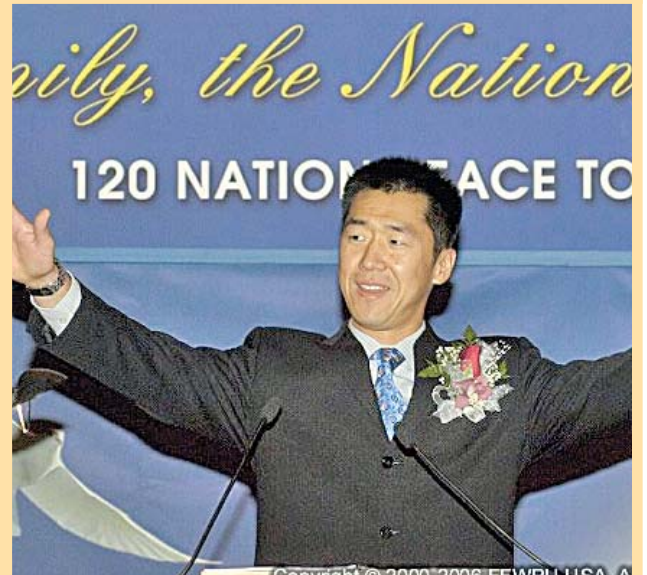


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THE TRUE OWNERS IN ESTABLISHING THE KINGDOM

This is one of the three speeches True Mother is giving on her 120 City World Tour. It was first given at the Third Assembly of the Mongolian People's Federation for World Peace, April 10, 2006 in Seoul, Korea.

Leaders from all over the world who are working hard for the development of the Mongolian People's Federation and the Universal Peace Federation, which was launched as the Abel UN!

Hand in hand with the heavenly fortune, a new spring has finally come to my fatherland, on the Korean Peninsula. I welcome you all personally and on behalf of the members of my family to this meaningful event, which you are attending despite your busy schedules. I hope you will fill your hearts with the new spring of heavenly fortune and take it back with you to your nations.

Distinguished world leaders: This is the third holding of the Mongolian People's Federation Assembly. After inaugurating the Universal Peace Federation in New York, on September 12, 2005, I went on to complete a global tour of 120 nations in order to pass on my inaugural message. The message expressed that the Universal Peace Federation, in the position of the Abel UN, should be developed as a new international peace organization and that at the same time the United Nations,

as a Cain-type institution, should be reformed by having a Peace Council—a legislative organization consisting of global religious leaders of the same rank as members of the current UN Security Council—established within it. I am referring to the founding of a Peace Council that will speak not for the interests of a particular nation, as the existing UN representatives do, but which will truly work for the welfare and peace of humanity from an inter-religious and universal perspective.

The concept of the Universal Peace Federation, which was launched with such a grand purpose and objective, could not have emerged from any human brain. It is the greatest, the utmost blessing given by Heaven to humanity and is ushering in the new millennium. It is my hope that the Mongolian People's Federation too will fulfill its duty as a partner of the Universal Peace Federation in achieving its noble goals.

Toward that end, I would like to pass on to you today a revelation from God that is absolutely essential to all 6.5

billion people comprising humanity. I hope you will all be wise enough leaders to open your minds and listen to the voice of Heaven. I will impart to you this extensive message of Heaven under the title "The True Owners in Establishing the Kingdom of Cosmic Peace and Unity."

region. You may call Him by any name, be it Jehovah, Allah, or any other. What is important is that He positively exists, lives as the true parent of all people, and is carrying on the great work of creation. In accordance with the principles and the laws of nature that He set up at the beginning of time, He governs everything in the universe, and He has carried out His providence through history.

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The Spiritual World

The human mind is more elevated than the human body and the spirit is more elevated than the mind. In a place more elevated than the spirit world, to which our spirits are destined to pass on, resides God. Therefore, only when we have become complete-

ly one with God in true love are we complete. From this perspective, a perfected person might be a small individual but would represent all of history and all potential future relationships and so could be said to possess infinite value. Once we became aware



Leaders of the world: God, the Creator of all things under the sun, is the true parent of all humanity. He is not a parent in the parochial sense, existing only for a certain religion, a certain race, or the residents of a certain

JUNE 2006

Ahn Shi Il • 8th, 16th, 24th

- 3 Inauguration of the Federation for Cosmic Peace and Unification South American Headquarters (2001)
- 4 72 Couples' Blessing (1962)
- 10 Il-Heung Shipbuilding Established (1986)
- 12 Young Jin Nim's Birthday (5/17/78)
- 13 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)
- 17 Declaration of the Return of the Sea to Heavenly Dominion (2000)
- 21 Rally for the Unity and Completed Settlement of the Parents of Heaven and Earth (2002)
- 23 Shin Kwang Nim's Birthday (5/28/01)
Day of One Heart (1989)
- 24 Declaration of the Return of the Land to God (2000)
- 29 Ceremony of the Return of the Cosmos to Heaven (2000)

JULY 2006

Ahn Shi Il • 6th, 14th, 22nd, 30th

- 1 Chil Il Jeol: Declaration Day of God's Eternal Blessing (1991)
Day of the Celebration of Victory (1973)
2075 Couples' Blessing (1982)
- 3 Interreligious and International Blessing and Rededication Ceremony (2002)
- 6 Shin Ha Nim's Birthday (6/11/98)
- 9 Kook Jin Nim's Birthday (6/14/70)
- 10 Sun Jin Nim's Birthday (6/15/76)
- 13 International Blessing 400 Million Couples, 4th Phase (2003)

CALENDAR

Universal Ballet Company Established (1984)

- 18 Sung Jin Nim & Dong Sook Nim's Blessing (1973)
- 23 National Parents' Day (1994)
- 24 124 Couples' Blessing (1963)
- 26 5th Phase of the 400 Million Couple Blessing (2004)
Youth Federation for World Peace Inauguration (1994)
- 27 Hye Jin Nim's Birthday (1964)

AUGUST 2006

Ahn Shi Il • 7th, 15th, 23rd, 31st

- 1 Hee Jin Nim's Ascension (1969)
Day of Returning to the Home Country (1993)
- 4 Hye Jin Nim's Ascension (1964)
- 5 Shin Goon Nim's Birthday (7/12/83)
Shin Kwon Nim's Birthday (7/12/89)
- 7 Unification Theological Institute (1971)
- 11 In Jin Nim's Birthday (7/18/65)
Chil Pal Jeol: Declaration of the Realm of the Cosmic Sabbath for Parents of Heaven and Earth (7/7/97)
- 12 Hwa Jung Nim's Birthday (7/19/77)
- 16 Il Sung II: Total Victory Day (1985)
- 17 Declaration Day Jeon-ban & Jeon-neung (1999)
- 20 Declaration the Providential Age of Salvation by Love (1989)
Blessing Registration in Cheon Il Guk for the Revolution of True Heart True Liberation and Complete Freedom (2004)
Father's Release from Danbury (1985)
- 23 Shin Ji Nim's Birthday (7/30/94)
- 25 30,000 Couples' Blessing (1992)
360,000 Couples' Blessing (1995)
- 28 Federation for World Peace (1991)
- 31 Pal Jong Shik: Day of the Settlement of 8 Stages (1989)

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of this cosmic value, we would realize that our lives should be led by and in service to our minds.

That is why your conscience knows and remembers not only every action you have performed but also every thought you have entertained. Your conscience is aware of these things before your own teachers, parents or even God is. Hence, if you were to live in absolute obedience to the commands of your conscience, which is your teacher for eternity, you would be absolutely guaranteed to have eternal life. Such is the way of God's creation.

When viewing the structure of a human being from a different angle, we can perceive that God created us as dualistic entities. He created our physical bodies as miniatures of the corporeal, tangible world and our spiritual bodies as representatives of and lords of the incorporeal world. Accordingly, a human being is intended to live for a hundred years or so in the physical world and once the physical body ceases functioning to pass on naturally and automatically into the incorporeal, spiritual world. In this way, though it cannot be perceived by the eyes in our physical bodies, the spiritual world is the automatic and inevitable extension of our lives on earth, humankind's eternal, original homeland, created by God.

As you can see, the spiritual world does actually exist. It is not a world that has been fantasized or imagined into existence. We do not have the right of choice concerning it. It is not a world we can go to if we please or refuse to go to if we would rather not. Just as God is eternal and unchanging, the spiritual world created by Him is also eternal and unchanging. In like manner to our living in the physical world in our physical bodies and forming all sorts of relationships with the existing world, even in the spiritual world we are destined to go on living in our spiritual bodies, and to form and maintain close relationships with all phenomena of the spiritual world.

The Relationship between the Spirit and Physical Body

However, in the relationship between the spirit and the physical body of a human being, the spirit is the more important of the two. The physical body lasts for about a hundred years before it stops functioning, but the spirit lasts eternally, transcending time and space. No matter how well a person dresses and fares in the physical world, he is bound to die. Therefore, before you pass on to the next world, you should achieve unity between your physical and spiritual bodies by living your earthly life in such a way

that you meet the standards of both the physical and spiritual worlds.

In other words, you have the responsibility of perfecting your spiritual selves within your physical bodies based on the finite life you live in the tangible, physical world. This does not mean, however, that the perfection of a spiritual self happens automatically. Only on the basis of your having achieved complete unity between your mind and body during your earthly life by expressing true love through actions can your spiritual self fully mature.

In order for fruit to ripen and be put into storage in autumn, it must first pass through the process of spring and summer and be provided with the nutrients supplied by nature and the tender loving care of its owner. Fruit raised in an orchard by a lazy and ignorant owner will be afflicted with all kinds of diseases and be affected by foul weather. Eventually it will fall from the tree before it is ripe or be classified as worm-infested. Though it would be fruit, it would be different from other fruit since it would never be good enough to sell in the market.

Fruit that has fully matured on the tree will automatically go into the owner's storehouse. Similarly, only when the spirit of a person has reached perfection in his life in the physical world, which can be likened to the tree, can it automatically enter the incorporeal spiritual world of the kingdom of heaven. In other words, a person will enter the kingdom of God in heaven automatically only when he has qualified for and enjoyed the kingdom of heav-

en on earth by living a fully matured life in his physical body.

en on earth be spent in selfishness and immorality, as a descent into all the temptations of Satan and in pursuit of nothing but pleasure? You should abstain from injuring and scarring your spiritual bodies at the risk of your earthly lives. Please bear this truth in mind: Whether you are bound for heaven or for hell is determined by your thoughts, speech and behavior in each moment.

This does not imply, though, that the spirit leads its own life or that it can express true love thorough actions on its own. Your spirit self grows, matures and finally becomes perfected only within your physical body, through an earthly lifetime of having actualized true love with your mind and body in a smooth relationship of give and take.

Nevertheless, undeniably, your outer selves and inner selves are in a constant relationship of conflict and struggle. How much longer will you allow this fighting to continue? Ten years? A hundred years? In contrast, there is undeniably order for all forms of existence in the universe. This indicates that God did not create us human beings in this state of conflicted disorder. You need to know that it is your duty and responsibility as a human being to dispel all temptations directed at your outer self—your physical body—and achieve victory in life by following the way of your inner self—your conscience. Heavenly fortune will be with those who lead their lives in such a way, and they will attain the perfection of their spir-

itual selves.

Bounds of Heaven and Hell

What kind of places are heaven and hell? What kind of people enter heaven? If it really does exist, where would it be? Would it be outside the galaxy, on the other side of the skies? Or is it only a product of our imagination? These are questions that everyone will have pondered and asked at least once.

In brief, heaven is a world overflowing with God's true love and established with true love at its axis. It is a world where true love is the external form as well as the internal content of every environment. It is a world where true love is consistent at the beginning and end of life. It is a world full of people who were all born through true love, who live in true love, who

live in the embrace of true love and follow the track of true love, and who finally pass on into the next world, the spiritual world.

Consequently, antagonism and jealousy cannot be found in that world, for it is a natural world where each lives for the sake of the other. It is not a world governed by money, honor or power. It is a world wherein the success of a person represents the success of the whole, the likes of a person represents the likes of the whole, and the joy of a person represents the joy of the whole.

Heaven is a world filled with the air of true love, where all breathe true love. It is a world where life throbs at any place at any time. It is a world whose constituent members are all connected to the true God through blood ties. It is a place where the whole world is linked together in an inseparable relationship, like the cells in our bodies. It is a world that is governed only by true love, the love that is God's essence. Accordingly, God also exists for true love.

A Life of True Love

You should lead a life that is completely devoted to true love. Your life should be one in which you love God more than did Adam, Eve or Jesus. Through thoroughly actualizing true love, you should perfectly unite your mind and body and find and establish the realm of the relationships of true love. To put it another way, you should perfect a true family on earth, and at least the three generations of true parents, true brothers and sisters and children should live together in true love, because only then will you be eligible to enter heaven.

What love is true love? The essence of true love is not having others serve one but giving and serving for the sake of others. It is a love that gives and forgets that it has given and that continues to give endlessly. It is a love that gives with pleasure. It is the heart of pleasure. It is the love of a mother holding her baby to her bosom and breast-

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feeding it. It is love expressed through sacrifice as when, with pleasure, a child acts with filial piety toward his or her parents. It is a love just like that God expressed when creating humankind, an act requiring absolute, unique, unchanging and eternal love that gives without any conditions or expectations of receiving anything in return.

True love brings about the incorporeal order, peace and happiness that serve the common good. True love is love that determines the source, center and owner of the universe. True love is the root, and the symbol of the will and power of God. Therefore, when bound in true love, it is enough to be together eternally; for it is love that can attract not only the universe but even God. The value of true love lies in its power, which is strong enough to eradicate the walls of national boundaries, races, and furthermore, of religion, created by fallen human descendents. That is why the absolute condition necessary to enter the kingdom of heaven is a life that has been lived for the sake of others, that is, a life of true love.

Yet look at the world we are currently living in. The people of the world are caught in the trap of extreme selfishness, clamoring for material omnipotence. They have lost all sense of values and have fallen into the depths of self-gratification and degeneration. The world is filled with alcoholics. As if drugs and free sex were not enough, there are even those who commit incest—an act not even seen in the animal world—and still live with their heads held high. This world has become one wherein beasts with human faces roam freely even after violating women—queens, grandmothers, mothers, wives and daughters. This world has become one wherein the swapping of spouses between couples is rampant. Such circumstances are without a doubt the pinnacle of the destruction of morality and the very last of fallen acts. This world has become hell on earth, where the perfection of the world embodying the ideal God envisaged at the Creation cannot even be dreamed of.

Results of the Fall

We have come to know that all these problems are rooted in the Fall of Adam and Eve, our first ancestors. Adam and Eve, who were at the perfection stage of the growth period, had a sexual relationship before their rightful time, due to the temptation of Satan. In this manner, an illicit sexual union of man and woman constituted the Fall. This is why people have continued to commit such indecent acts—traitorous acts that drive a sharp spike into the heart of God—over thousands of years. They have been unable to escape from the realm of the fallen lineage.

A man or woman alone can only be one-half of the whole. That is how God

created us. For that reason, He has interchanged the owners of the reproductive organs, the love organs. The owner of the wife's reproductive organ is the husband, and the owner of the husband's is the wife. Only when each is rooted in true love for the sake of the other are they in the position of the owner of their spouse. In other words, irrespective of who they are, all human beings can become perfected individu-



als—and not just mere halves—only when they have secured the position of an owner through marriage.

The human sexual organs are sacred. They are the palace of life, where the seed of life is sown, the palace of love, where the flower of love is made to bloom and the palace of lineage, where the fruit of lineage is borne. Through this absolute sexual organ, the absolute lineage, absolute love and absolute life is brought forth; and absolute harmony, absolute unity, absolute liberation and absolute Sabbath brought about.

For what reason, then, are we trying to restore the position of the owner of the reproductive organs? It is to possess God's love from that position. He is the subject of three great loves. As the owner of the universe, He is the true teacher, true owner, and true loving parent. These are the true three great subject ideologies.[1] All these teachings and truths are created through the life of a true, model family; and with its expansion, the society, nation, the world and even the universe will be transformed into the peace kingdom of the model, ideal family.

However, because of the Fall, the first Adam lost the original, true lineage and consequently failed to form the original couple and the original family. Adam, who should have become the true teacher, the true parent and the true king, inherited the lineage of Satan and was degraded to a false teacher, false parent and false king.

When we come to think of it, the pur-

pose for Jesus' coming down to earth did not lie elsewhere. If Jesus, who had come as the second Adam, had not lost his life on the cross, he would have been of the original lineage of God, unrelated to the Fall, and would have reversed the failure of the first Adam, established the true family as the Savior of humankind and founded on earth the original human homeland, the kingdom of the world embodying the ideal

of peace, that is, the kingdom of heaven on earth. However, the disciples, the Jewish leaders and the leaders of the nation of Israel all failed to recognize the Christ, and their disbelief caused Jesus to end his life in such a wretched and tragic way. Has there been anyone who knew of the grievous heart of Jesus, who had to leave earth at an untimely

moment, leaving no child behind him? Though two thousand years of Christianity history have passed, has there ever been any Christian who stopped to imagine Jesus' sorrowful circumstances? Jesus left suddenly, leaving behind him few traces other than a



promise to return, and though his physical body has long been buried and become dust, the will that God had tried to fulfill through him is finally in the process of being completed at this time, at the end of history, through True Parents, who have received the seal of Heaven and been manifested on earth.

However, the life of Rev. Moon, whose

task it is to complete the mission of True Parents, has been one of sorrow, marked by inexpressible suffering and persecution. The third Adam, the True Parent, needs to restore through indemnity and completely reverse all the failures of the first and second Adams. It is True Parents' mission to not only complete the mission of the Savior, Messiah, and Lord at his second coming, but also the mission of all those major figures on whom religions are based. With similarities to God's creation of the universe, his life has constituted the great work of the re-creation of humanity, where not even the smallest error is permitted. It has been a lonely course that cannot be discussed with anyone. It has been a course that took him down thorny paths through the wilderness—paths that he had to follow while utterly alone. Not even God could acknowledge him. Hovering many a time between life and death and vomiting blood, he has still had to rise again like a phoenix to remain true to his promise to God. Rev. Moon has had to endure imprisonment six times, though he was innocent: for working in the underground independence movement when he was studying in Japan in his early days; for propagating the will of God in Pyongyang, which was under communist rule immediately after Korea's colonial independence; during the Syngman Rhee administration, after Korea had been reborn as a free nation; and, furthermore, even in the United States, which proudly presents itself to the world as a model of democracy. Who on earth can understand the eventful life of Rev. Moon? His has been a life of misery, which he has endured by bit-

ing his tongue, for the sake of our God that deserves pity, and for the salvation of fallen people of the world who are suffering in the realm of death. Even now, if one person were to look into my heart and speak a word of sympathy, my tears would become an explosive waterfall.

Heaven Begins from the Family

The sinful era of restoration through indemnity, the era before the coming of heaven, has passed and the era of the constitutional government, ruled by heavenly law, that is, the time after the coming of heaven, is upon us. You are now living in an era of grace in which, after receiving the marriage blessing from True Parents, completing the conversion of lineage, and leading a life of the settlement of noon, a life without shadows, you can automatically enter the kingdom of heaven. That is to say, if you establish a true family on earth and lead a heavenly life, once you die your life will be connected to the kingdom of heaven in heaven just as you are, and you will enjoy eternal life.

Therefore, in the framework of the

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family, you should serve God as the Father in the topmost position. Everyone of you should become His children, entering into a parent-child relationship with Him and perfecting yourselves through living together, closely linked in blood ties. In short, you should form and live in the realm of a true love relationship with God.

Who would be the greatest grandfather of the universe? The first human ancestors, Adam and Eve, call God "Father." Should their children call Him "Grandfather"? They too should call Him "Father." Why is this so? From the viewpoint of God, the vertical center, all object partners of love are equal. His object partners, which are produced through the horizontal expansion and multiplication of His love, assume equal value regardless of who they are, transcending time and space. Simply put, everyone has equal value in perfected love.

The kingdom of heaven must first be achieved on earth. What this means is that the kingdom of heaven being established in the corporeal world is prerequisite to establishing the kingdom of heaven in the incorporeal world. Therefore, heaven is not a world found in space on the other side of the galaxy, nor is it the by-product of imagination existing only in the human brain. It refers to the substantial kingdom of heaven on earth, which can only be created when you have led lives expressive of true love. When you leave the physical world on that foundation, you automatically enter the incorporeal kingdom of heaven in heaven. This means that only when you have led a heavenly life on earth, can you lead such a life also in heaven.

Only the fruit that has fully ripened on the tree is classified while in storage as a product of the best quality. Herein lies the reason why your lives should not be ones bound for hell, devoured by insects on the tree. You should never forget that you yourselves determine whether you go to heaven or to hell through your life on earth.

The Value of Family

The reason we miss the family we have left behind is that at home there is love for one another. It is where the love of mother and father, the love of elder brothers and sisters and younger siblings, and the love of one's spouse and children and close neighbors are all deeply embedded. It is a place of mutual affection, where all relationships and affinities are brought together through mutual love. This makes you want to cherish each and every member of your family. It would be the yearning and desire of a wanderer that has left his family behind him to appear before his family once again boldly as a liberated being, and to embrace mountains, streams and trees, love his kith and kin, and sing songs of ecstasy. However, the lot of humankind, descended from the Fall, has been different: banished from their hometown and destined to wander around forever in isolation and defeat, human beings are unable ever to go back, no matter how much they miss their family, for they have lost the root of the heart of their

original homeland.

However, with the ushering in of the era of a new heaven and a new earth after the coming of heaven, human beings have been pulled out of the marsh that was sucking them down, and the way has been opened for them to return to their hometowns—hometowns that they could not forget even for a moment—and meet with their family. Could there ever be a day of greater blessing for humanity? The time of heavenly power and fortune has now come for us to reestablish the original family that was lost through the Fall of Adam and Eve.

A Family of Three Generations Living in Harmony

When seeking after the lost original family, you should set out from the position of the perfection of Adam, the position of the perfected Jesus, and the perfected position representing the Second Coming of the Lord. God will dwell in such a family. That family would be one of three generations—grandparents, parents and children—living in harmony. You need to live in service and attendance of the grandfather as the historical root of your ancestors.

The family sets the pattern for living together in harmony. The home wherein parents and children love and respect each other, husband and wife are grounded in mutual trust and love, and brothers and sisters trust and rely on each other, and all live together as one, is the model ideal family. This means that you need to establish a true family wherein the stem of true

sons and granddaughters as princes and princesses, and erects the palace of peace representing the two worlds, the spirit world and the physical world.



In such a manner, the three generations of grandparents, parents, and grandsons and granddaughters should live together as one family, serving the eternally existent God. You should know that to seek after and establish such a family of Cheon Il Guk, God's kingdom, is the responsibility of tribal messiahs, the mission of the peace ambassadors, and the desire of God.

The movement to realize a society of mutual existence, prosperity, and benefit, by making humanity one great family, breaking down the walls in our hearts and eliminating even the boundaries between nations, begins thus from one family. Therefore, we should bear in mind that to form and establish true families is our providential calling, advancing the establishment of the cosmic peace kingdom on earth.

You should form families that God will miss and yearn to return to after He has been away. You should raise families to which He can come freely as a Parent visiting His children. That is living in the service of God. To such a family, God becomes the Subject of our conscience, acting vertically. Following that vertical Subject, your mind stands in the position of the vertical subject of yourself, and brings your mind and body into unity. That is where parental love, conjugal love, children's love, and siblings' love—in short, the four realms of love or the four realms of heart—are perfected. Only in such a family can the upper and lower, front and behind, left and right be connected as one and circular motion continue.

If the world were filled with such

true families, that world would be one governed by the heavenly way and heavenly laws, with no need for lawyers, prosecutors or even judges. Ponder this for a moment. Who would be most fully aware of your good and bad deeds? It would be your grandparents, your parents, your spouse and your children.

Is there anything that cannot be resolved within the family? When parents and children, husband and wife, and elder siblings and younger siblings set an example of living for the sake of one another, how could they do anything unforgivable? What chance would they have to commit crimes? A world governed by the heavenly way and the heavenly laws is a natural world, an unobstructed world of truth and pure reason, and a world of the settlement of noon, where no shadows are cast.

We should all return gratitude and glory to God and True Parents for enlightening us about the incredible providential age in which we are living. We should give praise and thanks for eternity to True Parents for opening the time after the coming of heaven, which is unprecedented in history and which will never be repeated in the future, and for bringing about the era of the settlement of the realm of true liberation and complete freedom. Just as the sun rises with brilliant light in the eastern sky, heavenly fortune is now shining upon all people. The curtain of darkness that shrouded us for thousands and tens of thousands of years is lifting at last. as Heaven's will is taking root in your hearts. This is a path of destiny you cannot avoid. Therefore stand up with courage and shout out, "Whoever wants to die will live, and whoever wants to live will die!"

Serving the Universal Peace Federation as the vertical Abel, and the religious realm and national realm of the world as the horizontal Abel, it should be in the position of Cain and work as the central figure in establishing the global kingdom of the peace ideal. I hope you also will participate actively in the Bering Strait Tunnel Project, currently being promoted as a Universal Peace Federation construction project. Through the completion of this project, humanity will become one great family and the establishment of a war-free world of the peace ideal, espousing the blessings of eternal peace will come to be.

Please become true princes and princesses that can attend and live together with God, the eternal peace king, as the true parent of humanity. Let us restore the Mongolian People's Federation to the Mongolian Shared Lineage Federation by receiving the marriage blessing of True Parents and perfecting the conversion of our lineage. Please take to heart that this is the task assigned to you by God and become the true owners in establishing the Kingdom of Peace and Unity in Heaven and on Earth.

May God's grace be upon you, your family and your nations. ❖

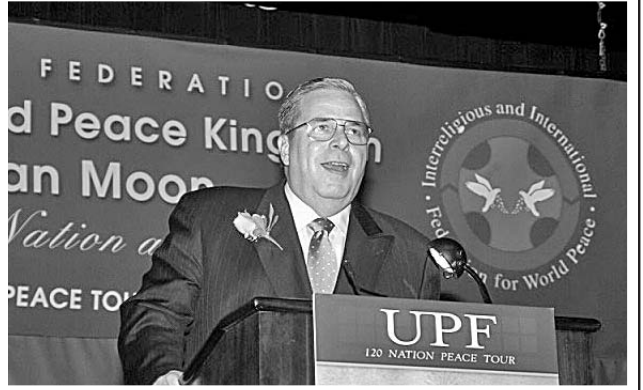
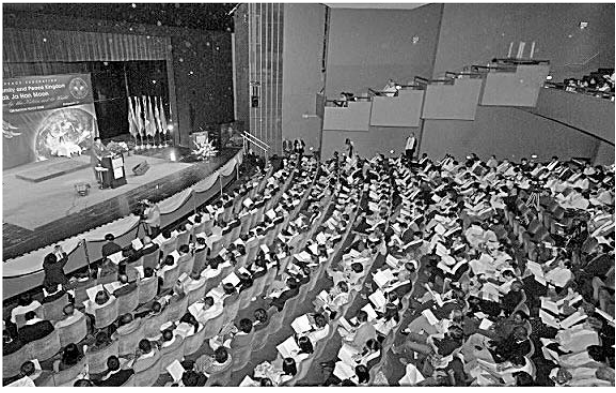


love emerges from the root of true love and bears the fruit of true love.

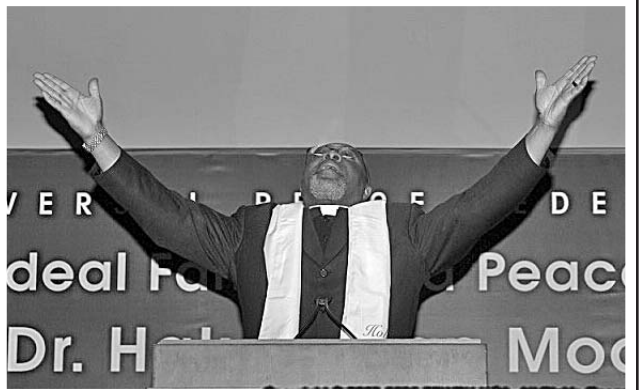
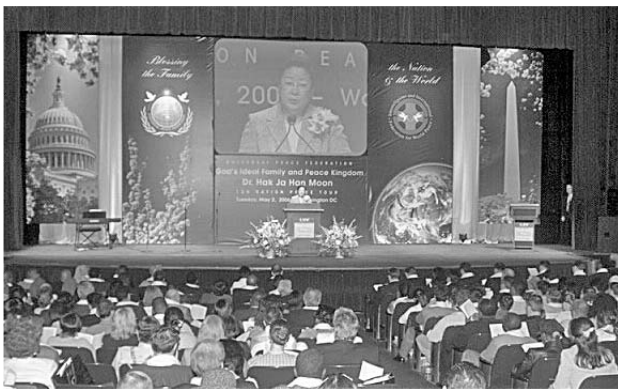
In such a family the root of history is alive, and the root of the kingdom of heaven extends into it. It is in such a family that the kingdom of heaven on earth takes root. It is also where the everlasting root of kingship is firmly planted. The roots of the past, present and future are represented by the grandparents, parents, and grandsons and granddaughters respectively. The root of the past represents the spirit world, the root of present is the palace representing the world today, and the root of future establishes the grand-

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by Rev. Michael Jenkins

T rue Parents were pleased with the Blessing Tour in New York. Over 4,000 gathered at the Jacob Javits convention center. It was overflowing. Thanks, New York (and surrounding New Jersey and Connecticut for support).

During the prelude Akiko Ikeno gave a moving testimony of faith and purity inspiring everyone to lift up our second generation. Our young people centering on Hyun Jin Nim are rising. Bishop Cecil Riley gave the invocation. A member of the Surinam United Nations office gave a very sincere and thorough presentation of the work of True Parents and in particular the effect True Mother is having on the nations of the world, leading them into peace. Dr. Yang as Chairman of the Universal Peace Federation for North America gave welcoming remarks as to the impact of True Parents in healing the problems of racism and cultural division. All is completed through loving one's enemy and marrying with a heart to heal all of the divisions of history.

Rev. Kwak, Chairman of UPF worldwide, gave deep understanding and guidance on the heart and holy value of the Blessing. He said, "Please do not doubt that there is a living God and a divine providence at work in history, leading all humanity to a world of lasting peace. Tonights meeting is directly linked to the guiding hand of God. Through the words we hear, we will learn of the root causes of human suffering and conflict, and of the true path to lasting peace. Our response to this message will affect not only our personal lives, it will even affect the course of history."

Then Hyun Jin Nim spoke. People are being moved. Think about what it means when a son can inherit his father's vision and put it into practice. This is moving heaven and earth. Bishop Stallings said, "Hyun Jin Nim has taken full ownership of his father's World Tour message; now it is his message and he delivers it powerfully." Sherefiah Tomlinson presented flowers.

Then performed "Amazing Grace." has heart. She sings in such a way that comforts God. I can never forget during the 50 state tour, and her husband sacrificed everything to make their former Colorado region shine for True Parents. She pushes with sacrifice to bring people to the providence and that is why her performances comfort God and True Parents.

True Father had requested "Amazing Grace." I remember one time when we were sitting with Father late at night. Suddenly during a quiet moment when Father was reflective he began to hum softly "Amazing Grace." It is very moving to think about Father's life and how God saw him through all the persecution and imprisonment.

Beginning in a Presbyterian church, how profound was his journey as Jesus gave him clear understanding of the providence and the full anointing to become the True Parent of humanity. Each and every inch of the path to perfect and complete the responsibility of Adam and Eve was filled with tears, suffering and sorrow. All of the forces against heaven were permitted to freely use any and all means possible to stop the restoration of Adam's family. How far we have come through "amazing grace" to the place where all religions and peoples are now cooperating to receive the Blessing of Marriage. Now all people are coming forward with incredible support. Hyun Jin Nim is gaining power with each presentation. There is so much content in this historic address. Clearly it gives a most central point as its message - that the Holy Blessing is the way to bring about ideal families.

There was a strong contingent of our clergy there. It was beautiful to see their response. Bishop Riley and Dr. McGhee have "settled" in their feeling of total confidence in the anointing of True Parents. Ambassadors for Peace and many dignitaries were present.

True Mother came and delivered her message with such great heart and spir-

it. Imagine, True Mother going to 120 nations with no rest. We can't imagine the sacrifice that is required and the clarity internally to fulfill such a role to heal all the strife between Cain and Abel. She said, "Distinguished leaders, you are living in the most blessed and exalted time in history. I now proclaim the launching of the era of a new heaven and earth after the coming of heaven, long-awaited and yearned for by billions of your ancestors in the spirit world who have come and gone in history. This is the era of the Kingdom of the peaceful, ideal world. Not only the four great religious founders but also billions of good ancestors have come down to earth to guide you on the heavenly path. The age in which the unreasonable and corrupt world runs amok, allowing those who are evil to live bet-

ter than others, is passing away."

After True Mother's presentation, the flowers were presented by Yasu and Rene Igarahshi, and we began to prepare for the blessing. This blessing has a very special meaning and is

a new blessing not only for first-time candidates but also for clergy, Ambassadors for Peace and all the Unification blessed couples. It is a blessing that covers all humanity. That is why Father is asking that we give the holy wine to all Americans and to all the world—man, woman and child of every race, religion and culture. The 120 Nation Blessing has a special meaning. There are three stages. The first is rebirth. The blessing is now going to the baby in the womb as the Rebirth covers the baby up to 8 months. This is why Father asked for pregnant women to be on the stage with their husbands. Then the resurrection. This covers all individuals and couples from 8 months through 18 (that is why young people up to 18 must be on the stage). Then the third stage is the blessing for eternal life. It represents all ages from 18 up to the spirit world. This means every category of humankind is covered, through the holy blessing. The Ambassadors for Peace appointments

were made for a City Councilwoman from Brooklyn, Bishop Dunn, Dr. Bada, and several other outstanding leaders. Dr. Lonnie McLeod, of Harlem's Light of Hope Church and professor of Unification Theological Seminary, gave the call to action. ❖



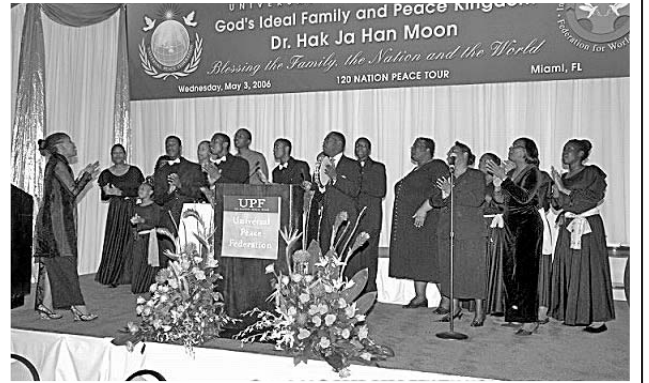
North America start of the 120 City 2006 World Tour

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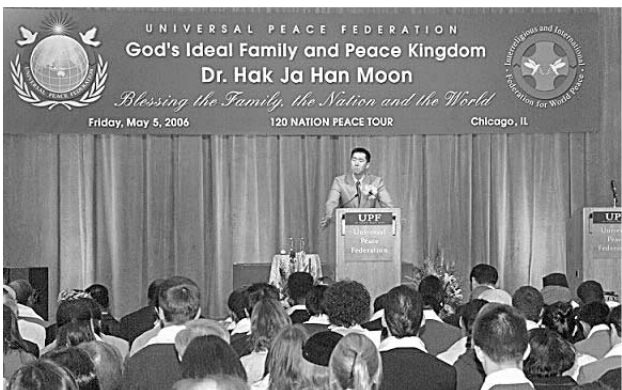
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TRUE MOTHER'S WORLD TOUR

NEWARK

by Rev. Michael Jenkins

The New Jersey program was held in Hopewell Baptist Church in Newark, a very large cathedral that's respected throughout the state and the nation. Rev. Levy Daugherty, Secretary General of ACLC, led the program as emcee. As a guiding light, Rev. Daugherty helped set the stage for all of us to come together. The program was truly an event that all people of faith would love. We were touched to have Mzuri perform so beautifully. She is an actress who has performed in "Sankofa" and she lifted our hearts and brought unity.

Mayor Sharpe James came and greeted True Mother and also welcomed the distinguished gathering of Ambassadors for Peace, clergy and community leaders to the event. The New Jersey affair was very well attended by civic leaders from many different political perspectives. Ambassadors for Peace were appointed early in the program. State Senator Ronald Rice, Mayor Sharpe James, Senator Tom Giblin and other state senators and mayors were honored at that time. Truly the efforts of Ambassadors for Peace and of the clergy have created the mainstreaming of our movement in this area.

Hopewell's pastor, Rev. Dr. Jason Guice, gave welcoming remarks and testified how he has stood with Rev. Moon even from the time he was a pastor in Tarrytown, New York years ago. When Rev. Moon first came, Dr. Guice was shocked at the amount of criticism and rejection he received. It reminded him of what it must have been like when Jesus was doing his work. Later Dr. Guice moved to New Jersey and was always a good friend. Just recently he's taken a more prominent role in the ACLC, joining together with the former state president of the NJ Baptist Convention, Rev. Elton T. Byrd. Some of the most prominent clergy are standing with the ACLC and the blessing movement. Dr. Guice testified that truly Father's teaching is blessed by God, a teaching that will strengthen and develop the family.

Rev. Dairo Ferraboli, coordinator of ACLC in New Jersey, mobilized heaven and earth, and the clergy came out as never before. Having the blessing program in a church like this was most appropriate because it's a holy space. Because of Rev. Guice's and Rev. Ferraboli's work, clearly our movement there has gone beyond the boundaries. There was a feeling that this movement for the blessing was for all faiths. Dr. Dawoud Assad and Imam Ameer Pasha Salahuddin were among the Muslim

leaders well known in New Jersey who understand that the blessing is beyond the boundaries of religion and it is from God for all people.

Rev. Dr. James P. Page gave the invocation for the event. Sen. Ronald Rice of the 28th district received strong applause as he testified that cooperation between the religious community and elected officials is crucial to strengthening and improving our community. Rev. Kwak and Dr. Yang spoke, and then Hyun Jin nim took the podium. There was overwhelming support from young people in the audience. As they followed the speech, they would shout in emphasis of certain statements, such as "where there's a will there's a way, especially when it's the will of God." This excited the whole audience, as the feeling of youth taking ownership of the family and blessing movement is most inspiring.

Hyun Jin nim spoke with great power. Again, Archbishop Stallings got excited because the son is inheriting the vision and spirit of his father. As Hyun Jin nim speaks, he resonates with the words and the feeling is growing that a new movement has emerged in Amer-

ica, one that covers all generations.

"Respected leaders! Our bondage to the lineage of Satan has caused so much suffering throughout history. Let us now boldly step forth to sever it and be grafted onto the root of the lineage of the True Parents. Why should we foolishly continue to live and die as wild olive trees? A wild olive, even if it lives for 1,000 years, will only continue producing the seeds of more wild olive trees. Where can we find the path to escape this vicious cycle? It is through the Holy Blessing. The Holy Blessing Ceremony offers the grace of being grafted onto the true olive tree. It was instituted by the True Parents, who bring God's true lineage to humankind. Once you change your lineage to God's lineage, your offspring will belong to God's lineage naturally."

Again performed beautifully, and then True Mother came on stage. Her presence is very powerful and yet always brings the greatest dignity and a sense of heart and love. Although she and Father bring many of the same qualities, certainly Mother comes bringing a mother's love, which is very different from that of the father.

Somehow through True Mother love incredible unity and transition is occurring. So many walls are coming down.

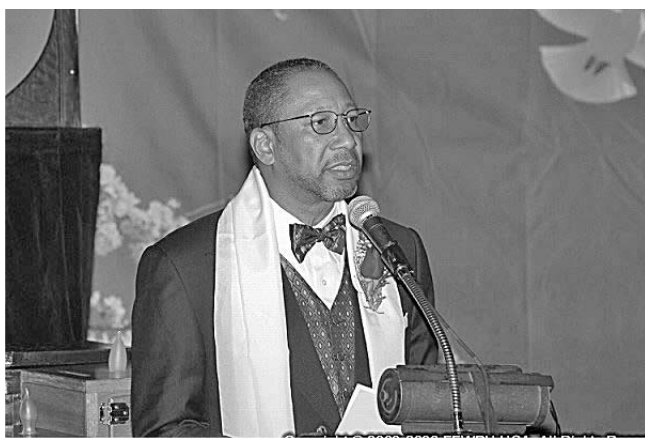
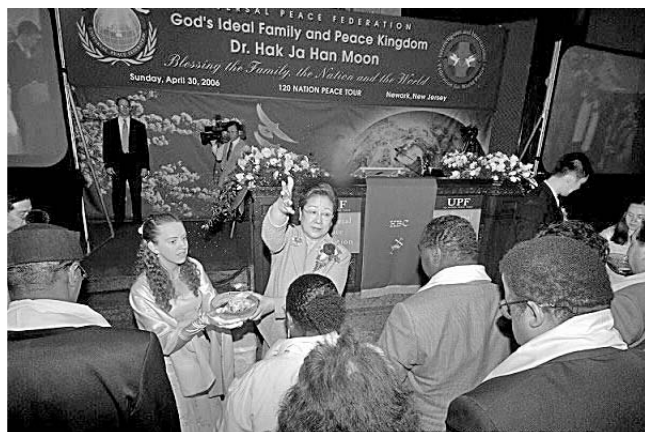
The blessing came after True Mother's speech, and again it was just an overwhelming outpouring of couples from all races and religions - Hispanic, youth, families, Muslims, Christians standing together, holding hands, receiving the prayer of blessing from True Mother and Hyun Jin nim. The blessing is now being given on three stages. First, rebirth, which means a special blessing for babies in the womb. They will be anointed and cared for and protected by God. Then resurrection, from birth to 18 years old, meaning all youth will receive a special blessing of protection and engrafting into the Tree of Life by this ceremony. Third, eternal life from age 18 to time you go to spirit world. This means a new dispensation has begun where even individuals can change blood lineage and be engrafted. Still they must complete the blessing process to become true parents and part of the true olive tree, but the engrafting process severs them from Satan's accusation that he has a claim on their future children

Many people who

never were able to attend our events before are now attending. Some kind of spiritual phenomena wherein walls that once were impossible to overcome have now been dissolved and the people are flooding through the gates. It was so beautiful to see Mother delivering this message of love and also to see representatives of the Newark police with their spouses, representatives of the various branches of the military with their spouses, many educators and professors there. The message is rich and is so well developed that it communicates profound understanding that we are entering a new age in history, an age where religions must cooperate and live together as one. Through this unity the problems of our communities can be addressed and solved.

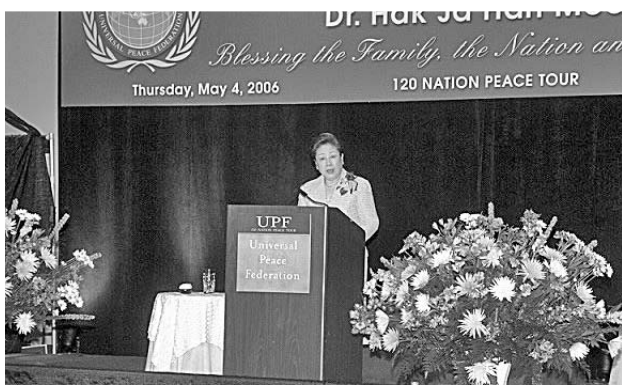
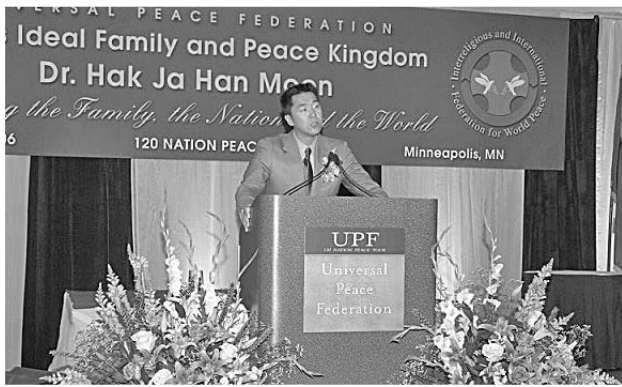
Mother emphasizes so deeply that love is the most powerful force and is what binds us together with God. She also clearly explains the purpose of marriage. She states, "Why should we get married? It is to restore the position of an owner. A man or woman alone can only be one half of the whole. That is how God created us. For that reason,

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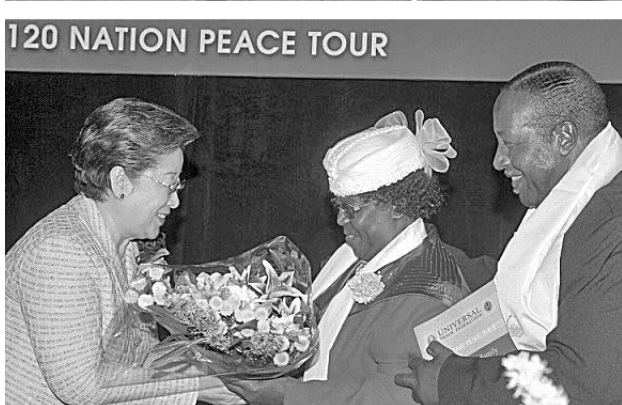


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MINNEAPOLIS



WINSTON-SALEM



TRUE MOTHER'S WORLD TOUR

BOSTON

by Rev. Michael Jenkins

The Boston community has developed much under Rev. Jim Edgerly's leadership, together with Rev. Kil Hwan Kim and Rev. Bismarck Bamfo. Maria Ferrante, a noted soprano, performed for the overflowing banquet hall at the Marriott Copley Center. Ambassadors for Peace appointments were given to Robert Semonian, Massachusetts Republican state chairman for ethnic outreach; German Ortiz of the board of trustees for New Hampshire charities; Kerry Hall-Chandler of Christ Temple COGIC in Maine; Brother Ralph Muhammad, protocol director of #11 Mosque, Nation of Islam, Dr. Amos Lee, physician from New Hampshire and recipient of the Parent of the Year award in 1996.

Sen. Larry Pressler, who has been on Capitol Hill for 22 years, 18 as a US Senator, gave a special greeting. Sen. Pressler highlighted the fact that there are many efforts for Peace but certainly Rev. Moon's effort is most comprehensive and diverse and is having an enormous impact. He went on to highlight Rev. Moon's emphasis on women being the key to peace, and certainly Dr. Hak Jan Han Moon's tour demonstrates that he puts into action what he believes. Also the fact that he is sending his sons out with Dr. Moon shows that the whole family is engaged.

The Boston program was rich with the historical patriotic spirit of New England. Rev. Edwards gave special sermonette to encourage everyone to know that the body of all believers must come together and create blessed families. Sen. William Owens came after Sen. Pressler and gave a great reflection on his trip to Israel, how he as a Democratic senator from Massachusetts was deeply moved by Father Moon's substantial work in the Middle East, how much it is taking root in Boston and throughout the world. Truly God has given us this movement.

Rev. Felipe Texeira gave a beautiful invocation. He is the co-convenor of ACLC and pastor and founder of a powerful movement of Christians in Boston. Rev. David and Maria Solis of the Church of God of Prophecy of New Bedford stood as a representative couple for the holy wine ceremony. Rev. Solis is one of the prominent Hispanic leaders in Boston and courageous in the ACLC movement. He was one of the first to understand

that we're moving beyond the cross to the resurrection, that Jesus' victory was in the resurrection and that he has anointed Father and Mother Moon to stand as True Parents. Rev. and Mrs. Solis joined with all the couples wearing their white blessing scarves and drank the holy wine. How beautiful it was to see these special couples coming together. The wine ceremony is done with grape juice in respect for those not allowed to take wine. It is done as a condition to change the blood lineage from the false lineage that was created

sal ceremony given by the one God who is God of all religious and faith traditions. We are engrafting to the tree of life. The prophecies of the Bible are coming true.

We received the following proclamations and citations - Chris Mineau sent a special letter as president of the Massachusetts Family Institute, who really commended ACLC and the Family Church for getting the second highest number of signatures to put an amendment about male/female marriage on the ballot so it could be reviewed by the Massachu-

mayor emeritus of Gloucester. He highlighted his deep respect for Rev. and Mrs. Moon, and especially recalled being a campaign manager 30 years ago when Rev. Moon and his movement came to Gloucester to start the fishing business. He recalled how the current mayor had totally condemned Rev. Moon and this movement as being something bad for Gloucester. Now 30 years later he testified strongly that just the opposite occurred. The teaching of Rev. Moon is now being understood. Families are being strengthened and the members of the movement residing in Gloucester are outstanding contributors to the health and well-being of the city. He went on to say that he was proud to be friends with many of our members. Truly the teaching on the family and the members

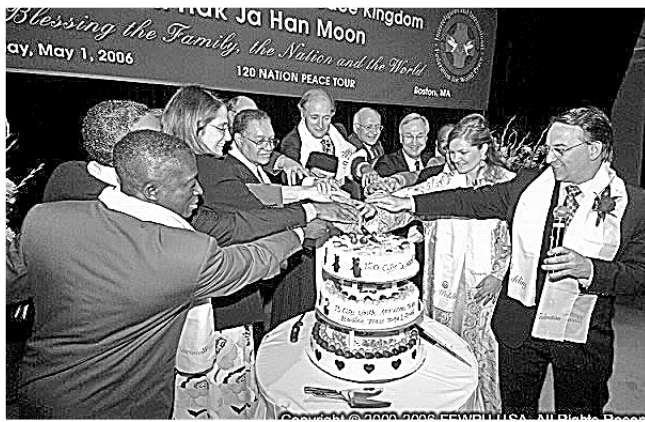
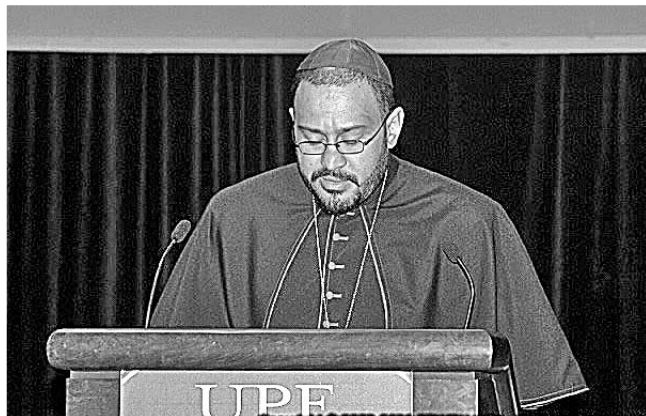
and the movement of Rev. Moon and their associates has been of enormous benefit to Gloucester. Another proclamation was received from Governor Lynch of New Hampshire, who recognized Dr. Moon for her tireless effort for peace and congratulated her on this world tour.

The video presentation, "Blessed Family and the Ideal of Peace," is a powerful work done by Rev. Philip Schanker and Mr. Simon Kinney, highlighting how True Parents' path began in war-torn Korea and how from that difficult beginning they started this movement called by Jesus to bring unity of all churches and to move all people to really build families that won't divorce or separate. It highlights some of the persecution Rev. Moon endured and how Sen. Orrin Hatch, Rev. Joseph Lowery of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, and many other prominent leaders came to his defense as they saw religious and racial discrimination at the root of much of the misunderstanding. It shows how the blessing movement was initiated in the Unification Movement and expanded to all faith traditions. It's beautiful to see how Rev. TL Barrett's marriage was healed through the blessing, and how clergy are sharing this with their churches. Now Muslims, Christians and Jews are all

expanding the blessing movement to the mosques, churches and synagogues. Of particular note was seeing Archbishop Stallings with his beautiful bride Sayomi taking the holy wine together, becoming one family. They already have two beautiful sons. On the tour Mother commented to Archbishop Stallings and Sayomi that it's time for a daughter. Sayomi was so happy to hear this. We're all praying for Bishop Stallings' future daughter to come soon.

Hyun Jin nim's presentation was particularly relevant as just across the river were the city of Cambridge and Harvard

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at the fall of Adam and Eve to Heaven's lineage that is now being established in this age.

Jesus brought grace to every believer and forgiveness to all individuals who affirm their faith. Now Jesus has anointed Father and Mother Moon and this has been confirmed by the founders of all major religions, that the Holy Blessing is the transition from the wild olive trees in the Bible to the true olive tree. This is an engrafting process, the change of blood lineage. Now tens of thousands of religious leaders are joining with Ambassadors for Peace worldwide. This is not a religious ceremony of one denomination or church or faith. It's a univer-

sets state assembly. The Roman Catholic Church had the highest number, and the ACLC/Family Church movement had the second highest. Mr. Mineau highlighted this fact and praised the efforts of Rev. Jim Edgerly. State Representative Shirley Owens-Hicks, chair of committee on women and family, praised Dr. Moon for her tour and introduced the resolution passed by the Massachusetts House calling this day the Day of Blessing the Family and the Nation. Frank Giunta, mayor of Manchester, New Hampshire, congratulated Dr. Moon in his letter of greeting.

A very moving and relevant letter was also received from William Squillace,

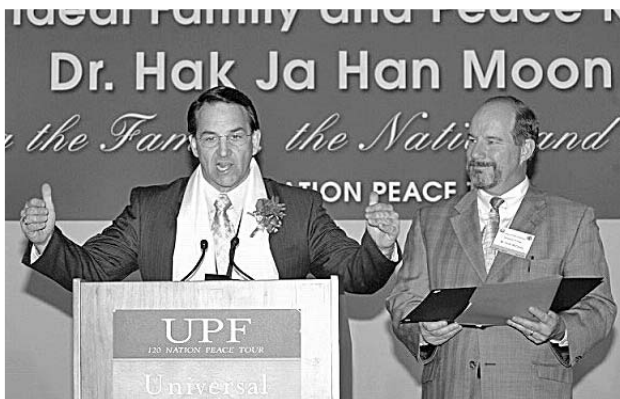
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LOS ANGELES



TRUE MOTHER'S WORLD TOUR

SEATTLE

by Pastor Mike Yakawich
and Rev. Mary Anglin

A number of challenges presented themselves to Seattle members of the Unification Community as we prepared to host True Mother and Hyun Jin Nim on their whirlwind 180-city Blessing Tour.

First of all; venue. A location was secured, but it was not suitable for the final city in North America. Checking and re-checking every possible venue in the metro area, we found a second possible location. Still not perfect, it was at least better. But just before finalizing that location, our Regional Director, Rev. Hun Suk Lee, determined that we must search again for a site more befitting of such an event. Finally, the perfect location, number 3, was found with less than a week to prepare.

Our preparations began again with the need to re-contact all those invited with the new location. Our members contacted our hoped-for guests again and again with encouragement and excitement.

Just a few days into our work, we were informed of a second conference, "Business Leaders for Peace," to be organized and hosted in Seattle concurrent to Mother's event. Undeterred, we moved forward.

And yet again a final challenge; the evening of our event coincided with events of two exceedingly popular world-renowned figures: Bishop Desmond Tutu and author Maya Angelou both spoke in Seattle that same evening.

When the doors to our event opened that evening, the hall was quickly filled to capacity with 1,000 guests. It was a blessing to see the excitement of the guests as they rushed into the Doubletree Hotel in Bellevue, Washington. It was stunning to see cultures and religions from all over the world represented. Filipino community leaders were dressed in their traditional national dress. Somali community leaders were in attendance. Leaders from the local Samoan community were represented, as well as Hmong leadership. Other participants included retired naval personnel as well as religious leaders from Christian, Muslim and Buddhist faiths. Relatives and friends also joined the crowd.

Ms. Bonnie Berry emceed the pre-program which consisted of The Herd Family Dancers, Sun Hak International Choir, and Ambassadors for Peace

appointments.

Several Somali community leaders who received Ambassador for Peace appointments shared their sincere desire to work more closely with the IIFWPU and form a delegation to go to Somalia as a Peace Task Group. Smiling broadly at the conclusion of the program, they shared, "Our country has

"It is a recognition that we all should be good citizens for our community. We should do such things as vote, be patriots for our country, and help our neighbors when they need help."

Some Christian clergy who in the past had been invited to many events but could not respond attended this time. One of these ministers, Rev. J.O.,

they were so moved by the high spirit in the audience, the quality of the program and that so many people attended and stayed for the entire event.

A Filipino couple who have been married for 60 years were so grateful to be included on stage with the Blessing program. One of them commented, "Now I understand more deeply what true love really means after listening to Dr. Moon's talk."

Several other comments from participants were:

From a Christian evangelist: "Mrs.

Moon's speech was incredible, and Dr. Hyun Jin Moon's speech was so deep. The Blessing was so beautiful! I want to participate in the next big Blessing in Korea."

Bishop Scott from Portland Oregon: "Mrs. Moon's speech was peaceful and fantastic." And referring to Hyun Jin Nim, "That young man done real good!" Further: "The blessing was supernatural!"

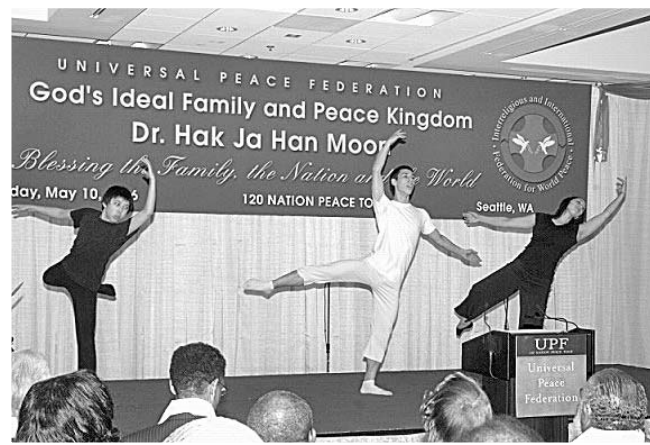
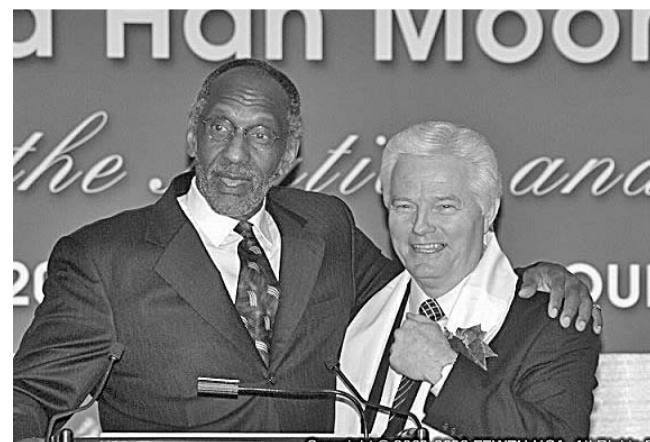
Reverend Silversity of Seattle: "This was a new challenge to all of us, to act at this time in history. We need to act and internalize the message to make it into a reality. The young Moon is the voice of the time - as a model to the young, and as an energizer to the old." She continued, "The Blessing is putting universal peace into action. This program was energizing and I could feel the beauty and harmony of God with every one of his children present."

Ms. Castillo, who attended with her woman's group, had this to say: "Both Mrs. Moon and Dr. Hyun Jin Moon's speech were awesome, exceptional, Godly and much more, much, much more! The Blessing was amazing and Godly!! This program was awakening.

I am in Seventh Heaven and so is everyone in our group."

Each member of the outreach team expressed that they felt this is a new age. As they reached out to invite their guests, the response was overwhelmingly positive. Especially among those outreaching to the Christian clergy, they expressed that they strongly felt the presence of Jesus and the Holy Spirit. Many times while being visited, the pastors were moved to tears in their sharing.

Many brothers and sisters invested to make this program a success. The strong unity of the regional and state leadership was evident, allowing Heaven to work. As always, we thank Rev. and Mrs. Lee for their superb example of faith and determination. ❖



been at war many years, but now we have hope. Through Dr. Moon's talk we gained hope in the future of peace in this world. Dr. Moon is really making a sincere effort to help bring peace that is so desperately needed all over, as well as in our country of Somalia."

Two retired navy personnel were recipients of the Ambassador for Peace Awards. One was exceptionally recognized for being one of the few survivors of the Pearl Harbor attack during World War II. One naval recipient was interviewed by the local radio station. When asked what he thought about this function, he proudly stated, "This is a very good event. More people should do such activities in their community." When asked what the Ambassador for Peace Appointment meant to him, he explained,

"I was at first skeptical of such an event and was not sure whether to attend or not. However, now that I am here, I truly feel the love of Jesus and am blessed to have come with my wife. Mrs. Moon's speech was quite resounding on the family, with God and peace for all of mankind. Dr. Hyun Jin Moon spoke with such inspiration and power in his words. As for the Blessing, we truly feel blessed. We have never experienced such unity with such a wide variety of people."

Another bishop made so much effort to attend that she brought her three grandchildren that were in her care. She was determined to be there with her family. She too went on the stage with her husband for the personal Blessing from Dr. Moon. They expressed that

True Father Speaking at

by Reverend Sun Myung Moon

This address was given at HDH on April 15, 2006 at East Garden, NY. From notes by Dr. Michael Jenkins of the translation by Mrs. Hee Hun Standard, edited by Mrs. Louise Strait and Mr. Jim Flynn. These notes are taken from a simultaneous translation. Simultaneous translation is done in summary form and depends greatly on the translator's ability to communicate the essence of the message. These cannot be published as definitive texts and should never be used in the future as an "official" publication on Rev. Moon's words. However they do provide a good idea of the "spirit" of the message.)

TTrue Parents have blessed millions in Korea. America is in the position of the Roman Empire at the time of Jesus. If Jesus had not been crucified then everyone in Rome would have eventually been blessed. Now all this must be restored. The crucifixion destroyed the reconciliation of brothers. The religion of Judaism and the nation of Israel could not be united. We have to unify heaven and earth on behalf of Jesus. Everything must be returned to God. That is why to restore this we must bless all the families of America.

Everyone should be blessed. We have to bring that kind of victory. In Korea we launched the Tong Ban Kyok Pa. Starting from the neighborhood and going all the way to the national level, we have been educating the people. By next January we must complete all of this mission. Adam and Eve became false parents because of the fall. We must reverse the fall and complete the mission of the blessing.

These principles and contents were presented in the three key speeches that I have been giving: the Mongolian Federation speech, the 120 City tour speech, and one additional speech given by True Mother entitled "God's Ideal Family: The Kingdom of the Peaceful, Ideal World." I have read the key speech over 1,000 times. You must completely memorize the contents of that speech. You and your family should read these three speeches at least 120 times.

We must go beyond the national level to the world level. We must bless all of America. If America cannot fulfill, then the former communist countries will take America's place. How many countries are truly pursuing God's will? It is our responsibility to fulfill this historic providence. We must bless America. Even after a thousand years pass, these words will remain. I want you to come with me with absolute faith, absolute love and absolute obedience. If you succeed, then you can come together with your family.

Twelve nations must be established as the key to the world. So far Satan has been dominating the nations of the world. We must liberate them and bring unification. We must bring a total transition on this earth. Everyone without exception needs to come to understand and live the truth. I want to share this with you so that you can educate all people.

We must build the new Abel UN and unite all people as one human family. Through the Abel UN we can restore humanity back to God. The six enemy nations of World War II and Korea must now come together to build a new world. You must not only be the owner of

your family but the owner of your community, nation, world and cosmos.

I have read these speeches over and over again. We must truly understand the historic value of the dispensation centering on these speeches. You should become one with these words and understand this content. You must secure three generations in alignment with these words and this principle. Then there will be a stable foundation in your family.

Because of the fall there has been a confusion of language. We must bring about a unification of language and culture centering on heaven. The Kingdom of Heaven cannot be realized without these points of unification. We must end the struggle and division of culture in the world. It is crucial that we achieve this.

I have prepared the "car" and now you must learn

create a new foundation of liberation for the world.

Washington, New York, Chicago, and Boston: You must fulfill. I initiated VOC activities, and just as Christianity teaches to love your enemy, I have been embracing the Communist world. Dr. Yang, you must fulfill your responsibility in America. Do you understand? Rev. Kwak, our organizations must work for the benefit of America, China, Russia, and all the world. Do you understand?

We must quickly finish blessing all of America and bring blessing throughout the world. All the races are mixed now. No one has perfectly consistent ancestors from just one race. So we have to clearly understand. I read this speech more than 1,000 times. If you are truly united with these words, then you will be close to heaven. Only with these words can you fulfill your role as

part of the one lineage. If I read it 1,000 times then you should read it 10,000 times. The most important thing is mind and body unity; therefore through you a new world should come.

Through this speech providence, Mother could stand as one with me historically. The three speeches are the 120 City World Tour Speech, the speech given by True Mother and the Mongolian Federation speech.

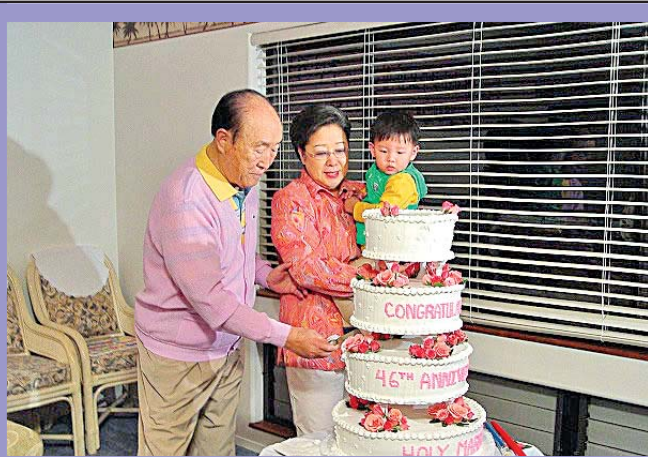
Historically people have been separated due to the fall. You cannot love your children correctly unless you love your enemies' children correctly. Religions should be harmoniously united. In America there is much division among the churches. We are working on that. You must come back to God's side through true love. We should be able to multiply heavenly families through the same mold of true love.

We cannot insist on our own viewpoint because we are still affected by selfishness. We must sacrifice ourselves and become one with the Word. I am the owner of this Word because I fulfilled it. God could

not do it for us. Only someone in Adam's position could fulfill this word. It is humanity's portion of responsibility to become one with God and His Word through practice. This is critical. Do you understand and will you do it? (Yes !!) You say "yes." But your words only have meaning if you fulfill it.

America persecuted me immensely. America was prepared by God with all the foundation to fulfill. It must change and follow God's will. Americans say "OK", but what I think that means is "Open Korea!!" "Open Culture". "Open Career". What is the "career" you should seek? You must seek the "career" of being a true son or daughter of God.

The biggest problem is that people don't know what the fall is all about. Therefore they can never overcome the cycle of history. We do have the understanding and the answer to the fall, and this is the key. If the leaders of this nation could listen and understand, then God



how to drive, and handle your responsibility and put gas in the car. You must learn how to fulfill your responsibility through inheritance of True Parents' spirit and heart. Americans like to say "OK." What does "OK" mean? Does it mean "Open Korea"? You should have the heart not to waste things. It is important to have the attitude to conserve all things. You must become the citizens of heaven, with the heart to be frugal and conserve. Then you can create an atmosphere of compassion for those brothers and sisters who are suffering without much material or support. Without this your families will have trouble.

You must pay attention to what I am saying. You Americans must be ready to save all of humanity. There are 6 billion in the world today. Americans are a small percentage of this. Only with God can you keep your proper role in the providence. You must bless all people in this nation and promote a new Abel UN. This will

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could truly change America to become the moral leader. This is very serious.

This is not a laughing time. This is the most serious time in God's providence. I am now re-educating you so that you can understand this situation. What about white supremacy? Is that all right? We have to understand that those who become one with the Word are the owners of God's providence, regardless of race. Therefore I have become one with the Word and I am the owner. Everything must be fulfilled according to God's will.

This is the first time in human history that we can witness the opportunity to see Adam and Eve's role fulfilled through True Parents. This is the only time in human history when you can live with the True Parents. This is the one and only time. You don't even know what kind of blessing you will receive for living with True Parents. In Korea the key leaders are beginning to understand now. I went over every mountain and barrier and was persecuted throughout the world.

If we look from a strict viewpoint, we can see that God is appalled at the situation of the families of America and throughout the world. In a way He didn't even want to look at the immoral behavior and downfall of the family. But He sent me to invest and give totally to save all families and races. I went over unspeakable obstacles and barriers from Satan. Total opposition. Total persecution.

You should not marry as you want, but rather for the sake of humankind. You must understand how historic and holy your marriages are. If you just live your own life, you will be left behind. There is no blood lineage on earth that truly belongs to God. There may come a time when America could lose all of its power. I came to teach this nation totally, yet many still do not understand. Think about when the power of the Soviet empire was lost. How much despair, struggle and confusion came to its people after that. Think about what could happen in America if God takes away her power. Especially white people must understand this.

My objective is to save America and recover God's homeland. Many tried to remove the Unification Church from America, but they could not succeed. God protected me. We have to understand that America must change. We must understand that America is becoming like Sodom and Gomorrah. We are the ones who must reverse this. Did I ever violate anyone in America? My record is clear; I loved America absolutely with true love.

There is nothing that I cannot answer. Neil Salonen, am I speaking correctly? (Yes Father, you are correct!) Still, I cannot think of myself as being perfect. I still feel that I am striving to live the Word more, and working to perfect myself. I will eventually have to say good-bye. There will be many people who will be volunteering. Dr. Yang, you must ask these people with great seriousness to sacrifice and do God's will.

If you understand your conscience very well and listen to your conscience, then you can repent. Your conscience records everything that you do, and will not lie and cannot be buried. You went through the Holy Wine Ceremony. What does that mean? It means that you went through the separation from Satan's lineage and grafting into God's lineage. You went through a 40-day separation period and prepared for the way of Heaven. Because of these conditions, sometimes people didn't understand and then persecuted me. However, none of these conditions were done for my sake or by my idea. They were done to fulfill the will of Heaven, and only for your sake.

To fulfill the providence of God, we have to bring about the unity of all marriages through exchange marriage. Many want to marry only their own race; however, your future will prosper and be supported by Heaven if you marry beyond your race. It is not for yourself but for the sake of the unity of the world.

Many nations want to have the nuclear bomb. What if they all had a nuclear war against each other? They



and undeveloped. What if I didn't visit them? They would have been so sad. If you can be united with my word, you will be so powerful before heaven and earth. Even if I go to the spirit world, people will have to follow me eventually.

If I tell you to go back to your country, will you go back? Korean leaders here, if I tell you to go back, will you do it? (YES!). Japanese? (YES). Americans, what will you do if this happens? Will you fulfill? (YES - very loud response.) All Asian people, if you don't go back you may get burnt like Sodom and Gomorrah!

You made me sacrifice and suffer here for 34 years in America. White people in particular opposed me so much!! Look at my legs. They are swollen, and many times I almost feel like I might fall down. How can I keep going? Because of the strength of my mind and spirit. It is not something I want to say, but I must teach you the right tradition. What if America goes down? I don't want that; I want you to succeed. I want you to fulfill. We don't need any walls. The wall between Israel and Palestine will not be supported by Heaven.

I came here to set conditions through fishing. Peter was made a fisher of men by Jesus, and that is why we go fishing. To set the condition to be able to catch the hearts and minds of people of the world.

Right now, America really wants me to stay here, but I cannot because I must restore all the blood lineage of the entire world. Rev. Kim, Ki Hoon, what is your name? From Chicago? You must work hard and do much to educate and guide people!

Shin Jun Nim, my grandson, is my true friend. He is observing everything. He can see if you are doing good or not. He is helping me.

At some point I will go to the spirit world. Before that I want to bequeath my spirit and my heart and foundation to you. You will see that in ten years everything in the world will be completely changed according to heaven. I have totally chosen the way not to fight but how to make peace. I want to finish the Bering Strait project in 7 or 8 years. ❖

could destroy the whole world and burn everything. This is a dangerous time in world history. We must bring peace and understanding among all people.

America has become a nation that can accept and harmonize all races and people. That gives America a very special role. How can we fulfill that kind of role and bring it to the world?. All nuclear weapons must be destroyed. We have to educate the nations of the world to move away from the possibility of war. As we continue to walk this way, we are becoming so strong. We can educate all nations and people. Because of this, sometimes people try to destroy us. Many tried to destroy me, but they cannot do that anymore. In the future you will see that so many key leaders of the world will emerge from our blessed families.

I know whether what you are saying or doing is correct or not. Some may think that I am indebted to America, but history will show that it is the education on family and morality and the unity of faith that will allow America to stand and lead the world. Eventually America will see that it is indebted to God for sending me. I traveled in 120 nations; seventy of those nations were very poor

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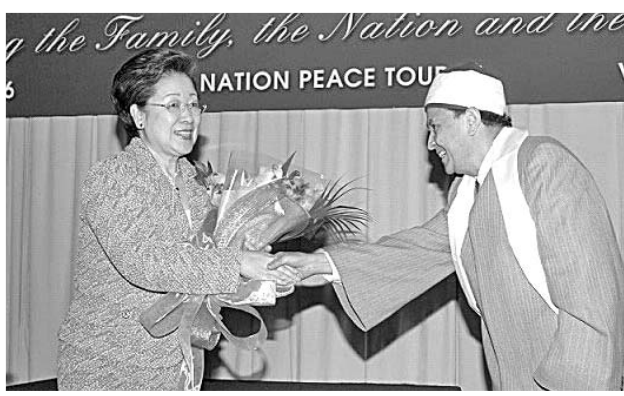
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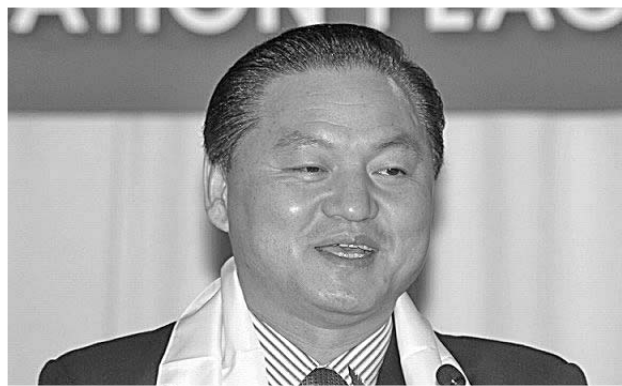


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TRUE MOTHER'S WORLD TOUR



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**BOSTON**
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University, his alma mater. With each city on the tour his delivery has become more and more powerful. When he speaks it's as if he's taking down the barriers, calling for people to marry beyond their race and religion. He says, "The best way to receive the blessing is with someone from another race, nationality or religion. I call this an exchange marriage. This contributes to the enormous task of transcending the barriers of race, culture and nationality, ethnicity and religion and creating one family of humankind. In God's sight skin color makes no difference. God does not recognize national borders. God

does not stand behind the barriers of religion and culture. They are nothing more than the devil's tricks. He has used them to rule over humanity as a false parent for tens of thousands of years."

Alyssa D'Silva presented flowers to Hyun Jin nim, and performed "Amazing Grace." True Mother was in beautiful bright red this evening as she gave her keynote address. It was so wonderful to see her radiating light and energy. The blessing was outstanding in Boston. White, black, Asian and Hispanic and quite a number of interracial couples joined on the stage as everyone stood together. This blessing covers everybody. Unification Church blessed couples are receiving a new level of blessing through this ceremony. On the foun-

ation of this blessing tour Father is securing the condition that all humanity will be blessed as True Parents enter into the Original Palace. The real meaning is that Father and Mother as True Parents are working to sever any condition that Satan has to claim anyone. This means that all people can be blessed from any religion or background. This is a time of universal grace.

Seeing True Mother standing in the mother's position toward Hyun Jin nim demonstrates the vertical line God creates through lineage. Father and Mother emphasize that lineage is more important than anything. It lasts forever. However, this parent/child relationship, more important than life itself, was severed through the fall of Adam and Eve.

The Boston program concluded with a gift presentation to True Mother by Mr. George and Yasmin Kfourri. The

one another's presence fully. Praise God! Amen.

We concluded with great patriotic spirit, singing The Battle Hymn of the Republic. Rev. Edwards gave one of the most powerful calls to action, similar to the great evangelists. His three-minute exhortation to the couples again establishes firmly that the only way to solve problems in our communities is to bless every family, that they will be faithful and never divorce and children will be given true love from true parents.

We cut the cake together with all races and religions joining hands. Boston was truly reminiscent of the time when Paul Revere rode, marking the beginning of a new revolution. This blessing proclamation coming from Boston will now shine its light to every one of the 120 nations of the world. ❖

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He has interchanged the owners of the reproductive organs, the love organs. The owner of the wife's organ is the husband, the owner of the husband's organ is the wife. Only when each is rooted in love for the other can they stand in the position of owner of their spouse. We marry to secure this position of the owner. What are we trying to achieve by restoring the position of the owner? It is to fulfill and embody God's love from that position."

Archbishop Stallings and Rev. Jesse Edwards, along with Rev. Daugherty and Rev. Cotter have been representing the Family Church movement as well as the ACLC movement, attending Mother throughout the tour. Dr. Hyun Jin Moon

and True Mother were so moved that Rev. Edwards and Archbishop Stallings would attend every program. They are not always speakers on the program, but simply there to meet the clergy and help them understand.

In New Jersey Rev. Edwards gave the call to action, and a new dimension of the Holy Spirit was revealed. We can see a blessing movement is being started that will cover all humanity. Rev. Edwards stated that the answer to our problems is not bigger prisons, or more money to fight drugs. The answer is that every family must be blessed and become whole as God's temple.

The program ended with great fanfare and joy and we all sang together, Peace, Shalom, Salaam Aleikum, blessing Muslims, Christians and Jews on the stage of history. ❖

gift presenters were Omar and Barleen Ahmed, Ambassadors for Peace from Lewiston, Maine. Then True Mother, Joon Sook nim and Hyun Jin nim joined with all the couples for a blessing photo. How wonderful this blessing movement is! Can we ever begin to understand what God is bringing to humanity at this time? Who could imagine that former enemies could stand on the stage together in the spirit of God and enjoy

UTS Tele-studies

by Dr. Dietrich Seidel

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by Bruce Sutchar

Sushi, Rev. Moon and the Chicago Tribune

On Wednesday, April 12, 2006 the Chicago Tribune ran a front page story entitled "Sushi and Rev. Moon: How Americans' growing appetite for sushi helps support his controversial church." The article featured a very handsome color cameo photograph of True Father and took up nearly 2/3 of the front page. The article continued for another page and a half complete with 5 maps of True Worlds operations in the U.S. and Canada, pictures of patrons dining in a sushi restaurant, a True World truck driver delivering a box of fish to a restaurant and a True World Marine boat docking in New Jersey. Titles along the way included: "Members carry out Moon's plan," "Sea to plate," and a chart of restaurants supplied by True World foods.

A second 3-column article by the same author entitled "Church has made inroads." Immediately followed the first. The next day a daily "gossip" columnist named Eric Zorn, who had written some scathing columns attacking our True Parents and Congressman Danny Davis and last year's coronation ceremony, wrote another article conveying his faith and opinions both about sushi in general and Rev. Moon and the Unification Church in particular.

As I read the articles, many emotions went through my mind. I have fought against the bigotry of the media for the past 20 years. Much of that time in Chicago while working with the Rev. Michael Jenkins. I have learned many lessons—one of which is that we cannot be our own John the Baptists—that is, we cannot defend ourselves—others must stand up to defend us.

These particular articles are in reality 2000% better than what has been written about our True Parents and our movement over the past 25 years. However, though they are written more professionally and no longer splash the "M" word all throughout the article, they are still, in my opinion, infused with evil intent. They want to discredit our True Parents legitimacy in every way possible. Although they write about it, they have no intention nor any desire to give our True Parents credibility for anything that they have ever done. They do not take our True Parents seriously and cannot fathom even an iota of their greatness.

In the most recent years they have chosen a plan of silence, whenever we have attempted to respond to their diatribes. The same was done after this article. Even though it was pasted all over their front page, not one letter to the editor responding to the article was ever published.

With this heart, I was inspired to write a letter to the editors—not a letter for publication, but rather a letter to the entire editorial board, stating the experience and the response of one 30 year member of the Family Federation of America. I requested that they not publish this letter, but I am attaching it here for my brothers and sisters to read.

To the editors of the Chicago Tribune,

I am amazed as day after day I read your editorial page and find no mention whatsoever of the heinous story that you published on your very own front page attempting to attack and discredit the credibility of the Rev. Sun Myung Moon. Grant it, this story was probably more professional than the majority of those that I have read in the Tribune over the past 20 years. Yet, if one carefully examines and analyzes your writers and editors intent, one would find little hint of the ideals that our founding fathers felt or thought when they penned the first amendment to our constitution in 1787. Was it a coincidence that on the very day of our nation's bicentennial, your publisher had four civil rights ministers arrested for demonstrating against the Tribune's pejorative treatment of this same Rev. Moon?

I was born at the University of Chicago hospital as a baby boomer shortly after my Father returned from his tour of duty in Italy during World War II. His Father had escaped the anti-Semitic prejudice of the Russian czar, escaped prison with Maxim Gorki and fled successfully to this great nation of America.

I grew up in post World War II America in the Jewish community of West Rogers Park. I knew nothing of the anti-Semitic prejudices of the previous half century and in fact I was nearly fifty years old before I saw my very first actual swastika graffitied by teenage boys on a neighborhood sidewalk.

No, it was not until I had experienced a Christian conversion experience and became affiliated with the Rev. Sun Myung Moon and the Unification Church nearly 30 years ago, that I began to experience true, blatant, unadulterated prejudice. And gentlemen of the Chicago Tribune, I accuse you in every way, shape and form of aiding and abetting that experience among the innocent readers of your daily newspaper.

Since I do not have your archives

of articles at my finger tips, I will simply focus on your most recent attempt to degrade, and destroy the character of the Rev. Moon. In reading your front page article by Ms. Eng, I am forced to question her true motivation.

Of course your true desire is to raise your circulation in order to raise your advertising rates in order to turn a greater profit. All of which would be commendable, were you doing it in the spirit of the first amendment.

I understand that Ms. Eng repeatedly attempted to link the church leadership with the leadership of True World Foods (which just isn't true) and that she continuously tried to get him to respond to speeches that Rev. Moon had given over 25 years ago. Similarly, in her follow-up article ("Church has made inroads") to the front page story, Ms. Eng's lead paragraph begins by referring to an event (Rev. Moon's controversial imprisonment) that occurred, in her own words "two decades ago." Again, she is digging up the Danny Davis story from last year, and here she has literally gone off the deep end. She is accusing Congressman Davis of "placing a gleaming crown atop Moon's head." Gentlemen, I was at the event. This never happened! Congressman Davis never placed any crown on anyone's head and I challenge you to prove otherwise!

So the question comes down to, what is the real purpose of your front page article?

An article about how 5 young men, starting with nothing 25 years ago, have established one of the largest seafood companies in America would be a good read. But I seriously doubt that that was the writer's intent. So often, over these same past 25 years I have read quotations from Rev. Moon taken out of context. Obviously, from the article's sub title "How Americans' growing appetite for sushi helps support his controversial church," your paper's purpose is to make your readers aware that their sushi dollars may very well be directed toward allegedly questionable enterprises. These enterprises all connect to the

negative image of the Rev. Sun Myung Moon that you are doing your best to create. What, do you think Rev. Moon is actually trying to do? This 86 year old man has spent most of the last year traveling around the world, speaking in over 100 nations delivering a message of harmony between the world's religions, peace and love. Of course Jesus Christ was crucified for basically trying to do the same thing—as were most of those we now consider to be the world's greatest religious prophets i.e., Moses, Buddah, Gandhi, Martin Luther King and countless others.

Along with others I have met with your editorial board and I sincerely appreciate that the Tribune has ceased from using the derogatory pejorative "moonie" in its reporting of the Unification movement (now officially termed the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification). Personally, I have been a member of the Unification movement for 30

years. I hold a Masters Degree in education from Indiana University. I was introduced to my Austrian wife by Rev. Moon in 1980, married her in the ceremony at Madison Square Garden on July 1, 1982 along with 2074 other couples. Twenty four years later we now have 5 teenage children and incidentally I have a deep loving relationship with my parents who live in Evanston.

Recently I was watching the film "Snow Falls on Cedars" which deals with basic American prejudice against the Japanese immediately after the period of World War II.

Rev. Moon once stated his belief that if he was a White Presbyterian Minister he would not have received this persecution from the American media. While I would not expect the Tribune to be a spiritual publication, I would garner the hope that it would report on religious matters in a fair and equitable way—a feat which I believe to be no easy task for anyone. Your columnist Eric Zorn, while not sinking to the degrading levels that he had one year earlier, while attacking Congressman Davis, openly stated that he chose not to believe that Rev. Moon had a personal relationship with Jesus. Mr. Zorn has every right to believe this, but he should not attempt to present his opinions as fact.

In conclusion I believe that Ms. Eng and her colleagues have committed a grave injustice in their conclusions perpetrated on your reading public. What I read was not just investigative reporting, but investigative reporting with a motive saturated I believe with a foregone conclusion and prejudicial attitude. I accept that religion is not the most popular topic in media circles; I accept that the theology of an Oriental evangelist has never been mainline; but my challenge to the Tribune would be to adequately study and research such a topic before perpetrating your opinions on the American public.

And please get your facts straight. While it makes good headlines, Congressman Danny K. Davis never placed a gleaming crown on the head of the Rev. Sun Myung Moon and to him; the Tribune has done a great disservice and owes him a humble apology. ♦

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by Dr. Michael L. Mickler

Part One

The Da Vinci Code, a “theological thriller” which purports to uncover hidden truths about Christ embedded in Leonardo Da Vinci’s paintings, has been a publishing phenomenon since its release in March 2003. It debuted atop the New York Times best-seller list, sparked a November 2003 prime-time ABC special entitled “Jesus, Mary and Da Vinci,” and celebrated its first anniversary as “the bestselling adult novel of all time within a one year period” with 6.8 million copies in print. (Ron Charles, “Da Vinci Code sets a record, inspires a genre,” Christian Science Monitor, March 19, 2004.) As of March 2006, The Da Vinci Code had been translated into 44 languages and sold 40 million copies worldwide. Additionally, The Da Vinci Code “effect” raised sales of at least 90 related books on religion, history and art.

The phenomenal success of The Da Vinci Code is due not only to its literary merits but also to its theological content. Though expressed within the genre of a popular thriller, Brown develops a coherent, though unconventional set of religious ideas. Essentially, The Da Vinci Code attempts to deconstruct two millennia of interpretation as to the “true history of Jesus Christ.” Utilizing a potpourri of esoteric sources, Brown’s novel debunks the New Testament, Christ’s divinity, original sin, the church hierarchy, and the apocalypse. In their place, it substitutes Gnostic gospels, Da Vinci’s paintings, a married messiah, the sacred feminine, the Knights Templar and Priory of Sion, sacred sex (hieros gamos), and the Age of Aquarius.

Not surprisingly, the novel provoked polemical attacks from conservative Christians. A front-page article in the April 27, 2004 New York Times announced that no less than ten books were being released “with titles that promise to break, crack, unlock or decode The Da Vinci Code.” (See David Neff, “Da Vinci Dissenters: Four Books Try to Break, Crack, or Decode the Deception,” Christianity Today, June 2004, p. 57) However, efforts to marginalize, dismiss or brand Brown’s novel heretical highlight a disconnect between orthodox Christianity and popular culture or at least the mass audience to which The Da Vinci Code and its ideas appeal. For this reason, rather than highlighting differences, this article takes an ecumenical approach, exploring affinities between The Da Vinci Code and Divine Principle [DP], Unification theology’s core text. (Divine Principle (New York: HSA-UWC, 1977). There are various translations of the Korean Wolli Kangron (1966), the most recent being Exposition of the Principle (New York: HSA-UWC, 1996).

Unification theology also deconstructs traditional views as to the true history of Jesus Christ and seeks to restore the sacred feminine. It offers similar though not identical ideas about the Bible, creation, human sexuality, the Church, and the end times. However, whereas Brown’s novel relativizes the historical record (“history is written by winners”) and classical sources (“every faith in the world is based on fabrication”), Unification theology treats the historical record and biblical texts with utmost seriousness. In this way, certain of The Da Vinci Code’s assertions which otherwise would be dismissed can be understood within the context of the Principle to have a resonance within the Christian tradition as a whole. At the same time, the seriousness with which DP takes the historical record and biblical revelation can work to curb some of the more exotic views expressed in Brown’s novel. To this end, the bulk of the article undertakes a comparative analysis of The Da Vinci Code and Divine Principle, highlighting points of contact in seven areas: 1. The Use of Allegory and Symbol, 2. The Sacred Feminine, 3. Creation, 4. Christ, 5. Human sexuality, 6. The Church, 7. Eschatology, or Last Things, 8. Comparative Analysis 9. Allegory and Symbol

As stated, both The Da Vinci Code and Divine Principle attempt to deconstruct two millennia of interpretation as to the “true history of Jesus Christ.” In so doing, both texts maintain that much of Christ’s “true history” is conveyed through allegory and symbol. The Da Vinci Code attempts to extract truth as to Christ’s true history from Da Vinci’s paintings and the Holy Grail legend by reinterpreting their core symbols. DP extracts clues as to Christ’s true history by reinterpreting symbols in the Bible. Though working with different sets of materials, both texts employ similar methods of interpretation and arrive at similar conclusions,

as will be shown.

The basic premise of The Da Vinci Code, and codes in general, is that hidden meanings exist within familiar settings. Thus, Brown links several of his core assertions to symbols embedded within famous paintings by Leonardo Da Vinci, notably the Mona Lisa and The Last Supper. Brown’s key assertion and the lynchpin around which his novel turns is the identification of the Holy Grail with Mary Magdalene. In making this argument, Brown first attempts to deconstruct the familiar image of the Grail as “the cup Jesus drank from at the Last Supper and with which Joseph of Arimathea later caught his blood at the crucifixion.” (162) He writes,

The Holy Grail is arguably the most sought-after treasure in human history. The Grail has spawned legends, wars, and life-long quests. Does it make sense that it is merely a cup? If so, then certainly other relics should generate similar or greater interest—the Crown of Thorns, the True Cross of the Crucifixion, the Titulus—and yet they do not. Throughout history, the Holy Grail has been the most special. (164)

Dispensing with the Grail as a literal cup, the text instead identifies it with “the ancient symbol for womanhood.” Brown maintains, “The chalice... resembles a cup or vessel, and more important, it resembles the shape of a woman’s womb. The symbol communicates femininity, womanhood, and fertility.” The “Holy Grail,” he states, “represents the sacred feminine.” (238) The text next attempts to identify the generic symbol of womanhood and the sacred feminine with a particular woman, Mary Magdalene. Brown does this through discussions of, among other things,

Da Vinci, “one of the keepers of the secret of the Holy Grail” who, according to Brown, “hid clues in his art,” (230) notably The Last Supper in which he allegedly portrays Magdalene to the right of Christ (239, 242-43);

the vested interest of the early Church in covering up her identity (232-34);

passages from gnostic texts such as the Gospel of Philip and the Gospel of Mary Magdalene which allegedly depict a liaison with Jesus (245-48);

an etymological explanation of San Greal (“Holy Grail”) meaning “royal blood” (250); and

“scores of historians” and their works, including The Templar Revelation, The Woman with the Alabaster Jar, The Goddess In the Gospels, and Holy Blood, Holy Grail, all of which are cited in the novel. (253)

Having identified the Holy Grail with Mary Magdalene, the text finds confirmatory evidence virtually everywhere. The novel’s protagonist Robert Langdon, who is appropriately enough a Professor of Symbolology, asserts, “Once you open your eyes to the Holy Grail... you see her everywhere. Paintings. Music. Books. Even in cartoons, theme parks, and popular movies.” (261) He states, “Legends of chivalric quests for the lost Grail were in fact stories of forbidden quests to find the lost sacred feminine. Knights who claimed to be ‘searching for the chalice’ were speaking in code as a way to protect themselves from a Church that has subjugated women.” (238-39) Disney productions, ranging from Cinderella, Sleeping Beauty, and Snow White to The Little Mermaid, in one way or another, deal with “the incarceration of the sacred feminine.” (262)

Divine Principle does not use “code” language but also purports to reveal hidden truths within the familiar, in this case, not within Da Vinci’s paintings but in the Bible, specifically The Book of Genesis. Here, DP’s key assertion and the lynchpin around which the text turns is its identification of “the fruit of the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil” with “Eve’s love.” (74) In making its case, DP, like Brown, first attempts to deconstruct a familiar image, in this case that of fruit in the Genesis account. Just as Brown questions whether it made sense that the Holy Grail was “merely a cup,” DP asks whether it makes sense that the fruit of the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil was merely “fruit of an actual tree” (66).

How could something edible be the source of sin or the cause of transmitting that... sin to the children? ... What a... [person] has eaten cannot be transmitted from one generation to the next...

We cannot understand why Adam and Eve, who were far from starvation, would disobey God’s command at the

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risk of their lives. The fruit of the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil must have been extraordinarily stimulating and so ardently desired that fear of punishment—even death—could not deter them from eating it. (66-67)

DP concludes, “The fruit of the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil was not a material fruit, but a symbol.” (67) It then undertakes a further allegorical exegesis of scripture, identifying the Tree of Life with Adam, the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil with Eve, and the serpent with Satan. (67-71) This leads to an identification of the fruit of the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil with “Eve’s love.” DP uses a combination of biblical sources, circumstantial evidence and common sense to make its case that “eating” the fruit symbolized having sexual intercourse. Examples include,

Scripture passages attesting to intercourse, including sexual intercourse between fallen angels and human beings (71, 73, 77-78);

The contrast between Adam and Eve’s original condition of being “unashamed of their nakedness” with their subsequent shame and act of sewing fig leaves together to cover their lower parts (72);

The contention that sexual intercourse was an act humans could have performed at the risk of their lives (72); and sexual intercourse provides the means by which the original sin of adultery “is transmitted from generation to generation.” (75)

Having identified the fruit of the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil with “Eve’s love,” DP also finds confirmatory evidence virtually everywhere: from strictures against adultery in “every religion” to the contention that the “principal cause of the downfall of numerous nations, national heroes and patriots was adultery.” (75) More than that, it finds the “pattern” and “result” of the human fall reflected throughout human society. (83-91)

The Sacred Feminine

Recovery of the sacred feminine is important for both The Da Vinci Code and Divine Principle. However, the texts undertake recovery efforts from different points of reference. The Da Vinci Code’s references ancient Goddess worship rooted in “pagan, Mother Earth-revering religions.” (95) DP’s reference point is the Christian doctrine of the Holy Spirit, which it reinterprets in feminine terms. (215 ff.) Nevertheless, both texts agree that Christianity either directly or indirectly suppressed the sacred feminine and perpetuated societies centered on the “masculine logic of power” rather than the “feminine logic of love.” (Hak Ja Han Moon, “World Peace and the Role of Women,” speech delivered at Opening Convention of the Women’s Federation for World Peace, Seoul, Korea, Aug. 24, 1992)

Conveniently enough, Robert Langdon, Brown’s main character in The Da Vinci Code, had just completed a work entitled Symbols of the Lost Sacred Feminine, and is at pains to lecture its content throughout the novel. For example, in the pre-Christian world, we are told,

[G]ods and goddesses worked to keep a balance of power. Yin and Yang. When male and female were balanced, there was harmony in the world. When they were unbalanced, there was chaos. (36)

The Jews, according to Langdon, “believed that the Holy of Holies in Solomon’s Temple housed not only God but also His powerful female equal, Shekinah. Even their sacred name for God—YHWH, he says, “derived from Jehovah, an androgynous... union between the masculine Jah and the pre-Hebraic name for Eve, Havah.” (309) However, Christianity suppressed and demonized the sacred feminine as “a threat to the rise of the predominantly male Church.” (238) This situation, according to Langdon, has degenerated into “testosterone-fueled wars, a plethora of misogynistic societies, and a growing disrespect for Mother Earth.” (126)

Divine Principle does not traffic in speculation about ancient goddesses. Its contribution to the discussion of the sacred feminine lies primarily in its identification of the “Holy Spirit” as a “female Spirit.” (215) DP states,

There are many who receive revelations indicating that the Holy Spirit is a female spirit; this is because she came as the True Mother, that is, the second Eve. Again, since the Holy Spirit is a female Spirit, we cannot become the “bride” of Jesus unless we receive the Holy Spirit. Thus, the Holy Spirit is a female Spirit, consoling and moving the



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hearts of the people... She also cleanses the sins of the people in order to restore them. (215)

The risen Christ and Holy Spirit together are called the "True Parents," through whom humankind attains "spiritual rebirth." (216) However, it regards spiritual rebirth as a limited form of salvation. (147-49) Because the Holy Spirit failed to materialize in the flesh, humankind continues to groan in travail, awaiting the redemption of our bodies. One consequence of this is the continuance of male-dominated societies and oppression of women.

Creation

For both The Da Vinci Code and Divine Principle, creation is a gateway to the divine. Both texts develop arguments in favor of intelligent design, reflective of the divine order in nature. Brown identifies a code, known as the "Divine Proportion," embedded not only in Da Vinci's works, but also in the fabric of creation. DP likewise contends that the natural order mirrors the divine and cites Biblical revelation as support. Both texts utilize their views of creation to buttress arguments in favor of the sacred feminine.

Brown's hero, Robert Langdon, claims in The Da Vinci Code that the "mystical mathematical" number 1.618, otherwise known as PHI or the Divine Proportion, is "a fundamental building block in nature." As he notes, "plants, animals, and even human beings all possessed dimensional properties that adhered with eerie exactitude to the ratio of PHI to 1." (94) Examples he cites include, The number of female to male honeybees in any beehive in the world; The ratio each spiral's diameter to the next on chambered nautilus seashells; The ratio of consecutive seed head spirals in sunflowers. Ratios on pinecone petals, the leaf arrangement on plant stalks, and insect segmentation; The distance from tip of one's head to the floor divided by the distance from one's belly button to the floor; The distance from one's shoulder to fingertips divided by the distance from one's elbow to fingertips; hip to floor divided by knee to floor; finger joints; spinal divisions, etc. (94-95)

According to Brown, "Nobody understood this better than Da Vinci," who "was the first to show that the human body is literally made of building blocks whose proportional ratio always equal PHI." (95) He asserts that artwork of Michelangelo, Dürer, Da Vinci and others demonstrated "each artist's intentional and rigorous adherence to the Divine Proportion in the layout of their compositions," that PHI underlay the architectural dimensions of the Greek Parthenon, the pyramids of Egypt and even the United Nations Building in New York, and that PHI appeared in the organizational structures of Mozart's sonatas, Beethoven's Fifth Symphony as well as in the works of Bartok, Debussy, and Schubert." (96) The ancients, Brown says, "were sure they had stumbled across God's building block for the world, and they worshipped Nature because of that." (95)

Divine Principle agrees that the natural order mirrors the divine but bases its position on Biblical revelation, specifically, Paul's insistence that,

Ever since the creation of the world, namely, his eternal power and deity, has been clearly perceived in the things that have been made. So they are without excuse. (Romans 1:20)

Using the artist as an analogy, DP states, "Just as the work of an artist is a visible manifestation of its maker's invisible nature... so we can perceive God's deity by observing His creation." (20) DP proceeds to examine "common factors" found in creation as a way "to know the nature of God's deity." (20) DP holds that the first of these is "Positivity and Negativity" or male and female. A second is "external form and internal character." A third, reminiscent of The Da Vinci Code's mystical mathematical numbers, is the repetition of the numbers 3, 4, and various permutations of these two numbers in creation. (31-41, 51-54) These elements of creation all contribute to Unification theology's understanding of the divine.

Both The Da Vinci Code and DP utilize their creation-based theologies to buttress arguments in favor of the sacred feminine. Brown notes, "The ancients envisioned their world in two halves—masculine and feminine." (36) As a consequence, early religion, which was "based on the Divine order of nature," had a place for the sacred feminine and goddess. DP's contention that "dual characteristics" in the created order, including that of male and female, reflect "dual characteristics of God" likewise establishes a foundation

for upholding a feminine aspect of Deity. **Christ** As stated, both The Da Vinci Code and Divine Principle attempt to deconstruct two millennia of interpretation as to the "true history of Jesus Christ." They take different approaches, but reinterpret the divinity and humanity of Christ in convergent ways. With some qualifications, The Da Vinci Code considers Jesus to be a "mortal prophet" (233), "married man" (245), "father" (249), and originator of a "royal bloodline." (249) DP attempts to be more even-handed in reconciling conflicting claims as to Christ's divinity and humanity but similarly associates Jesus with marriage. In so doing, it contends there were "dual prophecies" as to Christ's coming as "Lord of Glory" which would have included the elements of marriage and lineage or "Lord of Suffering" which, in fact, led to his crucifixion and atoning sacrifice.

The Da Vinci Code qualifies the radical quality of its interpretation by a postmodernist sleight-of-hand. At several points, the novel posits a wholly subjectivist depiction of truth so that whether one accepts the orthodox or alternate versions of the Christ-story is a matter of inclination. As one of Brown's characters states, "In the end, which side of the story you believe becomes a matter of faith and personal exploration." (256) Nevertheless, the quest for the Holy Grail is a quest for certitude. The Grail-seekers in Brown's novel are convinced that the "Sangreal" or Holy Grail literally consists of documents authenticating Christ's "true history" and Magdalene's true identity. These documents, which the novel describes as "carried in four enormous chests," (256) purportedly make explicit and provable what Da Vinci and others were forced to conceal in code. As Robert Langdon, states, "There is an enormous difference between hypothetically discussing an alternate history of Christ, and... presenting to the world thousands of ancient documents as scientific evidence that the New Testament is false testimony." (341)

Brown's protagonists never gain access to this "scientific evidence." However, this does not stop them from defining Christ as "a historical figure of staggering influence... the prophesied messiah... a great and powerful man, but a man nonetheless." (231, 233)

In addition, as Da Vinci's "code" and the "historical record" (primarily Gnostic gospels and recent popular histories) make clear, Jesus and Mary Magdalene "were a pair." (244) Brown's Grail-seekers define Magdalene, allegedly pictured to the right of Christ in Da Vinci's "The Last Supper," as "a powerful woman... of the House of Benjamin... of royal descent." (248) Her union with Jesus, "who also had royal blood... of the House of David... fused two royal bloodlines, creating a potent political union with the potential of making a legitimate claim to the throne." (249) Not only was Magdalene of royal descent, but according to The Da Vinci Code, she "was the female womb that carried Jesus' royal bloodline." (249) That is, Magdalene was pregnant at the time of the crucifixion and fled to France, then known as Gaul, with the assistance of Joseph of Arimathea. There she gave birth to a daughter Sarah, and a line which "grew undercover in France until making a bold move in the fifth century, when it intermarried with French royal blood and created a lineage known as the Merovingian bloodline." (257)

Divine Principle does not engage in speculation of this sort and attempts to be even-handed in reconciling conflicting claims as to Christ's divinity and humanity. It affirms that Jesus was a "perfected man," i.e., one who had "attained the purpose of creation." (208-210) It also affirms "the attitude of faith held by many Christians that Jesus is God, since it is true that a perfected man [person] is one body with God." (209) Continuing in its effort to balance Christ's humanity and divinity, DP argues,

Jesus, being one body with God, may be called a second God (image of God), but he can by no means be God Himself. It is true that he who has seen Jesus has seen God (John 14:9-10); but Jesus did not say this to indicate that he was God himself. (211)

There is a degree of ambiguity in this position. Never-

theless, there is more resonance between DP and traditional Christologies than in The Da Vinci Code.

Divine Principle and The Da Vinci Code converge more in their conception of Christ's work, i.e., the inauguration of the reign of God (though The Da Vinci Code conceptualizes this more along the lines of a restored Davidic monarchy). As noted, DP maintains that there were two kinds of prophecy concerning Jesus, dependent upon human response. Jesus Christ would have been able to fulfill his work "in glory" and in companionship had the people received him. According to DP,

Jesus came as the True Father of mankind, with the mission of the Tree of Life (Rev. 22:14); that is, as the second Adam. (1 Cor. 15:45) Then, it would only be logical that there should come the True Mother of mankind, with the mission of the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil; that is, the second Eve. (216)

Both DP and The Da Vinci Code associate marriage with Jesus. The Da Vinci Code contends that Christ actually married Mary Magdalene and fathered her child. DP is again more nuanced. It maintains that Jesus, as the "second Adam," was originally supposed to marry and, together with his Bride, become the second Adam and Eve. Here the text of Exposition of the Divine Principle is clear:

God intended to exalt Jesus and his Bride as the second Adam and Eve to become the True Parents of humanity. However, the resurrected Jesus and the Holy Spirit in oneness with God could... fulfill only the mission of spiritual True Parents. (172)

Jesus' earthly marriage did not occur, DP maintains, because the people's disbelief and rejection resulted in Jesus going the way of the cross. Rather than an earthly Bride, God sent the Holy Spirit who together with the risen Christ are the "True Parents of mankind" through whom fallen humanity is "born anew." (217) Who was to be Jesus' earthly Bride? There are tantalizing hints that Mary Magdalene was a candidate. Rev. Moon holds her in high esteem; more than any of the disciples, "It was Mary who loved Jesus most." (Sun Myung Moon, "Let Us Become Survivors," Sermons of the

Reverend Sun Myung Moon, vol. 4 (New York: HSA Publications, 1995), p. 191) A manuscript of Wolli Wonbon, the earliest version of Divine Principle written in Rev. Moon's own hand, states that Mary Magdalene was Judas Iscariot's wife or lover and that Jesus "planned to accomplish the Principle will by taking Judas' wife," choosing her as "Eve." This subsequently was the underlying motivation for Judas Iscariot's action in selling his teacher for thirty pieces of silver. (Text and accompanying discussion provided by Professor Andrew Wilson, Unification Theological Seminary) Rev. Moon further hints at Mary Magdalene's role in several sermons where he refers to Jesus' appearance to Mary in John 20:17, where Mary apparently runs to embrace Jesus and he prohibits her:

After the resurrection of Jesus, Mary Magdalene was in the position of the bride. Yet when she tried to touch him, Jesus could not help stopping her. This was because she did not have the bridal qualifications through which Jesus could receive her. Satan's accusations will be dropped only when the bride stands in the position where she indemnifies all the historical grudges. (Sun Myung Moon, "God and Humanity Should Live Together," Sermons of the Reverend Sun Myung Moon, vol. 5 (New York: HSA Publications, 1995), p. 106)

As Rev. Moon explains, Mary's grief at being unable to touch her bridegroom epitomizes the situation of anyone who would approach Jesus:

Now we are facing Jesus with the cross placed in the middle, and someone must resolve the grief and suffering caused by the cross. Without resolving it, we cannot graft onto Jesus and call him our bridegroom. This is the reason when Mary Magdalene called out, "Oh Lord!" right after the resurrection, Jesus stopped her. (Sun Myung Moon, "Jesus is Searching for Us in This Way," Sermons of the Reverend Sun Myung Moon, vol. 1 (New York: HSA Publications, 1994), p. 40)

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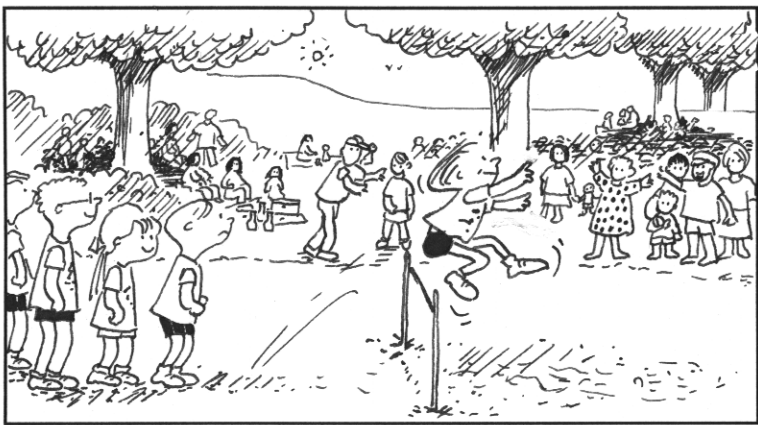
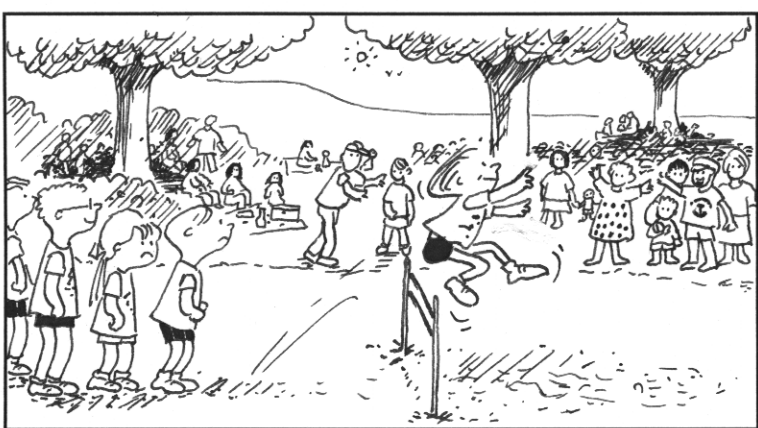
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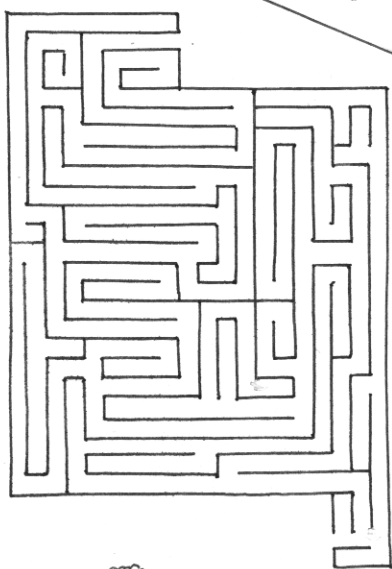
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HERETICS

This article is for believers. It's about getting along in your church, and people who ask questions, and being correct in the end. In the arena of religion, folks who stir the pot are both loved and feared, and for plenty of good reasons.

TEMPTATIONS

Sincere believers strive to maintain a purity of faith. A good heart is important, and so are accurate doctrines. Then, correct actions will (or should) tell the world who you are, and how well you're representing God and your religion.

This is usually easier for people born into a particular faith. Converts, and a handful of rabble-rousers, tend to rock the boat by asking tough questions. Missionaries, pastors, and theologians must be well prepared to answer them.

What happens when a member (and more so, a leader) of one's religion presents you with some different ideas; a new or unfamiliar teaching? How should believers face such a challenge?

Sometimes it can get bad! It's hard enough avoiding worldly temptations, and along comes a wolf in sheep's clothing, a heretic pretending to be a supporter of your very own church. In history and from the news, one learns that heretics can be very appealing.

Then again, such a person could be a genuine reformer, who is speaking the truth, no matter how unwelcome. After all, religious organizations are staffed by humans, and every one of them could use some improvement. Even so, the questioner might be accused of heresy. History is filled with examples of this.

Unificationists are good at discussing such things, and we're seldom fazed by heretics. Besides, critics of our movement are usually doing the same thing, or worse, as whatever they've accused us of doing. Don't take your author's word for it: their "nego" blogs and rants can easily be found on line. (A peek is enough; responding is usually a waste of time.)

JUDAS

Recent pop-culture events have brought two famous heresies to public attention. The ancient, and newly rediscovered, Gospel of Judas says the man was a hero. Was he? Despite their claim that Jesus was supposed to die, most Christians say no.

Over the decades, Unificationist teachings have deepened on this point. Apparently, it depends upon Judas's actual heart and motivation.

Speaking of Judas's ulterior motives: did Jesus get married to, and have a child with, Mary Magdalene? Readers of this column heard about that heresy years ago. Now the "DaVinci Code" book

movie have made it all the rage.

Neither of those ideas are especially Principled, but Unificationists can benefit from their current popularity. It's a great opportunity to challenge some (normally unquestioned) Christian doctrines about Jesus' full purpose, and the course of his ministry.

While visiting a Catholic office, I saw a Christmas Season poster which asked, "What if it had been three wise women?" They'd have shown up on time, helped clean out the stable, and brought some fresh diapers. Not just myrrh, whatever the heck that is.

If you follow that degree of love and concern, on through the years, its logical conclusion is nowhere near a bloody cross...

HERESIES

Over the long course of religious history, countless heresies have sprung up. Organized Christianity has responded in many ways.

The Mormons have an unusual concept of God. Their President Snow once said, "As man is, God once was. As God is, man may become." So, either their God is not the cosmic-level universal creator, or there was no such being. Their God of Kolob would have a father of his own, but to my knowledge, Mormons have never named this Heavenly Grandfather.

They prefer to deem this an unknowable mystery, and just not worry about it.

The positive aspect of this special doctrine is, that God infuses and empowers folks with Priesthood, and promises a wonderful after-life for (eventually) every human soul. Also, their doctrine in favor of religious freedom is commendable.

The Bahai's teach about a whole series of prophets. They say Mohammed was not, as Islam claims, the final Prophet. Their founder Baha'u'llah made great efforts to explain this to his Muslim countrymen, who were not in favor of religious freedom.

He also said it would be 1000 years until the next Prophet comes along. But, in his own case, instead of centuries it was a only a few years between the Bab and Baha'u'llah. The Bab is a nearly unknown figure, but is regarded by Bahai's as a full-scale prophet and John the Baptist type figure. (Among other things, he devised a special 19 month calendar.)

To explain this gap, Bahai's will simply state, "The time was shortened." In quite the same way, the time period until the next major Prophet (guess who) was also shortened, to about 80 years.

The Bahai's big positives are: they seek heartistic world unity, and do accept the idea of further revelations.

The Catholic Church dominates world history. Their Inquisition is often upheld as an example of medieval horror. Amazingly enough, there is a positive side. Many heretics were not good neighbors, by any measure. The Inquisition gave them a formal chance, as opposed to hasty retribution by peasant mobs,

or royal armies.

Christians believe that

almost everyone who's ever lived will end up in Hell for eternity. "But," others have asked, "doesn't that mean Satan comes out ahead?" The Adventists, and other 'annihilationist' believers, dodge this by explaining that sinners will be utterly destroyed in the Lake of Fire.

Oddly enough, for this they're branded as heretics. But consider, what mother could rejoice in any Heaven if her (less faithful) parents, husband, and children got destroyed?

Thankfully, some Christians understand there are pathways, difficult but sure, out of Hell.

Were today's major religions once regarded as heresies? Historians describe the early Christians and Sikhs as "cults." Maybe their founders annoyed the established leadership, but not primarily for reasons of doctrine. Galileo's infamous trial by the Catholic Church was a horrid mélange of personal jealousy, canonical counterstrikes, and dirty politics. Heresy was the least of it.

Science has heresies, too! Charles Sheffield and James P. Hogan wrote books which list many ideas that've dogged science for a long time. Some (like astrology) were eventually dismissed, but others (such as the idea of ulcers being caused by an infectious bacteria) become mainstream doctrine.

I asked Mr. Hogan about this process, via email. I should mention that he's become embroiled in a major controversy of his own, but anyhow, this response is well worth quoting:

"Arguments are ineffective for penetrating minds that are closed. And in my experience minds, like flowers, will open in their own time, when they're ready to. Trying to speed things along by prying the petals apart only makes thing worse."

DISCERNMENT

Serious believers need a way to tell the helpful questioners from the ruinous heretics, and in mixed cases (since we humans are, as the Principle states, in the 'mid-way position'), a method of sorting the wheat from the chaff.

Jesus himself said, "By their fruits ye shall know them."

Experts can't always discern these fruits. Reformers, including some real world-shakers, are seldom recognized, much less appreciated. Concerning the growth of early Christianity, in the midst of the urbane Roman Empire, polymath William Lecky wrote in 1869:

"That the greatest religious change in the history of mankind should have taken place under the eyes of a brilliant galaxy of philosophers and historians, who were profoundly conscious of the decomposition around them, that all of these writers should have utterly failed to predict the issue of the movement they were observing, and that, during the space of three cen-

tures, they should have treated as simply contemptible an agency which all men must now admit to have been, for good or evil, the most powerful moral lever that has ever been applied to the affairs of man, are facts well worthy of meditation in every period of religious transition."

Unificationists, does this sound familiar?

Our Rev. Thompson points out that heretics are usually disrespectful of their own religion's leadership. Instead of offering constructive criticism, they will always speak of alleged failures.

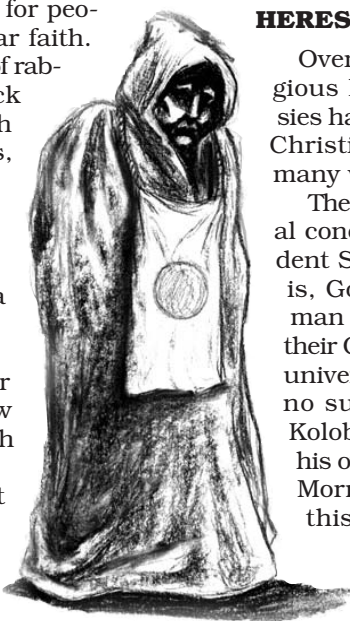
The heretics I've met were reluctant to explain their full teachings, or to reveal any (supposed) revelations. They wanted to "initiate" me first, and teach later, only after they considered me ready. "No thanks," was my response. Genuine reformers are open and clear about their ideas, concerns, and recommendations.

It's easy to recognize a heretic by how they're actually living. Mullah Omar, the pretentiously austere leader of the Taliban, turned out to be living in secret luxury. Good hearted rabblers will continue to live a public life, and despite any charisma or notoriety, to shun temptations.

CONCLUSION

There's no need to force heretics into silence. Exposing their actual lives, true attitude, and full doctrine, is more than enough. And if they're breaking any laws, then by all means, do involve the police.

The United States is called the Elder Son Nation, and its providential role is to bring about unity. The American way is to be optimistic yet not complacent, and to combat bad speech with even more good speech. Careful believers need not worry. ♦



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THE NEW VOICES OF OUR GENERATION

Follow-up 2nd Gen Symposium: Where do we go from here?

On Sunday, May 21, UTS hosted a 2nd Generation symposium on the future of the Unification Movement in North America. Over ninety participants, including first and second generation Unification followers, were in attendance. The event was organized by Ritz Yamamoto and Natasha Yankus, the Young Oon Kim Project recruitment team, in consultation with Harumi Kawamura, Dr. Michael Mickler, Tyler Hendricks and significant others.

The impetus for the event came from the UTS Cabinet, beginning with the question, "instead of having the older generation plan for what the second-generation should be doing in the future, why don't we let the second-generation tell us what they see as the future of the movement?"

The event featured speakers drawn from different segments of the second-generation population, both within and outside the formal lines of the Unification movement and its various organizations. The speakers were, in order, Jin Man Kwak, Daniel Bessell, Tossa Cromwell, Harumi Kawamura, Naokimi Ushiroda, Jin Kwon Kim, and Jun Suh Park. After each speaker shared their concerns and observation, there was a short Q&A with all speakers fielding questions from the floor; after which, participants were invited to join discussion groups for breakout sessions focusing on topics that were brought up by the speakers.

The topics discussed were as follows: the future of marriage and family in

UM, the education of youth in the future, the future of the 'church' beyond religion, inheritance and development, our identity as an organization, creating a

both inspiring and confusing, due to the nature of the event; the focus of the symposium did not require any conclusions to be drawn.

ment, representing both the pioneer generation and the settlement generation spoke poignantly and passionately about the future of our movement.

The symposium was good as far as a start-up event goes, but the format left many issues open-ended. The concern now is addressed by a most important question, Where do we go from here?

The follow-up event must present action plans. It should show case, critique and support bold new strategies finding a foothold of support amidst the participants, attended by those interested in nurturing and bolstering innovation.

What kind of organizations, movements, or groups do our members feel are necessary and needed? How will the wonderful ideas heard during the last symposium be realized? The follow-up event should plant seeds in fertile minds and raise a banner on iron wills."

If you are interested in learning more about the details of the symposium, please visit www.xanga.com/YOKrecruiter to view a visual

medley of the event. A short video is being put together and will be made available for viewing on the YOK Project website ww2.familyfed.org/yok/



'blessing' culture that is attractive and dynamic – deep vs. wide, 'do-do-do' vs. 'be' – the limits of changes needed, pulling weeds vs. planting seeds, and embracing ministries.

The atmosphere at the event was

Ritz Yamamoto poignantly gave the following post remarks on the event: "Most inspiring about the symposium were the hundred plus people who spoke at and attended it. Many beautiful, forward-thinking members of our move-

Message from the Editors,

We are happy to announce a new section in UNEWS dedicated to focusing on the new voices of our generation. Spread the word, communicate, and link yourself to the rest of America by subscribing to the paper and submitting your voice to this section.

We are looking to fill this section of the paper with the following submissions: articles written by our first and second generation focusing on second generation – that includes ALL second gen's!

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If you have an idea for submissions to this section, please let us know and send something in. If you would like to send original artwork, please note that they will appear in UNEWS in b&w. All submissions must include name, contact info, relevant dates, etc.

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ATTN READERS

In the May 2006 issue of UNEWS, the article *All You Need to Save The World is a Desire for Goodness and Creativity* by Jason Williams is missing website and email addresses. I would like to make my sincere apologies to our readers and to Jason for this oversight.

I am so very sorry.

Below are the website and email addresses excerpted as seen in the original text.

page 24 - "One of our first solid steps toward realizing this dream is www.bluethermos.com. Blue Thermos will be an online superstore that works under one business and helps take care of all the dirty work of setting up an online store. (i.e. shipping, receiving payments, website, merchant accounts.) It is difficult for bands and artists to sell their merchandise, due to the complications of setting up their own business and marketing it to the public. The lack of an outlet ultimately hinders an artist's work to be exposed and his/her ability to make money. Blue Thermos will act as the solution to that."

page 24 - "If you want to help get things started, e-mail me at lucid_dreamers@hotmail.com or visit www.bluethermos.com to watch our info video and make a donation to help us purchase the initial-needed equipment to get things started properly."

Again, I apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.

Sincerely
The Editor



THE NEW VOICES OF OUR GENERATION



Testimonials

Until 6am

by Joe Young

Joe Young was born and raised in Northern California. He moved to New York in 2004 and began studying at City College of New York. He currently lives in Jersey City, goes to school part time, and works as a freelance musician in the New York City Area.

I knew that I loved jazz the instant I heard Charlie Parker's LP for the first time. Sort of a love at first listen. I studied and practiced intensely all throughout high school, and by age 18 I won some awards for jazz guitar at my school and even a national Downbeat magazine award. My teachers then recommended that I go to New York—the jazz capital of the world—where every great jazz musician hones their craft and competes with the most gifted musicians. Also, New York is where most of my favorite musicians teach, namely, John Abercrombie, my musi-

cal hero. I really wanted to get to New York as soon as possible—but there were problems. At that time I had 20 students and was making really good money. I was doing jazz gigs, musicals, weddings, and lots of decent paying gigs. I had a car. I had a place to stay (my folks). I had dirt-cheap tuition at a local college. And I was starting to get relatively popular among jazz musicians. I sort of became known as the best guitarist of my age group in the Bay Area. Common sense told me not to go, but I had a gut feeling I couldn't escape. It was as if I had no choice, that is the only way I can describe it. So I went.



cal hero.

When I was 19 I packed everything I could fit in my car and drove from California to New York. I got snowed on in New Mexico, and ran over a giant dead bloody moose

in Ohio. It was one step shy of traumatic. I finally landed 5 days later in the Bronx. Territory that was completely unfamiliar to me. I had no idea what I was getting into.

I distinctly remember hearing on news, shortly after moving to the Bronx, a body had been dumped in a nearby dumpster. That kind of thing would never happen in my hometown. I wasn't exactly scared, but I was on notice—I was not in Kansas anymore. I heard story after story on the news. The news is scary in New York—Shooting, stabbing, shooting, and stabbing. It just never stops. Most people just advised me not to go out at night and nothing bad will happen. Advice I didn't take.

All of the music that's worth hearing happens at night! I'm talking 10pm to midnight, or later. I was nervous the first couple of months. Just to go outside was like gambling with my life, or at least that's what it felt like.

When I settled in a little bit. I started going to jam sessions. I was disappointed with how little response I got. Almost like I didn't exist. It would take about an hour to get to a club where there was a jam session. After arriving, I would wait

around for an hour, waiting for my turn to play. Then I would play one tune and sit down again. Nobody said anything to me. It was really discouraging.

After this happened a couple of times, I fell into a state of bewilderment and confusion. At the same time, my wife, having had her fill of Bronx living, decided to move back with her family, understandably. I started to question whether this was the right thing for me to do. I had nothing to offer that New York hasn't already heard. I had no gigs and no students.

I started going to City College of New York, in Harlem, hoping to meet other serious student musicians. I gave my number out, one person at a time, and organized jam sessions with other students. Eventually, I got a call for a

gig. I was really happy about it. In California I would get paid an average of 50-100 dollars per gig. My first gig in New York, on the other hand, paid \$11. For some reason that did not bother me.

The first thing I wanted to do was begin taking lessons with John Abercrombie. I didn't have his phone number. I asked all my teachers if they happened to know what it was. No luck. I even tried looking it up on the Internet, phone book, and 411. I struck out time after time and figured I would just have to wait and approach him at a concert or show. One day, I saw in the paper, John Abercrombie giving a special class in Greenwich Village. For only 10 measly bucks I could study with him for 2 hours. When I was finished freaking out, I suddenly realized—New York is where I need to be.

My wife decided to attend three 40-day workshops at Chungpyeong Lake. I decided during that time that I needed to work harder and make real progress on my career. I started to record with a trio I put together at City College. I started practicing every night until 6am. Occasionally I would practice in the subway stations just to make a couple of extra bucks.

Eventually, I got a call to play with this funk band. It was my understanding that I was substituting for the guitarist who couldn't do this particular gig. At the end of the show, they asked me to replace their guitarist. That rocked.

I started doing more and more regular gigs with the funk group. Playing every week—usually for packed houses. I started practicing more. We even recently did gigs in Massachusetts, Washington



D.C., and Delaware. The most notable places so far have been Maxwell's in Hoboken, Groove, and the Knitting Factory—which is advertised in the paper. I'm also playing in a jazz quintet that will be recording for a record label based in California, and soon will be doing a short tour in Europe as well as gigging in New York.

I moved to Jersey City with my wife and we love it there. Everything is looking up from here on. My wife is working and I'm looking for some more gigs and hopefully some more guitar students. I'm playing music around 4-5 hours a day. I figure I have at least 6 or 7 more years of intense practice and gigging to do in order to really get somewhere in this gigantic city. I'm bracing myself for a lifelong journey in music. The whole experience of getting to this point has been incredible. But I never look back. I could easily spend a lot of time wondering if what I did was the right thing. I like to keep things simple. This is where my intuition led me. So I was right. ♦

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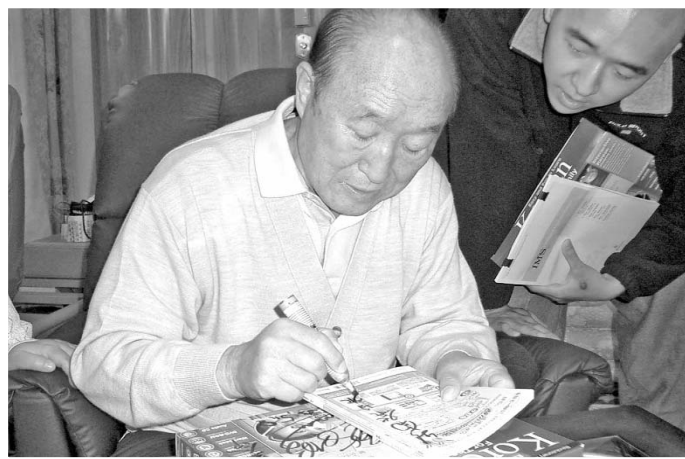
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By Yen Chang

Growing up, I found myself able to be successful in most anything I strove to succeed in except witnessing. Like most people in high school, I chose to witness to friends who wondered why I didn't have a boyfriend, and why I didn't want to smoke or drink or go out partying. I would tell them 'it was against my faith', which always brought up many questions that required answers. In high school, a young Muslim girl, who later became one of my closest friends, endearingly nick-named me 'the preacher'. At work, I was known as 'The Rev. Chang', as everyone was aware of my attending a seminary. My whole life, I have never made it a secret that I was a practitioner and faithful follower of 'The Rev. Sun Myung Moon' (as he is called to others) and yet, I have never been successful in witnessing. Open as I was about my faith, was I secretly afraid? My failure had me questioning my courage, which soon led me to stop witnessing all together. Now, many years after my first witnessing attempt in high school, I still wonder

about how to approach people and bring results. Then, about a month ago, as I was working at my desk, minding my own business, I met a man named Stan Paczynski, a Realtor in California, who had come up to Manhattan on other business. We talked and I discovered in him, a person who was unafraid and free in his desire to spread the truth. I was so inspired, I asked him to share, in his own words, his story in the paper. The following is a brief letter to me, illustrating how Stan has combined his private life, with his public mission. "By handing out the Divine Principle videos and now the DVD to my real estate clients, I have really re-ignited Gods desire within me of furthering the providence. Life somehow becomes very exciting to see people respond to the videos in such a positive manner. It seems so simple. I'm wondering why other members aren't doing this. So far, I have 134 clients, associates, contractors, and neighbors that have received the DP

First Steps

videos. The hardest part of doing this was handing out the first tape. After that, it became very easy. I only give out one tape at a time to each individual and then call him or her back in a couple days to see how he or she liked the tape and to see if they are ready for the next tape. This way I can keep track of where every one is since they are already in my Real Estate computer program. It may take about a month to sometimes 3-4 months before each person views the whole series of tapes. I have 6 kids and we do Hoon Dok every evening before bed time. This is how the providence moves forward in my life and my household every day. " I know, as second generation, we believe it's hard to witness, especially when we are so unsure about what to say, how to say it, when to say it, how to follow through, and most especially, how we will be received but Stan has shown me that it is not as hard or as scary to spread the truth as I think. Our first

generation parents – our extended aunts and uncles and many times, our close friends - have a lot to offer us. Their outward shows of faith and courage in God's ability to take what they do and help make things happen has and always will continue to feed that fire in me that can sometimes get scared and hide its light from the world. I hope this small act of sharing has imparted its inspiration on you.

Thanks Uncle Stan.

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Excerpt on Love

Sad, Brown

Murphy laid himself down nice and easy into the grey carpet of our family room floor, his old bones cracking as they shifted inside him. He was smooth just about the whole way going down, but collapsed tragically in those last couple of inches. He endorsed his descent with one of his famous moans that we had always said made him sound like Chewbacca.

Our dog had sad, brown eyes his whole life, but these days they just about broke your heart. I couldn't say hello or even walk past him without feeling miserably nostalgic.

"Ohhhh, Murphy-boy, you tired old beast—I love you, I love you, I love you."

I laid down on the carpet beside him, my body curled like a crescent moon to his: my knees connected to his hind feet; a meager five inches of floor between our similarly broad, sniffing snouts.

"Awww, Murph'—you're a legend."

His response to my histrionics was his usual placid look, which to me said this time, "Why speak, I already hear you, it's unsaid." And it was definitely true: by this point I should have known that we were past mere words or overworked fits of affection. Murphy was our own and we his own. Despite this understanding, I kissed him on his nose and sure enough he groaned at me for it.

I never did lay with him like this when he was younger; I suppose only now for I knew he was dying.

I can remember thinking to myself when I was a kid—in the initial years of both my life and his—that it was a lucky thing I'd probably be off at college by the time that ol' Murph' was due to die, and that maybe it wouldn't be so sad if I didn't have to witness or be around it. I guess that's the morbid thing about having pets, already preparing for their death from the first day that you bring them home.

And so the big question always is, at least in my mind it was, growing up: "Do animals have souls?" The easy thing is to just say yes. Any person who loves animals and believes in that sort of thing will readily confirm that they do. But I really wanted to know. Especially now that Murphy barely breathed, and could hardly even rest his body to the ground.

"Soul-essence," a religious friend of the family once told us. "Animals don't have souls, but they have soul-essence." Apparently, this meant that pets

don't have an actual spirit of their own but inherit the qualities of their owners', and that's what makes them who they are. "And so would they go to Heaven then if there was one?" "Heaven or Hell, I suppose," he replied. "They could exist after life if you wanted them to, and they would be just as real to you there as they had been back on Earth."

I guess I didn't like to think of it like that. I knew what was implied by "as real as they were here on Earth", and it made me think of Murphy as a hologram, or a puppet with our hearts as its hand.

I couldn't help it though, laying there so close to him, to peer into those worn-out collie-dog eyes and see in him the essence of my father. It was almost disturbing how vividly apparent the "resemblance" was—not physical to say, but something just similar in the way they were. There had always been a special connection between the two of them, and if Murphy were to have inherited "qualities" from any of us, the majority of it would have certainly come from my father. Dad, like that dog, lived beyond the external fluff, and was able to give more love to Murphy through cleaning the gook out of his eyes for the past 14 years, than I was ever able with all of my dramatic attention.

I let go a sigh that blew right into his face as I laid there and said nothing and gazed forward. Our lives were in that dog and he was made of us, but we were also made of him. We laid there for I don't know how long watching each other do nothing. I wondered if he could see himself in me.

The spell broke suddenly when I felt his feet jerk against my knee—only a split second of tension before he went loose. Awakened from my wondering, my chest felt good and heavy. I gave my dog a final scratch on his nose, then got up from off of the floor. I looked back one last time as I walked away, willing hard against my urge to say goodbye.

I meandered then over to the garage where my dad was cleaning out some boxes, and watched him from the top of the stairs. I didn't make a sound, just waited for him to naturally take notice. It took the better part of me to stay quiet, my desire to occur naturally, extreme.

Eventually, dad took a break and happened to look over to where I was standing. I didn't want to tell him but because I was crying, he knew. I sat down on the top step and let him climb the stairs to me, which he did in seven easy strides, calm and collected as always. When he got there, the only thing he did was press his thumb against my cheek, no words, and when I looked up there were his sad, brown eyes.



First Workshop for Children of National Messiahs

FFWPU International Headquarters

Issued May 21, 2006

In accordance with True Parents' instructions given during the Universal Peace Federation Inaugural Tour which started on September 13, 2005, a special workshop for children of national messiahs will be carried out with the participation of the True Children. Continental directors and national leaders should take particular interest and encourage the children of national messiahs to prepare for this workshop.

True Parents' instructs that even in the new era, the mission of the national messiah should be carried on to the next generation as the honor of that family and be fulfilled. The national messiah has the status of a viceroy and governor-general of that nation. They must make effort to fulfill this goal even if it means setting aside everything. The children should carry on the mission of the national messiah centering on their parents. The young and pure second generation children should go forth with this new mission.

Workshop Outline

The workshop will be held in Alaska, USA. It will take place sometime mid-September for 14 days. Children of Adam, Eve, Cain, and Abel national messiahs who are 21 years and older (Those who were born before September 1, 1985) should participate. There are no registration fees; however, participants are responsible for their round-trip ticket to Alaska, visa fees and all other expenses that arise during the workshop.

Participants who need a visa to enter the United States should apply for a visa in advance. It is suggested that those who are in the middle of their studies or who have an occupation should make adjustments to their schedule in advance to participate in this special workshop.

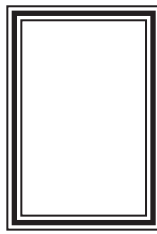
Special devotion pre-workshop condition

All children of national messiahs should offer 21 bows together with their family each day from June 14-July 23, 2006 (40 days) and pray and offer pre-workshop conditions for the following:

- i. Aligning one's heart, body and mind and harmonizing oneself with the True Children centering on True Parents of Heaven, Earth and Humankind in the era of the Completed Settlement of the Model Providence for the Ideal of Peace in Heaven and on Earth
- ii. Making internal preparations for inheriting the victory of the 120 nation world tour of the Universal Peace Federation Rally for the Restoration of the Homeland.
- iii. The fulfillment of God's global providence and for one's assigned mission nation

All children of national messiahs should fill in the form and submit it to the International Headquarters mission@tongil.or.kr by May 31, regardless of whether they participate in the workshop. (Please indicate on this form whether you wish to participate in the workshop.) All heads of providential organizations worldwide should cooperate in allowing the children of national messiahs who are in a public mission in their organization to take part in this special workshop.

For Inquiries and forms, contact Mr. Inho Joo at: Tel: 82-2-6383-3200 (~3) Fax: 82-2-6383-1500. e-mail: mission@tongil.or.kr



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Heung Jin Nim Website

by Nikolaus Beutl

At the beginning of this year I opened a website dedicated to Heung Jin Nim for the sake of deepening our realizations of the truth by connecting it with the beauty of nature and sharing our reflections about it with one another. You can find this website under: <http://heungjin-nim.tk/>
username: *Heungjinnim*
password: *welcome*

At this site you will find 400 quotations from our True Parents' speeches embedded in photos as well as 500 excerpts from the book "The Victory of Love" which was published by Rev. Zin Moon Kim.

And under Heung Jin Nim you can view from 450 to 5000 thoughts on heart and love connected with the beauty of God's creation.

This is only a trial version whereas future publications will have better quality according to people who are ready to contribute suggestions and ideas.

The external and inner quality of the website is surely improved as time passes in my efforts to serve our worldwide membership in this way. ♦

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Internship Program

by Nari Stephens.

Announcing the birth of an Internship Connection Program under the Blessed Family Department. It is the brain-child of several people and their hopes for the future of our movement toward God's Ideal. The main purpose is to create a place where my brothers and sisters could find an opportunity to explore, experiment, and experience just what the First Generation is doing in the world for True Parents.

The focus is learning to live a God-centered life in this age of Chun Il Guk. There are so many fields of interest that our members are working in and the chief pioneer of them all has been Father, himself. He has worked with Scientists, Journalists, Artists, as well as Clergy and other groups.

So this new Ministry and webpages are going to be a connection point where potential interns and companies can find each other. I hope that it can be useful to you and others and I pray that God can use this program to create a better and hopeful world.

You can find the link to "Internships" on the main BFD site at: www.familyfed.org/bfd or you can go there directly at: www.familyfed.org/bfd/internships.htm

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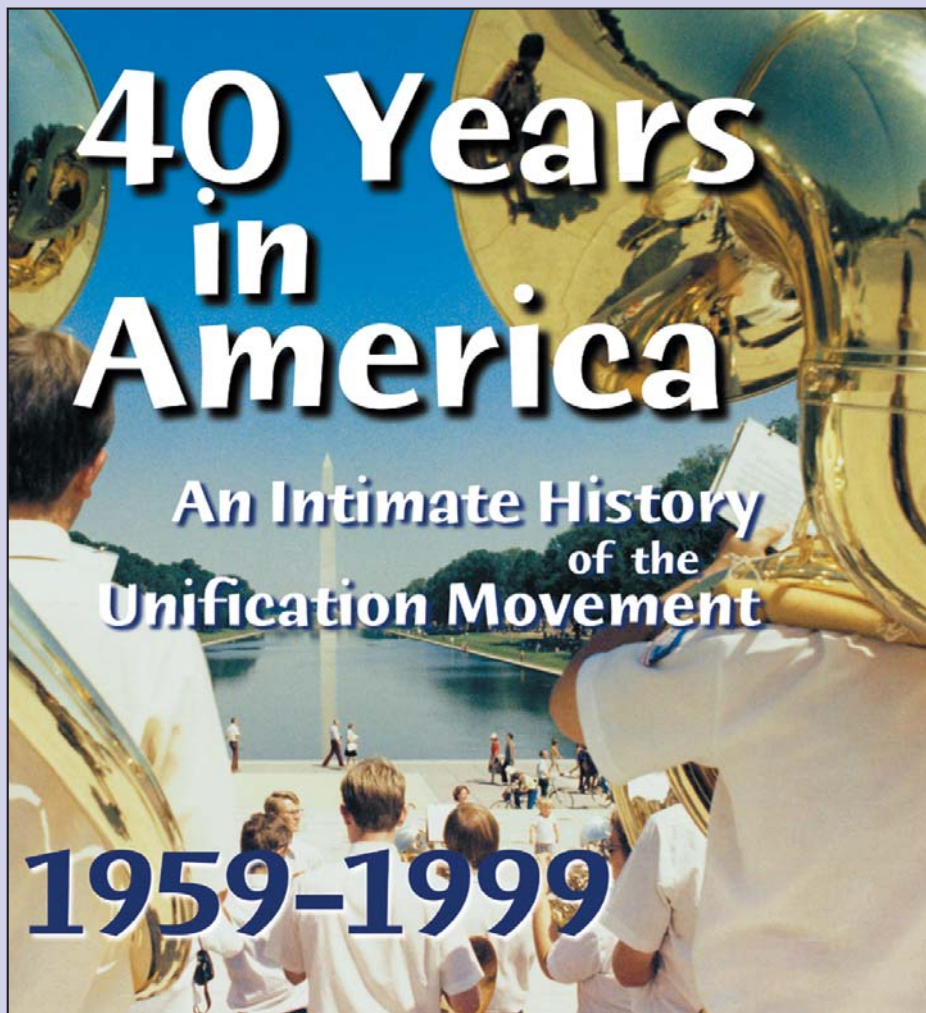
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