Christianity in Crisis
New Hope
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Zellerbach Auditorium
January 22-24, 1974

LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA
Hilton Hotel
January 27-29, 1974
Many Family members work strenuously for long hours to bring Our Master and the Day of Hope to each city and support Him throughout the duration of the four-month long coast-to-coast tour.
“This is going to test us physically and spiritually. But since there are so few of us, we want to show people we are sincere,” said Gilbert Fox as he and three traveling companions looked over an Alabama map while a hot July sun looked over their shoulders.

They are members of the Unification Church, a fairly new group in Alabama, with the ambitious task of carrying the message of their church to 21 cities in 21 days.

Begun in Korea in 1954 and brought to this country in 1959, the church seeks to bring together many religious philosophies into a single church.

ACCORDING TO Unification literature, the church does not see itself as a new sect but a way to resolve the cultural differences between different religions. Just as high speed travel and mass communication have reduced geographical barriers, this church seeks to reduce doctrinal differences between people.

The church began with Gilbert’s arrival in Birmingham from California in March, 1972. Single-handedly, and then with a few followers, he set up centers in Birmingham, Tuscaloosa and Mobile.

The 20 members throughout the state may not be an impressive track record for more than a year’s effort. But he believes in the impact of a small group of people who know what they are doing and why.

Gilbert was one of five missionaries sent into Texas, Louisiana, Alabama, Georgia and Florida about a year and a half ago to begin missionary work. Now they list 200 followers in the five-state area.

A CENTRAL teaching of the church is the perfectibility of man through prayer and fasting. He feels that modern Christianity is missing out on the valuable self-discipline that fasting provides, pointing to its common use during New Testament times.

They believe that voluntary abstinence from alcohol and tobacco also helps root out evil elements from human nature. The church takes no official stance on smoking and drinking other than forbidding their use in their churches, or centers, and pointing out that they are of no character-building benefit.

A Michigan native, Gilbert said he was attracted to the church while working as a laborer in San Francisco after college.

One of his traveling companions said he was attracted to the church after nearly two years of inactivity in a mainstream denomination. “The Unification Church isn’t caught up in buildings and things like that,” he remarked.

BASIC BELIEFS are outlined in a seven-session study guide that prospective members study under the guidance of whoever is in charge of the center.

The Birmingham center is located at 1600 Cahaba Road. Inquiries can be made by calling 993-2438.

The ride throughout North Alabama that began Wednesday in Florence ends August 14 in Mobile.

Saturday the bikers and a three-member advance team will be at the Cullman Recreation Center. Sunday they will be at the 78 Bypass Park in Jasper.

Wednesday the group will be in Birmingham. Fox will speak at 7 p.m. at the Episcopal Church of the Advent.

— The Birmingham News

Bicyclists for hope from the Unification Church in Birmingham (from left) Gilbert Fox, Robert Nagle, Greg Kast and Chuck Blythe prepare to leave Florence on the first leg of their 1,000-mile bicycle trip across Alabama zig-zagging through 21 cities until they reach Mobile. The trip, Fox said, is to demonstrate true brotherhood and publicize the church’s Day of Hope Aug. 14.

— Birmingham Post-Herald

Birmingham, Alabama
Friday, July 27, 1973

The Birmingham News

Birmingham, Alabama
Saturday, July 21, 1973

CHURCH MEMBERS MAP BICYCLE ROUTE

... Fox and state church director Miss Helen Chin.
Alabama

PROCLAMATION
WHEREAS, for over a century, the City of Birmingham has been esteemed for its beauty, warmth and hospitality; and
WHEREAS, the City of Birmingham is uniquely international and interracial, with a tradition of unity amidst diversity; and
WHEREAS, it is on this foundation of unity that our City has been able to flourish as a center of culture and trade; and
WHEREAS, in recognition of the fact that unity of purpose strengthens our City, and that growth in unity and harmony is beneficial to all the citizens of the City of Birmingham.
NOW, Therefore, I, GEORGE C. SEIBELS, JR., Mayor of the City of Birmingham, Alabama, do hereby proclaim August 1, 1973, as THE DAY OF HOPE AND UNIFICATION.

George C. Seibels, Jr.
New York

Rally begins beneath statue of George Washington at Federal Hall Memorial.

Wall St. Hears 400 Pray

More than 400 young Christians from this country and 21 foreign lands sang hymns and prayed for two hours on the steps of Federal Hall Memorial yesterday, urging hundreds of skeptical Wall Street workers who looked on to abandon mammon for God.

"We've come here because Wall Street is the center of American finance, and we believe that because Americans are so materialistic, God may withdraw his blessing from this country," said Mark Barry, 21, a spokesman for the rally sponsored by the Unification Church, which claims 2 million members worldwide and is gaining adherents here.

"Yeah, but you gotta eat," a gnarled stock courier snapped at Barry, who smiled and continued proselytizing, undaunted.

Joe Tully, 27, a Stanford University graduate and head of the sect in New York, told onlookers not to be cowed by the secularism of their environment.

"When you get back to your desks, some of your fellow workers will probably ask you what you were doing out here 'listening to those crazy people,' " he said, as the well-scrubbed Christians, mostly in their early 20s, hummed a hymn behind him. "But you have to ask yourselves, 'Are these people really interested in my well-being?'"

The Unificationists, whose goal is to unite the world behind Christ, hope to drum up support for a Carnegie Hall appearance next month by their spiritual leader, the Rev. Sun Myung Moon of Korea, where their sect is flourishing. Barry noted that Moon had recently shared an evangelism platform with the Rev. Billy Graham, who has referred to Korea as "a spiritual superpower."

Moon, 53, claims that Christ appeared to him on a Korean mountainside in 1936 and directed him to become a missionary to the world. Moon founded the Unification Church in 1954.

"We expect the Rev. Moon's speeches here to be particularly urgent, which is why members of the church have come here from all over the world," said Barry.

— Daily News
New York, New York
Saturday, September 22, 1973
Christianity in Crisis
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OF SEOUL, KOREA

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FOR INFORMATION CALL: (212)249-1500

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Lyric Theatre
20 West Harbor Front Ave.

New Orleans: Oct. 14-15
Theatre of the Performing Arts
323 St. Charles Avenue

Omaha: Nov. 16-18
Baker High School
12200 Bates

Chicago: Oct. 1, 2, 3 & 4
Scottish Rite Cathedral
23rd St. and Lake Shore Drive

Seattle: Jan. 13-15
San Juan Room
Seattle Center

Philadelphia: October 11-12, 8 P.M.
Scottish Rite Cathedral
Broad and Race Streets

Dallas: Nov. 20-21, 7 P.M.
Dallas Convention Center Theatre
775 South Akard

Minneapolis: Nov. 22-23
First Bank Auditorium
University of Minnesota

Kansas City: Dec. 13, 8 P.M.
Capitol Theatre
222 West 11th Street

San Francisco: Jan. 23-24
Scottish Rite Auditorium
420 Broadway A. M

Boston: October 16-17, 8 P.M.
John Hancock Mall
200 Berkeley Street

Tampa: Nov. 3, 4, 5
Sheraton Hotel
Cass Street

Cincinnati: Dec. 4, 5
Convention Center
5th and Elm

Tulsa: Jan. 9, 10
Assembley Hall
Tulsa Civic Center

Berkeley: Jan. 21-22
Zellerbach Auditorium
University of California

Washington, D.C.: Oct. 20, 21 & 22, 8 P.M.
Lisner Auditorium
21st and H Streets, N.W.

Atlanta: Nov. 2, 3, 4
Regency Hotel
208 Peachtree Street

Detroit: Dec. 23 & 24
Regency Hotel
Temple St. 2nd Ave.

Denver: Jan. 25-26
Pikes Auditorium
City Park

Los Angeles: Jan. 27-29
Wiltern Hotel
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BOSTON: October 16-18, 8 P.M.
      Symphony Hall
      180 Symphony Street

SALEM: October 19, 1973, 8 P.M.
      Massachusetts Institute of Technology
      77 Massachusetts Avenue

ATLANTA: Nov. 4-5
      Regency Hyatt House
      103 Peachtree Street

WASHINGTON, D.C.: Oct. 30, 31, Nov. 1
      Lisner Auditorium
      21st and H Streets, N.W.

SAN FRANCISCO: Jan. 27-29
      Scottish Rite Auditorium
      335 California Avenue

NEW ORLEANS: Oct. 26-28
      Thalia Surf Music Hall
      232 St. Charles Avenue

OMAHA: Nov. 26-28
      Burke High School
      12200 Burke Street

PHILADELPHIA: Oct. 1-3, 8 P.M.
      Scottish Rite Cathedral
      Broad and Race Streets

TULSA: Dec. 20-22
      Assembly Hall
      222 West 11th Street

TAMPA: Nov. 2-3
      Jewish Center
      Cass Street

BOSTON: Oct. 16-18, 8 P.M.
      John Hancock Hall
      180 Berkeley Street

CINCINNATI: Dec. 4-6
      Convention Center
      6th and Elm Streets

BIRMINGHAM: Nov. 4-5
      City Auditorium
      200 Government Street

SAN FRANCISCO: Nov. 5-7
      City Auditorium
      335 California Avenue

DETROIT: Dec. 9-10
      Masonic Auditorium
      2444 Woodward Avenue

SEATTLE: Jan. 13-15
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      University of Washington

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      222 West 11th Street

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      180 Berkeley Street

SOUTH BEND: Nov. 2-3
      Notre Dame University
      2605 Main Street

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      Masonic Auditorium
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DENVER: Jan. 8-10
      Olympic Auditorium
      Civic Center

LOS ANGELES: Jan. 7-9
      Olympic Auditorium
      1215 South Grand Avenue

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Burke High School
12000 Burke

Chicago: Dec. 1 - 3
McCormick Place
230 S. Lake Shore Drive

Philadelphia: October 11 - 13, 9 P.M.
Scottish Rite Cathedral
Bread and Roses Street

Dallas: Oct. 20, 21, Nov. 1
Dallas Convention Center
777 South Market

Minneapolis: Nov. 30, Dec. 1 - 2
North Star Auditorium
University of Minnesota

Kansas City: Dec. 16 - 18
Capri Theatre
223 West 11th Street

San Francisco: Jan. 10 - 20
Saratoga High School
100 Berkeley Street

Boston: October 16 - 18, 8 P.M.
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Reagan Federal Building
251 Federal Street

Detroit: Dec. 8, 9 & 10
Huntington Auditorium
Temple St., 2nd Ave.

Denver: Jan. 8 - 10
Lyric Auditorium
14th & Broadway

Los Angeles: Jan. 27 - 29
Hilton Hotel
920 Wilshire Boulevard
Tickets for the three-night series at Carnegie Hall sold for $3.00 for a single night.

Members of the New York Church held a rally on the steps of St. Thomas Church, to invite people to Our Master’s Carnegie Hall talks.

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**CHRISTIANITY IN CRISIS: NEW HOPE**
Reverend Sun Myung Moon

Oct. 3, 1973 at 8pm

Oct. 2, 1973 8pm

CARNEGIE HALL, NEW YORK CITY

Oct. 1, 1973 8pm

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$3.00 unreserved
Reverend and Mrs. Sun Myung Moon request the honor of your presence at a dinner inaugurating the 1973 Day of Hope Tour on Friday, September twenty-eighth, Nineteen hundred and seventy-three at seven-thirty p.m. in the Hilton Room, Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, Park Avenue at Fifty-sixth Street, New York City, United States of America.
I WISH TO EXTEND MY CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU ON THE OCCASION OF THE INAUGURATION OF YOUR 1973 DAY OF HOPE TOUR. NEW YORK APPRECIATES THE CONTRIBUTION OF THE UNIFICATION CHURCH TO THE LIFE OF OUR GREAT CITY. I AM SURE THAT YOUR NEW PROGRAM WILL HERALD WORTHY OF YOUR FINE EFFORTS. I HOPE THAT YOU WILL ENJOY CONTINUED SUCCESS IN YOUR WORTHY ENDEAVOR.

MAYOR JOHN V. LINDSAY

CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES TO YOU AS YOU LAUNCH THE 1973 DAY OF HOPE TOUR ACROSS THE UNITED STATES. MAY YOUR MISSION MEET WITH GREAT SUCCESS. I AM SURE THAT YOUR EFFORTS WILL BE OF VALUE TO OUR NATION.

RICHARD H. ICHORD
MEMBER OF CONGRESS

HEARTIEST BEST WISHES TO YOU AND THE DISTINGUISHED COMPANY FOR CARNEGIE HALL EVENT. I WISH I COULD BE WITH YOU TONIGHT.

YOURS CORDIALLY,
WM. F. BUCKLEY, JR.

MY HEARTIEST CONGRATULATIONS ON THE OPENING OF YOUR 1973 DAY OF HOPE TOUR IN NEW YORK. YOU HAVE MADE AN IMPORTANT CONTRIBUTION TO THE FIGHT FOR FREEDOM WORLDWIDE. BEST WISHES FOR YOUR SUCCESS.

SENATOR BILL BROCK

CONGRATULATIONS ON THE AUSPICIOUS INAUGURATION OF YOUR DAY OF HOPE TOUR. I ADMIRE YOUR EFFORTS AS A CHRISTIAN IN AN INCREASINGLY SECULAR SOCIETY AND I WISH YOU EVERY SUCCESS IN THE WEEKS AHEAD.

SINCERELY,
SENATOR JESSE HOLMES

ON THE INAUGURATION OF YOUR 1973 “DAY OF HOPE” TOUR, I EXTEND BEST WISHES FOR THE SUCCESS OF YOUR CHURCH AND YOUR CAMPAIGN FOR CHRIST.

KINDEST REGARDS,
STROM THURMOND, U.S. SENATOR
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Rev. Sun Myung Moon

Sun Myung Moon was born in what is now North Korea in 1920. Even as a small child he was deeply devoted to God. As a young man he pursued a spiritual search into the deep questions of human life: the purpose of existence, the nature of God, the origin of suffering. In the course of these years of prayer and study, Rev. Moon discovered certain patterns in the Bible and the observable world which gave great insight into the providence of God. As a result of his efforts to share his deepened understanding with other Christians, Rev. Moon was imprisoned and tortured several times in North Korea and finally endured nearly three years in a prison camp before United Nations forces freed him and other prisoners in 1950 and he was able to return to the south. In 1954 in Seoul, Rev. Sun Myung Moon formally founded The Unification Church, which has now spread to more than forty countries throughout the world.

THE UNIFICATION CHURCH OF AMERICA

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State Representative
18 East 71st Street
New York, New York 10591

Here is my gift to you tonight: I want you to realize that the love relationship between God and man is a subject and object relationship. You are His sons and daughters. Once you have achieved union with God, nothing can trouble you. Neither sorrow nor loneliness, sickness nor anything else under the sun can discourage you. God is the ultimate security. You could pay many millions of dollars and still not buy that kind of security. It is priceless. No money can buy it. This is the total experience of life. We are meant to live with God.

—“God’s Hope for Man”
Sun Myung Moon
October 26, 1973

What about racial problems and the threat of Communism? And what about the economic crisis? Why are all these problems occurring? These are signs that God is leaving America. I can read the sign which says, “God is leaving America now!” If this trend continues, in a very short time God will be with you no longer. God is leaving America’s homes. God is leaving your society. God is leaving your schools. God is leaving your churches. God is leaving America...

I know that God sent me here to America. I did not come for the luxurious life in America. Not at all I came to America not for my own purposes, but because God sent me. For 6,000 years God has been working to build this nation. The future of the entire world hinges on America. God has a very great stake in America. Somebody must come to America and stop God from leaving.

—“God’s Hope for America”
Sun Myung Moon
October 27, 1973

We cannot doubt that Christianity today is in definite crisis. This is a crisis parallel to the time of Jesus when the established religious institutions failed the Son of God. We recognize this crisis of our time; but we can also see through the haze to the brightly shining day of new hope.

The end of the world is at hand, not only for Christians but for all people throughout the world. The new history of God will begin with the arrival of the Lord. Blessed are those who see him and accept him. It is the hope of Christianity to recognize, receive, and accept the Lord of the Second Coming. The chances has arrived for all of us. The greatest opportunity in any man’s lifetime is now knocking at our door. Please be humble, and open yourself to great new hope!

—“The Future of Christianity”
Sun Myung Moon
October 26, 1973
A Korean Seeking to Establish New Religion Starts U.S. Tour

The Rev. Sun Myung Moon of Seoul, Korea, founder of the Holy Spirit Association for the Unification of World Christianity, which aims to create one world religion, has begun a tour of 21 American cities, giving his first lecture here.

The 53-year-old minister, who claims special spiritual powers, founded the Unification Church in Korea in 1954. It now claims two million members in 41 countries and has been best known here for mass marriages performed in Korea — once with 791 couples.

Four hundred church followers from 21 European and Asian countries were brought here by Mr. Moon this summer to help recruit audiences for his "One World Crusade" and to attend training sessions at a church-owned $850,000 estate in Tarrytown, N.Y.

The Korean minister gave his first lecture of the tour last Monday night at Carnegie Hall, drawing a crowd of about 1,000. The theme was "Christianity in Crisis." Guards screened those who entered.

Dressed smartly in a blue suit, white shirt and red tie, he announced himself, through an interpreter, as the bearer of secret truth, capable of leading modern man from a world he described as a "living hell" controlled by Satan.

The Unification Church has made substantial acquisitions lately.

A second estate, for example, was recently bought in Irvington, near Tarrytown, for $600,000 as a home for the minister and his family, who now live in Korea.

Mr. Moon was not available to discuss finances, but Joe A. Tully, the New York State representative of the church, said that manufacturing, export, import and sales businesses with which Mr. Moon is associated were a more significant source of income than contributions.

Mr. Moon's business card lists him as chairman of the board and founder of 15 diverse organizations, including the II Industry Company, the II Hwa Pharmaceutical Company, the II Shin Stoneworks Company and the Tong Wha Titanium Company.

"They are all used to fund other projects, and church members do all the work," Mr. Tully said.

The church has many international offices, including 50 in America. It also maintains an International Re-education Foundation in California, which the spokesman described as a "nonprofit organization for training the conscience."

--- The New York Times
New York, New York
Sunday, October 7, 1973
Moon-Struck

For weeks his placid Korean countenance seemed to be everywhere New Yorkers looked on commuter train posters, in full-page newspaper ads. In a flurry of broadsides handed out by earnest young men and women on the sidewalks of Manhattan. The message of his coming was brief: CHRISTIANITY IN CRISIS NEW HOPE REV SUN MYUNG MOON.

Last week in Carnegie Hall, the Rev. Moon finally appeared in person to begin a four-month, 21-city "Day of Hope" tour of the U.S. His goal: nothing less than the unification of all mankind. His credentials, though Moon himself never quite claims the title, his followers believe him to be the "Lord of the Second Advent"—the Second Coming of Christ.

That part of Moon's message does not get top billing these days, however. At a tour kickoff dinner at the Waldorf Astoria, Master Moon—as his disciples often call him—was presented somewhat vaguely as the standard-bearer of a new ecumenical morality campaign who is a staunch anti-Communist to boot. His audience was a prosperous looking crowd which was liberally sprinkled with U.S. military uniforms. Scattered among the guests, saying "sir" and "ma'am," were Moon's own well-scrubbed troops: neatly barbershed young men in crisp new suits and carefully coiffed young women in demure dresses.

Moon does not fit the standard image of the guru out of the East. At 53 he is, in fact, a millionaire whose holdings in various enterprises including Ginseng Tea, titanium production, pharmaceuticals, air rifles are worth perhaps $15 million. The business success has grown hand-in-hand with his religious endeavors, which began, as he tells it, with a vision of Jesus Christ on a Korean mountainside in 1936, a vision that told young Moon—then a Presbyterian—to "carry out my: unsold task."

Moon became an electrical engineer before he found his mission after World War II in Communist North Korea. He fell in with some Pentecostal Christians

THE REV. SUN MYUNG MOON
Flowers, candles, peanuts.

in Pyongyang's underground church—among whom there were already predictions of a Korean Messiah—and developed a following of his own. Imprinted by the Communists for nearly three years, he was liberated in 1950. By 1954 he had founded the Holy Spirit Association for the Unification of World Christianity—known more simply as the Unification Church. In the same year his wife of ten years left him because, he claims, "she could not comprehend my mission."

His book of doctrine, Divine Principle, appeared in 1957, quickly to become the Bible of his followers. It is a curious mixture of Christian fundamentalism, Taoist-like dualism, numerology, and even metaphors from Moon's electrical engineering (the "give and take" between proton and electron, for example, as a model for that between God and man). The book points to a new Savior from Korea, whose timing is remarkably similar to Moon's.

Moon's main focus is the tragedy of the Garden of Eden Adam and Eve, intended by God to be joined in divine matrimony, were to have been the perfect parents, and form, with God, a kind of Trinity to shape the world. But Eve sinned by committing adultery with an archangel, who thereby became Satan. According to Moon, Jesus was supposed to be a second Adam, creating the perfect family. His crucifixion, before he had a chance to marry, redeemed mankind spiritually, but not physically—a task left over for the Lord of the Second Advent. In Moon's divine account, there is also a law of restitution that requires an "indemnity" of suffering, especially from the Jews because they rejected Jesus.

Onstage, Moon sells his ideas like a tub-thumping evangelist, slapping his fist into his hand to make a point, belting out his words in enthusiastic Korean, which an aide quickly translates. After two decades of such evangelizing, Moon's church and its affiliates (The World Crusade and the Freedom Leadership Foundation, among others) seem to be just hitting their stride. Although orthodox Christians recoil from Moon's teachings, the Moonists claim 600,000 followers worldwide, with perhaps 100,000 "core members" who are willing to give up their personal lives entirely to work for the master. In the U.S. there are some 3,000 core members, perhaps another 7,000 sympathizers.

Forty Days. The core members—most in their 20s, many of them converts from other spiritual, psychological or political trips—display a dogged devotion that makes even Jehovah's Witnesses look like backsliders. They are enthusiastic capitalists who rise at dawn to hit the streets with wares to exchange for "donations": flowers, votive light candles, even peanuts.

Last year, when Master Moon moved his headquarters to Tarrytown, N.Y., members sold candles across the U.S. for seven weeks to meet the down payment of $300,000 on a $850,000 estate.

Apostolic self-sacrifice is not all that is required: the movement's puritanism might impress Cotton Mather. There is no dating, no marriage or divorces are permitted. Disciples are selected by Moon and his lieutenants. Both men and women submit lists of five candidates and, after counseling, their leaders make a choice. Newly married couples must refrain from sex for 40 days after the wedding ceremony, which is the holiest act of the sect. Moon thunders against adultery and fornication: members who fall, he warns darkly, may never be saved.

As for Moon himself, he married for the second time in 1960. His wife, a quietly beautiful woman named Hak-Ja Han, has since borne four sons and three daughters. Though he recently told followers that his wife has not yet reached his own spiritual perfection, Moon is apparently confident that she will do so eventually. Together, his teaching makes evident, they are the new Adam and Eve, their children the first of a new, perfect world.

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One Big, Happy Family

Would you believe—

—that the fall of man occurred when Eve was literally seduced by Satan behind Adam's back?

— that the Messiah appears on earth as "the third Adam," he will restore the Garden of Eden by marrying a perfect mate?

—that the Messiah will be born in the "new Israel"—Korea—by 1960?

—that only righteous parents who form faithful marriages will be welcomed into the coming Kingdom of God the Father?

In brief, that is the gospel according to Dr. Sun Myung Moon, a Korean evangelist whose curious blend of Christianity, Oriental family worship and stern Puritan moralism is the latest—and certainly the most militant—new religion to reach American shores. Dr. Moon claims 2 million members for "the Unification Church," a movement he directs as a kind of Korean John the Baptist. "My mission," he says, "is to try to unite all Christians into one family before the Lord arrives."

With less than seven years left to complete his mission, Dr. Moon has recently shifted his international base of operations from three rented rooms in a poor section of Seoul to a lush, 22-acre estate in Tarrytown, N.Y., which his disciples purchased last year for $850,000. The estate includes a luxurious mansion for Moon, 53, his young wife and their seven children, plus an elaborate training center for the youthful leaders of his "One World Crusade." For months, Moon's lieutenants have been preparing for a lecture tour of 21 U.S. cities, and last week they unleashed their zealots on New York.

Posters: In Manhattan and the suburbs, cadres of clean-cut young Moonites buttonholed bewildered citizens with urgent messages about narcotics, wayward children and the demise of the American family. Commuters found Dr. Moon standing down at them from posters, and The New York Times carried ads proclaiming "Christianity in Crisis."

To outsiders, Moon's creed appears to be a kind of Oriental Moral Rearmament. His followers try to reassert the fatherhood of God by creating perfect human families. Husbands and wives are taught to be strictly faithful to each other—the worst sin is adultery—and to raise as many children as possible. Dr. Moon teaches, will enter the Kingdom of God in family units, which makes his religion hell on bachelors.

The buildup for Dr. Moon peaked last week with a formal dinner at the Waldorf-Astoria attended by 300 local military officers, politicians and clergy. "God loves America," he shouted, making short, karate-chop gestures. "And God loves you, too." To which his disciples shouted back in unison: "Abolish sin!"—"Victory to our Father!"

Dr. Moon's three formal lectures at Carnegie Hall turned out to be far less illuminating than the paramilitary manners of his disciples. As some 900 ticket holders entered the hall, those with pocketbooks or packages were closely scrutinized first by Moon's followers, then by guards hired for the evening. And a cordon of his disciples shouldered protesting Jesus freaks out the door.

What is it about Dr. Moon that inspires so much caution? Part of the answer lies in Moon's checkered career in South Korea. A North Korean by the name of Kim Kuk-chol, he claims that Jesus called him at the age of 16 to "fulfill God's providence." After three years of alleged torture in a Communist prison, Moon escaped to South Korea in 1950, where he formed several religious and anti-Communist groups.

As a religious leader, Moon won fame for his mass marriages of 1577 couples in a single wedding in 1970. But as a self-proclaimed prophet sent to unify Christianity, Moon has run afoul of the established churches in South Korea. "We consider it a pseudo-religion more evil than Satan," says the Rev. Kim Kwan Suk, head of the Korean National Council of Churches. Dr. Moon's anti-Communist organization, however, enjoys a privileged relationship with the Seoul government. Every year the government sends provincial officials, militia leaders, teachers and village chiefs to his center outside Seoul for instruction.

Moon's move to the U.S. has not altered his blend of anti-Communism and extremist Christianity. And although many of the college students ensconced on the Tarrytown estate last week were practicing Protestants, Catholics and Jews, Moon told Newsweek's religion editor Kenneth L. Woodward that in time "they will have to make a choice" between their original faiths and the Moon movement. There seems little doubt that the youths who moved about New York last week in crusade buses will opt for Dr. Moon. Though some seemed confounded by Moon's metaphysics, most relished their membership in a cult that assures them—and their offspring—a place in God's family circle.
Revel Moon mobilizing to bring God to USA

Repeatedly pounding the lecture table, chopping the air in karate like movements and talking in an excited state of urgency, Unification Church founder Sun Myung Moon declared he will leave his "footprint in this country."

The Korean spiritual father of the international movement that has its training center in Tarrytown spoke at Carnegie Hall Tuesday in the second of three concerts scheduled there. His New York City appearance launches a 21-city, three-month crusade.

In a talk entitled "God's Hope for America," Moon said he wants to "rekindle the American Youth. They need me; they need me." he declared.

"I KNOW I'm destined to fulfill the mission here in America. I'm destined to contribute to the salvation of the world, and America will be my base," he said.

He said he is initiating a new American Puritan movement, and that his young followers "will dash in any corner of the world for the purpose; they'll risk anything, and go everywhere, even to Communist countries."

He added, "As you know, Communist leaders are idolized like God."

"I organize young people. I told them your mission is to suffer for America, and to bring God to America. I mobilize this to serve God." He referred to his "new Christian movement that mobilizes youth for God's purpose" as the "new ideology" and "the solution."

"If we fail, God will give you punishment," he said.

Most of the talk focused on parallels Moon drew between various Biblical leaders and himself. He spoke about these prophets in a personal, friendly and mundane way, "They gave themselves to God and deserve God's blessing."

Of Noah, he said, "Just imagine building a ship for 120 years on top of a mountain. I know Noah didn't look after his own livelihood, I don't think any lady in this audience wants a husband like Noah."

Of Abraham, he said, "I know he took off at night without telling anyone," he did things on "the spur of the moment."

Of John the Baptist, he said, "If someone has a son like John the Baptist, that parent must be very lucky," Moon called him "a brilliant and humble man." He said, "If I wore clothes like John the Baptist, you'd look at me in a strange way."

He said today it is easy to accept Jesus as the Savior, but said His ideas were considered "outrageous" 2000 years ago; Moon concluded, "Those summoned by God cannot be comprehended with common sense."

"Sometimes those who adhere to the covenant of God have to do some crazy things," he said.

Moon said America is blessed by God because its ancestors were great and because the country achieved vast material wealth in a short time.

"The origin of America started with the Puritan Fathers," he said although he acknowledged, "Indians were the true landowners."

"I think," he went on, "God was deeply moved by the Puritan Fathers of America, and God sided with them, so God gave the settlers a chance, and they chased the Indians away."

He said the country's ancestors "prayed with a rifle in their hands."

But he said America is at a point now where it can decline rapidly. He said American youth are confused and often become "troublesome hippies."

"America has forgotten God," he asserted.

The Christian church in America, he said, "has become like a senior citizens home," and added, "God needs young people to do His job."

Moon said he is doing "God's will for America."

Several people left the hall before the end of the two hour talk. Outside, members of the Church of the Nazarene were carrying posters that read, "Don't be fooled, Jesus is the Lord, not Mr. Moon."

A GIRL named Mary who was carrying one of the signs said she has spoken to Unification Church members, but "couldn't pin them down to anything. They don't have peace. They're brainwashed," she said.

A Unification church member from Idaho said she loved Moon's talk because he said "the truth."

While members of the Nazarene Church, which is located only a few blocks from the Unification Church's New York center on East 71st Street, were carrying posters in front of Carnegie Hall, a mass of Unification Church members chanted "The Battle Hymn of the Republic" and other patriotic songs swaying arm in arm under the marquee.

Rhodelle Valath, a woman who said she is not a Unification Church member but has spoken for the church and knows family members, said Moon "makes a great deal of sense." She said that was "the first time the Bible was interpreted intelligently where original sin made some sense."

Nazarene Church Rev. Paul Moore said he believes Moon is "Satanic." Rev. Moore said he has read Unification Ideology and has attended Unification lectures.

He said he believes Moon is "preparing for something political and revolutionary. This is just the start. Eventually they'll get into something militant. I see it in the sidewalk with the blind chanting of cliches. They take excerpts from the Bible out of context."

"The only thing similar between them and myself as a Christian leader is that we both believe in God," Moore said.

- The Daily News
Tarrytown, New York
Wednesday, October 3, 1973
Baltimore

Only a few months after Billy Graham tried to convert Korea, a Korean preacher is on a nationwide crusade in the United States, proclaiming he is “God’s Hope for America.”

He is the Rev. Sun Myung Moon, the 53-year-old founder of the Unification Church, a mixture of Christian beliefs and orientalism.

— The Sun Final
Baltimore, Maryland
Tuesday, October 9, 1973
In recognition of your distinguished achievements and eminent contributions to the life of our times, J. William Donald Schaefer, Mayor of the City of Baltimore, am pleased to extend to you a most cordial welcome to our city, and to issue this Certificate proclaiming you an Honorary Citizen of Baltimore City.

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To

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To

Sun Myung Moon

Our Master receiving the President's Citation from President of the Baltimore City Council, Walter A. Orinsky.
Mr. Moon . . . speaking through an interpreter . . . "A new pilgrim spirit must take over this country. You need a new Christian spirit to turn the tide in America. My mission is to rekindle America — to rekindle faith in America."

Barbara Mikesell, 29, a former Quaker and peace activist who has "immersed herself in the church for the last nine years, shows a typical dedication to Mr. Moon and his way of life:

"I feel there is a moral force and value system here with the power to change the course of human history — and that's exactly what I'm looking for."

— The Philadelphia Inquirer
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Thursday, Morning
October 11, 1973

Followers of the Rev. Sun Myung Moon bow their heads in prayer
Boston

"I came because the people working for him are very nice and so dedicated," said an MIT secretary who, along with a friend, left after the first 20 minutes.

She agreed with Rev. Mr. Moon that "the world has to change in its understanding and outlook," but she found the 53-year-old Unification Church founder to be "so dogmatic."

— Boston Evening Globe
Boston, Massachusetts
Wednesday, October 17, 1973
Washington, DC

Do you love Washington, D.C.?
"Yes!"
"Do you want to see it grow?"
"Yes!"
"Do you want to see it grow in love and understanding?"
"Yes!"

"Now raise your hands and wave at everybody in the street!"

And almost 200 young people, who had already sung "America the Beautiful" and the "Battle Hymn of the Republic," raised their hands and waved at the people passing by Connecticut Avenue and M Street NW at lunchtime yesterday.

Arranged in neat rows around a statue of Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, girls on one side and boys on the other, and equipped with loudspeakers and poster covered vans, the Rev. Sun Myung Moon's advance party brought their message of brotherly love and their leader's upcoming speaking tour to the streets of Washington.

Their message, as they sing on the radio commercials that have been running 16 times daily on three local radio stations, is that "there will be a new day of hope." Claiming membership in 40 countries, the church is out to "reinvigorate Americans with the original spirit of Christianity, thereby strengthening the backbone of America and enabling this nation to fulfill its God-given mission to serve and help all peoples," as one of their numerous press releases says.

The Washington Post
Washington, D.C.
Tuesday, October 16, 1973

Several thousand persons paused momentarily during their lunch break yesterday, arrested by the singing of 400 young people stationed at Longfellow Square at Connecticu and M Streets NW. What they heard were hymns of the Christian faith, the stress on the Second Coming.

But they were not the usual hymns of the faith. A majority of the well-scrubbed, neatly dressed youths were internationals, singing hymns that are familiar in the Orient or Europe or some other distant area. "The Rugged Cross" and "Amazing Grace" weren't there.

All around the area, other youths were distributing leaflets with a man's face on them. Buses passed by bearing the same face, a face that will become extremely familiar to people in Washington and 20 other cities in the next four months.

The Rev. Sun Myung Moon of North Korea doesn't exactly make the claim himself, but many of his followers believe that he might be the very essence of the Second Coming of Jesus. If not Jesus come to earth bearing a new name, then at least the precursor of the returning Messiah, another John the Baptist.

Even the most devout of them get a little vague when confronted with the question of who Moon is.

But that is not what really matters, they say. Moon is head of the fast-growing Holy Spirit Association for the Unification of World Christianity, known popularly as the Unification Church.

Devotees — there are an estimated 600,000 of them in the world even though the faith was not established until 1954 — believe that Moon, formerly a Presbyterian, is under commission from God to "carry out my undone task." This, among things, means working through family units in tune with God. What Adam and Eve destroyed, he is, through unified families, to restore.

Jesus, the group believes, was frustrated in His attempts to restore the world to God because He was the "second" Adam and was to marry the "second" Eve, or the ideal woman. Together they were to engender the ideal or unified family. The Crucifixion came before Jesus could marry and thus thwarted the intention of God through Jesus. Moon, therefore, could be here to fulfill the Adamic role, consummating the ideal marriage.

While there are only about 10,000 devotees in the United States (international headquarters are in Tarrytown, N.Y.), most of these are the fruit of a similar speaking tour through seven U.S. cities in 1972 and due to the zeal of the youths for spreading his version of the Gospel.

Moon's Washington appearances will be in the form of three lectures open to the public at 8 p.m. Saturday and Sunday and at the same time next Tuesday at George Washington University's Lisner Auditorium.

But quite obviously many of the passersby would hardly forget a lunch hour, that shall we say, was different. Even refreshing, whoever Moon is.

Washington Star-News
Washington, D.C.
Tuesday, October 16, 1973

Rev. Moon is in America because of his conviction that God is working actively and directly with the world today and that America has a particularly important role.

Rev. Moon's Lisner Auditorium appearance marked the fifth stop on a 21-city cross country tour designed to bring this message to the American people.

He recently stated: 'God blessed America because its people were united into one centering on the Christian ideology, transcending national feelings. If America practices true democracy on a universal scale by loving people of the world, she will be in the leading position among all nations and enjoy God's blessing. But the United States is on the verge of being deprived of the blessing. A great crisis is at hand here in America.'

Michael F. Beard, Coordinator of the Washington speaking tour, said: 'All Church members in Washington have been and will continue to canvass the area until October 20th, working day and night to reach the people of this city with Rev. Moon's urgent message.' He estimates 200 or more will soon be engaged in this effort.

The Tribune
Bethesda, Maryland
Friday, October 19, 1973

On street corners around the Marvin Center and inside the cafeteria, religious crusaders, ranging from soft-spoken, mid-western blondes to smooth-talking, smiling orients, exhort people to come and hear the precepts of their beliefs, to be delivered by its founder, the Rev. Sun Myung Moon in a series of lectures later this week.

Followers of this group, known as the One World Crusade, have tried to interest people on the GW campus in their movement, the Unification Church, but have met with little success.

Despite negative reactions from many people on campus, Toshiharu Kosaka, a member of the One World Crusade, said he believed that the response to the upcoming lectures by the Rev. Moon at GW should be favorable.

Kosaka recalled that in encounters with people promoting the lectures last week, many expressed disinterest. Others, he said, would tell him they believed in God and thought that was enough, while others told him they were "in a hurry."

Marcia Murphy, another member of the Crusaders, said that many people are very apathetic and feel powerless, and are thus unable to relate to their group.

Hatchet
The George Washington University
Vol. 70, No. 14
October 18, 1973
The most dangerous time for any civilization comes when its moral and ethical foundation is in crisis. History has shown us that if a society loses this, it cannot survive. America has grown and prospered so greatly because those who settled it came seeking God. The only way it will fall is if those who live here stop seeking Him.

This foundation of our country is in a period of obvious crisis. Is it still true that, "In God We Trust?" Are our churches filled? Do our churches really address themselves to the questions people are desperately asking?

If Christianity is in crisis it can only be because we have abandoned God. In this dangerous situation, new hope comes only from seeking to know God's will as it is, and not as we wish it to be.

Reverend Sun Myung Moon from Korea has tirelessly sought to know God on God's terms. What he says about God, Jesus Christ, man and the time we live in will re-vitalize and warmly personalize your relationship with God and help you to understand what God is doing in the world today.

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FOR INFORMATION CALL (202) 296-7141

Reverend Moon is coming to 21 cities throughout the United States. He will speak in the following cities: Boston, Houston, Charleston, Charlottesville, Philadelphia, Washington, D.C., Chicago, St. Louis, Dallas, and others. For tickets and further information, call the local number provided.
left: Our Master and Mr. Pak greet a banquet guest.

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Mr. John Mack speaks on behalf of the Mayor, Walter E. Washington.
Ambassador Um Sim of the Khmer Republic (Cambodia) gives a short talk to guests in praise of Our Master.
GREETINGS TO THE PASTOR, MEMBERS AND FRIENDS
OF THE UNIFICATION CHURCH
1973 DAY OF HOPE
OCTOBER 20 - 23, 1973

As Mayor of the District of Columbia, I am pleased to take this opportunity to extend greetings and congratulations to the pastor, members and friends of the Unification Church on the occasion of the celebration of your 1973 Day of Hope, being held in Washington, D. C. October 20 - 23, 1973.

I commend you for the work you and your great church are performing in our community, and urge you to continue your important efforts to further the cause of bringing about a harmonious world, and to the work for the general well being and welfare of our community. Over the past 13 years your church has been in the forefront of civic betterment and progress for our city. I salute you in these endeavors. The growth and steady progress of the Unification Church and your significant future plans combine to constitute a source of inspiration for all of us.

I know that the residents of our Nation's Capital join with me in extending congratulations to all of you, and in wishing you a rewarding and enjoyable 1973 Day of Hope.

Sincerely yours,

Walter E. Washington
Mayor
District of Columbia
Students Demonstrate

Moon Loses Face on Campus

A small gathering of dorm residents mushroomed into a minor demonstration Tuesday night in front of Crawford Hall, when 200 GW students collected to voice the growing anti-Moon sentiment on campus.

For an hour and a half, starting at about 10 p.m., chants of “No More Moon” were directed towards Lisner Auditorium, where the Rev. Sun Myung Moon was holding the last of his series of Washington lectures.

“We believe in the freedom of speech. We believe in the freedom of religion,” said a statement from the demonstrators “but we also believe in the freedom from interference. We believe in the Christian principle of free will. But the Christian principle has not been followed by the followers of Rev. Moon. This violation and interference of our rights is what we protest.”

Most students were more direct.

“It’s a pain in the ass. You can’t get to class without being attacked by these people six times,” said one senior.

“I think it’s an insult to human intelligence. If you tell someone that you don’t want something they’re trying to tell you, that should be enough,” said John Lanay, a freshman.

Seven Metropolitan policemen arrived to help control the group, but there were no difficulties. One patrolman even suggested a chant to the group. “Demonstrations just aren’t what they used to be,” said Patrolman J.P. Vines, “no cussing, no swearing, no throwing bottles.”

He added he preferred this demonstration to the anti-war ones.

Most students viewed the demonstration as humorous. “It’s the best grins I’ve had all year,” said Pam Lawrence, a junior. “This is the one thing that has brought GW students together,” she added. “I think it’s really funny,” commented another senior, who thought the event was “just a final release of all the tension with his face plastered all over campus.”

The police tried to break up the crowd several times with no success.

“If you don’t like Moon say so. Go ahead. We can see why you don’t. But…” said one policeman who was drowned out by a “No More Moon.”

The demonstration finally broke up at 11:30 p.m. when Moon’s limousine pulled out from behind the Center and sped down H Street towards 22nd Street, accompanied by one final chant.

According to Patrolman H.E. Carew, the lecture ended shortly after 10 p.m. and Moon and his followers were holding a reception in the basement of Lisner during the demonstration. “They were eating hamburgers,” he said.

While Rev. Sun Myung Moon lectured inside Lisner Auditorium Tuesday night, students across the street protest the tactics used by his followers to persuade people to attend.
After weeks of aggressive advance work by members of his Unification Church, Reverend Sun Myung Moon told a near-capacity crowd at Lister Auditorium Saturday night that Jesus Christ will soon return to this world to establish the Kingdom of Heaven on Earth.

Church officials estimate that 200 people have been involved in advancing Moon's Washington lectures. Unification Church members have conducted an intensive street corner campaign to publicize Moon's appearance. They were called too aggressive by some students. GW student Karen Kosinski complained that one Moon representative grabbed her by the arm as she tried to pass by, and then followed her down the street. "I must have been bothered 10 times by the same guy," she said.

-Hatcher

The George Washington University Volume 70, Number 15 October 22, 1973

But the message Sunday night dwelt less on the special doctrinal outlook of the Unification Church than on what might be construed as its broader appeal.

Mr. Moon passionately asserted that America has been blessed by God, a blessing that dates back to the religious compact of the Pilgrims and the prayers of George Washington at Valley Forge.

If the nation then really would cease in its drift away from God, he said, America could provide the needed base for the returning Lord to land on. Mr. Moon explained that he had obtained a permanent visa in this country to pursue his quest.

"God sent me," he shouted. "I come to initiate a new pilgrimage in America."

The church's elaborate arrangements for Mr. Moon's visit here, the fifth stop on a 21-city tour that will wind up in Los Angeles Jan. 29, began with a banquet Friday evening at the Starler-Hilton that featured stuffed breast of capon madeira, broccoli and a talk by Ambassador Um Sim of the Khmer Republic (Cambodia).

The church invited many of those it deemed to be influential Washingtonians, and 358 of them showed up, many a bit puzzled about who their hosts were.

Ambassador Sim declared his firm conviction that one day Mr. Moon's teachings would inspire all Americans.

Mr. Moon told the dinner guests he would give only greetings rather than a full talk. He then expressed the view that "God loves Washington even better than the rest of America."

If God specially favored America, as Mr. Moon asserted, he also looked with less favor on other places, and the preacher singled out for special mention Sunday night one such area - Latin America.

Colonized at the same time as what is now the United States, Latin America's settlers came for the money and not for God, Mr. Moon averred. Consequently they found neither money, God, nor freedom and remained an underdeveloped area.

-The Washington Post Metro
Washington, D.C. Tuesday, October 23, 1973
More Moon...

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accomplished the physical redemption of humanity.

It is the task of the Second Advent, therefore, to make the perfect marriage and, thereby, to secure the physical redemption of the race. From this perfect union of man and woman, with God as a third partner, will arise a race of redeemed beings populating the globe with the saved. Salonen looks up. His poster is covered with a lattice-like mosaic of the Unification Church’s model of redemption through reproduction.

Many members believe Moon is the Second Coming. Others see him as a modern-day Balaam, a heretic who, having seven children by his second wife, is not one way or the other.

Saturday night in Washington is a marriage night for a Moon dance. Two hours before the lecture is scheduled to start, faithful have begun to gather in front of Linus Auditorium on the campus of George Washington University. These people consider the auditorium their church in the city. If they can cause such a communion in Washington, it should be fun to see what they can do to speak—its Korean.

Moon, Salonen, had said that afternoon, “is carrying direct revelation from God.” God is getting mysterious and mysterious!!!!

Salonen is sitting in his chair tastefully taking Moon’s frame out a stanza of paragraphs in Korean, then tracing while the translator bursts into red-face profundities into the hometown audience. The audience sits quietly—are they struck by the power of the words or the sinfulness of their present? Moon is an engaging speaker. His voice climbs up and down the scale, from falsetto speaks to guttural rumbles. He speaks, he presides, while in circles, embraces the translator, points at the podium, into his hand. He jabs the air, pungent in the audience. He shakes his head rapidly, his short, black hair flying, then quickly cabbage to root. But he cannot cut loose. He speaks for a third time, then freely while the translator takes over, then Moon, then the translator.

And on it goes. After about 45 minutes several couples leave quietly. Moon saws off.

The subject is God’s hope for man and his approach is complementarity. God the object, man the subject; God the alpha, man the omega. God too high. Man and God must be brought together. Life is in a circle. He sounds like Daffy Duck.

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Washington was reeling from the fact that last week Moon rallies had drawn crowds of the curious in various parks throughout the week. The big, blue-bib with Moon’s picture on the side proved the streets, crowding the Dome of Hope theme song through the impromptu on its roof. On the first two speeches disciples had handed out flyers for the scheduled seven-hour meeting no one has ever dreamed of religion."

On Saturday afternoon, Neil Albert Salomon met the press—next reporter from Washington, one reporter from a Hong Kong, the President of the Unification Church of America in 1929 young former engineer, student and hospital business manager.

He has been a member of the church since 1967. Before then, he said, he was a Lutheran who “felt robbed of religion.”

Salonen explained: “One day I went to a Unification center and I noticed a positive approach to life.”

He converted and now lives in Washington a house on Upper Street with wife and several children. These multi-family centers (“We don’t call them centers”) are the church structure and one uses in every state.

Salonen’s self-confidence, stemming from his religious conviction, is impressive. At the Baptist Friday night addressed the assembled guests forthrightly, settling the in the same manner, he was explaining the purpose of the current tour. “We have three goals for this tour,” he said. “We want to focus on the Second Advent, telling people that God is in America. The second is to intensify the work of members in our cities. This is a shot in the arm for the local groups. The third is to strengthen the bond of members, both in the local groups and in Washington.”

Salonen is a very important and the future of American Christians."

Some people have been skeptical of the Unification Church’s attempts to bring in new members, but Salonen is confident that they will succeed. He is planning to hold a rally in Washington next week and is already making plans for future events in the area.

Salonen is a man of action, always looking ahead to the next step in his church’s growth. He is a leader who knows how to get things done, and he is not afraid to take risks. He has been successful in building a strong base of support in Washington, and he continues to work hard to expand the church’s reach.

Salonen is a man of faith, and he believes that his church can make a difference in the world. He is a man of vision, and he sees a bright future for the Unification Church in America. He is a man of courage, and he is not afraid to speak out against the forces of evil. He is a man of integrity, and he always tells the truth, even when it is difficult.

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