evil. Our fate is predestined to reinforce the foundation for goodness through our lives. We must measure our life against that standard and realize that all people have within an evil self that lives only for selfish interests. You can separate from and strongly stand against this evil being that is expanding its influence with each passing day. Please recognize that you are on the pressing path of destiny and must increase your foundation of goodness vet a little more before you pass away. You must therefore constantly busy yourself without rest.

In my lifetime, I have been imprisoned six times and vilified in other countries for being a cult leader I have faced intense opposition. If the path of devotion to God I am walking is the central one, on which people of different skin colors can be found, I will go anywhere. I have always lived my life in such a fashion. Keep in mind that God, Jesus, the Holy Spirit and the saints can rejoice only when we become the elite troops of Heaven and gain success. Then a time of peace can arise.

Conflict within the individual turned into conflict within families, conflict within families into conflict within clans, conflict within clans into conflict within society, conflict within society into conflict within the nation, and conflict within the nation into global conflict. There will be also conflict between the spirit world and the earthly world. Only when the battle between God and the countless evil spirits of the satanic world is over will an era of peace come to our universe.

You must understand that God is working through such a process, according to Heavenly principles. The age of cosmic peace will arise only when, after clashing with Satan, God resolves all problems. Until the moment the core of God's sorrowful heart is healed, humankind will never find peace and the ideology of Heaven will never come to fruition in this world.

If a true individual comes who can liberate the sorrow of Heavenly Father and this world, and bring an ideology capable of establishing a peaceful nation in Heaven and on Earth, that individual will have to pass through every conceivable difficulty. He will experience

desperation from the sorrow over personal tribulation all the way to the sorrow over the tribulations of all humankind. He will have to delve into the sorrowful and desperate heart of Heaven in order

to find a way to resolve it. Otherwise humankind will not be able to push aside its sorrowful and miserable history and establish a world of peace and happiness, a garden of freedom inviolable by sorrow.

If you become a

representative of the ideology of the universal Kingdom of Heaven, expanding the movement of God's true love, true blood lineage and truth, then a peaceful world will arise. In such a world, your own parents are not the only parents, your own siblings are not the only siblings and your own children are not the only children. If you can regard all people as your parents, siblings or children, then when you look upon the many who are suffering in this world of death, you will be unable to relate with them without tears. When you look at your siblings, or younger people, you will feel a strong sense of responsibility to save them, and with tears you will make every effort to do so. If you truly become such a person, like God, then the Kingdom of Heaven will be built around you on this Earth.

God's strategy is to take the first blow from Satan, do everything for his sake, love him, and later receive everything from him. God does not use force to take from the satanic world, but first freely gives love, sacrifices Himself, accepts blows and is even willing to lose His life. You must understand that God cannot sow the seeds of world peace if He does not apply this strategy.

You must lead your family and live for your nation and the world. Spanning the ages of the individual, family, clan, tribe, society and nation, you have to fulfill the role of showing the world's peoples and nations the right direction, based upon real experience. Having fulfilled this, you must be able to serve God from a mutually inseparable position. Only then will the spirit world and the physical world become a unified realm of peace.

You have to be the guides who can direct others from the position of the eternal leaders of the age when the Heavenly Kingdom is established, and be awarded a glorious official commendation of the Heavenly realm.

A person who fights and bleeds profusely in the harsh process of building a new kingdom of peace, a Heaven of freedom, will not perish. The blood he sheds is not the blood of death, but becomes the power of life. What he achieves in this manner is the base we have to reach, embody in our lives, and bequeath to our future generations.

"Oh, Heavenly Father! Rooted in the ideal of creation, your divine Will, in which you have always wanted to take pride, has reached fruition. The man you appointed has achieved unity within his heart, something in which you have eternally wanted to take pride since before the cre-

### CALENDAR

#### **JUNE 2002**

- 3 Shin Yeon Nim's Birthday (4/23/90) Inauguration of the Federation for Cosmic Peace and Unification South American Headquarters (2001)
- 4 72 Couples' Blessing (1962)
- 11 True Day of All Things (5/1/63)
- Hee Jin Nim & Hye Shin Nim's Blessing (1998) 39 Couples' Blessing (1981) 1st Stage of the 360 Million Couples' Blessing (1998)
- 14 Jeung Jin Nim's Birthday (1982)
  - Declaration of True Parents' Cosmic Victory (1999)
- 16 Washington Times Established (1982)
- 17 Declaration of the Return of the Sea to Heavenly Dominion (2000)
- 23 Day of One Heart (1989)
- 24 Declaration of the Return of the Land to God (2000)
- 27 Young Jin Nim's Birthday (5/17/78)
- 29 Ceremony of the Return of the Cosmos to Heaven (2000)

#### **JULY 2002**

- 1 Chil II Jeol: Declaration Day of God's Eternal Blessing (1991) Day of the Celebration of Victory (1973) 2075 Couples' Blessing (1982)
- 8 Shin Kwang Nim's 1st Birthday (lunar)
- 13 Universal Ballet Company Established (1984)
- 18 Sung Jin Nim & Dong Sook Nim's Blessing (1973)
- 20 Shin Ha Nim's 4nd Birthday (lunar)
- 23 Kook Jin Nim's Birthday (6/14/70)
- Sun Jin Nim's Birthday (6/15/76) 124 Couples' Blessing (1963)
- 26 Youth Federation for World Peace Inauguration (1994)
- 27 Hye Jin Nim's Birthday (1964)

#### AUGUST 2002

- 1 Hee Jin Nim's Ascension (1969)
  - Day of Returning to the Home Country (1993)
- 4 Hye Jin Nim's Ascension (1964)
- 15 6th 7.8 Jeol (Cosmic Sabbath)
- 16 II Sung II: Total Victory Day (1985)
- 17 Declaration Day Jeon-ban & Jeon-neung (1999)
- Shin Goon Nim's Birthday (7/12/83)
  - Shin Kwon Nim's Birthday (7/12/89)
  - Declaration of the Providential Age of Salvation by Love (1989)
- 25 30,000 Couples' Blessing (1992)
  - 360,000 Couples' Blessing (1995)
  - Chil Pal Jeol: Declaration of the Realm of the Cosmic Sabbath for Parents of Heaven and Earth (7/7/97)
- $26 \quad \text{In Jin Nim's Birthday } (7/18/65)$
- 27 Hwa Jung Nim's Birthday (7/19/77)
- 31 Pal Jong Shik: Day of the Settlement of 8 Stages (1989)

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### FOUNDER'S DISCOURSE ON UNIFICATIONISM

## Settlement of the Parents of Heaven and Earth

ation of the world." You have to pray like this before Heaven and crave for the day when you can move into the heavenly kingdom of liberty and peace where God can rejoice.

Who is the owner of Korea? He is the one who loves and values that nation more than anyone else. Therefore, if you cherish and love Korea more than anyone else, you will become the master of its people, even if you do not want to be in that position. Only then will the age of peace that God desires arrive.

We have to liberate God by dissolving His resentment. Any young man who takes responsibility to remove even a tiny obstacle blocking God from freely governing the nation, and who has a heart of serving God as a majestic and absolute being who can govern all nations as the Heavenly Kingdom of freedom and peace, will truly become a great man. The world will take a new direction in the future because of this young man. If you vow to be like him, no matter how ragged you may look, you will not appear ugly. Infinite hope dwells there. That person will become the foundation for God's hope and happiness.

Being in a position to be harvested, as harvested grain, we have to become those who are able to digest our feelings and experiences in order to produce happiness. Is it not true that the peaceful Heaven will be connected to the world as we expand this foundation to the nation and the world, as long as our spirit does not deviate from a unified state? Where does the restoration of Heaven begin? It has to begin from prison. While in prison, have you tried humming a song of gratitude as Jesus did, with an independent heart of peace, a heart reflecting the original standard recovered in the position of subject?

When the apostles went through that same woeful ordeal in the past, did God not give them the authority to open prison doors and be free to move, so that their situation could be transformed into a Heavenly one? God wants all of you to become people in whom God can have hope and expectation greater than He did for those apostles.

In the Last Days, there will be no way to survive if the direction of history is not reversed. We must show a new historical direction at all costs. This is the new historical direction of unification. Since history has come to its conclusion through the sacrifices of others, peace will definitely not come to the world if men and women do things in the same way they have until now.

How can we pass over the way of the cross? We have to put the good of the nation before that of our spouse and self, the good of the world before that of the nation, and the good of Heaven and Earth before that of the world. If we walk step by step without hesitation, the way of the cross, where all our enemies are waiting, will vanish. Reaching the flat highway, liberation will bring freedom, and the kingdom of peace in Heaven and on Earth—the ideal world desired by God—will be realized.

We have to look for God-centered patterns in that world too. The parental duty of loving children is the moral obligation of humankind. How do we gauge the standard of the ideal, original way, which God

designed and the Unification Church teaches? It is grounded in parental, conjugal and filial ties, and the principle of the four-position foundation. As we dream



of world peace and unification, this fundamental question remains. If it is not resolved, a world of unity cannot come. Please realize that growing out of the pattern of the individual male and female, a world of unity will emerge where the family pattern is established. Even if you, your family and your nation become a sacrifice, if there is an ideological system that can launch a new set of values capable of benefiting all nations of the world, then a new gate of history will undoubtedly open before our very eyes



through that ideological structure. It is as sure as the law of gravity. Please realize that because this world is a world of sin and evil, the time to build a victorious Heaven within the evil world, following a single direction in which we can be delivered from sin, will come.

We are to love our enemies. This is the secret method of breaking Satan's walls that surround us. The realm of equality has never existed in this world. The way to create this is to make those who strike us surrender by sacrificing for them, loving them and praying for them. By giving them the same blessing that we have, a realm of total equality will come into being.

Since we have set the stage for the final showdown with the enemy in this way, we can establish the notion of founding a nation of peace for the first time. An ideal model of world peace and unity will start from here. To shorten the way to Heaven, the Messiah, a specific people, or a specific individual, had to take responsibility through self-sacrifice. Many saints have given up their lives for this cause. As a result, the rise and fall of many nations leveled the hills and valleys, bringing equilibrium.

The world established the equilibrium we see today in this manner. Equality is peace. Originally, Adam and Eve, after perfecting themselves centering on God's love and becoming one, could have come to stand in a God-centered structure of relationships. In the Unification Church, this structure is called the four-position foundation. Because we lost the means

to complete the four-position foundation, whatever historical age we pass through, there has been no way to create peace, utopia or an ideal world.

An ideal land cannot arise through the denial of or breaking away from the Principle. For two thousand years, Christianity developed in the vortex of untold pressures, such as during the period of persecution under the Roman Empire. Why has Christianity, which even absorbed Rome, declined and fallen away as it has during a few decades in freedom-loving, modern-day America? This is a puzzle. Judaism taught belief in God and all Jews loved God, but Hitler massacred six million Jews. This is a deep mystery. The answer to both questions is that religions



did not go the way they originally should have. In the Last Days, if the central people cannot align with God's original true love, they cannot help but be broken apart as offerings before Satan.

So, to reorganize the world, where should we focus? There are so many historians and intellectuals who pronounce on this matter today, but we need someone who can lead the world. Then how should such as person guide us? What



should he teach? There are plenty of people qualified to teach us how to live focused on politics or political power. It is not because of a lack of money or imperfection of their political system that they can't lead us properly. It is because they offer no order of love that can be connected to God and His ideal. If we find the truth by which the order of original love and the origin of peace can develop on a worldwide foundation, then our original mind can rest for the first time.

The beginning and the end of true love must be the same. A person who could connect his heart directly to Heaven and Earth would be enough. Peace comes from a heart of true love. What happens then? With a truly joyful mind, the cosmos becomes our friend. If we have this true heart, then when we encounter the cosmos, its vast expanse will play within our mind.

In what manner will the ideal world come to humankind in the future? The world is doomed to perish if the proper use of our sexual organs is not made clear. We will never discover a world of peace. Look at Rome and America. The degeneration of the United States is not due to a lack of money. Until now they have not been able to recognize the origin, creation and ownership of the sexual organ. They have not known these things because of Satan. To clarify this, and to clear up all the chaos caused by that vicious and treacherous Satan on the cosmic level, I came, hoisted my banner and went forth in the name of True Parents.

As the wintry wind blows from a Frigid Zone into a temperate zone, the trees stand bare, stripped of their foliage and fruit. In winter, all fruit falls from the trees. But no matter how harsh the wind's blast, it cannot suppress the seeds that bear life. As these very seeds that demonstrate such hardiness and strength germinate, a new spring garden of peace for humankind will be found. As the spring garden of liberation and hope is found as seeds of new life are sown in the earth, in this new age of humankind, let us move into the temperate zone of liberation where there is no winter. This aligns perfectly with the teachings of the Unification Church.

To improve ourselves, we have to go the way of hardship. Is North-South unification easy? Is unifying ourselves easy? However much we may be able to unite the North and South, we still fail to achieve unity within ourselves. However much we may achieve world peace, we still fail to achieve peace within ourselves.

If the direction the world takes can be unified internally encompassing the past, the present and the future, the hope for unification can be found at anytime. That purpose is accomplished through one peace and unity. It is one peace, not two. But when can you unify yourself? Are we qualified to govern a unified world without first unifying ourselves? Logically speaking, it cannot be done.

If we seek to identify the most fundamental problem, the issue of unification is a serious one. It is the historical problem of the universe. If a nation perishes, it is not such problem. There were no nations in Adam's world. Managing just his own family would have sufficed. It would have been enough if the family had been intact. Finally, the tale turns on the unity of the conscience with the physical body, and the unity of the family. From a global perspective, the issue is whether couples become one, whether a man and woman unite. If that is achieved, the world will become a place of peace. If solved with true love, the world's problems will not seem difficult. This is achieved if you will only unify your mind and body, if parents and children will unite, and if there is unity within a couple and among

As this is an evil and belligerent world, everything is in a state of struggle. This is because the mind struggles with the body. The battle of the sexes has become an accepted norm. Where in the world is the foundation for peace? Not in Korea, not in Japan, not in the world, not in Heaven, but within oneself. If we do not bring peace between the mind and body that are at war, there will never be world peace.

How, then, will the world of peace come? What is the fundamental condisee **SETTLEMENT** on page **5**  he champion soccer player Pelee, who was formerly Minister of Sports in the government of Brazil, visited True Parents at Hannamdong while he was in Korea for in the World Cup soccer competition.

During the visit Pelee and True Parents discussed the situation of world peace and the development of soccer. Pelee said to True Parents, "I desired to meet the famous and well-known religious leader Reverend Sun Myung Moon in Brazil but did not have such a chance so I am very happy to have this opportunity to meet you in Korea." And he went on to say, "I would like to meet you again, if I may, when I return to Korea from Japan on June 26 "

Reverend Moon responded, "I want to promote world peace through soccer games between continents. In order to do that we will form a soccer promotion committee and I would like for your organization to support this committee." Father asked Pelee to help to

# Founding of the Sun Moon Peace Cup Soccer Tournament

make world peace through being traveling throughout the world as a Sports Ambassador for Peace and Father will fully support his activities.

Pelee then responded to Reverend Moon, "Whatever I can do to help

others, I am willing to support this plan for world peace.

Reverend Moon emphasized that the era will come when sports and art will influence nations to harmonize beyond their boundaries of politics and ideologies. And Reverend Moon again expressed that nothing would inter-



fere with his determination to fulfill this.

Reverend Moon said "I dedicated myself to building this nation of America for 32 years through the United Nations. Now is the time

the world should be one. This can only be accomplished through True Parentism. For the past eight years I conducted Religious Olympic games throughout the world. That's why this meeting with you today, Mr. Pelee, is historical."

Also Reverend Moon said, "I have

invested so much to unify and harmonize South American nation-states. "Now is the time, Mr. Pelee. Could you lead this work through sports? Now is the time that Argentina, Brazil, and Uruguay and Paraguay and all of South America should come together through sports. Can you, Mr. Pelee, take this responsibility?" Father asked him. "I want to establish a soccer college to further promote the sport of soccer.

Pelee said to True Father: "There was warfare within the nation of Gabon, but since the soccer games are now being played there, it has had a quieting influence on that nation. Soccer seems to have that kind of power. People there are concentrating more on the games. As a soccer player, I want to take a stand for world peace."

## Preparations for the July 3rd Blessing

by Michael Jenkins, Ken Bates and Joshua Gotter

he spirit around Washington DC is amazing! With all the preparations for the July 3rd Blessing, and the whirlwind of activities surrounding the Summer of Service. The clergy and church members that we are working with are sincerely moved by our second generation young brothers and sisters who are doing their best to love and serve.

We are setting a tremendous condition of sacrifice to ignite a revolution of heart. That's why we are asking all families and especially our second gen-

eration to sacrifice more than before. We fully realize that summer camps and other plans are being sacrificed by our parents, second generation and our leaders. We know that it is not easy. However, the situation of young people in America is truly serious and will not be transformed without a major transformation within our

own hearts. That transformation is really taking place before our own eyes with the second generation's efforts here.

Please pray and seek God's guidance and understanding. Hvun Jin Nim has taken responsibility to inherit Father's role. This alone is far beyond our understanding or ability to comprehend. In that capacity, through his prayer and the anointed position he holds, heaven has revealed to him that the time for a major change in America is now. Just as the young people came to the front lines to establish America at the call of George Washington. Our young people are coming to the front line again to save the nation. This is real. The conditions of sacrifice of our National Messiah's and Japanese missionaries have set the stage for such a transformation. Because of the enormous sacrifice heaven is pouring down its blessing on America and especially in Washington for the July 3rd

Blessing and the July 26th Service for Peace rally. Miracles are happening with the ministers because of these sacrifices

Although he feels pain over your sacrifice, Dr. Yang knows that we must move quickly while fortune is with us. He has been giving his absolute support and commitment to our goal of building the cultural change in America that is symbolized by the Summer of Service and Service for Peace Rally in DC this summer. He has seen the power and energy that have developed over the past few weeks in Washington, and based on this he has directed all young high school BC's to come to work with CARP and other 2nd gen-

Wash ton, J. Cherry Cler Cherry Con to be mail 28th

eration members during the month of July rather than go to summer camp. Much of the excitement occurring in DC has been generated by college aged BC's who also gave up other summer plans to be here and make a difference. The CARP and Service for Peace staff greatly appreciates the initiative and conviction shown by Dr. Yang by making this decision regarding blessed central families, rather than waiting around for a directive from Hyun Jin Nim or True Parents

The entire focus of this summer's activities is to create a substantial expression of the core teachings of True Parents and True Family: living for the sake of others. We originally envisioned this to be accomplished through Blessed central families and young people establishing Service for Peace in their own hometown, then bringing the Service for Peace participants to DC for the big rally. Once we recognized the challenges of accomplishing that strategy,

the CARP USA staff agreed to bring everyone to DC for hands-on experience and training in Service for Peace activities.

This will be an empowering program of getting fully involved in service projects and outreach activities. Already the 2nd Generation volunteers in DC have laid a great foundation in order to bring the fruits in July. Young people who come to DC must be prepared to really invest themselves and work hard. This will require a certain level of maturity on the part of each person. The goal is to add value to the Summer of Service, and learn to be an owner of Service for Peace. We'll make sure that everyone has an enjoyable and

enriching experience, but it won't be easy and it's not all fun. The reward for that will be a truly transforming experience together with older brothers and sisters from around the country. All of CARP's activities are looking beyond July 26th, to creating

peacemakers out of all our participants, and building a culture where service and true love are the social norms. Every participant who comes for the entire program from 6/29 to 7/27 will fulfill 100 hours of service, and be eligible for the president's gold award.

Meanwhile, we are receiving tremendous support from the FFWPU, church leaders, and blessed central families in applying the more traditional mobilization techniques. These are working well in harmony with the service and outreach activities, and are a necessary part of bringing success on the 26th. Many of the BC's currently in DC have found that they are experiencing the exact same things as their parents did during the Washington Monument Rally long ago. They are praying desperately with tears for our nation every night at the Holy Ground in front of the White House.

Our experienced World CARP USA team in Washington consists of Joshua

Cotter, Robert Kittel, Steve Nomura, Michelle Meyers, Joe Leonard, George Kazakos, Norbert Szolnoky, Lili Kato, Jamal Johnson and Anne Marie Weinman, as well as many other support staff. They will be working together with In Soo Kim and his 2nd generation office staff in caring for and organizing the teams of young people in Washington DC. We are eagerly accepting volunteer parents and adults who want to spend all or part of the month working on this exciting and meaningful project. The contact person in Washington DC for immediate questions will be Ann Marie Weinman, at (301) 422-

Mr. Brian Sabourin and Mr. Noah Ross will continue to lead the summer camps for middle and elementary school students. They have shown an incredible integrity and resiliency through these changes. Those families of high school students who have signed up and paid for summer camp at Camp Sunrise will be refunded their fees by Brian Sabourin. We ask the families of any these young people who will be mobilizing to Washington to please consider offering these funds to support the activities there. The costs are high, and we believe that the experience will be a great one for all who attend.

The middle school summer camps at Camp Sunrise will continue, and will follow a new schedule. There will be one middle school camp scheduled from July 5th to the 15th, and a second one from July 15th to the 25th. Mr. Sabourin will be in touch with you regarding the scheduling of these camps. The elementary school camps will continue unchanged. Please address all questions regarding any of the summer camps at Camp Sunrise to Mr. Sabourin.

We're grateful for all the support and understanding from blessed central families everywhere as we prepare for this event. All the people working in Washington are keenly aware that this is not an event produced by one organization within our movement, but that it is an event to promote God, True Parents, and True Family, and that it takes all of us pulling together to make it work.

## The Night before True Day of All Things

by Rev. Michael Jenkins

n June 12, 2002 Dr. Yang and I arrived late at Chung Pyung and immediately went to True Parent's room on the fourth floor where Father has been watching the World Cup. At Chung Pyung, Dae Mo Nim prepared True Parents living area directly based on instructions from heaven. The room is very beautiful and has a huge picture window which stretches its whole length. From the room you can see the mountain to the left of the tree of blessing and across the small bay next to the training center as well as the main body of Chung Pyung lake. It is a breathtaking view.

In 1997 there were only tent barracks on the property and a small stone training center built by Father himself with early members. In the earlier years you could only get to this area by boat. There were no roads. Father held the first workshop there in the small training center. While Father intensely prayed for the providence there at Chung Pyung there were only a handful of members. Now whenever I go in the dining room I can't help but think Father's prayer in those dark times when no one knew the providence and he stood alone in this dark world. Still at that time he predicted that one day Chung Pyung would become an international training center in which the whole world would visit. Father's prophecy has come true.

As soon as we arrived Dr. Yang gave a report. He gave a brief overview of the impact of the 144,000 couple blessing









on religious leaders, particularly the Christian leaders. He testified as to how Rev. Dr. E.V. Hill stood strong

as to now kev. Dr. E.V. Hill stood strong in the face of opposition and came to the blessing and now testifies on video tape that Jesus is with it and you don't even ask if his name is included because wherever Jesus is got it going on he will be there.

He reported as to how we are march-











ing to July 3rd with con-

fidence and hope and expectation that True Parents miracles are occurring everywhere. He also told Father about the Second Generation leaders that are now joining in to lead the July 3rd Blessing. Pastor Barrett's miracle have affected Christians throughout America as well as the story of Bishop Stallings and

his blessing. But we were all surprised that Minister Torrey Barrett, Pastor Barrett's son had such a miraculous healing of his marriage when Father reached out and joined he and his wife's hands together.

Minister Ishmael Muhammad, son of Elijah Muhammad, Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King III and Rev. Dr. Ralph David Abernathy Jr. have given their support for the July 3rd blessing. Dr. Yang reported that we are blessing every church, one by one to fulfill Father's direction that each of the 144,000 should bless 12 couples in their congregation and then expand. This gives us the 1,728,000 goal for expansion of the blessing through the 144,000 Clergy Couples. Dr. Yang reported that this will take until the end of the year.

Dr. Yang then reported on the Washington Times Banquet. Father was especially interested in the fact that CSPAN broadcast Father's speech over and over throughout America.

Dr. Yang then showed the photo album of the three conferences. The Points of Light, Making the Dream Real (Leadership Conference focusing on the contribution of the Black community to America.), Korea, Japan

and America in the Pacific era. Father looked carefully at each page of the album with a warm smile. Dr. Yang presented the details of each conference carefully. Father was very comforted by the development going on in America. In conclusion, Dr. Yang presented the 50 State 52 City We Will Stand in Oneness commemorative books. ❖

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tion? We must discover the root of unification. If we cannot locate this, we will estrange ourselves from a world of unity forever.

When I ask myself whether or not I myself am unified in mind and body before unifying my family, I find that I am not. There is a struggle between body and mind, isn't there? There is no happiness, peace or hope when a couple struggles. In the end, the mind and body divide into two separate parts. A couple divides into four parts, there being two minds and two bodies; and there is conflict among all of them.

The Unification Church equips you with a logical, organized system that no religion or ideology can imitate. It teaches you to live for others with internal unity as a person motivated by God's true love. It can become the basis of world peace, the basis of peace for individuals, couples, families, tribes, races, nations, the world and, ultimately, the cosmos. The ideal of True Parents is that people unite with God in true love, thus creating a peaceful, happy and hopeful world unifying Heaven and Earth. No one opposes these ideas. Everyone welcomes them

What will become of the world in the future? Regardless of sex or age, all people living in the world today are longing for global unity. That global unity is not a world of war, but a world of peace and freedom without national separation, racial strife and barriers arising through cultural differences. The world's people are yearning for a nation of peace and freedom corresponding to a unified cul-

tural sphere.

A world of peace is a world of unity. To aim for a world of peace, there is only one way, not two. The world of hope and peace for which men and women, young and old, are craving, is a world of unity. Even within single nations, we see various organizations, each having its unique thought, methodology and objectives. Surveying the political landscape of Korea, the ruling and opposition parties seek to run their own party in their own way. How many different directions will there be? Problems stem from this.

Since the dawn of history, a great number of people have worked for world peace. But the number of those capable of leading humankind with hope into the sublime, unified world of tomorrow is gradually dwindling. From where do we start to determine the structural system of society, going beyond all studies, research and conventional practices? The starting point must be the True God. From the beginning, the True God made man and woman through a process. If the True God cannot rediscover the path to the destination, we cannot establish the ideal of creation, the realization of the ideal, a world of peace.

The world of peace is a world of unity. If man and woman move in a direction different from that of God, a unified world of peace cannot come. The conclusion is that the two directions inevitably have to become one.

If we do not go beyond the humanistic world toward a true God-centered world, we cannot discover the way to the unified world of peace. In the world of mind and body, setting up a standard of peace is the most essential thing in life

The mind is battling against the body.

In relation to this problem, where is the standard of peace? Not in the world, the nation or the religion. To be religious leaders, you must be able to create absolute mind and body unity to establish the standard of peace within yourselves. The purpose of all education and all training and all humanistic thought is for the realization of oneness between mind and body

You can believe in any religious teaching, you may be a wonderful religious leader, or a great saint reigning over the world, but you will not be able to achieve unity of mind and body on the same level as the eternal God in this fallen realm.

The problem is that in the individual realm of heart, if I do not settle the root of the peace of true love, then an ideal religion and Heaven are just a dream. To solve this problem centering on God, the source of unification found in the unified realm of the True God's children. God's body and mind don't struggle.

Then why do the human mind and body struggle? The father, the king of peace, and son must unify in order to unify the mind and body. The origin of peace begins from the relationship of father and son united in God's true love, true life and true lineage. True love, true life and true lineage must be unified where father and son become one.

We, the lineage of fallen man, must certainly know the original God and the ideal environment of the realm of Heaven. The way to Heaven will surely be found if we make a great effort to unite with God. This is the beginning of world peace and of the joy of the father and son who become one from the individual level to that of Heaven.

Therefore the True Parents, who are Christ at the Second Advent, will illu-

minate everything in Heaven and bring it into unity with the world on the Earth. They will realize Heaven on Earth and in the spirit world.

Through the True Parents on Earth, true love, true life and true lineage have been taught. All the saints and sages and everyone in the spirit world want this, but it must be accomplished through people learning the realm of oneness with True Parents on Earth. Then Heaven on Earth and in the spirit world will be established.

Beloved people of the fatherland, and seventy million people observing this conference from all over the world! You are truly blessed people. You are welcoming the age in which the True Parents of humankind have come, the age when the Korean peninsula can be unified with true love and truth instead of by guns and swords, the age when all the religions can be unified under True Parents' teaching, and the historical and providential age when the saints and our ancestors can descend from the spirit world and communicate with us directly.

I'd like to introduce the messages of Jesus Christ and the saints in the spirit world, urging us to go beyond the barriers of race, ideology and nationality, and build a world of peace. Please study this content in its entirety through the books that will be distributed.

I hope you will live happily and peacefully with the Parents of Heaven and Earth in the eternal Heaven, both on the Earth and in the spirit world, where everyone is in one big family of true love.

May God's boundless blessings fill your family, nation and the world. Thank you. ❖

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taking a stance beyond religion and ideology," said Moon.

Yahoo! News AP

A long-forgotten disaster struck Washington 21 years ago. With the demise of *The Washington Star*, the world's most important capital was reduced to a single newspaper—the liberal *Washington Post*.

Every other capital city in the democratic world enjoyed multiple media voices that spanned the entire political spectrum. Competitive, uncensored media are essential for democracy to function. Yet Washington was about to become a city with no choice.

The Washington Star was owned by Time Inc. and was awash in red ink when they decided to pull the plug. Wealthy Americans were solicited all over the country to save the right-of-center newspaper. But no one was willing to step up to the plate. That is when Rev. Sun Myung Moon concluded that the lack of a robust second newspaper in Washington would jeopardize President Reagan's efforts to roll back the Soviet empire and roll up

Anti-anti-communism had become fashionable in the dominant liberal media culture, a trend Moon felt would jeopardize not only U.S. security, but the security of his own country where 37,000 U.S. soldiers stood guard against the possibility of another invasion of

South Korea by a still aggressive North Korea.

Arnaud de Borchgrave UPI Editor at Large, United Press International

o-nonsense radio self-help guru Laura Schlessinger toasted *The Washington Times* Tuesday night for two decades of "getting it first and getting it right."

Mrs. Schlessinger ought to know. Two years ago, when her radio and television programs were besieged by homosexual rights activists who accused her of homophobic bigotry, only *The Washington Times*, she said, bothered to call to get her side of the story.

"Every newspaper every radio host, all clamored for my head on a platter, except for *The Washington Times*," Mrs. Schlessinger said, thanking the newspaper for portraying the assault "for what it was: an attack on free speech."

"From one survivor to another, we're still here," she told the crowd of 3,000 partygoers who had gathered at the Washington Hilton to celebrate *The Washington Times*' impact both inside the Beltway and beyond.

The evening's pre-dinner reception mirrored the newspaper's international scope. Guests, who wore traditional business attire as well as the native dress of their various homelands, joined in marveling at oversized reproductions of the paper's most remarkable front pages from the past two decades.

David Keene, chairman of the American Conservative Union, said everyone who can remember Washington before The Times' debut in 1982 agrees that it has had "an incredible impact."

Syndicated columnist Cal Thomas, whose column appears in The Times and more than 500 other newspapers, agreed and said the increasing number of one-newspaper towns in America troubled him.

"I can't imagine Washington without The Times," Mr. Thomas said, underscoring the importance of an alternative view in the capital of the most powerful country in the world.

Wesley Pruden, *The Washington Times*' editor in chief, took pleasure in tweaking the Greek chorus of critics who had predicted a short life for The Times.

"Six weeks, they said. *The washing-ton Post* will wring your neck like a chicken," Mr. Pruden said, acknowledging the theft of a line from Winston Churchill. "Some neck. Some chicken."

Christian Toto, The Washington

very newspaper is unique. At the beginning of every day, it exists only in the minds and imaginations of the men and women who produce it.

The brick and mortar of the buildings, the hardware of the newsroom, the computers and desks and fax machines, the rolls of newsprint and the barrels of ink was that of a religious figure, a man of another country and another culture, The Times was to be wholly secular, to hold to no sectarian cause, to champion no denomination above any other, but never to mock faith and belief, to proselytize only for the principles that liberate men from the tyranny of closed minds

It was an unlikely enterprise. There was first a wide cultural divide to bridge, not only between East and West, but between devout and religious men and a rowdy and eccentric collection of rogues, scamps and vagabonds, all skeptical of nearly everything, living by the famous newsroom maxim that "if your mother says she loves you, check it out." Most of us are only vaguely religious, if religious at all, and those of us with faith and belief hold to a faith very different from that of the founder.

Nothing could have come of the founding vision without unqualified independence for the men and women who produce the newspaper. We've never been told to put anything in the paper; more important, perhaps, we've never been asked to leave anything out. All that ever was asked was that we put out the newspaper born of the vision, faithful to the task of reporting the news without fear or favor, to get it first and get it right. A decade of dedication, followed by a second decade of distinction in the task, made believers of hundreds of thousands of readers in every state of the union and throughout the world, loyal to a newspaper that seeks to be faithful to what is good and important.

Tradition. custom, belief and practice are held important at The Times in an age when much of what our forefathers brought forth on this providential continent is unappreciated; when even the struggles of our grandfathers are unknown or unappreciated, or both; when Washington, Adams, Jefferson, Hamilton,

Marshall and Madison are often as unfamiliar as Solon, Leonidas and Pericles.

"Traditions are mighty influences in restraining peoples," Richard Taylor, the soldier-philosopher, wrote more than a century ago. "The light that reaches us from above takes countless time to traverse the awful chasm separating us from that parent star; yet it comes straight and true to our eyes, because each tender wavelet is linked to the other, receiving and transmitting the luminous ray. Once break the continuity of the stream, and men will deny its heavenly origin, and seek its source in the feeble glimmer of earthly corruption."

We look to the continuity of that stream, guided by that luminous ray.

Wesley Pruden, Editor in Chief, The Washington Times

ore than 3,000 congressmen, state legislators, and business and religious leaders from across

the country attended the dinner and the reception to congratulate The Times on "Two Decades of Dedication and Distinction." The visitors even included members of the Diet, the Japanese parliament.

President Bush, preparing to depart for Moscow, sent a message via a White House aide. "Since 1982," he said, "people across America and throughout the world have relied on *The Washington Times* as a distinguished source of information and opinion.

"As a forum for the debate of timely issues, The Times has contributed significantly to a more informed public," the president wrote. "I commend the individuals whose hard work has helped *The Washington Times* become a major U.S. daily paper. Your continued pursuit of excellence is a credit to journalism."

Other greetings included those from Sen. Thomas Daschle of South Dakota, the leader of the Democratic majority in the Senate, who praised The Times in a video for enlivening the national debate.

Moon pledged total editorial independence. It was never violated in the 20 years of the newspaper's existence. The scrappy newspaper fought valiantly to carve a niche in the political debate. By the time this reporter was asked to take over as editor in chief in 1985, *The Washington Times* had become a "must" read on Capitol Hill and throughout the Reagan administration.

The Times rapidly became a great newspaper by anyone's definition because of its dedicated and talented staff that thought nothing of 14-hour days to report the news hard, first, and above all, accurately-and provide an alternative conservative viewpoint on its editorial and commentary pages. We knew we had made it when Charles Peters, the respected editor of the liberal Washington Monthly said that The Times had been beating the Washington Post "consistently on some important stories." The National Journal placed The Washington Times among the most influential institutions in the nation's capital.

The Times repeatedly hit what the Post missed. In the first 16 months of this editor's tenure, the Associated Press cited Washington Times' exclusives more than 120 times. The late Katharine Graham, chairman of The Washington Post company, told me at a state dinner, "I have to tell you, the paper is looking good—in fact, too good." Sen. Ted Kennedy, D-Mass., complained at the time that we had "added immeasurably to his burdens." Asked how this had been achieved, he said, "I have to read you every day."

Arnaud de Borchgrave UPI Editor at Large, United Press International

The first edition of *The Washington Times* rolled off borrowed presses May 17, 1982, nine months after the *Washington Star's* presses fell silent. News World Communications, a publishing company founded by Korean businessmen and others who were members of Rev. Moon's Unification Church, took on the mission of financing, designing and launching an independent newspaper in Washington.

The Times began operating from a makeshift newsroom in an old warehouse at 3600 New York Ave. NW. The paper was staffed by a handful of newspaper professionals recruited by a working

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that become the tangible newspaper lie inert and useless until the skill of dedicated men and women produce the words that assign events their place in the archives of memory and recollection.

The vision of a second newspaper in the nation's capital, speaking to the world in a robust voice, first sprang to life in the imagination of the Rev. Sun Myung Moon.

The birth of *The Washington Times* was not celebrated by a press establishment grown smug and complacent. The Times was to be a different kind of newspaper, one that would go for inspiration "back to the future," to a time of national consensus on issues of ethics

and morality, with an emphasis on the message and not the messenger. We would not only cover the news without slant or bias, but give voice to those who had been shut out of the national debate.

Though the founding vision

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To grab God's attention love the

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## The Life of Jesus as Seen from God's Will and God's Warning to the Present Age the Period of the Last Days

Anniversary of the Washington Times Banquet, Washington Hilton, Washington, DC, May 21, 2002

believe you know who I am, but some people meet me face to face for the first time. Can you please raise your hands, those who see me for the first time. I'm 82 years old. Is there anybody who can challenge

People say "the founder of the Washington Times is famous in America". But in which way is he famous? In a bad way of good way? You will find out tonight.

Think about the amount of love you gave to the newspaper the Washington Times in you loving country of America, and the amount of love I, the founder of the Washington Times gave to this newspaper and to your country America. Who's love is greater? Don't you have confidence?

I can confidently tell you that I love the Washington Times and America more than you do. Why can I say this? Why?

The reason I love the Washington Times more than you do, is because I pray every day that God will love the Washington Times and that God will love the American people who love the Washington Times and the country of America more than me, so that you can become better people and better families than

I can talk about the Washington Times all night. You know. But then you will still be here tomorrow. America is the central Christian nation of the world, therefore I like to give you a serious talk in a new dimension.

Can you see me? I can not see all your faces. Even though I cannot see all of your faces, please don't take it easy, because the spirit world is watching all of you, right now.

The first 10 years of the Washington Times were dedicated to liberate the communists in the cold war era. The second decade of the Washington Times history, was to save the youth, from immorality and family breakdown.

But the next 10 years is from today on; the Washington Times has the responsibility to educate people to know about

There are many famous people here, well known people, but they don't know God. I want you to know about God. Once we know about God, absolutely we can solve all the problems, we can find all the answers to solve the problems of the individual, the family, tribe, nation and the world.

The second important point is about ie spirit world, the place where God dwells. People are ignorant about that. Do you know about the spirit world? God is watching over us now, and He is smiling at us, saying: "If you are ignorant about the spirit world, the other world, My land, you are bound to hell."

Is there anyone among you who can say "I will never die?" What about you, what about the politicians? What about

This speech was given at the 20th diplomats? What about religious leaders? Is there anybody who can say, you will never die? Without choice you will all die, and you will end up in one place. A place where you never thought you would go. That is our ultimate destination. Who can teach you about that place clearly? I, Rev. Moon, am the only one.

Is there anybody who really wants to know about those 2 points? About God and about the spirit world? Can you show me your hands? I think those of you who didn't raise your hands, have no confidence in God. I may live another 10 years, up to the age of 92, but these 10 years will be dedicated to educate all the people of the world about God and the spirit world.

Do you still want to know about it? People of the Washington Times, do you love your country? I do love the Washington Times, I do love America. Because of this 20th anniversary celebration of the Washington Times I want to give a precious message to evervone.

America represents the world, in particular the Christian nations, so that is why I am delivering this special message, in this particular time, in America. You have many minis-

ters and theologians, but have you ever met confident ministers or theologians who could give such a confident message like I will give tonight. Please do not take this lightly.

#### The Period of the Last Days.

Celebrating the twentieth anniversary of The Washington Times has a particularly gratifying meaning for me. The memory is still fresh in my mind how, in May 1982, I made the final decision to publish The Washington Times in response to Heaven's direction. This took place while I was being unjustly tried in a New York federal court, in a prosecution motivated by both racial and religious bigotry.

At that time, Communism was sweeping the world like a giant, angry wave. Even America had no effective means to deal with it. I followed the supreme Will of Heaven, which told me that America, the final fortress of the democratic world and a Christian country representing the Second Israel, must be protected from Communism. It is also the Will of Heaven to build the ideal world of peace that God is seeking, that is, the Kingdom of Heaven on Earth and in Heaven, through Christianity. It was certainly not my intention to set up a newspaper company just to make money. Over the years, more than a billion dollars have been invested in The Washington Times alone, but I have never regretted this nor felt enmity toward anyone. That is because this was a way to practice true love toward Heaven and humankind.

Already, more than thirty years have passed since I came to America. I have reached the age of 82, and I feel that the time is coming for me to return to my homeland. Before leaving, I would like to convey clearly to America, the nation in the realm of the Second Israel, and to all humankind a message concerning the actual situation of God and the spirit world. This is not just a message given from me as an individual. Heaven is giving its message and humankind must observe it in this age. Until now, humankind has been living in a state of ignorance about the Will of Heaven. First, humanity has not known about God and second, we have not known about the



spirit world, where we all eventually must go, whether we like it or not.

Now, we have entered the last days of human history. In the spirit world, numerous religious leaders, beginning with the founders of the four great religions, have accepted the Unification Principle, which is my teaching, as the truth of the highest dimension. They have completely mobilized and are returning to the Earth to resurrect by bringing their disciples and descendants to form new, true families through the blessing of marriage

Particularly for the sake of America, a Christian country representing the Second Israel, the four founders centering on Jesus have each chosen 120 of their historically famous disciples in order to establish a unified front. Now, through their return to Earth, they are furthering the work of the Interreligious and International Federation for World Peace and the World Association of Non-Governmental Organizations in order to bring complete peace on Earth. They are proclaiming that humankind has no future unless we practice true love, or a life lived for the sake of others, which is the True Parents philosophy. Therefore, I would like to take the opportunity I have to give a commemorative address today and deliver a most valuable message to America and humanity on the topic, The Life of Jesus as Seen from God's Will, and God's Warning to the Present Age, the Period of the Last Days.

#### Jesus' Love on the Cross

If we examine Jesus' Providence of the cross, we see that Jesus, the thief on the right, the thief on the left, and Barabbas sowed the seeds of history. The principle is that what is sown will be reaped. So the first to appear were the right-wing world and the left-wing world, that is, the democratic and the Communist realms, reflecting the "right thief type" and the "left thief type". Centering on Jesus' cross, Islam, the "Barabbas type", appeared next. Reflecting Barabbas, who received good fortune because of Jesus, Islam originated as a force resisting Christianity.

Having been thus sown, history entered the age in which the form of the world was bound together in four major blocs. Gamal Abdel Nasser of the Arab bloc dreamed of uniting the Islamic realm into a unified Arab state. Christianity, meanwhile, is leading a new worldwide trend, proclaiming, Let's unite all religions. As we observe these currents, we see that history, which was sown in tragedy, is now appearing as the fruit of good centered on God for the first time. In the Last Days, such phenomena will become even more pronounced, as that which was sown in the begin-

ning reaches fruition in its exact original form and is harvested. It was inevitable that this would come about because of the laws of the Providence. That is, unification is accomplished in accordance with True Parents' philosophy of true

If the democratic world is internal, then the Communist world is external. If the right-wing is internal, then the leftwing is external. For this reason, the Messiah who is to come has no choice but to appear upon the internal foundation of the democratic world, which respects God. He must carry out a movement that absorbs the external environment and unifies the various cultural spheres centering on the mainstream Christian cultural sphere. Such a movement is carried out at the end of history. Such a thing cannot be looked at as circumstantial. The nature of the original cause leads to such a result.

#### The Thief on the Right

When Jesus was crucified, he died along with the man on his right, who was not only a thief but also a murderer. If that thief had not been there, Jesus would have lost his relationship with the Earth and humankind. Even though he himself was near death, the thief on the right defended Jesus. In human history, who took Jesus' side? It was not Peter; it was not Jesus' father or mother; it was not the nation of Israel and it was not Judaism. It was only one person: the thief on the right. One individual alone

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maintained this relationship. While facing death, he transcended death and placed all his hopes on Jesus. That was none other than the thief on the right. You need to know that were it not for the thief on the right, Jesus would not have been able to resurrect and resume his providence on Earth.

As Jesus was bringing to a conclusion four thousand years of history and the more than thirty years of his own life, there was only one person who connected with Jesus and attended Jesus as the one who embodied his most fervent hopes, even as he accompanied Jesus on the path of death. That was the thief on the right. The fact that the thief on the right has this position means that he surpassed the disciples. He was superior to Peter.

This is so because although he did not know Jesus' teachings, his nature direct-

ed and empowered him to attend Jesus at the moment of death, until he breathed his last. Peter, John and the others of the twelve disciples, by contrast, knew Jesus' teachings and even pledged to become new persons, but ultimately were not able to achieve it. You have to know that, for this reason, the thief on the right became a central character in human history, a man who represented the Earth and salvaged the future.

We need the right to inherit this history. We must inherit the tradition and foundation of Adam, Noah, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Moses, Jesus, and beyond, and represent the historical sacrificial offering. Only then can we confront Satan, shouting, "In the course of history, you lost to Noah; you lost to Jacob; and were you subjugated by Moses! I stand on the foundation of all their victories and have inherited the entire tradition of providential history. So be gone, Satan!" Only then will Satan retreat.

If you simply pray, "Be gone, Satan," it will avail you nothing. Do you think that Satan, who has been accusing people for six thousand years and has trampled upon God's providence and devastated the providence of restoration, is going to retreat just because you say he should do so and you believe in Jesus? Certainly not. You need the ability to say, "I am without a doubt a person for whom God has sought through His historical heart. I am a person who has been grafted onto the sacred and holy body of Jesus." Your name must be recorded on the book of inheritance that Jesus received from God. God's book of inheritance records those who inherited God's heart experienced through the four thousand years until He could send Jesus to this Earth. Then, instead of defeating Satan on the cross, you must be able to subjugate Satan and be victorious over him without being hung on the cross. You must take on a body of flesh and be resurrected in substantial form. Only those who are thus recognized as substantial inheritors can enter the Kingdom of Heav-

#### A Spiritual Foundation

Until now, Christianity has not been able to pursue the Kingdom of Heaven both on Earth and in the spirit. Christianity has had no choice but to yield the physical world, attending Jesus as the spiritual Messiah and setting spiritual salvation and a spiritual Kingdom as its goals. The people of Israel had a nation and possessed national authority as the chosen people, but worldwide Christianity today is in the position of the second Israel only as a spiritual nation; it has no national authority. Christians have no country. We stand in the realm of the second Israel with only a spiritual foundation, not a physical foundation. Because Christianity was not able to accomplish the original Will of God, who must bring about a Kingdom on Earth that is of both spirit and flesh, there is no other way except for the Lord to come again.

I want to make one declaration to you here today. The crucifixion was not God's victory. Instead, it was Satan's victory. You will remember that Jesus said to



those who arrested him in the Garden of Gethsemane, "this is your hour, when darkness reigns." (Luke 22:53) You need to know that the cross was the place where the nation that God had prepared for four thousand years was lost, the place where the religious faith of Israel was lost, and the place where the followers of John the Baptist, the twelve disciples, the thief on the right, and everything else was lost.

You need to know that Christianity was not there on the cross. When did Christianity begin? Jesus resurrected after three days and spent forty days meeting the disciples he had lost, who had turned against him. The Holy Spirit descended on the disciples, and you need to know that it was only then that Christianity began. Christians for the past two thousand years have believed in Christianity without knowing that it came into existence not by the principle of the cross, but by the principle of the resurrection. If you realize this fact, then you must repent. Because Christianity began on the foundation of Jesus' resurrection, Christianity has been strictly spiritual.

What would have happened if Jesus had not died on the cross? In that case, the nation of Israel would have followed Jesus' teachings, stabilized and endured. Judaism also would have remained as it was. Jesus knew that if he were to die on the cross, multitudes of people in future ages would have to follow him on the way of the cross, and that they would not be able to do so without shedding blood. Many Christians would have to

suffer, and even when the Lord came again he would have to go the way of suffering. You need to know that this is the reason that Jesus had to pray as he did in the Garden of Gethsemane. Christians today say that Jesus prayed for deliverance because he had a physical body and feared the pain of death. But was Jesus such a trivial Messiah? Certainly not.

What, then, did Jesus mean by saying, "It is finished", when he committed his spirit on the cross? Jesus had come with the mission to save both spirit and flesh, but he realized that he could not completely fulfill God's Will in a world in which there was no foundation. So, he offered himself completely in order to establish a condition for spiritual salvation and allow that providence to begin. Having completed that, in the end he said, "It is finished."

You probably have never featured this even in your imagination. Christianity and Judaism should realize even now that the Lord, who tried to demolish Satan's nation and do away with Satan's

kingship, and to accomplish God's will and restore humanity, died a tragic death. When they realize this, they should repent and become one. They should become one and prepare to receive the Lord on his return.

Truth must conform to reason. The time has come for all Christians to throw off the age of blind faith and move ahead into a new age united as one, to sort out this world and bring

it to salvation. You need to know that the time has come in which the term 'unification' is essential.

#### Jesus' Suffering Course

What does it mean that Jesus suffered pain during the three days following his death? Heaven, Earth and Hell all remained in the realm of death. For Jesus to gain authority over Heaven and Earth, he needed to encompass the depths and heights of this realm of death. For this reason, in order to pursue the connection of life and go the path that could comfort God, Jesus needed to prevail, even if it meant descending into the lowest environment such as Hell and suffering pain. Because Jesus passed through Hell, he prepared a path by which it was possible to make a new beginning toward Heaven. Though he was cast out and isolated on Earth, and finally forced to go the way of death, he was able to leave a path of hope for future generations. That is the reason Jesus had to go on his threeday course.

Jesus did not go to Hell for three days just to look around. He already knew about Hell. He needed to go there, pass judgment and pave the way to go from the world of death to the world of life. In this way, he laid a foundation of victory on Earth, which is the world of death and Hell, and established a starting point from which it is possible to reach Heaven

In the eyes of the religious establishment, Jesus was a heretic, and in the eyes of the nation, he was a destroyer of the religious law. His own clan rejected him and chased him out of his home.

The group surrounding John the Baptist rejected him. So he went into the wilderness, but there Satan pursued him. That was not all. Eventually, the entire country mobilized to force him to go the way of death on the cross, the path of Colortha

Jesus, though, shed tears for the nation that was rejecting him as a traitor. The Jewish establishment treated Jesus as a heretic, but he shed more blood and tears for them than did any priest. Not a single person of that age would stand on his side, but Jesus was a friend of that age. He was rejected as a traitor, but he was the greatest patriot. He was rejected as a heretic, but he was the most faithful believer.

Jesus walked a wretched path, the path of the cross, where people ripped his clothing, drove him on, and forced him to the ground. That was not all. Evil men whipped and beat him. In this situation, if Jesus had been like Elijah, he might have said to the people, "I am the only one of the Lord's prophets left." (1 Kings 18:22) But when Jesus left his disciples in the Garden of Gethsemane and went to pray, he said, "My Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me; nevertheless, not as I will, but as thou wilt." (Luke 22:42) This was his greatness. He understood that his body was a sacrificial offering for the nation, a sacrificial offering for humanity and a sacrificial offering for Heaven's Providence.

Because he understood this, Jesus, while not denying his own sorrow, was more concerned about how great a sorrow God must have felt. Jesus had appeared for the sake of the nation and he was concerned how great God's sorrow was to see him rejected as a traitor. Jesus was the prince of Heaven, the central personage of the entire universe, and the Messiah. If he chose, he could have fallen prey to self-pity and asked why he should go the miserable way of the cross. He could have set the entire universe in motion to breathe a deep sigh of despair with him. But he understood that his position was not to sigh in despair. Instead, he even went so far as to feel apologetic toward Heaven for having been rejected.

Jesus bore the responsibility to rally the religious establishment, rally the nation, build the Kingdom of Heaven and return the world to the Father's bosom. Yet when he was forced to abandon that mission and walk the way of the cross, he did not feel enmity toward anyone. He did not pray, "Let this cup pass from me", out of a fear of death. Rather, he prayed this because he knew that his death would add to the grief of the nation and to God's grief.

Jesus knew that if he died on the cross, there would be an even heavier cross remaining for the future generations of humanity. It would mean that the sorrowful history would not end. He knew that the path of Golgotha would not end with him. He knew that the path of death would not end. And he knew that if he went the way of Golgotha, those who followed him would also have to go the same way. Jesus knew that an even more difficult course lay beyond the cross.

As he was made to wear a crown of thorns, and the nails were hammered into his hands and feet, and his side was stabbed with a spear, Jesus knew that these events would have impact far beyond his own death. When he turned to Heav-

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group from News World headed by former Korean diplomat Bo Hi Pak.

Today, The Times has more than 820 employees, a daily circulation of 110,120, and is a newspaper with national influence.

Country music star Randy Travis entertained at the gala, after opening the proceedings by singing the national anthem. Also performing during the dinner were the Viennese Strings and the Children of the Gospel Choir.

As part of its 20th-anniversary celebration, The Times held an essay contest for students in grades three through 12 in the Washington area. From more than 800 submissions, 96 winners were selected in 12 categories. The top 12 winners honored last night were Valerie G. Peckarsky, Max Koehler, Matthew P. Farrell, Gina Depaul, Bin Yang, Linnay Corley, Graham Spicer, David Kay, Paul Thornley, Cherryce Lynn White, Kim Sorensen and Tara Lester.

The Times presented its Courage in Leadership Awards, which honor individuals who have shown distinction and courage in their fields of endeavor. Virginia State Trooper Michael Middleton, Fairfax County Fire Capt. Jerry Roussillon and Arlington County Fire Capt. Stephen McCoy were honored for their heroic efforts during the September 11 recovery efforts at the Pentagon.

Douglas Joo, president of The Washington Times Corp., said, "We are proud to set a distinctive tradition in public discourse."

The International Courage in Leadership Award was presented to Cesar Gaviria, the Organization of American States' secretary-general, known in Latin America as a conflict mediator, democracy advocate, staunch supporter of regional integration and defender of human rights.

The National Courage in Leadership Awards were presented to the Rev. Floyd Flake of the Allen African Methodist Episcopal Church in Queens, N.Y., and Michael S. Joyce, founder and chief executive officer of the Washington-based Americans for Community and FaithCentered Enterprise, which seeks to channel government and private funding to small, religious social service groups.

> Ellen Sorokin, The Washington Times

The Times, in no small part because of aggressive coverage of the White House, Congress, national security and foreign policy as well as local affairs, grew to be one of the most quoted newspapers in the world,

read not only in Washington but in the capitals of the rest of the world.

"There's nothing like a good Washington Times editorial to get my juices going for the day's debates in the Senate," says Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, Massachusetts Democrat. "I respect and commend The Times for its in-depth coverage of Congress. I send my congratulations and best wishes on the 20th anniversary."

Today, a top-rated Web site (www.washingtontimes.com); a National Weekly Edition (that overtook *The Washington Post's* 

national weekly edition in circulation); and dozens of monthly "pickups" of its stories by other news organizations have combined to project the influence of "America's Newspaper" far beyond its growing Washington circulation base.

"The first thing to be said about *The Washington Times* is that its existence is a small miracle, or maybe even a big one," says Sen. Phil Gramm, Texas Republican. "From its first day, the paper has defied the experts, the critics and the odds just by being there. The Times was born into a market famous for killing off major dailies, and it arrived at a time when big-city newspapers had begun to die off all over America."

In a time and place before the Internet, CNN, MSNBC and Fox News, when information, and control of access to information, was the ultimate power, The *Washington Post* reigned in splendid isolation in the nation's capital, answerable not even to public opinion.

The Post, which four years earlier had

celebrated its centennial status as "the powerful voice of liberal American democracy," was perhaps the newspaper least vulnerable to competition in all the world. Not even *Pravda* enjoyed such domination of the early-morning attention of policy-makers in its capital.

Ronald Reagan was still new in town, trying to stoke the fires of the free market and buck up the courage of the free world. But a lot of his matches were wet. Mr. Reagan had achieved the impossible; he was a conservative who had got-



ten himself elected president of the United States. He was greeted by the dominant media establishment with incredulity, suspicion, frustration, even anger....

Arnaud de Borchgrave, a storied foreign correspondent and editor at Newsweek, arrived as editor in chief in 1985. The European-born Mr. de Borchgrave, who had gone to war at sea as a teen-ager at the outbreak of World War II, put The Times on the map with an emphasis on exclusives especially in international news, intelligence affairs and foreign policy and including his own interviews with world leaders.

He relishes telling of how the late Katharine Graham, chairman of The Washington Post Co., approached him at a state dinner some months into his tenure. "Arnaud," she said, "I have to tell you, the paper is looking good in fact, too good."...

Other now familiar offerings include Washington Daybook, Inside Politics and Inside the Ring on the national pages;

the *Briefing Page* and *Embassy Row* on the foreign pages; Culture, et cetera, a page covering the intersection of politics with religion and culture; and a section called Family Times to help families meet and survive the latest challenges to successful parenting.

"[A] growing number of fans, many of them liberals, have stumbled upon a useful little secret," Washington Monthly said in a 1997 cover story. "The Washington Times has become a must-read. Not only because it occasionally breaks

a really big story, but because The Times now offers a daily menu of straight, groundbreaking, essential news, often on subjects to which other outlets give short shrift."

As an unidentified official in the Clinton White House told the magazine: "You can't not read The Times if you're working in government and politics in Washington. There's unique information that they get that you won't find anywhere else."

Reported MediaWeek: "Like it or not (and many

folks don't), *The Washington Times*, founded in 1982, has become a paper to reckon with. Now, on any given Sunday, viewers may see Tim Russert, host of 'Meet the Press,' waving a copy of the paper as he fires salvos at the White House chief of staff or the Democratic leadership."

Joseph Laitin, onetime ombudsman for The Post, memorably observed: "The Washington Times on the whole has better judgment of what to put on Page One than The Post." Another Post ombudsman, Michael Getler, wrote last fall that The Times "administered the water-torture treatment to The Post" with three important exclusives the previous week: "Every newspaper, even one as big as The Post, gets beat from time to time on local stories. But three pops in one week ought to flash yellow lights here."

And the yellow lights keep flashing brighter.

Ken McIntyre, assistant managing editor, The Washington Times  $\, \, \diamondsuit \,$ 

## LAST DAYS from page 8

en and said, "It is finished", he did not mean that the path of the cross for the world was finished. He meant that Heaven had received his heart's tearful plea of concern over the cross. We need to know that Jesus comforted Heaven by taking upon himself all the mistakes committed by the prophets and patriots and offering himself as a living sacrifice.

And even beyond that, as he neared death Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing." (Luke 23:34) God had a mind to pass judgment immediately, judgment that was even greater than that of Noah's time. But Jesus died clinging to the nation, clinging to the religious establishment and clinging to the cross. For this reason, God could not abandon humanity but held on to us. Because this bond of heart existed between Jesus, the future generations of humanity and the remaining people of Israel, God has been unable to abandon the religious

organizations and people of succeeding generations who have turned against Him. Instead, He has clung to them.

#### Bread and Wine

I am sure you are well aware that God, who had been carrying out His Providence of restoration for four thousand years, could not complete His Will in Heaven and on Earth simply by the Providence of having Jesus resurrect. So He established a new testament in His word, and through it He has worked His providence to bring together His will in Heaven with that on Earth and establish the promised original Garden.

If we look in the Bible, we see that Jesus said the wine and bread that he gave us were the promise and new covenant. After Jesus was on Earth, we received his flesh and blood, and these represented the life of the perfected whole that must be accomplished. At the same time, they represented the providence in its entirety.

What does the fact that we received Jesus blood and flesh symbolize? This is not just the flesh and blood of Jesus as one individual. In a larger sense, these signify Heaven and Earth and, in a smaller sense, they signify the core and the individual body. Also, the flesh symbolizes the truth and blood of the Holy Spirit. Jesus gave us all this without condition.

What has been blocked between God and human beings? Heaven's Will should be manifested on Earth and everything on Earth ultimately should be connected to Heaven's Will. In this way, Heaven and Earth will move toward a single goal. This is what is blocked. Jesus established a new promise before he departed, so after his death the necessity of human beings, that is, the disciples who followed Jesus, connecting the spiritual and physical worlds remained as a condition. Had Jesus not died. Heaven and Earth would have been connected through him. Because he died, Jesus came to represent the conditions in Heaven and the Holy Spirit came to represent the conditions on Earth.

Respected guests, the time now has come. Heaven's time, for which God has been waiting six thousand years and

Christians have been waiting two thousand years, has come. It is the time to build the Kingdom of Heaven on Earth and in Heaven on an inter-religious, international and inter-organizational footing. Heaven's fortune has finally arrived. Jesus, Peter, John and the other disciples, plus thousands and even tens of thousands of religious leaders in the spirit world are now of one mind and one body and they are descending freely to the physical world to attend True Parents. Without a doubt, the Unified Cosmic Nation of Heaven's Will and the Kingdom of Heaven in which Heaven and Earth can be as one in eternal peace will settle on the Earth.

Now is the time for America, the Christian country representing the Second Israel, to stand in the forefront. I declare to the world that America has the responsibility to guide all the world's people. But it must not do so with weapons; it must do this in truth and love by living for the sake of others upon the foundation of true love, true life, and true lineage. •

by Yukihiro Saito,

n Monday, May
28, ACLC-TN
Inaugural meeting in Memphis was held at Greater
Hope Baptist Church (Pastor Dannie D. Holmes) where Father
Moon gave a speech to ministers last
year. Rev. Lee (NM of Mozambique),
Japanese missionaries, Local TM (Mr. and Mrs. Abrahams) and I worked together for 10 days. We used his church as a base of activities. 4 ministers gathered. Because of sudden bad weather,

promised pastors did not come to the meeting. It will become the ACLC foundation of Memphis from now on. Finally, Mr. Abrahams suggested another meeting within June.

On Tuesday, July 3, ACLC-TN Inaugural Meeting was held in Nashville, TN. 10 pastors and

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ministers from different denominations gathered at Shikanah Glory Community Church (an interdenominational church, Pastor Norman) in the afternoon. It was a hot day. Rev. Jones (Fairfield MBC, Executive Director of ACLCTN) was an emcee of the meeting. Pastor Norman offered the opening prayer.

After demonstrating the introductory video "Stand for Family" the Japanese missionary choir sang a song on



beautiful harmony. Then, Rev. Hwa Beum Lee (FFWPU, Mozambique NM, 777 couples) gave a welcoming remark to the pastors with his warm heart.

Following the explanation on ACLC and the Blessing activities by Rev. Saito (FFWPU-TN, Co-Chairman of ACLC-TN), Pastor Coleman (Christ Church of the Nazarene) gave pastors a wonderful testimony of Family Days (2 Sundays) at his church and conveyed a strong message on the necessity of Family Values centered on God with many resources. Its clear message moved all the participants. Then, Pastor Jones expressed his experience of alter call Blessing at his church.

It also attracted the whole attendants.

Pastor Norman read the message on changing blood lineage by Archbishop Stallings and a speech on Christianity by Father Moon. He repeated some part of the speech to emphasize. It was awesome! Then, Rev. Lee, a substitute of Rev. Kim (Region 8), gave each attendant a certificate of ACLC-TN in flame and a small hand-made gift. Elder Ross (Church of God-7th Day) offered a closing prayer.

After cake cuttings, pastor Jones and Norman cheered Mansei three times powerfully. After the meeting, they enjoyed talking together with some refreshments. It was a small but a great success for Tennessee because of unity among Korean, Japanese and American brothers and sisters. From now on, we would like to promote an alter call Blessing at each church and focus on July 3 - young generation Blessing at one church.



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Rev. Phillip Schanker and Mr. Simon Kinney are the core creative team behind these productions, with guidance and support from Dr. Yang, Rev. Jenkins, Rev. Daugherty and the ACLC Clergy. They are currently available in VHS format, soon to be available on DVD as well.



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ev. Torrey Barret, the second son of Rev. & Mrs. T.L. Barret of the Life Center Church gave a very inspiring testimony/sermon at the Ashland Church Sunday May 26.

He quoted from the Bible verse taken from John where Jesus was called for the wedding.

Then Torrey started to ask, have you ever invited Jesus into your life? He related this question to his own life testi-

mony growing up as a son of a pastor of the church. As he had gone through many tough times of his life, he had noticed that he never really invited Jesus into his life. Whether it be going to the military, going to the Lutheran High School, and to the Catholic College. He did not invite Jesus into his life. When he got arrested in College and was put in a prison cell, he was very afraid to call his father to get him out of the cell but he had no choice but to call his

father, but it was on a Saturday night and the next day will be Sunday Service so he said that there will be no way for his father to fly and get him out. And when he noticed that other parents came to bail their kids out, he started calling God and Jesus to help him out and that was the first time he said in his life that he invited Jesus into his life.

And then he got married and again he's been going through a lot of struggles dealing with his wife, thinking also about his divorced parents and his wife's divorced parents. He again asked the question, did I invite Jesus into my life?

Torrey was grateful to Rev. Moon's prophecy about his parents' reunion. And as he was invited to the blessing last year in Washington

D.C., he wasn't feeling very good because at that time, he and his wife weren't talking to each other, even when Bishop Kim knocked to their hotel room, they were just both pretending to be

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Torrey said that during the blessing day, when he and his wife were not still talking, he decided to go to his father and ask his father if there's any possibility that they can approach

Rev. Moon closely and bless their marriage. His father said that it maybe impossible because there were too many people but I'll try, his father said.

But when his father (Rev. T.L.Barret) brought

them together to Father and Mother Moon, and the moment Rev. & Mrs. Moon touched their hands, he felt that their marriage was healed. From that time on, he said that his relationship with his wife became much, much better and he even said that everyday seems like a wedding day. Most especially after the 40-day separation period. He testified that they were not only blessed in marriage but also they were blessed with a new house.

Torrey went on to say to younger and elder couples to ask the question, did

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I invite Jesus into my life? And finally he said that if we invite Jesus into our life, then we will not run out of wine.

After the service we had a lunch together and they cut a cake celebrating their first Blessing anniversary.

#### **Pastors' Meeting**

The monthly Pastors' Prayer Breakfast sponsored by the ACLC-Chicago was held at the Harambee House on Tuesday, June 11, 2002. The event had surprisingly brought tremendous success centering on Bishop Kim, National Messiahs, Tribal Messiahs and the Japanese missionaries. There were 144 guest pastors, ministers, evangelists and other community leaders with a total of 240 in attendance. Bishop Kim said, "We never

know how miracle could happen. We prayed for 144 clergies and it happened. God must be listening to our prayers. On that day, there was even a pouring rain but when the program started tables and chairs began to fill up. We only made a reservation of 180 people but it was amazing that the room was packed".

Not only that, the crowd was also happy to see the much awaited family of Archbishop George Augustus Stallings (with wife Sayomi and his 2-month old son Shin Young). This time Archbishop Stallings brought us more into the deeper meaning of blood lineage. He gave emphasis on the Divine Principle's

teaching about the establishment or blueprint of the Kingdom of Heaven. He explained that God's lineage started during the time of

Adam and Eve but due to the fall, man's lineage was cut off from God's lineage. Jesus should have the potential to become a True Parent if they had not crucified him because the will of God is for Jesus to build his ideal family and pass his lineage on to his genera-

tion. He added that Jesus and the Holy Spirit are the True Parents for the Spiritual Rebirth.

Archbishop Stallings was full of vigor as he was telling the audience that the Rev. Moon is in the position of inheriting God's lineage through Jesus and that both Jesus and the Rev. Moon have the same mission of establishing the Kingdom of Heaven.

Finally, he challenged everybody that restoration must take place in our families and church-

es and that it must be passed on to the next generation.

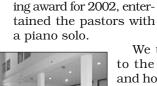
Pastors' Prayer Breakfast

As the program had ended, many of the guest pastors had expressed their joy and appreciation of being a part of this event. Its success was also made possible by the tribal messiahs and the Japanese missionaries who were visiting the churches from morning until late at night.

In behalf of the Chicago Family, we would like to acknowledge the effort and sacrifice of Archbishop Stallings' family for our region. We have learned from his wife that he's been diligently studying the Divine Principle day and night.

ver 100 guests gathered in the beautiful Terrace room of the Sheraton Hotel

on June 3, 2002. During dinner we were entertained by the Richie Cole Alto Madness Jazz Band. After a 15 minute video presentation on the 144,000 couple blessing Miss Jenna Eisenberg, winner of the



John Lennon song writ-

We then listened to the entertaining and hopeful testimony of Minister Torrey Barrett. He is the son of Rev. Dr. T.L. Barrett, ACLC national executive committee, whose marriage was healed on May 27, 2001, when he was

blessed by True Parents and Father

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held the hands of Minister and his wife. The jazz band played a medley of Gospel and Broadway tunes.

Finally, the moment we all waited for, the Archbishop George Augustus Stallings. He began his talk expressing that our God is an her children of God. As he spoke we began to notice one then three then ten balconies become filled with people from their hotel.

to notice one then three then ten balconies become filled with people from their hotel rooms listening to the Archbishop's sermon. The Terrace room occupies a position where the hotel rooms with balconies overlook the event room.

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When Mrs. Stallings returned from her day in Manhattan, she heard her

husband's clear, strong voice in the lobby and she noticed all the hotel guests listening to his sermon from their hotel rooms. He continued his overview of Divine Principle and the meaning of the Blessing. When he finished all the pastors stood-up and applauded his clear and innovative expression of God's word. The next day at our prayer breakfast, one pastor commented that he had been awake for many hours contemplating and praying over the content of Archbishop Stallings sermon.

Rev. Phillip Thomas and Mr. David Eaton closed out the event with a beautiful rendition of "Amazing Grace". We are "On the road to the blessing of 1.44 Million young Couples in Region Three.



## LATIN DIVISION

by Maria Vargas

he Latino version of the American Clergy Leadership Conference (ACLC) under the banner of "Conferencia de Liderazgo de Clerigos de las Americas (CLCA)," was inaugurated June 8, 2002. Rev. Levy Mathew Daugherty, Executive Director, ACLC, will head the ACLC Latin Division.

Latin Clergy are concerned about

the state of affairs in America and the breakdown of the family. They are committed to bringing families back to God.

In New York, Washington, D.C., Miami and Los Angeles Latino Clergy Prayer Breakfasts, seminars and programs have been successfully carried out. The Latin Clergy, filled with the powerful spirit of God, are inspired to join with ACLC to work to bring revival to the nation.

According to the US 2000 census, Hispanics are presently





In 1960 in the Unites States the estimated population of Hispanic was 3 million. As the largest minority group in the US, this community with its strong love for God and concern for God's people can kindle the hearts of the American people. The strength of the unity between Black, White and Latino Clergy will surely melt down the walls across racial barriers, denominations and strengthen the

the largest minority in Amer-

ica. There are presently 35

million Latinos in the US,

families in America. ❖

by Rev. Bismarck Bamfo

ur May 22, 2002 ACLC meeting was one of the best conferences, if not, the best in recent times in Boston. There was shortage of food, seats and space. The quality of discussion, fellowshipping, testimonies, presentations, and presence of God and the Holy Spirit, created a family atmosphere, overwhelming everyone.

True Father predicted the Accomplishment of the 144,000 Clergy Couples Blessing and encouraged Japanese Missionaries to continue to work even after that for two to four months in the United States. He also asked us to bring all Hispanics and Asians together and establish the Federation for Hispanics and Asians. Afterwards, we should also break through to move the white community and sing songs of the Blessing.

In obedience to heaven, many of the missionaries decided to stay to fulfill July 3, 2002 Young Couples Blessing. In the process of recuperating from exhaustion and tiredness, barely a week after April 27 Blessing, May 20th was set for our next conference. This was to provide a point of focus around which the missionaries could visit churches, bless and invite ministers. As usual they are reaching out everyday with local members.

Initially, 30 seats were reserved for the event. However, to our surprise 20 pastors and 24 wives and ministers showed up. The room was fully packed.

## **BOSTON**

Missionaries and local members who attended had no place to seat. The program started with prayer by Pastor Allan Ebeling of Worldwide Church of God in Waltham, with our dear friend and brother Bishop Erell N. Skyers as MC.

While ministers were having their dinner, the missionaries offered songs and a special Mexican dance. Rev. Eduardo Yarde, of Mt. Sinai Baptist church, gave the

welcoming address and also testified about his own matching and blessing. "As a minister of the Gospel, I felt incomplete and therefore the need for a partner. However, I waited and trusted the Lord for the appointed hour. My matching and Blessing is truly therefore an answer from heaven." By speaking both in English and Spanish, he was able to capture the hearts of everyone - especially participants who have Spanish background.

A few minutes before our keynote speaker went to the stage, we had a video presentation of April 27, 2002 Blessing. Rev. Yarde appeared several times on the screen. The video prepared the stage for the keynote Speaker. Rev. Lawanda Brooks form First Church of

God in Christ Ministries. She spoke eloquently on the topic, "Raising Our Level of Commitment to Our Family.' She challenged those present to spent time with their family members, communicate effectively, and their experiences together. "Our parents were always there for us. We felt secured and at home. As a result American fam-

ilies were stronger with less divorce



rate than today." She also testified about her experience at the 144,000 Clergy Couples Blessing in Washington DC.

Ministers were called to discuss the main theme of her speech. In their discussion, they all admitted and agreed that the family is indeed in crisis and needs healing. The reports from representative from each table suggested the need to bring the Word of God back into the home, pray constantly as a family for God's guidance and intervention; couples should help and encourage each other and need to spend quality time with their children, get to know what they are doing.

Rev. Richard Wright, Pastor of Emmanuel Baptist Church, Worcester, MA spoke about restoring the power of Black women, fulfill her role in the

home, in order to keep Black men from jail, drugs and other malpractices. Rev. Ramos Reves of Igresia Bethsaida, Inc who also had the opportunity to participate in the Blessing in Washington DC, gave a moving and heartistic testimony. He encouraged ministers to go beyond their denomination, race and nationalities. "We are one family under one God and that is the only way we

can defeat our enemy, Satan."

Bishop Jennifer Hightower, Revival Deliverance Edification Center, praised True Parents and what they are doing beyond race, religion, and nationalities. She

also challenged ministers to become an example to their family, church and the community in order to qualify as True Parents. She concluded by encouraging all to prepare their youth to participate in the July 3, 2002 Marriage Blessing in Washington DC.

The program came to a close with a prayer from Rev. Kil Hwan Kim, the Block Leader for North Eastern, United States. Although he prayed in Korean, participants were responding boldly and powerfully, an experience we have never had before. The spirit of the evening was beyond description. Participants continued to stay and fellowship for more than 45 minutes after the program was over. Again, it was the work of God and Victory for Heaven. ❖

## COLUMBUS, UHIO

by Dr. John Mwamba

n Saturday, June 15, 2002, we had a "Wedding Reception" for Rev. Dr. Charles and Mrs. Sung Bok Kenyatta at Hyatt on Capitol Square in Columbus, Ohio from 12:00 noon to 3:00 pm.

We had 179 confirmations and 163 guests came. This means that 91.06% showed up. The participants were from all walks of life, clergymen, business-

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men, politicians, friends and relatives. Over 40 pastors from American Clergy Leadership Conference were in atten-

Rev. Dr. T.L. Barrett from Chicago was the keynote speaker. He spoke eloquently on "Fascination" with illustrations and stories from Adam and Eve to Abraham and Sarah to Dr. Charles and Mrs. Sung Bok Kenyatta to show the audience how fascinating we are to each other as brother and sister, as

husband and wife. And how unique we have been created by almighty God to be whole into the marriage. He stressed the importance of the marriage and family. He considered Dr. and Mrs. Kenyatta as Abraham and Sarah, even at their age, God is

same miracle to them.

At the end of his address, he called all the participants to rededicate their marriages with a toast of sparkling cider. He illustrated the marriage as a binding

together of all the spiritual and physical senses of the husband and the wife. The ceremony was beautiful and unique.

The congratulatory remarks were given by Bishop Andy C. Lewter, President of the Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance and Pastor of Oakley Full Gospel Baptist Church and by Minister Donell Muhammad,

regional director of the Nation of Islam, a representative of the Honorable Min-

ister Louis Farrakhan. Bishop Lewter gave a true story when

on trip with Mrs. Hsu to Chicago for ACLC National Convocation, a year ago, he sat next to her on the airplane. During the conversation, Mrs. Hsu realized that Bishop Lewter did not have a wife, so she asked him to consider the matching and have a wife. Bish-

op Lewter found out also that Mrs. Hsu did not have a husband. So, Bishop Lewter told Mrs. Hsu that the day you are going to get married, I'm also going to get married. The audience applaud-

Minister Donell Muhammad visited Mrs. Hsu's Retreat Center and the Health stores she owns in Columbus and was amazed by the vision and the care of people with health problems. Minister Muhammad

shared that Elijah Muhammad had the s of the health issue members of the Nation of Islam put lot of emphasis on physical health. But most importantly they value the marriage and family than anything else. That's why they are so active in communities and prisons to rebuild families and educate people to be more responsible fathers and mothers.

We had in the audience Rev. Joel L.

King, Jr. who is the first cousin of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. He came with his wife and were very happy. This is the first time that he attends our events. I met him at the Interdenominational

Ministerial Alliance and he was introduced by Bishop Andy C. Lewter.

Dr. Charles and Mrs. Sung Bok Kenyatta gave special greetings and testified the greatness of God in guiding them from nowhere to somewhere. Dr. Kenyatta told the audience that what counts in

life, is not the number of degrees or the possessions, but how much have you lived for another fellowman. He mentioned how he was privileged to work closely with Malcom X, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr and even Elijah Muhammad and now with Rev. Moon. Dr. Kenyatta said that they are great because they lived their life for the sake of others. And Jesus is the greatest for the same reason. So, Dr. Kenyatta encouraged everyone to hold on their dreams and hopes and leave a legacy behind before departing to the spirit world. He said also that this is the reason why he has no problem to work with people of other beliefs as long as they serve the needy and the poor. He spent all his life doing that. Now, I don't know how long I'm going to live with my beloved Sarah, he looked at Mrs. Kenayatta and gave her the microphone. She also gave a testimony on how God raised her from nothing to

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by BillieAnn Sabo

he Los Angeles prayer breakfast on June 1 was a great success. The pastors/guests who attended came from the unity and hard work of visiting, calling and inviting from our ACLC

leaders, community members, full time members and missionaries, all working together. And the result was GREAT! There were 218 attending pastors/guests; 1610 holy wines distributed; 23 holy wine celebrations scheduled; 98 churches represented.

We held our prayer breakfast at our usual place—Nat's

Cafe. We had approximately 260 participants which were a combination of guests, choir, missionaries and members. Because so many pastors were in attendance representing many, many denominations, the spirit was extremely high. Also, we

have not held a large prayer breakfast like this since February. Before April 27th, we had weekly prayer breakfasts, but we designed those to be small and targeted. This prayer breakfast was completely sponsored by ACLC of Los Angeles.

Rev. Joe Waller, ACLC Co-Convenor and Pastor of Shiloh MBC was the Master of Ceremonies. The invocation was

given by Dr. Raymon Harris, Pastor of Greater Zion Flower MBC, and one of the 60 blessing couples with True Parents in May 2001. This was followed

by a wonderful breakfast buffet during which the Sadoc Christian Choir performed. We used this choir for our April 27th event and they are one of the most powerful choirs I

have ever heard. Even at 8:30 in the

morning, they had the pastors jumping last Saturday!

On May 24th, we held a dinner meeting at Pasadena House and invited all the attending pastors from April 27th. Our purpose was to give them strong guid-

ance for the July 3rd blessing. One pastor, Rev. Saro Galstyan became very inspired. He and his wife were just met by us this year, but they participated as a bride and groom on the 27th. During the dinner meeting, we encouraged these pastors to hold a Family Bless-

LOS ANGELES ing Celebration in their church as soon as possible. Rev. Galstvan really felt Jesus was pushing him to hold his

church blessing the following Sunday,

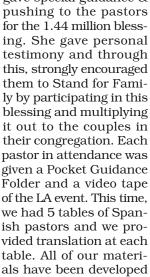
May 26th. He did and it was beautiful. Therefore, we asked Rev. Galstyan and his wife to share their church blessing ceremony testimony at our prayer breakfast.

After his testimony, we showed our Los Angeles April 27th blessing video tape. It is an 18 minute tape and very powerful because it shows our local high level and every level pastor couples being blessed. This video tape along with our Pastor Pocket Guidance Folder & the Holy Wines are our Trinity "Love"

Weapon when visiting churches.

Following the video tape, our keynote speaker was Rev. Leroy Elliott, National ACLC Executive Committee member. There were many Baptist preachers present, new ones and our regular ones, so his message was well received. Rev. Elliott did not speak about the 1.44 Million Couples blessing, but his message uplifted the room. He is a great preach-

An offering was taken after his speech and the choir sang again. Afterwards, our West Block Coordinator, Mrs. BillieAnn Sabo, gave special guidance &



in both English and Spanish. BillieAnn spoke for approximately 25 minutes. Each pastor was encouraged to take enough holy wines with him to bless his couples and also to schedule his church blessing celebration right then. Pens & forms were provided at each table. Also, our original registration tables became holy wine tables set up

from after breakfast. That way, we could catch every pastor, even ones who left early.

Following BillieAnn, Rev. Tim Henning, Pastor of LA Family Church, give a TFV presentation on "Taking Up the Mission of Jesus". Several pastors requested a similar teaching to their congregation.

The Sadoc Christian Choir offered a final closing song, Rev. Dr. Joseph "Papa" Lee of the Heavenly Vision MBC (first blessing church in California in Dec. of 1996) offered the closing prayer and our West Block Director and LA Regional Director, Rev. Baek Joong Ku, closed the meeting with 3 strong and determined Cheers of Mansei.

It was a good day because for the first time, many pastors had open ears and minds especially during the holy wine guidance & the TFM. Some had tears in their eyes as they finally realized and understood the mission of Father Moon.

Our final step, of course, is to make 400 youth couples for our July 3rd event, so we will do quick and hard work to follow-up with the attending pastors to help them complete their Holy Wine ceremonies, to teach TFV and the main priority, to invite and sign up their couples for July 3rd.

We are very grateful for the hard work, determination and guidance of our Los Angeles Regional Director, Rev. Baek Joong Ku, and the tremendous unity and "I Can Do ~ Never Give Up" spirit that we have.

BillieAnn Sabo is the West Block Coordinator 💠





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something.

Also we were blessed by the presence of Bishop Ki Hoon Kim of Chicago and Rev. and Mrs. Kim of New York. And also Pastor Thomas from Indianapolis came to attend the reception.

Dr. William Craig gave the closing prayer. Dr. Craig is the gold watch recipient (ACLC member) and especially he is the Chairman of ALC in Ohio. He is been blessed recently.

#### TALKING TO A FRIEND

the dark night is always calling you but you have to find your original self in every leaf of a tree

there are struggles and fights every step but you have to look at your Parents

they come to you with smile in their face *biding* their sorrow

you greet them and you never go wrong you say not ever you promise this and find yourself

in every stream in every river of a sea

Agnes Bernat, Romania

The reception was uplifted with musical selections from Mrs.

Ohio Family Church International Choir and the Men Trio (Roger Bair, Craig Smith and Joel Kaplan).

Rev. Ki Yeal Lee gave welcoming remarks. Rev Josef Schrattenecker emceed the event, Rev. Andree Reese gave the invocation and Dr. John Mwamba introduced Pastor T.L. Barrett.

The event ended up with participants lining up to give gifts or congratulate Dr. Charles and Mrs. Sung Bok Kenyatta. 🍫



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## INTERNATIONAL LEADERSHIP SEMINARS

by Greg Stone

ydney Australia was the first port of call of the ILS program in Oceania. The seminar took place on Saturday 25th May 2002 and attracted participants from areas of politics, religion, media, edu-

cation and civil society. Around sixty leaders attended. They represented a wide cross-section of the multicultural Australian community.

The keynote address from Rev. Kwak, presented by Rev Yong Cheol Song, set the tone and direction for the seminar. The presentations by Dr. Walsh introducing IIFWP, "The Signif-

icance of Eternal Life and the Spirit World" and the "The Significance of Marriage Family and the Blessing" inspired an enthusiastic response from participants.

Australia

People could see that this offered deep and fundamental solutions to the problems of our nation and world.

Lord and Lady Murray came forward



as representative couple to receive the International Peace Blessing and most of the attendees joined in.

In the last session, Rev Paul Saver,

the National Coordinator of the International Education Foundation, gave an inspiring presentation on the "Need for Character Education in

Schools". This was followed by a presentation on the Religious Youth Service by Mrs. Fazida Razak, Coordinator of RYS in the Asia Pacific Region, and Mr.

Michael Jarrett Aboriginal Leader and Educator

Six new Peace Ambassadors were awarded their certificates, adding to the diverse and growing team of Peace Ambassadors in Australia. The high spirit was reflected in the very encouraging written responses of the participants. Mr. Tianethone

Chantharasy, Senior Advisor to the Lao Buddhist Association and former Lao Ambassador to India commented:

"Heartfelt congratulations to all the

organizers of this wonderful seminar. I was impressed by the warm hospitality extended to us all. Old and young participants are practicing what they have learned through involvement in the activities of IIFWP. I noticed sparks in the eyes of participants (trust, honesty, purity). Moral character education is of utmost importance to bringing real peace in this world. May the Almighty bless all!"

At a follow up Peace Ambassadors luncheon on 6th June in Sydney, several Peace Ambassadors came forward and volunteered their enthusiastic suggestions, cooperation and help for future IIFWP projects over the remainder of the year. Two journalists from Chinese newspapers, one of which is distributed internationally, attended this meeting and produced positive stories which appeared the following day. We are building up a close knit working team of ambassadors and many doors and exciting opportunities are opening up.

Greg Stone is Secretary-General, IIFWP Oceania ❖

#### by Krunoslav Petric

n the Hotel Opera, Zagreb, capital of Croatia, a leader-ship seminar was held May 13, 2002 exploring the theme, "Renewing the Nation: Exploration of Principles and Practices that Strengthen the Families, Educate our Youth and Rebuild our Societies," sponsored by the Interreligious and International Federation for World Peace.

From the total of 130 participants that attended the seminar, 110 dignitaries were from the fields of education, politics, religion, academia and NGOs. In addition there was a group of participants from Bosnia and Herzegovina, and a group of participants from Slovenia.

The opening greeting of the Seminar

## Croatia

was given by Prof. Dr. Josip Milat, Assistant Minister from the Croatian Ministry of Education and Sport, who emphasized the importance of this theme and expressed best wishes for a successful seminar.

The honorable guests and lecturers at the seminar were: Rev. Dr. Chung Hwan Kwak, Chairman of the IIFWP, Rev. Kwang Kee Sa, President of IIFWP Europe, Dr. Thomas Walsh, General Secretary of IIFWP and Mr. Massimo Trombin, International Director of the International Relief Friendship Foundation.

The program of lectures

addressed the issues of family values, marriage, blessing, character and spiritual education, social service and HIV/AIDS prevention, all with clear guidance on how to build a world culture of peace.

The audience responded very well and was especially moved by the presentation of Rev. Kwak, who lectured about the value of family, culminating with the marriage blessing ceremony through which 10 couples among the participants and 42 married individuals pledged loyalty to their spouse and rededicated their marriages in an effort to create ideal families and world peace.

At the closing banquet participants shared very positive and optimistic reflec-

tions. Seven of the dignitaries were awarded the honorable title of "Ambassadors for Peace."

Many participants concluded that in their daily lives, they all have to try harder to practice a lifestyle proposed and lived by Rev. Moon. ❖



#### by Giuseppe Cali

he IIFWP International Leadership Seminar in Rome, Italy, May 11, 2002, left the 80 participants with no doubt that they have something very important to offer the European Community. Dr. Thomas Walsh provided a clear insight into how IIFWP has been contributing to global issues since its founding in 1999. The

central theme of the day was that the solution to the threatening social ills we are facing lies in the understanding that the family is the God given institution which makes for peace.

Traveling to the seminar I read an article in a British newspaper which was a good preparation for my participation. It mentioned the failure of government information campaigns

to persuade young people not to get drawn into drug and alcohol abuse. Research results just published reveal that the factors which are most influential in protecting our youth from drug experimentation are the quality of connection to their mothers and the presence of two parents in the home. In families where



both these elements are present only 16% of young people experiment with illegal drug use. More than 50% of those who do not have such a family environment are seduced by the chemical route to "happiness."

The Rome Seminar's participants were

deeply moved by Dr. Kwak's explanation of parental love as the foundation for human development and the family as the school of love. His plea for leaders in society to become Ambassadors for Peace who set the example in their absolute commitment to family stability through marital fidelity was beautifully

responded to by all present, as they wholeheartedly participated in the rededication of their marriages through the World Peace Blessing Ceremony which concluded the Seminar.

IIFWP is making us aware that political leaders alone cannot bring peace. Just as we heard how Rev. Moon is urg-

ing the United Nations to establish a second chamber through which the religious and moral leadership of nations can contribute to deliberation and decision making, so we were grateful for the opportunity this seminar gave to leaders representing politics, religion, academia, media and NGOs to cooperate for national revival.

Recent developments in Europe have

seen much debate over disillusionment with political leadership expressed through low participation in the electoral process, the rise of the "New Right" and associated concerns over the clash of cultures in an urban Europe which is becoming more multiethnic. IIFWP advocates going beyond differences

in its emphasis on interreligious dialogue and cooperation, and the appointment of Ambassadors for Peace who can rise above the narrow interests of their own nation, race, religion or culture in understanding the universal moral value of "living for the sake of others". It is clear that the fragmentation of moral leadership by denominational, cultural and

religious division has prevented those who share fundamental values from reversing the slide into moral relativism and materialism which has so weakened the family in modern European society.

This seminar was a rallying call speaking out for the sacredness of love in marriage and the necessity to openly address sexual corruption and the multi-faceted damage caused by sexual promiscuity



and marital breakdown. This way our young people can reverse rather than accelerate the trend of family breakdown. We have a huge task ahead of us and this Seminar helped us to focus our minds and energies and to form new relationships and alliances to secure a foundation for peace. �

#### INTERNATIONAL L EADERSHIP SEMINARS

by Dr. John Didsbury

he seminar in Auckland, New Zealand, May 26, 2002, began 15 minutes early, with the ballroom already full. A delegation of Maori elders from the Ratana Church conducted the traditional Maori welcome or Powhiri (pronounced po-ferie), in which a Maori

woman chants a song, and then words and prayers are offered by several Maori elders. Representing our party, Sir Peter Tapsell responded, in Maori. The spirit was respectful yet warm, as representatives of the original inhabitants of New Zealand greeted and welcomed our speakers and guests. Dr. John Didsbury was the M.C. for the day.

Hon. Richard Prebble gave

the opening greetings, which were brief but very appropriate. Mr. Prebble is the leader

of the ACT party, an outspoken minority party. He is a longtime member of Parliament, and has also written many books about New Zealand society. He spoke of the significance of the family, and the need to take individual respon-



sibility. In a semi-humorous way, he noted: "I started off my political career thinking government could do everything, but the longer I am in government the less I believe govern-

ments are able to do." He also said. "One of the reasons why I have been so impressed by this organization is it seems that great universal truth is at the core of it."

Sir Peter Tapsell then spoke, commanding total attention of the audience through his powerful presence, his humble but very wise words, and his endearing character that makes him

ew Zealand ed (former) politicians

in this country. It is worth noting that Sir Peter had been chosen by the National Party, while in power, to be the Speaker of the House, even though he belonged to the opposition Labour Party. Some of his remarks were: "Where we need to improve is in our spiritual and moral stan-

one of the most well-

liked and well respect-

dard in our country. The very essence of our whole society is family. By that I mean a man and his wife, their children, the grand parents, a three generational concept of the family which

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#### by Jack Corley

n May 8, IIFWP held a very successful program in Moscow under the title "Renewing the Nation: An **Exploration of Principles** and Practices That Strengthen the Family, Educate Our Youth and Rebuild Society." One hundred and forty par-

ticipants, representing religion, politics, media, culture and academia. attended the event. Considering that the seminar took place right in the middle of Russia's May holiday season, when many Muscovites leave the city to spend time at their dacha in the country, the number and level of participants exceeded our expectations and could even be considered



miraculous.

Archbishop Feodor of the Holy Synod of the Catacomb Orthodox Church of Russia offered the invocation. Professor Mikhail Odintsov, vice director for religious affairs of the Russian government's human rights commission, presented the opening remarks, in which he pointed out the stark real-

ity of the decline of the Russian family and praised IIFWP for their efforts at introducing a fresh approach to family values.

Dr. Joon Ho Seuk, the chair-

man of IIFWP Eurasia, then offered welcoming remarks, noting that some participants had come from as far away as eastern Siberia. Dr. Seuk outlined the main points of the program and urged the audi-

## Russia

ence to think seriously about the issues under discussion.

After a very impressive video about IIFWP activities, Dr. Thomas Walsh introduced Dr. Chung Hwan Kwak to give the keynote address. Dr. Walsh then introduced the goals of IIFWP, and after the lunch break spoke about the problem of AIDS.

Prof. Pyotr Nikolayev, a professor of



philology at Moscow State University and chairman of the Presidential Committee on Science and Culture, challenged the audience to examine the present state of Russia. Speaking passionately, Professor Nikolayev asked the participants to accept their proper role as responsible and mature citizens. Robert Beebe, the director of the International Educational Foundation Eurasia, reported on IEF activities in the former Soviet region and was followed by Jack Corley, secretary general of IIFWP Eurasia who spoke about

the challenge posed to the family due to increasing promiscuity and the liberalization of attitudes toward sexual norms.

For citizens of a country that is still recovering from the effects of an atheistic ideology, Dr. Kwak's presentations on the spir-

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#### by Chihiro Midorikawa

one-day International Leadership Seminar sponsored by IIFWP was held in Queen Salote Memorial Hall in Nuku'alofa, the capital city of Tonga, May 27, 2002.

About 90 participants gathered, leaders from various fields-politics, religious, the media, youth groups and academia. They included one former

Prime Minister of Tonga two former Speakers of the Legislative Assembly of Tonga and 4 nobles of the realm. About half of the participants had attended previous IIFWP seminars.

In the opening plenary, warm welcoming remarks were extended by Hon. Baron Vaea, Former Prime Minister of Tonga (1991-1999) to all the participants, especially to 3 main speakers, Rev. Yong Cheol Song (Chairman, IIFWP-Oceania), Dr. Thomas G. Walsh (Secretary General, IIFWP-

International) and Rev. Greg Stone (Secretary General, IIFWP-Oceania). Rev. Song expressed his appreciation in response to Hon. Baron Vaea and presented the keynote address on behalf of Rev. Chung Hwan Kwak.

The first session was presented by Dr. Walsh who gave an introduction to IIFWP. Rev Moon's various works and vision for world peace were eloquently explained by Dr. Walsh using a Power-

Point presentation on a big screen. Several participants requested a copy of the video, the materials on Rev. Moon's life course and IIFWP activities.

Session two, after lunch was presented by Rev. Stone on the special topics of Religious Youth Service, HIV /

AIDS prevention and various projects focused on the Oceania region.

Session three was presented by Dr. Walsh on "The Significance of Eternal Life and the Spiritual World" and "The Significance of Marriage, Family and Blessing." The explanation of the three

## Tonga

phases of life and the significance of eternal life were very refreshing to most of the participants and opened their mind and increased their understanding of eternal life. The topic on the role and proper use of the sexual organs was

very challenging to some of the more conservative attendees, but they couldn't deny that the time is ripe to break such taboos. At the end of this session the World Peace Blessing Ceremony was officiated by Rev.

Song for married couples in a calm and holy atmosphere. Twenty-six couples in total received the blessing and renewed their marriage vows.

At the Closing Banquet, Hon. Fusitu'a, a former Speaker of the House of Parliament and a noble of the realm, shared with the participants that his attitude

towards Rev. Moon had totally changed through attending this seminar. He said that he now understands that the reason Rev.

Moon, despite so much persecution in the past, is investing so much to hold these seminars is to bring world peace. Ambassadors for Peace certificates

were presented to 10 selected partici-

pants during the **Award Ceremony** and later they were given to the other the participants. The seminar concluded with a new determination on the part of all the participants to work to promote world peace as newly

appointed Ambassadors for Peace.

In the morning of the following day, the traveling party was officially invited by the Tongan Government to attend the commissioning ceremony of a newly arrived ship, the "'Otu Tonga". The ceremony was hosted in the presence

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### INTERNATIONAL LEADERSHIP SEMINARS

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I have often heard Rev. Kwak talk about. It was of course the old Maori sense of family and still a good one. If this conference would consider the ways in which we might rebuild the spiritual and moral strength of the nation, then we will have done some good in meeting. It's something I have heard Rev Moon talk about on several occasions which has brought me to his view."

Rev. Song then powerfully delivered the keynote address, which was attentively received by the audience.

Dr. Walsh then gave an introduction to IIFWP which included a video presentation. The guests were very impressed and inspired by the international scope and impact of the organization.

After the lunch break in which there were many lively discussions among

provided.

We then heard a presentation by the Kimiora and Suzanne Pene about the Religious Youth Service and their experiences in Australia working on recent projects there. The Pene's are responsible for the largest Maori youth organization in the country, and are very inspired with the vision of R.Y.S., which mirrors their own organization's commitment to service and inter-religious and inter-cultural harmony.

Geoffrey Prentice, a long time FFWP member who is a high school teacher in a predominantly Maori school, gave an excellent presentation explaining the basic objectives of character education.

Geoffrey Fyers spoke about the Triangle Television program, Family Federation Report, which has been airing on a local community channel since 1999. The program offers IIFWP an opportunity to communicate to a larg-

ing and looking after the maintenance of two boats donated by IIFWP. The boats are really being enjoyed by their youth, and are utilized in survival training as well as boating skill courses.

Ruth Cleaver, the Free Teens coordinator for New Zealand, gave a talk about encouraging teenagers to be abstinent. Parents were given information and advice about the new Health curriculum and their rights within the school system, and examples of values-based programs being used in some schools were given. She put forward the idea that IIFWP in New Zealand could put together a program advocating the benefits of marriage according to the various cultures represented, and several of the participants have since expressed interest in this project.

The final presentation and a highlight of the day was a very inspiring powerpoint presentation by Dr. Walsh

about the Spiritual World and the Blessing. All the attendees were very attentive during this talk, and the spirit in the room became brighter and more charged. The Blessing was given, and the representative couple was Rev. Alfred Palu and his wife. He is a Marshall Islands conference graduate and active IIFWP member who is a Tongan Methodist minister. They appeared to be deeply moved during the Blessing prayer by Rev. Song. Other couples in the audience received the Blessing and felt it was a very significant moment for their couple.

Following the Blessing there was a dinner banquet. The atmosphere was joyful, grateful, and very uplifted. We concluded the day with several testimonies from participants. One woman who was attending an event of ours for the first time, said that she could "feel the spirit of the great Reverend with us all day." She also shared: "And for him to have us share my wedding vows after 28 years with my beautiful husband was just so special, and I take that away tonight. I will share with my children and may they grow up in

a marriage that would be as sacred and spiritual as the Rev Moon has this vision for us." Her only complaint was that she hadn't discovered us earlier, scolding us for taking so long to become part of her life!

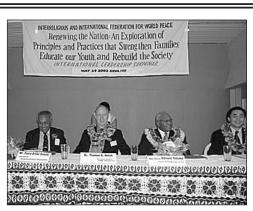
A gentleman whose brother is the leading Christian evangelist in New Zealand, said that he has been to many conferences but this one was different and very special. He said: "I congratulate you for putting this together and for Rev Moon and the vision that he had. You have to have a vision, my vision was to help save humanity from what is happening in the world and you people are doing it. I take my hat off to you. God bless you all."

Following the testimonies, Ambassador For Peace Certificates were presented to four participants: Rev. Alfred Palu, Hassan Hussein (Muslim leader), David Ansty, and Dr. Singh.

One of the reasons this event was so successful was the diversity and high quality of the participants. Many religions were represented - Christian, Muslim, Hindu, Buddhist, Sikh, S'ai Baba followers, to name a few. The Muslims were represented by a delegation of scholars, teachers and community leaders (10 people), who probably rarely venture out into the larger community in this way. They all appeared to thoroughly enjoy themselves, and felt a common heart with IIFWP and the other participants. At least 3 couples representing the Church of the Latter Day Saints, including one of their leaders, attended.

Also present was the party of elders from the Ratana (Maori) Church including some of their key leaders, who were attending one of our meetings for the first time at the invitation of Kimiora and Suzanne Pene. Also in attendance were members of the local Korean, Chinese, Bangla-Deshi, Fijian, Samoan, and Tongan communities. Several of the religious people commented that within their own church community they are able to create this wonderful spirit, but they had never imagined or experienced anything like this in such a diverse group.

Our thanks to True Parents, Rev. Kwak, Dr. Walsh, and the Heavenly realms without whose full support the event could never have taken place. We look forward to deepening our relationship with all participants, and working with them on issues of common concern.







the participants, the conference reconvened for a panel presentation of local projects and issues of concern. The session began with a thought provoking talk by Bruce Logan, in which he highlighted many of the social problems we are facing. His Maxim Institute is a research and advocacy institution dedicated to promoting the role of the family in society. He discussed the absolute necessity for there to be strong families if we are to have a civil society that can function, as it is within the family that vital education is

er audience, and has proven to be effective in educating and inspiring many people throughout its viewing area (Auckland and Hamilton). Recently the program has been interviewing various religious leaders to discover their views on different issues including life after death, and will be creating a series of shows allowing for inter-religious dialogue and expression.

David Ansty spoke about the partnership between the IIFWP and the Gambia Trust, a cadet character training program which is currently anchor-

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of Their Majesties King Taufa'ahau Tupou IV and Queen Halaeval Mata'aho and other VIPs including Royal family members, the Prime Minister, Cabinet Ministers, the High Commission-

ers of China, Britain, Australia and New Zealand and so forth.

In the afternoon, the party had an opportunity to have an audience with His Majesty King Taufa'ahau Tupou IV at his palace residence. His Majesty was delighted to hear from Rev. Song and Dr. Wash about IIFWP activities

and the various aspects of Rev Moon's work for Oceania. The audience was quite relaxed with occasional cheerful laughs. The King is 84 years old this

year. When he referred to the commissioning ceremony held this morning, he explained to us all the details of the vessel. I was quite surprised by his

clear memory in spite of his age. His health is not so good. He can hardly walk without two sticks, but his love and passion for Tonga is very much alive. God bless all the work of IIFWP, God bless His Majesty and God bless the Kingdom of Tonga! ❖

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it world and the Blessing were both challenging and insightful. At the end of his lectures, 18 couples and 50 individuals came forward to participate in a marriage rededication and Blessing ceremony, presided over by Dr. Kwak. The vice governor of the Ivanovo region and his wife were the representative couple at the Blessing, and mentioned

that they had left their home at 5 am that morning in order to not miss any part of the seminar.

The program concluded with a beautiful banquet, at which six individuals received Ambassador for Peace certificates. As the participants stood hand-in-hand singing "Moscow Nights," led by an Orthodox priest and a Muslim Imam, several people were moved to tears at the feeling of unity among the diverse audience. •

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ership, perceives in society a hierarchy of institutions. At the top, influencing and guiding all the others, he puts seminaries and foundations. Foundations have the resources and the opportunity to gain perspective that enables them to provide conceptual leadership to colleges and universities. Seminaries are in a strategic position to give similar support to churches. In turn, he writes, "both churches and universities are well placed to give nurture and guidance to individuals and to the whole range of 'operating' institutions: governments, businesses, schools, hospitals, communities and families. Any effort to aid our ailing society might well start with a consideration of how the leadership of foundations and seminaries... might be made more effective."

I was inspired by Mr. Greenleaf's perception, as it aligns perfectly with that of our Seminary Founder, Rev. Dr. Sun Myung Moon. This perception was conveyed as well by Rev. Chung Hwan Kwak, in the keynote address of UTS Commencement 2002:

"As the center of leadership training for the members of our movement, UTS is a place of immense historical and spiritual significance. Our True Parents founded this seminary in 1975 with a clear vision centering on the true

love of God, and linked to the most urgent and noble task of restoring America and the world, by renewing and fulfilling the spirit and mission of Christianity and the world's religions."

#### Rev. C. H. Kwak Receives Honorary Doctorate

Reverend Kwak received a Doctorate in Sacred Theology, honoris causa, the third recipient of this honor from UTS, following in the footsteps of the Founding Couple, who were accord-

ed this distinction in 2001. Reverend Kwak, is also chairman of the board of both Sun Moon University in Korea and the University of Bridgeport, in Connecticut. He is the chairman of The Washington Times, one of America's most often quoted daily newspapers. As a respected theologian and teacher, Rev. Kwak has traveled the world to well over 100 nations, bringing a message of living for the sake of others and practicing the ideals of true love.

Rev. Kwak was introduced by Dr. Neil Salonen, president of the University of Bridgeport, who spoke of the incredibly difficult circumstances surrounding the founding of the Unification Church in the 1950s in war-torn Korea, and how the earliest disciples in the church, such as Rev. Kwak, faced tremendous challenges in both faith and practice.

His gentle wisdom edified this year's graduates, as he counseled them, "Our movement, and the seminary, stand on the foundation of the Founder's direct, heartistic experience and knowledge of the living God."

Reverend Kwak also fascinated the

UTS Board of Trustees at the Trustees' luncheon with his first-hand report on the Founders' decade of development of soccer clubs in Korea and Brazil. His work lifted up Korea as a world soccer power and as the co-host of this year's World Cup.

Eight of Rev. Kwak's children or their spouses have already graduated from UTS. He and his wife, Jung Un Yoon, were blessed in marriage by Reverend and Mrs. Moon in 1961 as part of the 36-couple blessing ceremony. They have six children and 22 grandchildren.

#### The Spirit of the School

How would I capture the distinguishing characteristics of the academic year we just brought to a close? I have two ways. One, I consider it to have been the Year of the Students. Led by a large cadre of Korean church leaders, our student body

has invested their hearts into improving UTS, beginning with their first week here, when they spent two days removing the wax built up for two decades on the dining room floor. I would like to think we were all scraping off the school's hard covering, once applied for the sake of beauty, but never renovated, and building up the dirt over



the years. We want to scrap it off and get down to the original floor, and not let the residue of old habits gradually dull our institution.

In ways small and large, led by their activist president, In Sung Moon, the students worked together with the administration, faculty and even Board, to improve the student lounge, the study rooms, the restored small chapel, and the academic programs. They challenged us to strive for excellence, so after many years of dormitory dormancy, the Board this morning approved a major restoration project to create living and study space worthy of an institution as great as UTS aspires to be.

The second mark of this year I call the African initiative. What it is, is the first national-level commitment to UTS, UTS partnering with a nation, and it was the nation's initiative that brought this about. Led by National Messiah Mike and Wiveka Lamson, the nation of Camaroon 100% believes the Founder's vision for UTS to educate its future generation of leaders. In coordination with UTS, Camaroon has created a fundraising team in America that provides schol-

arships for their nation's future leaders. Those future leaders are from the Unification Church and other churches.

I hope that all nations might have leadership as visionary, faithful and entrepreneurial as does Camaroon, to



work with UTS for the education of its future leadership.

#### Jumping out a Window

Dr. Tyler Hendricks, Seminary president, encouraged the graduates in his Commencement Remarks. "A line from 'The Sound of Music,' he told them, revealing his extensive knowledge of the cinema, "provides Hollywood's sim-

ple expression of faith in a higher providence ruling our life: 'When God closes a door, He always opens a window somewhere." He continued in this vein, saying, "Graduation is intense and exciting because we participate with men and women who are standing, as a group, outside a closed door. The door to UTS student life is now closed for you, and you have to find a window somewhere. God has prepared a window for you. The Founder and his representatives who have spoken to graduat-

ing classes over the years maintain the same emphasis: the UTS graduate is a person of perfect heart and absolute faith, love and obedience, dedicated to building God's kingdom on earth. It means to be able to put oneself aside, pull your mind away from the closing door, and see God's window."

Mr. In Sung Moon, student council president and class valedictorian, responded by voicing the graduates' commitment to serve God, True Parents, all churches and society. The Commencement was concluded by a deep prayer of benediction by our North America Continental Director, Dr. Chang Shik Yang. Dr. Yang and American Family Federation President Reverend Michael Jenkins, both Trustees of UTS, personally congratulated and "tasseled" each of the graduates.

#### The Hands of God

Camaroon sparked a departure from the ordinary in another way for UTS Commencement ceremonies, when they applied for permission to set up an exhibit. Permission was granted and invitations extended to other organizations as well. Finally, we had displays for IRFWP, "the Labyrinth at UTS" (which deserves an article of its own), and UTS proper. These added joy and excitement to the event, as the crowd perused the displays, viewing videos, picking up materials and enjoying the audio meld-

ing of African rhythms and Celtic chants as one passed from table to table.

This all took place inside the building, and of course, we had wanted to have it outdoors. According to local lore, in 25 years it has not once rained on Commencement Day. The administration was duly excited in anticipation of utilizing the Student Pavilion for the after Commencement Reception. We had plans for a large stage over hung with trees and colorful

banners.

The set-up was such as to require two full days of carpentry work, so the work had to begin on Thursday for the Saturday event. The week's weather was gorgeous, but nonetheless I was checking the weather forecast. It was dicey. On Tuesday, the forecast was 50% chance of scattered thunderstorms. On Wednesday, the forecast changed to a mix of sun and clouds and 0% chance of rain. Hooray, full-speed ahead! Then Thursday morning, it was back to 40% chance of scattered thunderstorms. Standing under a sparkling blue sky, we decided to bring it all inside. I recalled how in this part of the country, when thunderstorms come, they hit in the late afternoon, just when we were planning to hold the reception.

Friday, it was clear as a bell. Saturday morning dawned nice and clear. Wow, I thought, did I make a mistake? Are we going to be stuck inside on another beautiful day? Gradually, as the day progressed, the sky clouded up. As Dr. Mickler announced the recessional at the end of the Commencement Ceremony, I heard thunder in the distance. Within minutes, it was pouring rain. Another first for the Seminary was recorded, as all enjoyed the displays and delicious reception fare, safe and dry.

#### **Joyful Reception**

The reception program, orchestrated by Dean of Students Mr. Jang Hoee Kim, and emcee'd by Dr. David Carlson, was a festive affair, so festive that the speeches were simply add-ons. Dr. Andrew Wilson, Academic Dean, Mrs. Tessa Hodson-Thonett, Director of Admissions, and Mr. James Borer, Trustee, spoke eloquently, but their appearance was appropriate to the receptions that were formal programs hosted by the Founding Couple, not the raucous family affair of our second quarter century.

The crowd's attention was caught, however, by the Korean mask dance, UTS rock band, presentation of the class plaque and gift (a digital video camera), and finally, the President's "talkin' graduation blues." This grabbed enough interest to spark a bit of a dance with the band returning for yet anoth-

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er rendition of "Bye and Bye." As the attendees filtered out to meet their various schedules, the day ended with a comfortable feeling of family.

#### The Viewpoint of the Graduates

Graduate Ken Saito, who will pursue student leadership and Ph.D. studies in Korea, explained why he came to study at UTS. "We can explain many kinds of reasons, but I would simply like to say the following. If we just want to enter heaven, we do not need come to UTS. But, if we want to establish heaven on earth, we have to come to UTS. That's why God needs UTS. That's why True Parents ask us to go to UTS."

Another graduate, In Chul Bak, experienced many struggles during his time at UTS but came to a deep realization.

"Through UTS life, I could learn much about the American culture, which influences most other cultures. I tried to have a better relationship with my wife, for true love, and I could have selfconfidence not only about English but also about overcoming international boundaries.

"Those things were unexpected for me. If I had not come here to UTS, I would not have learned these points. This is the answer of why I had to be a student at UTS. No matter where I go after graduation, one thing is clear. Life at UTS and its experiences will become my shield and weapon. It's like the story of somebody old who is near death and he looks back at his life and says, "It was about love." I would like to say, looking back upon my UTS experience, 'It was about the true love of

Two of this year's graduating class

will pursue doctoral studies in theology. Additionally, Christian Tekwe, a member of the Presbyterian Church of Cameroon and the first non-Unificationist Christian to graduate from the Seminary, will undertake graduate work in public health. Other graduates will pursue a variety of ministries in North America, Japan, Korea, Thailand and the Commonwealth of Independent

More than 1,100 students have graduated from the Seminary since its founding in 1975. Last year, it was widely reported that the Seminary would relocate to the University of Bridgeport, Connecticut or to a church-owned site in Midtown Manhattan due to the expense of maintaining its 250-acre campus. However, the Seminary decided not to move and has since experienced five successive terms of enrollment growth. Currently, 110 semi-

> narians are enrolled at the Barrytown campus and 45 students, including some 30 seminarians from a variety of denominations, study at a Manhattan extension center.

#### The Burgeoning Board of Trustees

UTS is expanding in another way as well: in its Board of Trustees. The Board added five new members, swelling its ranks to 17, including President Emeritus Dr. David S. C. Kim. Board Chair Farley Jones, Esq., together with Vice-

Chair Reverend Michael Jenkins and Secretary Dr. Hugh Spurgin welcomed new members Mrs. Karen Smith, a leader of the IIFWP. Dr. Don Olson. Lutheran pastor and ecumenical leader, Mr. Michael Balcomb, World CARP leader, Bishop David J. Billings, III, former Secretary General of the Church of God in Christ, International, and Mr. James Borer, legal counsel for The Washington Times and Washington Times Foundation. Each of these individuals brings a unique talent and perspective to the Board. The Board's governance and vision-casting has been vital to the UTS renaissance, and the addition of new members of such quality reveal the Board's confidence and hope for the coming years.

This was, in conclusion, a fantastic year. As the UTS letter that closed out our 2002 Self-Study assessment process put it, "We are pleased with the implementation of two new academic programs, a responsible reduction of the budget, the replenishment of the endowment and scholarship funding, five consecutive terms of enrollment growth, enhanced student satisfaction and improved staff effectiveness....

Underlying these achievements is a greater responsiveness to the needs of the sponsoring church and market environment, and a reciprocal renewal of commitment on the part of our church. On this foundation, our faculty, administration and staff energetically look forward to our next phase of teaching and learning." ❖

### **UTS REFLECTION**

#### by Ken Saito

oday I have to confess my sin in UTS. After I joined UTS, I stopped donating money to my church. I didn't go to Jardin. I didn't go to CPL. I didn't donate money for the total offering or liberation of my ancestors.

When I discussed this with my friend. she said, "UTS is less important than the workshop in CPL, because when we go to

heaven, our educational background is meaningless." Actually, I really agreed with her comment

Recently, I calculated how much money I have spent for my UTS education. I have spent \$45,000. If I did not come to UTS, I could have so much money now. If I donated that money for the living offering, liberation of ancestor, and so on, I could be a person who could enter heaven right now,

maybe. I could be closer to heaven. Don't you think so?

My question is "Why do we have to come to UTS?" We can explain many kinds of reasons, but I would like to simply say the following. If we just want to enter heav-

en, we do not need come to UTS. But, if we want to establish heaven on earth, we have to come to UTS. That's why God needs UTS. That's why TF asks us to go to UTS.

So, please be proud of your position as a UTS student. I know that graduating from UTS is not easy. Many of my friends gave up on UTS along the way because of some reason. But I would like to say, "Even though you are faced with a difficult sit-

uation, please never give up, because UTS is very important to establish the kingdom of heaven on the earth."

Personally, I'm not sure whether I can fulfill the high expectations of a UTS graduate. However, I have already invested so much money and time for UTS. I have already sacrificed my family. I have made my wife cry many times. If I cannot work well, my effort here would become just wast-

ed time and money and my wife would cry again. So, I must do my best. That's my promise. And, one more thing. I'm going to start donating money again after graduation. That's my second promise. �

### **UTS REFLECTION**

#### by In Chul Bak

'm happy to be a member of the class of 2002. The time that I spent at UTS was the hardest period for me, both externally and internally. Since I started life here, I have been surrounded by various problems: financial, family and also English problems. At that time, I could realize the meaning of "sur-

But the most serious problem was about my identity: Why am I

here? Why do I have to deal with these problems? And during this time, what can I get for my development and growth?" I thought the answer to these questions must be the core for overcoming all other problems. But I couldn't find the answer, even when I tried hard to find

Now I'm realizing the

answer was unexpectedly near. It has come with every situation for dealing with these problems.

I didn't have enough money, actually very little, so, I had to find any kind of way to make money. Through this, I realized many things about America and its culture. I had to separate from my wife for such a long time. So, I had to find a better way to communicate with her so that we could have much more chance to be with each other. My English was terrible to start with. But, dur-

ing this time, I tested my English a lot through several lecture contests and through real life in America. So, now, at least, I can have self-confidence about it. I strongly believe that my English ability will continue to improve rapidly.

Through UTS life, I could learn much about the American culture, which influences most other cultures. I tried to have a better relationship with my wife, for true love, and I could have self-confidence not only just about English but also

> about overcoming international boundaries. Those things were unexpected for me. If I didn't come here to UTS, I couldn't learn these points. This is the answer of why I had to be a member of UTS.

Throughout this period. God wanted and tried to give me this precious wis-

dom. Now I realize that God has guided me all the time through many problems.

Even though I don't know where I will go after graduation, one thing is clear. Life at UTS and its experiences will become my shield and weapon.

It's like the story of somebody old who is near death and he looks back at his life and says, "It was about love". I would like to say, in retrospect of my UTS experience, "It was about the true love of God." ❖

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## W-CARP: Character Education in Albania

by Florian Kulla

he university of Elbasan was the second destination of Albanian WorldCARPOs University tour called ÔThe Essentials of Character Education.Õ

We introduced ourselves to the university board and received support from some professors who wanted to help organize of the studentÕs meeting. Besides providing the necessary facilities for the activity, these professors urged the students to join our lectures, considering them as part of the curricula. The students, who were studying to be future teachers,

substituted their ethics classes with our lectures, as they were relevant to what they were being taught.

After this, some students were active in giving their own opinions, about what they heard and how these lectures

would apply to their lives. The lecturers provided the students who made questions with responses, and this created a very warm and positive atmosphere. In the meantime, about 115 students filled in the application forms, expressing their willingness to support



the activity and some were interested to know about our center in Elbasan. to all the local community by the news coverage of the two TV stations.

Three days later, the tour found itself

in Korca, another Albanian university town. The meeting was held in the largest and the most comfortable lecture hall of university which was completely crowded with students. The university rector and those professors who took part in the Professors Conference us and participate and gratitude about in Tirana carefully organized every-



thing. For a welcome

change, our staff had little to do! There were about 100 students pres-The activity was made publicly known ent, and 15 university professors, but

the participation would have been larger if there were more free seats in the room. The university rector stressed

the importance of this project in his opening speech. All those who spoke in front of the students placed themselves in the positions of close partners and cooperators with our organizations, showing thus clearly a very positive attitude towards us. They also invited all the 3 local TV stations to cover our

activity. These TV stations broadcast in their news reports as coverage of the whole event. We are gathering all these materials to keep them as a public record of our W-CARP activi-

In the end, all the participants expressed their support for the project and the plans for activities in the future. They got our materials and some asked further information about our organization. Success is always possible when professionalism, good organization, and support are lead by heart and true love. �

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by Dr. D. Ferrantello

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### **W-CARP** President **Hyun Jin Moon Cuts New CD**

by Akihiko Nishimura

n May 25, just a month and a half before the World Tour 2002, Hyun Jin Nim and Jun Sook Nim came to the CARP studio to record the songs for the memorial CD together with the members of CARP band AXE 6. Amazingly, they completed 11 tracks in only three days!

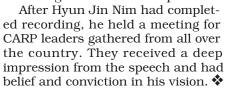
The whole time he was in the studio. Hvun Jin Nim invested his heart and passion in each song, in order to make a ÔNumber OneÕ CD for brothe and sisters, who are all waiting for it.

This time, the CD will include both Hyun Jin NimÕs songs and Jun Sook





NimÕs beautiful voice. One of the AXE 6 members said, ÔWhat struck me was the way Hyun Jin Nim and Jun Sook Nim took care of each other while singing. They checked each song concentrating their heart and spirit.Õ



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### TRUE PARENTS' HISTORY FOR CHILDREN

## FATHER ENDURES PYUNGYANG PRISON

by Lesa Ellanson

ather was put into the Pyungyang prison on August 11, 1946. This was several months after Mrs. Ho and the other members of the Inside Belly Church were put in that same prison. In fact, Father was put into the same cell as one of their leading members.

Soon Father learned that the communists had told the members of that church that they would be set free if they would just sign a paper saying they were wrong. But they refused to do that.

Father told his cellmate he should go ahead and sign the paper and save his life. That man obeyed Father, but he was already so badly beaten that he died a short time after he was released.

Father wanted to tell Mrs. Ho the same

# Invitation to a Family Service Project

by Lara Zmaher

he International Relief and Friendship Foundation is inviting families to participate in a service project with the theme: Family and Service Establishing a Culture of Peace Through the Culture of Heart. The project will take place in Slovenia, from 23 August - 1 September 2002.

Fifteen families (parents and children) will be restoring children's playing tools in local kindergartens, and helping and socializing with old people in a local old people's home. Older children will have a chance to help their parents and the small ones will be taken care of in the kindergarten we are going to work with.

Throughout the project there will be a program for the parents and children including local sight seeing, a picnic with a special family evening and guests speaking about family issues.

If you are interested, please contact Lara Zmaher at larisazmah@volja.net or Massimo Trombin irff.trombin@village.uunet.lu for additional information. Application form can be found on: www.irff-europe.org ❖

thing, but she was in a different cell. Somehow, he managed to write a note on a little slip of paper. It said, "Tell them you are wrong. Pray to find out who wrote this." He slipped it to her in a bowl of rice

Mrs. Ho knew she was supposed to meet the Messiah in prison, but she didn't realize this note was from him. She did not pray to find out who wrote it, she did not obey the note, and later she and all the other members of the Inside Belly Church were killed. After all the hard work they had done to prepare for him, after their thousands of prayers to meet the Messiah, they never even saw him.

The note Father wrote to Mrs. Ho was discovered by the guards. They asked him over and over who he was and why he had written the note. They hit him many times. The guards asked so many

questions trying to catch him, but he never denied his mission, and also could not let them know he was the Messiah.

#### Give up God

The communist guards were angry because Father was not afraid, they decided to torture Father. They wanted to break Father's spirit and make him a weak man. Because so many other Christian ministers had given up when they received many beatings and other punishments, even cursing their captors, the communists believed that Father would do the same. They said, "If we beat this man hard enough, he'll give up his God."

But Father never changed.

Father prayed, "Heavenly Father, help me to withstand the torture and live so that I can work for You. I will take responsibility for mankind's sin, and free You from suffering."

Father knew that if he could not live through this, then God's broken heart would continue for many more years to come. Even if every cell in his body cried out in pain, he would not allow his spirit to deny the love of God. So Father stood up straight and strong and told God he will not die.

The first thing they did to Father was to not let him have food or sleep. Since the body can go longer without

by Chad Martin

food than without sleep, they tried to make Father so tired that he would become crazy. But the unity between Father's mind and body was far greater than the guards could believe. Father willed his eyes to remain open, even though his body was asleep for short periods of time. The communists had to change shifts every three hours to watch him and be sure he didn't sleep. After nearly one week of "no sleep", the guards thought, "Surely this Reverend Moon has some sort of magical power." They became afraid of him.

Since Father's will was so strong, the guards met and said, "We must try and break his fighting spirit with more severe physical torture." Then they began to use the "water treatment"— a hose was forced into Father's mouth and nose and then a powerful jet of water was shot into his head. They wanted to make him feel as if he were drowning, until finally he would faint. Then once the water drained out, and Father recovered, they would do this water treatment again.

Since Father still refused to give in, Satan became desperate. Satan said, "If this religious man cannot be broken, he will fight against evil if he lives." Finally, Satan made a last try to break Father's iron will and stop God's plan to use Reverend Moon to save mankind. Satan made the guards feel more and more angry at Father.

The guards tied Father's hands behind his back with a very heavy rope. Using a large beam in the ceiling, they pulled the rope which lifted Father up high over the heads of the guards. Suddenly they let go of the rope, causing Father to fall. But before hitting the floor, they violently jerked the rope upward, causing Father's arms to be jolted from their sockets. The pain was so terrible that it was impossible to stand it without fainting. Father called this awful torture "the crane dance".

#### **Do Not Worry**

But all the time he was being tortured, Father never stopped praying. He said quietly, "Heavenly Father, please do not worry about me; I know your painful situation has been far more miserable than my own. Give me the strength to endure this torture. I want to continue Your work

of restoration and finally free Your heart. Please forgive these guards; they are being used by Satan, your enemy, to destroy mankind. Forgive them, forgive them..."

Finally when Father's strength was about to give out, the communists began to beat him with bats. They hit him in the face so hard that his back teeth shattered and blood gushed from his mouth. Father tensed his muscles against the blows, but he was struck in the stomach so hard and so many times that his intestines turned into pulp. He began to throw up, covering his body with so much blood that it dripped onto the floor. He could hold on no longer, and Father finally fainted from loss of blood. His body was so beaten and scarred that the guards thought, "After what we've done to him, surely he is dead."

And on the night of October 31st, 1947, Sun Myung Moon's limp, bloody body was thrown out into the snow. The communist prison guards thought he was dead. That night, one of Father's disciples came to visit him in prison. As he walked through the snow outside the prison gate, he saw the bloody body of Father thrown on a pile like a bunch of old clothes. The disciple turned white with fear.

"They have killed him," he gasped. He moved closer—he felt Father's body. It was still warm. "Oh God, save him!" he prayed.

Running home he quickly gathered several other followers. Sadly and tenderly, they carried Father's body home. One by one they touched him and washed the blood off.

"He is dead!" they cried. They began to prepare for the funeral.

But then a miracle happened—Father began to move. He was coming to life. When his followers saw this, they lovingly and hopefully nursed him back to life. Father threw up large amounts of blood. He was terribly weak and sick. Won Pil Kim was there. He helped to find herbs and medicines to give Father. He was so determined to live and do God's work. His first thought always was of Heavenly Father.

"I must begin to preach again," Father said, as soon as he had enough strength to talk.

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## Family Youth Band

hree years ago, Yukiko Yakawich, my pastor's wife, asked me to teach her son, John, to play the guitar. I do not know what possessed me to say yes. At the time I knew four chords! We began by practicing together an hour a week. A guitar teacher recommended I buy a tuning fork and a \$300 steel-string guitar. He also said I should practice 10 minutes every day.

Three months later I was able to fulfill his suggestion and begin lessons. John and I sing one new song a week for the Sunday service. We usually sing two songs one week performing and the same two songs the next week with the congregation. This approach helps educate the congregation as well as helps develop worship.

Most of our children have volun-

teered to practice weekly and play in the band, including the four and five year olds. We have a bass and snare drums, a cymbal, maracas, sticks and a tambourine. For a year I used a windup metronome with a moving arm to keep the beat. Three of the children are taking piano which help beat, volume and general music skills. The children also sing, even the non-readers.

A friend showed me the key to transposing music from piano to saxophone and trumpet, each of which plays a different note in a different key. We use Wee Sing Bible Songs for children, workshop songs, and Group magazine youth-group songs, which for \$60. we received tapes and sheet music with chords.

The band plays at Sunday services, ecumenical services, public events and at the talent shows every two

home near our church. The band inspiring to the audiences as

months at the rest

is very inspiring to the audiences as well as to its own members. The children are happy to perform, develop their personal and group skills and to participate in the worship service.

A major reason why the children like the band is the opportunity to develop friendships at each others houses after practice.

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### DIVINE PRINCIPLE STUDY

## Nature of God and Man; the Purpose of Life

Section 1 \* Part 2

he eye is the lamp of the soul, the poet says, and thereby implies a fundamental truth about all humanity. Looking at ourselves we discover we are polar beings. We are both mind and body, internal character and its external form. The outer expresses the inner and the inner directs the outer. The quality of the soul is expressed in the clarity of the eye. Though our inward selves are invisible, our thought, emotion and will are reflected outwardly in our facial expressions and indeed in the whole body. To a considerable degree, each of us is what he does, because he embodies what he thinks. The outer man we see mirrors the inner man we don't.

As a man embodies an inner spirit, so does the rest of creation. Animals, for example, have internal instincts that direct their bodies. Squirrels provide for themselves in burying their nuts; spiders instinctually survive by building perfect spider webs; birds migrate across thousands of miles, seeming to know when to fly and where to go. Extraordinary new experiments reveal that even plants have emotions and memories. As everything visible is the expression of an invisible aim, we come to recognize that two dimensions, internal and external, character and form, characterize all things.

While it may seem obvious, Divine Principle reminds us of the importance of the internal dimension. A person's inward aspect gives him his value. No matter how handsome one may be, qualities of dishonesty or selfishness will severely compromise his stature in the eyes of God and his fellow man. On the other hand, even though a person's body may be crippled, noble internal qualities will gain him the admiration and love of all. Helen Keller, for example, despite being both deaf and blind, came to be both respected and loved throughout the world.

While Divine Principle recognizes that the polarity of internal character/external form permeates all the created universe, it nevertheless affirms that the ultimate inner/outer relationship is that existing between the Creator and His creation. The heart of all creation is God. He is reflected in all that we can see or hear or touch. He makes His presence known in the totality of creation which serves as His body, exemplifying His beauty and providing the outer form of His being. As St. Augustine wrote of his own experience:

And what is this God? I asked the earth

and it answered, "I am not He".... I asked the heavens, the sun, the moon, the stars and they answered: "Neither are we God whom you seek." And I said to all the things that throng about the gateways of the senses: "Tell me of my God, since you are not He. Tell me something of Him." And they cried out in a great voice: "He made us." My question was my gazing upon them, and their answer was their beauty.

#### Male and Female

Beyond the polarity of inner and outer, there is another fundamental polarity that is "perceived in the things that have been made." This is the polar relationship of masculinity and femininity. When God created man, He also created woman; they are a complementary pair. Also, within each man there are feminine qualities and within each woman there are masculine qualities. Carl Jung, the famous Swiss psychologist, thought of these qualities as the anima and animus. In the view of Father John Sanford, an Episcopalian priest and Jungian therapist, masculine qualities of personality (the animus) include active creativity, controlled aggressiveness and psychological firmness, while the feminine aspect of personality (the anima) comprises such qualities as understanding the capacity for relationship, patience and compassion. Each person contains both masculine and feminine potentials and, according to Sanford, "no one can approach wholeness without some development in both

Of course, the complementarity of masculinity and femininity is not limited to the species Homo sapiens. Within the larger animal kingdom there are also male and female creatures—stallion and mare, buck and doe, rooster and hen. Also, plants generally reproduce through staminate and pistillate parts. The world is made so that most everything exists and comes to completion through the reciprocal relationship of masculinity and femininity.

In the inanimate world these complementary elements are often expressed in terms of positive and negative. For example, atoms are formed from protons and electrons, and each atom itself assumes a positive or negative valence. Electricity flows between positive and negative charges.

The masculine/feminine polarity is also recognized in Oriental philosophy, which understands the relations of all things in terms of yin and yang. Yang includes such masculine elements as man, mountains, daytime and sun. Yin

includes such feminine elements as woman, valleys, nighttime and moon.

Divine Principle teaches of an intimate relationship between cause and effect. Since people and all things are composed of two sets of dual characteristics, character and form, and masculinity and femininity, Divine Principle argues that God Himself, the Source of all things, must also possess both internal and external dimensions and the qualities of masculinity and femininity. Since God as the First Cause necessarily possesses internal character as well as external form, we can understand Him as a personal being who feels, thinks and wills. He is not merely the "Unmoved Mover" of Aristotle, but the God of Love of Jesus. Indeed, while for the author of the 23rd Psalm the Lord is a "shepherd" whose "goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life," for a modern Christian He is an Other who has brought "relief from tension and misery... (and) guidance that rescued me from intolerable situations. At rarer moments this Other gave a joy and fulfillment that made the whole business of life worthwhile" (Morton Kelsey).

Such is the personal, caring nature of the Creator

Since—beyond the polarity of inner and outer-God also must possess both masculine and feminine characteristics, the metaphorical image of God as an old man with a long white beard can be only half the picture. If we try to symbolize God in this way, an accompanying greyhaired matron would also be necessary. God, an infinite spirit, is not just Heavenly Father, but Heavenly Mother also. In terms of the Biblical record, then, Adam alone does not provide a complete image of God: Adam and Eve together are God's image. Man and woman stand on a ladder of polarity which is connected to every level of creation-from humankind to animals, to plants, to the protons and electrons at the base of the realm of matter.

While it has recently become fashionable in some circles to interpret the differences between men and women purely in terms of cultural conditioning, Divine Principle would see such an interpretation as questionable. In a famous work by Switzerland's Professor Emil Bruner, *Man in Revolt*, for example, this scholar describes a biological difference between the sexes that is basic and deep-seated. Spiritually, he tells us, the man expresses the productive principle while the woman exemplifies the principle of bear-

ing and nourishing. Man tends to turn more to the outside world while the woman concentrates more on the inner realm. The male often seeks the new and the female longs to preserve the old. While the man often likes to roam about, the woman prefers to make a home.

For Divine Principle, such distinctive orientations exist by divine design. Physically and psychologically, man and woman are to complete each other's inner nature and outer structure.

#### **Divine polarity**

While the male-female polarity is evident in human society, it has been less recognized in the divine realm. The feminine aspect of God particularly has not been emphasized in Western civilization. Although other faiths have assumed the feminine aspect of the Godhead (Hinduism, for example, in worshipping the goddess Shakti has long affirmed a feminine dimension of divinity; also the Greeks recognized Zeus and his wife Hera), traditional Judeo-Christian theology has seen God as masculine.

Significantly, in the view of some scholars, there are deficiencies in a society based on the worship of an exclusively male deity. The well-known psychotherapist Erich Fromm, for example, has argued that fatherly love characteristically sets up principles of appropriate behavior and establishes laws of correct action. If the child cannot live up to such demands, he may feel a lack of love and by self-accusation cut himself off from the father's love. The result is frustration and depression.

According to From, maternal love is by contrast unconditional and all-enveloping. It does not need to be acquired, but comes as a natural gift of physical birth. The mother loves her children simply because they are hers—not because they obey her commands and fulfill her wishes.

For Fromm, an understanding of God as both a guiding Father and Mother would lead to a more rounded and stable personality in its adherents. While Fromm's distinctions might be slightly too neat, it is clear that considering God as both Father and Mother broadens and clarifies what we need and seek in God. Each aspect by itself is incomplete and one-sided. ��

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by Mata Williams

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### **40 YEARS IN AMERICA**

#### by Dr. Michael Mickler

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large percentage of the American movement, 2075 couples or 4150 persons in all, participated in a record-setting wedding sponsored by the church at New York's Madison Square Garden on July 1, 1982. This number eclipsed the previous record of 1800 couples married by Rev. Moon in 1975, which was recorded in the Guinness Book of World Records as the largest mass wedding in history. Engagement ceremonies of 705 couples in May 1979, 843 couples in December 1980 and 653 couples in June 1982, led up to the ceremony. With this event, the church went from being a movement of primarily single people to one of married people, virtually overnight.

The Madison Square Garden Blessing introduced new complexities into members' lives which had not been there before. These included the matter of spousal relationships, the pres-

ence of children, and issues of financial support. The church attempted to minimize disruptions and integrate newly-formed couples into its witnessing effort through lengthy engagement periods prior to the ceremony or separation periods afterwards, by setting standards of bringing a certain number of "spiritual children" before consummating marriages, and by mobilizing wives for IOWC teams. During its three-year period of "total mobilization' between 1983-85, the movement set up twenty-four hour

daycare facilities at

locations throughout the country so that members would be free to focus on witnessing.

Despite these measures, married life and children were a distraction for many. Unificationist couples understood that they were engrafted into the new humanity through participation in marriage "blessings" presided over by Rev. and Mrs. Moon. They also understood that children born of marriages arranged and blessed by Rev. Moon were free from the taint of original sin. The vast majority of members accepted their partners, most gratefully. However, since 63 percent of the couples were either inter-racially or cross-culturally mixed, spousal relationships required attention and work that otherwise might have been dedicated to outreach. Other couples, while affirming their blessing, redefined their church commitments. Some took conventional jobs and seemed to take on conventional lives. At this stage, the move-

MSG 2 075 Couples Blessing

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ment viewed family and mission as being in competition with one another. It did not yet comprehend how Unification families would provide new avenues of entrance into American life, mitigate the church's more threatening aspects, and lead to substantial numerical growth through high fertility rates.

The channeling of witnessing energies into other areas of interest or need was a final reason why the church did

ing people.

The movement undertook other initiatives which also pulled witnessing members from the field. Mention already has been made of the missionaries and global IOWC teams which went out in 1975. Although these members were dedicated to frontline activity, it was outside of the United States

and had an adverse effect on American witnessing efforts as noted. That same year, Rev. Moon founded Unification Theological Seminary at Barrytown, New York, which pulled an additional fifty members from the field, all college graduates, for a two-year course of study in religious education. The long-term vision was to prepare religious leaders. Still, this necessitated a commitment of up to fifty top members a year between 1977-85. In late 1976, Rev. Moon estab-

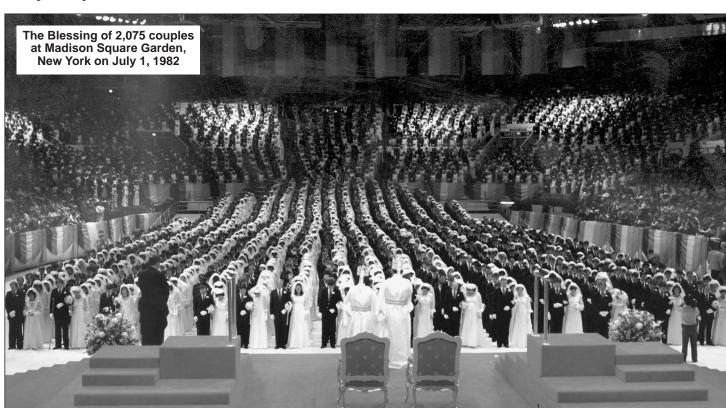
activities on a few East coast campuses, until the movement committed personnel and resources toward its development in late 1978. Under Rev. Chong Goo "Tiger" Park, CARP grew from less than 100 members in January 1979 to nearly 1,000 in June 1980, a year and a half later. However, the bulk of this growth was due to the reassignment of members rather than direct recruitment. In February 1979, fifty elder blessed wives were mobilized for a twoyear commitment. The Oakland Family also contributed large numbers of new members who in previous years would have gone to the MFT. In the late 1970s and early 1980s, Seminary graduates were assigned CARP missions, as were members of the movement's Performing Arts groups.

CARP witnessed actively but never became the student-based movement it was in Japan. On most campuses where CARP maintained centers, active students were in the minority, and lead-

> ership was vested in older church members, most of whom had already finished school. Recruitment was undertaken in a focused way mainly during the summer and even then, not on campuses but through streetwitnessing in geographical areas frequented by young people. As a consequence, CARP never developed a regularized campus witnessing program and did not become a major source of new members as in Japan. What CARP did do extremely well was confront leftist groups on cam-

puses. These efforts began as the result of an unplanned confrontation in March 1979 at California State University at Los Angeles (CSLA) when the Revolutionary Communist Youth Brigade (RCYB) assaulted CARP members distributing a pamphlet, "Communism and Fascism—Totalitarian Twins." As campus police moved in, the RCYB assaulted two officers, resulting in the arrest of eight RCYB members and the loss of its official recognition

This episode was the beginning of innumerable confrontations between CARP and leftist campus groups over the next several years. Many of the most memorable encounters occurred in traditionally liberal or radical campus settings, such as the University of California at Berkeley, the University of Wisconsin at Madison, and various campuses in New York City and Boston. The University of Wisconsin at Madison was especially difficult as members



not meet its membership goals. Rev. Moon's desire for the movement to become more substantial and to diversify into many areas of endeavor required increased membership and was the reason that he emphasized evangelism so heavily during these years. Financial support for movement projects continually exerted a pull, and hundreds of new members were pressed into service on mobile fundraising teams (MFT). This service was understood to be part of a seven-year "formula course," three and a half years of which were dedicated to restoring the things of creation. Still, this diverted members from witnessing and created a situation whereby many fundraisers stayed in the field five, seven or even ten years. Other fundraisers had difficulty in adjusting to witnessing and took "business missions" rather than fulfill the second three and a half years of the formula course, which was dedicated to restorlished a New York daily newspaper, *The News World*, which was the first of the movement's media initiatives in the United States. This also drained off talent from the field, as members staffed most positions.

#### CARP

All of these activities were deemed to be providential necessities, necessary for the movement to go forward. However, the diversion of energies into related areas of concern also affected organizations set up primarily for witnessing purposes. The most important of these was the Collegiate Association for the Research of Principles (CARP). CARP was one of the movement's major recruitment vehicles on Japanese college campuses, where its activists also challenged communist student organizations during the 1960s and 1970s. It had the same dual purposes in America but was largely inactive, except for

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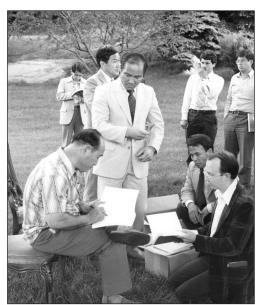
## **CARP** Founded

were "spat upon, kicked, even ambushed on the streets at night," and taunted with jeers of "Moonie slime" or "Moonie wimps." Signs were torn up and speakers, including Eldridge Cleaver who spoke at the invitation of CARP, were shouted down and forced from the stage. However, CARP did not back off and following the Soviet downing of Korean Airline Flight 007 in 1983, the tide turned. CARP had developed a revolutionary, activist élan of its own replete with practiced chants, burnings of Soviet leaders in effigy, hard-driving rock bands with names such as "Blue Tuna" and "Prime Force," and touring martial arts groups (these were especially helpful in protecting podiums from assaults). Earlier, Rev. Park led a counter-demonstration of 130 CARP members against a massive 250,000-strong anti-nuclear armament rally in Bonn, Germany, barely escaping after having been pursued by stick, pipe and chain-wielding attackers. Incidents of this nature, rather than more pedestrian recruitment testimonies, became part of the lore and allure of CARP.

Under Dr. Joon Ho Seuk, who became National Director in 1983, CARP blossomed into a genuinely national organization while maintaining a distinct identity and a high profile on college campuses. In 1984, Rev. Moon's eldest son, Hyo Jin Nim, became World CARP President. He convened the first World CARP Convention and led CARP activists in a march to the Berlin Wall. During the mid-1980s, CARP became a major source of new members. However, witnessing efforts were only one facet of its multipronged agenda and CARP's recruitment totals did not match those of the Oakland Family during the late 1970s.

### Academic and Interreligious Out-

Between 1977-85, the Unification movement made remarkable progress in reaching intellectual and cultural elites in American society. It also set up business and media networks that gained widespread exposure. In addition, the movement began to make inroads into the American conservative movement and New Right through its support of traditional Judeo-Christian values and opposition to communism. These advances came at a steep price. The movement expended millions of dollars, drawing on its worldwide resources, particularly from Japan. It also had to contend with continuing opposition. Nevertheless, by 1985 the movement was in a decidedly better position than at the start of 1977. The major difference was that at the end of the period it had a broad array of supporters. These included mainstream. even stellar academics, theologians and religionists, journalists, and civic leaders. In this sense, the Washington Monument campaign was a watershed event as Rev. Moon suggested. Prior to that time, the movement had few, if any allies. Afterwards, it had an increasing number of defenders, some of whom came to its defense entirely on their own. This did not mean that the time



Father signing "Green Level 4" books at East Garden in 1980 for CARP leaders. Tiger Park is standing next to Father.

of tribulation was over. It simply meant that after 1977 Rev. Moon and the church did not have to face it alone.

The movement did cultivate some friends before, particularly through its sponsorship of the International Conference on the Unity of the Sciences (ICUS). As noted, the ICUS conferences which met each November at rotating sites grew dramatically from 20 participants from 8 nations in 1972, to 60 participants from 17 nations in 1973, to 128 participants from 28 nations in 1974, to 340 participants from 57 nations in 1975, to 360 participants from 53 nations in 1976. During these years, critics of the movement utilized a vari-

ety of tactics to dissuade participants from attending. These ranged from letter-writing and telephone-calling to publicly "naming names" of those who attended. Most of those who had participated previously or accepted invitations stood their ground. Some addressed the sponsorship issue by stating that the meetings were valuable, that they were allowed "complete freedom of expression, agenda and organization," and that "science accepts money from many sources which may be in some way tainted. Although this line of argument may have been a viable defense

against conference's detractors, it was a less than ringing endorsement of the movement.

The situation changed after 1977 in at least two ways. One of these changes was that a number of participants made a serious effort to investigate the charges against the church and its founder. Dr. Fredrick Sontag, a philosopher from Pomona College, undertook the most serious and systematic investigation.

He interviewed members and movement leaders, including Rev. Moon, on three continents, stayed in church centers, attended a weekend training session as a participant, attended the Washington

Monument rally as a spectator, and "contacted as many ex-members and anti-Moon organizations as possible to gather their literature." The results of his investigation were published as Sun Myung Moon and the Unification Church (Abingdon, 1977). Sontag's book was replete with typical academic disclaimers that "the Moon phenomenon does not admit of easy solutions" and that for every simple issue resolved, "more important and difficult questions emerged." Nevertheless, he did reach "two firm conclusions." These were: "(1) The origins of the movement are genuinely humble, religious, and spiritual (which many doubt); and (2) the adaptability and solidarity of the movement are such that we are dealing with a movement here to stay." As he put it, "We have witnessed in our own lifetime the birth, growing pains and will see the maturity—of a new religious movement." Although the debate over "science, sin and sponsorship" continued, it no longer threatened the existence of ICUS, which continued to expand through 1981 when 808 participants from 100 nations gathered for the tenth conference in Seoul, Korea.

A second change was the emergence of a new synergy. The power of academic networking was such that participants not only brought colleagues but also fresh ideas. The Professors World Peace Academy (PWPA), which was founded by Rev. Moon in 1973 but which operated almost exclusively in Asia, increasingly drew on ICUS-related scholars in setting up chapters and sponsoring conferences worldwide after 1981. The movement organized Paragon

Unification Movement" (ISUMs) which reached more than 2,100 university scholars, professionals and government officials responsible for higher education from over 70 countries.

The movement followed a similar process in its ecumenical and interfaith relations. If ICUS was the base upon which the movement connected its value perspective to the sciences, Unification Theological Seminary (UTS) was the engine that powered its ecumenical outreach between 1977-85. Established in 1975 with the purpose of promoting "interfaith, interracial and international unity," the Seminary installed an original faculty consisting of a Dutch Reformed professor of Biblical Studies, a Harvard and University of Tuebingen-educated Church of Christ professor of Church History, a Jesuit professor of Philosophy, a Roman Catholic professor of Psychology and Religious Education, and a Unification professor of Systematic Theology and World Religions. The Seminary added an orthodox Jewish rabbi as professor of Biblical Literature and Judaic Studies, a Greek Orthodox professor of Church History, and a Confucianist professor of Oriental Philosophy the following year, making it undoubtedly the most religiously diverse seminary in America, at least in terms of its faculty.

As with its outreach to the scientific community, the movement faced opposition in its ecumenical work. The most serious and ongoing problem was the New York State Board of Regents' refusal to approve the Seminary's charter application. Despite receiving charter recommendations from two teams of consultants, State Board of Education staff members, and the State Commissioner of Education, the New York State Board of Regents delayed action on the UTS provisional charter application for thirty-four months, tabling a decision

six times. On one of those occasions, a Regents' "committee on UTS" raised "no questions about the adequacy of the program" but repeated allegations about "brainwashing, alleged deceptive practices of the Church, [and] alleged liaisons with the Korean government or K.C.I.A. When these were not substantiated, the Regents denied the application in February 1978 on the basis of an unannounced site visit that turned up "inconsistencies in admission standards" and misrepresentations in the catalog and a brochure. The Seminary pointed out



ly as an outlet for ICUS and PWPA-relat ed scholars, and in 1983 it incorporated the Washington Institute for Values in Public Policy as "an independent, nonprofit research and educational organization" providing "nonpartisan analysis exploring the ethical values underlying public policy issues." Building on this interest, the movement sponsored 40 "Introductory Seminars on the

examined and approved the admissions system and that SED staff had previously seen both the catalog and brochure without charging any misrepresentation. Nevertheless, UTS was denied its charter and forced to function without state authorization to offer courses for credit, to grant degrees, or to issue student visas. �

#### by Dr. Frank Kaufmann

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he 30 Years War (1618 - 1648) together with subsequent intellectual currents of the late 18<sup>th</sup> and early 19<sup>th</sup> century Europe contributed significantly to a situation in which religion lost status among the intelligentsia as a viable ground for social order, and a legitimate a voice for social morality. (The 30 years war diminished the population of Europe by close to 20%, as compared with 3% lost in WWII. Imagine the breadth and depth of devastation that has been attributed (rightly or wrongly) to religious intolerance.) I submit that this is a condition from which established religion (particularly Western religions) never recovered

(even to this day), and further, that this circumstance facilitates the persistence of conflict for a number of distinct but related reasons.

Enlightenment secularism with its emphasis on reason and scientific method overtook the privileged status of established religion, claiming most importantly what is often called "the moral high ground." This development with its modern roots most conspicuously in the 17<sup>th</sup> century established quite ineradicably assumptions among the cultured elite (whether spoken or unspoken) which sounds essentially like this: "I am not like religious believers who tend to be inflamed with passions and sooner or later end up in war. I am a reasonable person. A tolerant person. An open minded person." The elite are permitted to be religious if necessary, but only privately. Contemporary writers describe this latter reality as evacuating religion from "the public square." I use the term intelligentsia, or cultured elite to include the academy, established media,

entertainment content providers, and for the most part the professional class, with exceptions, of course, and not exclusively these groups. Furthermore with the help of media, like daytime talk programming, and the ideological sub-texts found in popular magazines, these views are mimicked in ever wider segments of the population. These trends are mildly in remission at present.

#### Scorn for Religion

There are a great many problems that result from the breadth and prevalence of the errant assumptions described above, which I discuss in this paper. It should be noted out the outset though, that it is not the writer's position that the community identified as the intelligentsia or the cultured elite are culpable. I hold that these errant assumptions about religious belief are reasonable, and further that the primary burden for reversing and setting aright the views of secular or religiously private intellectuals lies with religious leaders and believers themselves, not with their detractors.

When I mention errant assumptions I refer to the implied or express view that religious believers are less intelligent, less sophisticated in their thinking, more superstitious, more prone to hold beliefs which are internally inconsistent, more strident in their beliefs, more prone to aggression in defense of their beliefs, more likely to generate conflict, and so forth, than the intelligentsia and the cul-

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tured elite. Unfortunately for believing religionists it does not suffice merely to demonstrate themselves to be on the par with, or a touch more civil and compassionately engaged than their non-religious counterparts. I reiterate, severe damage was done in the 17<sup>th</sup> century and it was pinned on religion.. Until the legacy of the 30 years war is irrefutably repudiated, religious belief will continue to be disparaged and misrepresented. The status of sophistication, reasonableness, moral superiority, and social awareness, will remain with the secular and privately religious until that time, whether warranted or not.

this invariably leads to further antagonism among the parties in question. Attempts at reconciliation then are pursued solely on political and economic fronts even though religious and cultural allegiances are almost invariably far deeper and more far reaching for people.

Since the fact of religion itself often is not appreciated, it becomes impossible to positively appreciate the religious feelings, commitments, and concerns of people who are in the conflict situation. If religion itself is disrespected and presumed to be an agent of conflict, it becomes difficult for negotiators and mediators to extend empathy and sensitivity to par-

relevant data, pursuing peace also relies upon effective procedures for organizing human relations in such a way that peaceful dealings result. Here, the notion of *spirituality* comes more forcefully to bear, and does so in two ways:

The pursuit of peace like everything else proceeds on the basis of core presuppositions. Embedded in every recommendation for the restoration, repair, or setting aright of undesirable circumstances is the view about how and why things are, or have gone wrong in the first place. All peacemakers proceed based on a world view which provides for them a key to the source and origin of conflict

as a phenomenon in and of itself. Furthermore there always operates as part of those world views, beliefs about the nature of conflict itself.

However one views conflict, it is grounded on a base metaphysics (consciously or not), and what is known as a theological anthropology (again consciously or not).

The reason why disregard for religion is so harmful on *this* particular front is because these base metaphysics and theological anthropologies held by all parties involved in peace efforts, happen to be precisely what religious belief is all about. To believe religiously is to hold a view of the nature of reality, and a view on the nature of the human being and identify with a particular prescription to repair and restore.

Religious believers are consciously aware of these three aspects which naturally underlie all efforts for peace: Namely, what is the nature of reality, what is the condition of the human being, what prescriptions for peace derive naturally from the rigorous extrapolation of these

first two positions.

Religionists and believers should be experts at understanding the impact of the unprovable assumptions about reality each person holds. This expertise and insight can be very helpful to peace negotiators and mediators in helping them recognize their own horizons of faith (including secular or non-religious faith systems), and can help point out how these faith positions play out when rigorously extrapolated to see the implications for action programs for human betterment.

The job of religion is to cause human beings to change for the good. Thus if peace makers have as a necessary part of their brief the responsibility to modify human behavior for the sake of good, it should be very concerned to have the constant presence of experts in religion. Since religion has as its brief to make people better, it is unreasonable to exclude the discipline oriented specifically precisely to this end.

Thus both for understanding the parties, the issues, and the history of particular conflicts, *as well as* for assessing presuppositions underlying proposed dynamics for reconciliation, it is necessary for contemporary leaders including the intelligentsia and the cultured elite to restore a positive understanding of the nature and role of religion.

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### Two-Fold Impact on Conflict Resolu-

Peace-making requires process which has both interior and outer aspects. The outer aspects in turn are two-fold:

1. Conflict resolution relies upon rigorous and fair collection of data and information on the conflict in question (its history, and its current parameters and so forth).

2. Conflict resolution draws upon the careful use and application of social scientific findings concerning dynamics of human relationships. It is interested to know which induce or sustain conflict, and which beget peace and reconciliation

Both the task of information gathering, and the application of social science are handicapped whenever peace-seeking disregards religion and spirituality.

The view described at the outset of this article in which religion is presumed to be the home of intolerance, narrowmindedness, and eventual conflict underlies the tendency for peace-seeking efforts to gloss over religion in conflict-analysis.

Ordinarily all serious efforts at gathering information and data for analysis would never deliberately exclude a major element in the equation, yet this is precisely what occurs even at the highest levels of negotiations and diplomacy. This stems from the view that it is better *not* to bring up the matter of religion since

ties involved in this all important part of their lives. Yet empathy and understanding are classically understood to be qualities which are necessary and expected of negotiators and mediators. Fact is, it is necessary to get the *whole* picture of a conflict, and to consider *all* the concerns of the people and groups involved, rather than to deliberately black out an immensely critical element in the equation

For this change to happen mediators must develop a positive appreciation of the fact that people hold particular religious views. The fact that most people are religious cannot remain a mystery or a source of incomprehension for people who would seek to mediate and guide human, social relations.

Furthermore, good conflict-resolution professionals eventually should be able to appreciate not only the *fact* that people are believers, but even develop the capacity actually to comprehend the *particular* religious beliefs of persons or groups involved. Information gathered on a given conflict should properly require religious expertise to the same or greater degree as the study of political and economic forces that bring groups into conflict.

The second area of loss which derives from an adverse view on religion affects the social scientific and methodological side of peace seeking. In addition to sound and unbiased collection and analysis of



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his month we're doing something light hearted. This article is about information, and also its counterparts, misunderstanding and falsehood. Many people collect and dispense these three. Trouble is, only a few can (usually) tell the difference. My favorite talk show host, Jim Eason, dubbed such ever-perceptive folks "poll cats."

I have a favorite quote: "Some people make things happen, some people watch what happens, and some people wonder what happened."

Unificationists make things happen. Years ago we plastered (and unplastered) all of Manhattan with event posters, literally overnight. Later on, in mere weeks, we 'covered' the entire USA with Divine Principle videos and One World Under God posters. Then we gathered ten million signatures. Recently, we hosted more than fifty large Speech Tour banquets, putting some together on just a few day's notice.

What a far cry from being a couch potato—and you're never bored! But while you're busy making things happen, it pays to stay informed.

#### Information

Lots of people want to tell you things. One can find activists in a thousand arenas: promoting dark skies (for the sake of astronomers), lighting up crimeridden areas, rescuing every kind of plant and animal, warning against unhealthy foods (everything but tofu and rice cakes?), and lobbying for new colors in M&M candies. Each of these causes, big and small, sometimes consume people's entire lives and fortunes.

Savvy activists pour forth information, using controversial books, videos and pamphlets, loud demonstrations, faxes, and the Internet. It's spicy enough, the news media amplifies it tremendously. Usually without bothering to check the facts, or pondering the consequences, or wondering whether the senders have a private agenda.

If this deluge merely confused millions of individuals, it would be bad enough. In reality, American laws, policies, and court decisions are often based upon this mishmash.

The United States is a participatory democracy. According to our Constitution, we elect representatives to handle the difficult business of government for us. However, states like

# Poll Cats

California also have a direct-vote Initiative process. Politicians are relying on more and more on polling data, rather than their own intellectual or moral convictions. (Some do have them.)

#### Statistics

It's not that people aren't aware of this. In their magazine *American Journalism Review*, writers, reporters, and editors remind themselves to get multiple sources, ask tougher questions, and double-check the facts. There are huge web sites, such as the New York Times Navigator, devoted to this purpose.

Opinion polls are among the slipperiest of claimants to reality. Polls are allegedly accurate because they have to be; corporations pay them tons of money to find out what their customers think. Despite those grandiose claims, election polls are often wrong, and products such as new colas and burgers do fall flat.

Pollsters are largely ideological, and the "results" they get can usually be tailored in advance. Who do they call, and when? What questions do they ask, and in what order? How are the results weighted and tabulated? They'll never tell.

Worse yet, they ask questions like, "Do you think the terrorists will strike again?" Nobody really knows. They'll ask detailed questions about America's economic and foreign policy, when the person asked probably doesn't know who fought in the Civil War, much less when; or how to calculate the interest on a credit card.

That doesn't stop the pollsters from trying. At my (occasionally opportunistic) household we've received cheesy gifts for filling out some very intrusive surveys. Do you use bladder leakage products? They want to know!

Sometimes we're just *told* things. Such as, when a new movie "breaks the record" upon its release. This is true—and utterly misleading. Movie tickets were a dime, and in some places they're now ten bucks. America used to have a hundred million people. Now it's almost three times that many, and

the number of theaters has kept

When you adjust for these factors, *Gone With the Wind* remains the most successful movie of all time. True, it didn't have to compete with TV, either. Looking at 'production cost' vs. 'take,' the most profitable was likely *The Blair Witch Project*.

Unemployment figures are always doing a yo-yo on the daily news. Remember, this measures the number of job seekers. It

entails, among other factors, the number of new jobs created, and how many people are entering the work force.

Inflation is a complex issue. Politicians and bankers want to tell you it's is low. One way they did this by removing housing costs from the index (the CPI). If they did count housing, for example, my dad's house has undergone a 3500% price inflation, most of it in the past fifteen years. Great if you own the place; not so good if you're a first-time buyer.

Gives you an idea of how complicated this stuff really is...

#### Accuracy

It really helps to check your facts. And to trust the recognized experts, even while getting a second, third, and fourth opinion.

This very column has fallen prey to misinformation. I once mentioned that "gay teens are three times more likely to commit suicide." In reality, while they have their problems, they are no more likely to off themselves than other teens. That error had been traced to a single social worker, quoted by a reporter who didn't ask for verification. (There wasn't any.)

A common foul-up is misquotes. A popular saying I once quoted (along with CAUSA and Paul Harvey) is Tocqueville's, "America is great because she is good." Trouble is, he never said it.

Ditto with Lincoln's, "You cannot help the poor man by destroying the rich," etc. Those were written by the Rev. William Boetcker, and distributed in a pamphlet *along with* some actual Lincoln quotes.

#### Science

The media usually does a horrible job of presenting science. PBS and the Discovery Channel do better, but they water things down, besides having a slant. Few people notice, because the citizenry is so ill-informed.

Decades ago, my mother's "health food nut" friends combined wisdom and insight with a load of gibberish. One time they were ranting about how the evil Big Food Corporations are "burning salt," then selling us hapless consumers "the ashes."

Sounds alarming, unless you managed to stay awake in High School chemistry. Even as a child it was very frustrating. I am reminded of the scene in *Coal Miner's Daughter*, in which Sissy Spacek's character bakes Tommy Lee Jones a pie, and it turns out she doesn't know the crucial difference between salt and sugar.

Here in California, some people wear gas masks to keep out horrible "environmental toxins." Marin County spent over a million dollars to build special, ultra-clean apartments for these sufferers. However, if you press the issue, most of them cannot specify even five such toxins, or their metabolites within the human body. (In the event, the "clean" places made them just as sick.)

Sometimes it gets downright silly. Currently the media is filled with ads for two types of health product for men. One kind promises to restore youthful vigor by boosting testosterone levels. The other promises to create hair growth by *suppressing* DHT, aka testosterone.

One wonders how many confused men are swallowing *both* kinds of (quite expensive)product. The real irony—if not the crime—is that neither type works at all!

#### Conclusion

There is hope. Many keen thinkers are working to promote information over its alternatives.

Dr. Dean Edell (though a secular humanist) promotes health-related common sense through his book and radio show.

Phillip Howard has a new book out, *The Lost Art of Drawing the Line*. He rails against silly court decisions and botched zero tolerance policies.

On the Internet, **www.snopes.com** busts hoaxes and urban legends on a daily basis. Also, **www.aim.org** keeps on eye on media excesses.

The magazine American Journalism Review is a great source. Our own Washington Times and Paragon House are spreading the right information in large doses.

Common sense is required. Ask some hard questions. What would your grandmother say?

Use your personal faith and conscience as a guide. Far from quashing truth and inquiry (*a la* Galileo vs. the Inquisition), an absolute moral standard can provide a stable base from which to weigh the information stream.

Do say hello for me to the next pollster who calls. ❖

## **RECONCILIATION** from page 24

#### What Must Religions Do?

Quite simply contemporary religions must remove from popular opinion the assumption that strong religious belief is characterized by the likelihood if not inevitability of clash and conflict with anyone who does not believe in the same way.

This task is far more demanding than the efforts to date by religious leaders and public figures who are able to demonstrate impressive degrees of sophistication, magnanimity in social welfare, and even in international relations. What is required is that religions demonstrate beyond a shadow of a doubt that they are able and willing to cooperate on a permanent basis. This cooperation must be a permanent state of affairs, and not be event driven or issue driven.

Just as there exist international bodies, inter-economic bodies, and even joint military relations, religions must find a way to effect permanent dialogue and negotiations at the edges of their respective doctrines and practices as well or better than their counterparts and colleagues in politics and economy.

Religions working on parallel tracks no matter how magnificent the work will remain on the fringes of peacemaking. Religion has been tarred with an ever spreading image that strong belief is a divisive force in human affairs. This negative image must reversed before religion can take up its absolutely indispensable role in serving the cause of peace and diminishing conflict.

As religion comes to be recognized as a friend of peace, rather than being painted as inherently a threat, the diligent and noble labors among the worlds great individuals and institutions who pour out their hearts for peace and reconciliation every day can benefit and see their labors yield lasting fruit.

If religion can restore its reputation among the moderns by behaving as institutions in the same manner as nations, financial institutions, secular relief organizations etc., it should then become fully inserted into peace seeking work. There should not be a separate track of interfaith dialogue, off and to the side of the real McCoy (the Camp David's, the Oslo's, the Wye Rivers and so forth). Peace seeking should be integrated and holistic. It must include in the foreground the elements of religion and spirituality which exert such powerful influence in personal and world affairs. Eventually, it should become inconceivable to attempt peace negotiations without religion experts deeply involved.

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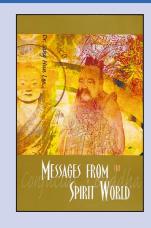
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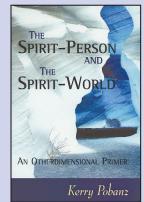
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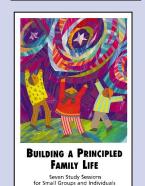
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