

Milwaukee

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—*Milwaukee Courier*
Milwaukee, Wisconsin
March 16, 1974

What was Christian love won out over a theological clash Monday night when the Rev. Sun Myung Moon, founder of the Unification Church International, spoke to about 350 persons at the Astor Hotel.

About a dozen self-proclaimed "Jesus people" distributed leaflets before and after the speech, denouncing Moon's doctrine as being anti-Christian.

In 50 full-page newspaper advertisements and rallies held across the country, Moon has called for forgiveness of Watergate actions as a necessary step to Christian unity. Moon received much publicity after he met with President Nixon.

In their leaflets, the Jesus people said, "Noticeably absent from Moon's statement was the call for repentance on the part of the guilty as God's condition for forgiveness."

The Jesus people said that Moon "denies the completeness of salvation by faith in the death of Jesus for sin; it teaches that another Messiah must come to complete the partial work of Christ."

Speaking of Moon's speech, Karen Kolberg, 19, one of the Jesus people, said:

"I thought it was powerful, moving. But I thought it was wrong. We all seem to be looking for something. This is so false, so cleverly disguised. It really hurts me to the



I speak every evening but my feeling before going out onto the stage is that of a criminal before being executed. I am that serious every time. I feel so grave because I know that multitudes of lives will depend on me. If I am God-centered, and God is with me, and myriads of saints are helping me out, then I speak fluently. And not only do I speak fluently, but what I say will be fruitful in the hearts of the people. If not, then not only that audience present at the meeting but their descendants also will accuse me of my failure.

—*"On Leadership"*
Sun Myung Moon
November 9, 1973

heart to think of it."

Werner Seubert, the church's Wisconsin leader, said that Moon's "new concept of the Second Coming" was consistent with the Bible and stressed the need for unity among Christian denominations.

Moon spoke vigorously in his native Korean, frequently pacing across the stage, waving his arms and pounding the rostrum.

His interpreter, Bo Hi Pak, was equally vigorous.

Through Pak, Moon said that in "free communication with God" he was told to come to the United States to unify Christian denominations because this country holds a special place in God's favor, "whether you believe it or not."

Moon made no direct reference to Watergate Monday night.

The audience was silent through most of the two-hour program.

Many of the audience members were traveling with Moon.

—*Milwaukee Journal*
Milwaukee, Wisconsin
March 19, 1974

The Reverend Sun Myung Moon of Seoul, Korea will address Milwaukeeans at the Astor Hotel, March 18, 1974, at 8:00 p.m. His topic, "The New Future of Christianity," is based on "Forgive, Love and Unite" rather than vilify certain individuals. The young people serving on the committee presenting the program have extended an invitation to all Legionnaires and Auxiliary members to attend the lecture.

—*Badger Legionnaire*
Milwaukee, Wisconsin
March, 1974

STAR ★ TIMES

To Give 'Christianity' Sermon

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Milwaukee, Wisconsin
March 14, 1974

The Korean evangelist who founded the Unification Church ran into disunity in his first talk here and touched off a doctrinal dispute among youths.

The Rev. Sun Myung Moon of Seoul, South Korea, victim of both Japanese and Communist persecution, spoke Monday night at the Astor Hotel, 924 E. Juneau Ave.

In his two hour lecture, delivered in Korean and interpreted by Col. Bo Hi Pak, Moon predicted the coming of a new Messiah for the physical salvation of mankind, completing the work of Christ in spiritual salvation.

This and other points in his talk, he said, came to him through a "free communication" by Christ.

Most of Moon's followers in the Unification Church are in their 20's and 30's. The 20 members in the Milwaukee unit are all under 30, conventionally dressed, beardless and short haired.

Moon's prediction, however, came under fire in a leaflet distributed outside the Astor Hotel by bearded "Jesus people," some of whom attended the lecture, heard by about 350 persons.

The leaflet said Moon's teaching "eviscerates the Gospel of Jesus Christ; it

denies the completeness of salvation by faith in the death of Jesus for sin; it teaches that another Messiah must come to complete the partial work of Christ."

Other points that Moon made were:

* John the Baptist failed Christ by refusing to fulfill Old Testament prophecy.

* Jesus was not predestined to die on the Cross. Man's sin put Him there.

Moon admitted he had been called a "false prophet," but said God called him to go to America because it will be important in the salvation plan.

—*The Milwaukee*

Milwaukee, Wisconsin
March 14, 1974

The Rev. Sun Myung Moon, organizer of the Unification Church, will bring his "One World Crusade" to Milwaukee Sunday and Monday.

His appearance here will be climaxed at 8 p.m. Monday in the Astor Hotel when Moon speaks on "The New Future of Christianity."

Moon, who founded the Unification church in Korea in 1954, recently took a full page advertisement in newspapers to urge compassion for President Nixon in the Watergate crisis.

A unit of the Unification Church here consists of 20 youths whose headquarters are at 2003 W. Kilbourn Ave. Michael Allen, 27, is state co-ordinator.

The movement, which claims to have two million followers in the United States, is tied to no political party.

—*Milwaukee Sentinel*

Milwaukee, Wisconsin
March 16, 1974

STATE OF WISCONSIN

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

MADISON, WISCONSIN 53702

PATRICK J. LUCEY
GOVERNOR

March 12, 1974

Werner Seubert, Wisconsin Director
Unification Church
2003 West Kilbourn Avenue
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53233

Dear Mr. Seubert and Friends:

I want to take this opportunity to extend my best wishes on behalf of the State of Wisconsin to the Reverend Sun Myung Moon on the occasion of his visit to Wisconsin during the Week of Hope and Unification.

We are indeed honored to have Reverend Moon appear in Milwaukee on March 17, 1974. His work around the world to promote unity and understanding among all people reflects his deep dedication to world peace. We are most fortunate to welcome Reverend Moon to Wisconsin, and I hope you will express my personal greetings to him and to those who are contributing their time and efforts to the success of the Week of Hope and Unification.

Sincerely,


PATRICK J. LUCEY
G o v e r n o r

PJL/pbp

Office of the Mayor

CITY OF MILWAUKEE



Proclamation



Whereas: The City of Milwaukee has grown to be a major industrial and cultural center of the nation, contributing greatly to its prosperity and well-being; and

WHEREAS, Our city exemplifies a true melting pot of immigrants who came here from many nations and worked hard to make America a good home for their children and a great nation in the eyes of the world; and

WHEREAS, We must rekindle the values that made America a powerful nation for goodness upon the face of the earth and bring closer the day when all mankind can live together in harmony as one world family centered on God; and

WHEREAS, This ideal, burning in the hearts of hard-working people, can truly be the hope of this nation and the hope of the world;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, HENRY W. MAIER, Mayor of Milwaukee, do hereby proclaim March 17, 1974, A DAY OF HOPE AND UNIFICATION, and the year 1974 A YEAR OF HOPE AND UNIFICATION in Milwaukee, and I call the attention of our people to the visit, on Sunday, by the Reverend Sun Myung Moon, and the need to join in an effort to make this a year of great strides to overcome the barriers that separate man from man and man from God.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Henry W. Maier".

HENRY W. MAIER

Mayor



Des Moines

Although some of the followers of Korean evangelist Sun Myung Moon are in this country with questionable alien status, Moon and his wife are clear with the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service.

Moon jumped into the good graces of President Richard Nixon — and into national headlines — this year when he proclaimed that God had chosen Mr. Nixon for the Presidency, "at this moment in history," and that Americans should forgive and forget Watergate.

Moon's followers staged a 40-day rally in Washington, D.C., supporting Mr. Nixon against Watergate detractors under a banner of "Forgive, Love, Unite," and were visited by the President's daughter, Tricia, and her husband, Edward Cox.

"The Watergate appeal and the rally came after Rev. Moon and his wife had established their alien credentials," said John Matson, chief of general investigations for the Immigration Service's national headquarters in Washington, D.C.

"These things had nothing to do with the Moons' status or that of their followers."

The Moons, who were reportedly married in 1960 when he was 40 and she was 18, were first admitted to this country in 1972 on visitor's visas, according to Matson. Moon himself was admitted on a "visitor for business" visa, Matson said.

Moon and his wife — whose Korean name is Hak Ja Han — are considered "permanent resident aliens" according to Matson.

Stated most simply, immigration records show that they are here for these reasons: She, because she is a good cook; he, because he is married to her.

Aliens are allowed into this country under strict quotas established by treaties negotiated between the U.S. and foreign nations.

Jack Ricciardi, an investigator in the New York, N.Y., immigration office, explained that aliens are classified in various "preferences" when applying for entrance into the U.S. Doctors, for instance, have a higher preference than manual laborers.

Mrs. Moon established a preference level, under immigration rules, by certifying with the Department of Labor as "a cook specialist in the foreign food category," according to Ricciardi.

She was sponsored by the Korean Cultural and Freedom Foundation (KCFF), he said.

The Washington Post reported recently that the KCFF is a Washington-based organization headed by Lt. Col. Bo Hi Pak, a former Korean assistant military attache in the U.S. and the man who serves as Moon's translator during his current U.S. tour.

Moon's American followers have said there is no connection between KCFF and the Unification Church which Moon founded, although several prominent church leaders serve on the KCFF board.

The KCFF fosters Korean-American relations. For example, it sponsors the "Korean Little Angels," a children's entertainment troupe which performed last summer at the Iowa State Fair. (Fair secretary Kenneth Fulk said the group appeared at the Fair for \$5,000 and was "well-received" by the audience.)

After Mrs. Moon was approved as a



REGISTER PHOTO BY JOHN HETHERINGTON

Welcome Korean Evangelist

The Rev. Sun Myung Moon, right, receives a key to the city from Elmer Burgeson, left, Tuesday after the Rev. Mr. Moon arrived at the Des Moines Municipal Airport. Looking on is Bo Hi Park, interpreter for the visiting evangelist from Korea.

— *The Des Moines Register*
Des Moines, Iowa
March 20, 1974

visiting specialist cook in this country, Ricciardi said, "the Unification Church petitioned on her behalf for an adjustment of status."

She was made a permanent resident alien Feb. 26, 1973, records show. With that status, Mrs. Moon is not required to seek renewal of her visa; it is permanent, officials say.

"Once she got that status, she could petition for him," Ricciardi said. "The immigration service makes it easy for someone to have a spouse approved."

Mrs. Moon petitioned for her husband to be adjusted to permanent resident alien status, Ricciardi said, and that request was granted Apr. 30, 1973.

The immigration official who approved the evangelist's permanent status was Dale Barton, who was director of the Washington, D.C. district office, Matson said. Barton retired last June, Matson said.

According to Moon's itinerary, he is speaking today in Missoula, Mont.

At nearly every stop along the tour, he has received proclamations or keys to the cities from mayors and other officials — who have responded at the urgings of Moon's advance people.

South Dakota Gov. Richard Kneip and Sioux Falls, S.D., Mayor M. E. Schrimmer had both issued signed proclamations honoring Moon in anticipation of the evangelist's visit to Sioux Falls last Thursday and Friday. In

fact, Mayor Schrimmer had made Moon "an honorary citizen."

Before Moon arrived, however, both elected officials withdrew their citations.

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Des Moines, Iowa
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Des Moines, Iowa, Monday Morning, April 8, 1974

Immigration Officials Take Hard Look at Moon Followers

By Chuck Offenburger
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The U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service is taking a hard look at visas allowing some 600 foreign followers of Korean evangelist Rev. Sun Myung Moon to be in the United States.

Moon, 54, claims Jesus appeared to him on a mountaintop in Korea in 1920 and "revealed that Rev. Moon would have a great mission in the fulfillment of God's providence."

He founded the Unification Church, the theology of which holds Moon to be "the second Messiah" or "Lord of the Second Advent," according to defectors from the movement. (Members are less specific about Moon's position in the theology.)

The doctrine has been spread worldwide on the financial footings of Moon's own fortune — which some of his followers say "we hear" is \$15 million — and door-to-door soliciting has sparked public complaints and concern on the part of U.S. immigration officials.

Youthful Aides

The legwork that is done for Moon, the church and the movement ("The One World Crusade") is handled by a passel of bright, clean-cut young people — in this country, a mix of natives and foreigners — who are as persistent and wide-eyed as they are sweet-voiced.

Some of them are set up as the staff of the local churches and others travel with their leader, who currently is on a 32-city tour of the country.

The majority of Moon's foreign followers came to this country on visitors' visas, according to the immigration service, which allow them passage for up to six months and must then be renewed. Many of the holders of those visas have not bothered to apply for renewals, officials say.

"We know we've got a

number of overstays in the country with this church," says Jack Ricciardi, an investigator for the immigration service in New York, N.Y.

U.S. Concerned

John Matson, chief of general investigations for the immigration service's national headquarters in Washington D.C., adds: "We are concerned with the number of foreign people this movement has brought into the country." He estimates there are 600.

One of them is Klaus Werner, a German, who is director of the Unification Church in Iowa.

Werner's visitor's visa expired Jan. 14, according to Fred Morgan, director of the immigration service's Omaha, Neb., district office.

Werner acknowledges his visa is expired. He says he is not concerned because "the church is taking care of it."

"We notified Mr. Werner by letter that he was to come to the Omaha office for an interview and that we'd then decide what to do about his status as an illegal alien," Morgan said. "But he didn't come when he was supposed to."

"So we sent a man to Des Moines on Thursday to talk to him, but our man found out that Mr. Werner was in South Dakota with Rev. Moon. Some of Mr. Werner's associates told us they would tell him he needs to come to Omaha."

Slow to Move

Werner's status came to Morgan's attention two weeks ago, and the Omaha director admits that his agency has been slow to move on it.

"We're spread so thin," he says, "that it's difficult to quickly resolve every situation."

The Omaha immigration officials have recently developed most of their efforts to controlling the influx of Mexican migrant workers into the

Midwest, he said.

The situation is much the same in immigration service field offices elsewhere in the country. But it's unlikely that Werner's future in this country will be decided in Omaha, or that any of Moon's followers who are in visa trouble will be processed in any field office.

Matson says the service's outposts have been ordered not to start application-for-renewal procedures for any of Moon's people until the service's "pilot case" in New York is settled.

Special Visas

In that case, the immigration service will rule on a visa application advanced by national leaders of the Unification Church. Those leaders have asked for "blanket" permission for Moon's followers to hold what is known as an H-2 visa, according to Matson.

"They originally asked for an H-3 visa, which is a trainee status," Matson said. "But that category requires 'labor certification' from the U.S. Department of Labor, meaning that the department certifies the people for employment."

"They asked for the certification for the religious fundraising, and the Labor Department denied that certification."

The H-2 visa that Moon's followers now seek, Matson said, does not require certification by the Labor Department.

Matson said the application on file now in New York includes "documentation from the Unification Church on its training program and solicitation activities . . . an overall picture of their program." He said immigration officials have an option of asking for oral testimony.

He said the material is not available to the public.

No Deadline

"Immigration people in New York will review the

documentation and then make a decision on whether the visa will be granted. If it is, then it will cover all of the people in the movement. If it is not granted, then immigration officials will have a course of action available."

He said the amount of money the Moon followers have raised in this country "is not part of the investigation."

"We are primarily trying to clarify their alien status — whether they should be here and if they are seeking the right visa status," he said.

He said there is no deadline date for completing the investigation.

With the Moon people holding, or having held, visitors' visas in this country, the soliciting they have done is of questionable legality, according to Ricciardi of the New York immigration office.

"The visitor visa places an individual in 'non-immigrant' status, and non-immigrants are not allowed to accept gainful employment," Ricciardi said. "We have held that solicitation could be a violation of their status, but to determine that for sure, we have to look at each individual case and find out exactly what type of visa he or she holds."

Moon's followers conducted door-to-door solicitation of funds in Des Moines through sales of ornaments and snacks until their city permit expired Mar. 22. Local church leaders will not reveal how much money was raised here.

Members of the Laramie, Wyo., group raised \$8,000 in one month last year to be used as a down payment in the purchase of a Laramie home informally valued by local citizens between \$50,000 and \$80,000, according to a defected member of that group.

The money was solicited in a four-state area, a Laramie church official said, despite the existence of the "Green River ordinance," which prohibits door-to-door solicitation, in much of that area.

God Loves Iowa, D.M., Moon Tells Crowd Here

By John Hyde

The Rev. Sun Myung Moon — Father of the Universe, Messiah Returned, Divine Master and Shining Beauty — brought his Day of Hope Crusade to Des Moines Tuesday, telling his audience that God loves North America, the United States, Iowa and the City of Des Moines.

"In his divine will, God brought one great nation onto the earth, the United States of America. In just 200 years, God and the American people brought one of the great miracles on the face of the earth," Moon said.

Moon, 54, a Korean evangelist noted for his controversial plea that Watergate be "forgiven," gave a banquet at the Fort Des Moines Hotel for about 150 civic leaders, state legislators, businessmen, ministers and followers of his 20-year-old Unification Church.

After a meal of prime rib, au gratin potatoes, asparagus salad vinaigrette and lemon chiffon pie, all paid for by Moon's church, he pronounced himself "simply overwhelmed to be welcomed in this fashion."

Then Moon launched into an hour lecture, heaping praise on Iowa as a state that "contributed more than any state to freedom in the world, any state" and detailing his theol-

ogy of "happiness, joy, ideals, true peace and freedom" through spiritual unification.

Outside the hotel, three pickets greeted banquet guests with signs reading "Sun Myung Moon Is a Fraud" and "Who Is Moon?"

"He thinks he is the lord of the second advent," said Tom Murphy, 720 Caulder Ave., explaining that he decided to picket solely as a matter of personal conviction.

But another picket, Art Koch, 5710 S.E. Seventh Court, said he was angered by Moon's followers, charging that some had attempted to speak and sing at the Park Avenue Presbyterian Church Sunday by fraudulently saying they had been asked to be on the program.

One of the 70 youthful followers in Des Moines to drum up support for Moon's appearance at the Fort Des Moines Hotel at 8 p.m. today, Stuart Butler of England, followed the picket line and argued theology with Murphy.

Inside, the advance men and organizers of the crusade made it their business to keep the Korean Christ, as Moon is sometimes called by his followers, away from reporters. Photographers outfitted in black tie, also followers of Moon, clicked scores of photos, and a tape recorder took down every word. In the corner, a five-

piece band (bongo, flute, guitar, bass and piano) played pop music.

Moon told the Iowans he was a "student of your greatness" and recited a string of agrarian statistics to prove that the state will "never get old, a thousand years later will still be prosperous."

Khrushchev Visit

He said Iowa's greatest contribution to freedom came when Soviet Prime Minister Nikita Khrushchev visited the state in 1959. "He went to New York. He went to Washington. He was never impressed until he came to Iowa."

Moon said Khrushchev's visit to the state led him to believe that he could not defeat America and brought about a policy of detente.

"I want to love America more than any American," said Moon. "Why? Because our Heavenly Father loves America."

He told the gathering that Iowa's greatness was symbolized by its native son, the late President Herbert Hoover, who was "good-natured, honest, down-to-earth and created a great dam."

Moon said he had visited the Hoover Dam and was greatly impressed and advised all Iowans to pay a visit.

Moon's remarks were delivered in Korean, in a smiling, highly animated style, full of

jabs, claps, pokes, slaps and grasps. They were translated by his chief assistant, Lt. Col. Bo Hi Pak, a Korean assistant military attache in Washington from 1961 to 1964.

Some of the legislators and civil leaders cat-napped during Moon's "few grains of thought," but his followers, who were strategically placed at each table, made every ovation a standing one.

"I'm just following a good old Korean custom," said Moon. "When one is invited by wonderful people, like you, it is my duty as a guest to make you feel Cloud Nine. I'm trying."

Moon was presented a proclamation in honor of the crusade by City Clerk Margaret Vernon, who represented Mayor Richard Olson. Moon praised the absent mayor and suggested that he should run for state or national office.

After his remarks, the guests heard a Unification Church choir and saw a film.

Moon is now in the seventeenth of 32 cities he will visit in his present crusade, a tour that left Portland, Maine, Feb. 15, and will conclude in Honolulu, Hawaii, Apr. 20.

A press spokesman said Moon plans to retire from the public lecture circuit in May. His place will be taken by Pak, the spokesman said.

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Des Moines, Iowa
March 20, 1974



Misuse of Biblical Teaching

The biblical story of the woman caught in adultery has become popular among President Nixon's defenders. The story furnished the theme for a full-page advertisement appearing in The Register the other day under the name of the Rev. Sun Myung Moon, a Korean identified as the founder of Unification Church International.

Iowa religious leaders know little or nothing about the Unification Church, except that it is promoting a "National Prayer and Fast for the Watergate Crisis."

Moon's appeal for support said, "God chose this nation as His champion in His modern day dispensation." This appears to be an attempt to reconstruct the early Nineteenth Century idea — long discarded by most American churches — that the United States is the "new Israel" which was a key to God's intervention in human history.

Moon added, "God is testing America through the Watergate problem. America must demonstrate unity in love and forgiveness." He cited the story of the adulterous woman brought to Jesus.

Instead of condemning her, Jesus addressed her accusers, "He that is without sin among you, let him first cast a stone at her." When none did and all her accusers left, Jesus said to the woman, "Neither do I condemn thee: go and sin no more."

Moon and other defenders of the President stress the willingness of Jesus to forgive a woman who had committed a

sin. Jewish, Catholic and most Protestant religions teach that forgiveness is meaningless unless a person changes his sinful ways. They would point out that Jesus, while declining to condemn the woman, told her to "go and sin no more."

Moon wrote in his ad that he was inspired by God to take this message to Americans: "Forgive." John the Baptist (or Baptizer, as some churchmen now call him) and the followers of Jesus usually began with a call to repentance. The theme of repentance echoed through the preaching of Isaiah, Jeremiah, Amos and the other Hebrew prophets. Repent was the message the prophet Nathan gave to the erring King David.

The Hebrew word for repent, teshuva, means to return to the task of fulfilling God's will. The comparable Greek word in the New Testament, metanoia, means literally to turn around. Repentance is more than simply saying, "I'm sorry." It demands a distinct change, or reversal, from what has been done in the past.

Forgiveness is as much a part of judgment as punishment, both in religious and legal terms. In Nixon's case, the conclusive judgment has not been given. Reaching a just decision is not made easier by appeals to grant forgiveness, or pardon, in advance. This assumes guilt and repentance. It is a misuse of the Bible and historic religious teachings.

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January 18, 1974

Korean Evangelist's Ties With Nixon Are Subject Of Scrutiny by U.S. Press

Rev. Sun Myung Moon, a South Korean evangelist who will preach at 8 p.m. Friday at Robinson Auditorium, has come under close scrutiny from the press since establishing a certain relationship with President Nixon and his family during the winter.

It was Mr. Moon's followers, carrying signs saying "God Loves Nixon" and "Support Our President," that Mrs. Tricia Nixon Cox and her husband joined outside the gates of the White House in January. The next day Mr. Moon was ushered into the White House to receive in person the thanks of the president.

The chunky 54-year-old Korean is known among his followers as the Father of the Universe and sometimes as the Messiah returned, and, according to an article in *The Washington Post* of February 15 is "an enigma—the central personality in a constellation of related religious, financial and political enterprises that operate on a worldwide scale."

Many See Him As 'Messiah'

Many within his constituency, a growing network of "Unification Churches" in the United States and abroad, see Mr. Moon as the Messiah, returned to complete His work—a claim Mr. Moon neither embraces nor denies.

He does preach that Christ will be born again — in Korea, and in our time. He does say, according to *The Washington Monthly*, a magazine, that he has received a series of revelations from Jesus Christ in the 10 years after his 16th birthday—revelations that form the basis of the sect's bible, "Divine Principle."

The *Washington Monthly* said Mr. Moon contends that the new messiah, although without identity, already has been born in Korea, "the new Israel," and that the birth came in the years following World War I. Mr. Moon himself was born in 1920.

The *Post* article said established Christian churches of both the United States and Korea "generally take a less admiring view" of Mr. Moon, who is regarded in ecclesiastical circles as a "religious quack, a Korean-style Elmer Gantry who enjoys a warm and privileged relationship with the military-backed dictatorship" headed by Korean President Park Chung Hee.

Blends Politics With Religion

Whichever is correct, Mr. Moon unquestionably has devel-

oped into a highly controversial figure, in the United States and abroad. He has blended religion and politics through a campaign to absolve President Nixon of Watergate blame, for which he has been rewarded with the private visit with Mr. Nixon.

In Korea, Mr. Moon operates a training school to which the government annually "sends hundreds of thousands of civil servants, local officials and military men for a course in militant anti-communism." In his native land, the *Monthly* said, he is "a virtual conglomerate, holding, besides the [gensing] tea business, air rifle, pharmaceutical, titanium and still other companies. His empire is worth well over \$10 million" — money that American supporters insist pours into the Unification Church and affiliates.

In the United States, the Unification Church is said to have an annual income of \$6 million from cash contributions. The denomination is headed by 27-year-old Neil Albert Salomon, a former group leader in the Dale Carnegie Institute.

Its "core" membership of about 3,000 in the United States raise money by selling candles, peanuts, flowers and "granariums" (bottled dried flowers and seeds) on the streets, but gifts have included individual donations of up to \$300,000.

Salomon heads not only the church organization but a group called Freedom Leadership Foundation, a political-educational front whose objective is to "achieve ideological victory over communism in the United States" by promulgating Mr. Moon's "unification ideology" among young Americans, his principal followers.

Dinner Scheduled At Country Club

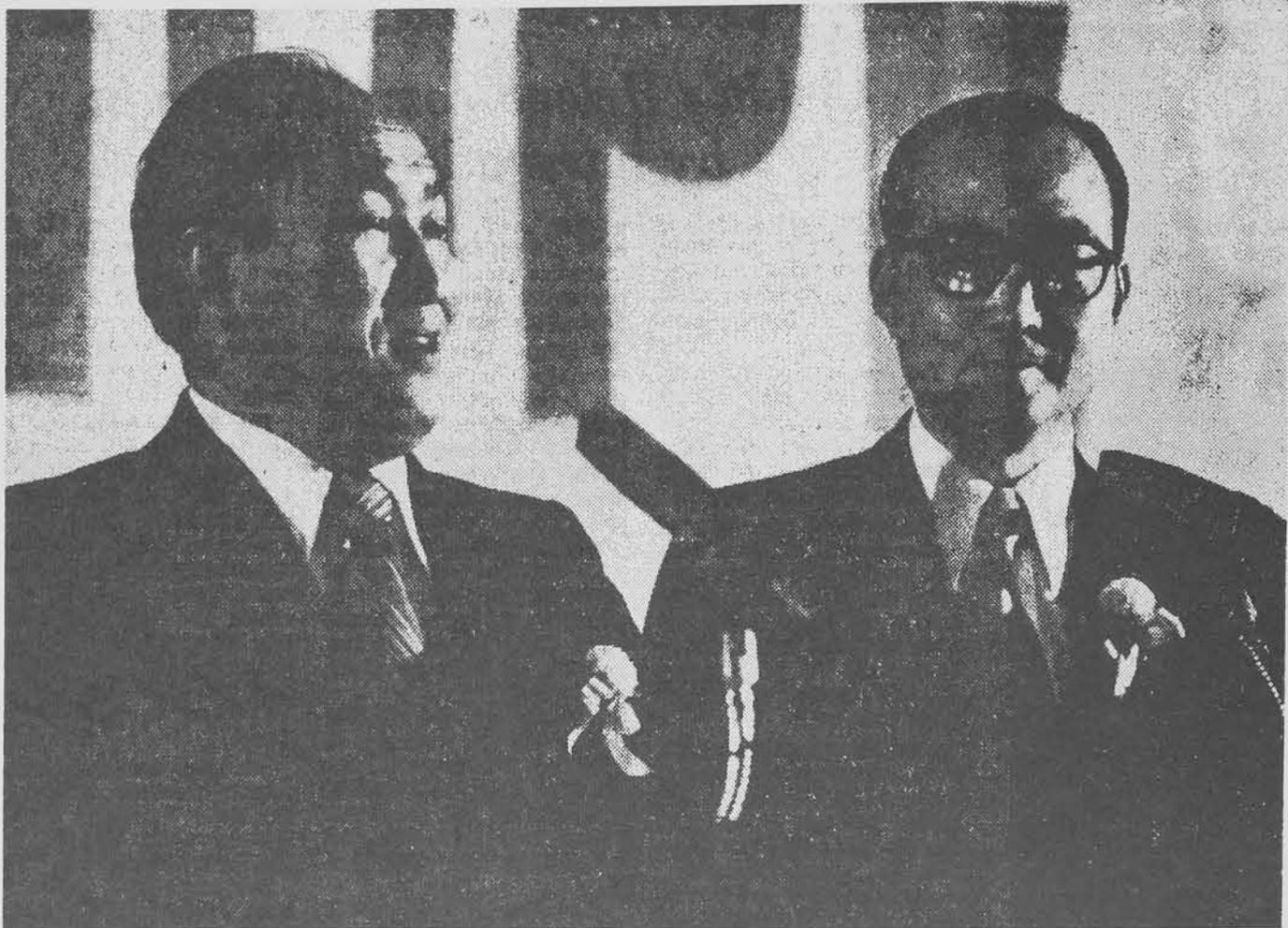
In addition to his free public lecture at Robinson Auditorium, Mr. Moon is scheduled to attend a "Day of Hope" dinner at 7 p.m. today at the Little Rock Country Club. The dinner was scheduled for the Little Rock Club, but was moved to provide more room. Its sponsor is the Unification Church of Arkansas, with branches at 1218 West Fourth Street and at Fayetteville.

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Rev. Sun Myung Moon (left) addresses dinner audience through interpreter

Evangelist talks on Watergate

By ERWIN L. McDONALD
Democrat Religion Editor

The Watergate crisis crept unexpectedly into a "Day of Hope" dinner of the Unification Church here Thursday night at the Little Rock Country Club.

Honoree and featured speaker for the occasion, Rev. Sun Myung Moon of South Korea, founder of the Unification Church, broached the Watergate subject in his opening remarks.

Moon authored a full-page advertisement which he and his followers ran recently in newspapers across the country urging the American people to put Watergate behind them by "forgiving and forgetting."

Speaking through an interpreter, Moon said, "I have been given the name of being pro-Nixon because of my Watergate statement, but I'm not pro-Nixon — I'm pro-God."

Moon said that he personally is opposed to President

Nixon's policy and regards him as a weak President. But he said he sees the Watergate crisis as "a crisis of human souls."

"I prayed to God many hours and many nights about this crisis," he said. "God revealed to me that Americans must stop tearing each other apart."

"This is the time, as the bicentennial of the nation draws near, for Americans once again to unite in a Christian spirit so that the nation can stay together."

Several dozen Little Rockians, including 91-year-old Mrs. David D. Terry, were among the approximately 125 persons attending the dinner. Also present were most of a delegation of 70 young international missionaries of the Unification Church movement, who have been in Little Rock for the past two weeks making preparation for Evangelist Moon's appearance here.

Moon will speak at the Convention Center tonight at 8 on

one of his favorite topics, "The New Future of Christianity."

Little Rock is one of a number of cities the evangelist is covering in his 1974 Day of Hope Crusade.

Presiding at last night's dinner was Neil Albert Salonen, president of the Freedom Leadership Foundation, Washington, an agency of the Unification Church created "to revitalize American society by developing the standards of leadership necessary to advance the cause of freedom in the struggle against Communism."

Moon paid glowing tribute to Arkansas as the native state of General Douglas MacArthur, whom he described as one of the nation's all-time great men.

He also praised President Harry Truman for committing military forces to help free Korea from Communism, but said Truman erred in circumscribing and fi-

nally firing MacArthur.

"God has shown special favor on Arkansas," Moon said, alluding to the beauty of the state and the state's "rich, natural resources."

The name of Arkansas' capital city reminded Moon that "rock," in the Bible, is a symbol of Christ. He cautioned Arkansans against taking for granted the blessings of God upon the state.

"As you give thanks for your great state, God may bestow even greater blessings upon you," he said. "Who knows but that God may give Little Rock and Arkansas vital roles in extending his kingdom on earth."

Togetherness of man with God was described by Moon as "the key to love, joy, happiness and peace."

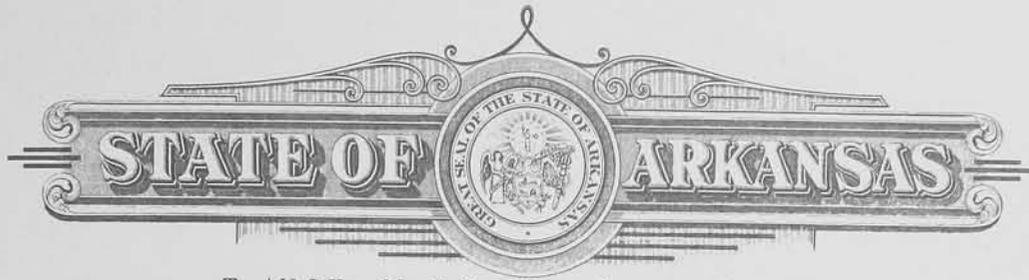
"All men are pursuing the noble goal of eternal love, eternal joy, and eternal happiness and peace, but few ever achieve it," Moon said. "Neither God nor man, sepa-

rate and apart, can achieve this goal. God needs man as an object of give and take, and man can attain fulfillment of his life only by turning to the eternal God."

Moon said the fundamental truth of the universe is that when a person practices living the way of God, in unselfish giving of himself for others, that one "emerges into the central figure of his own universe."

Pointing out that among the young internationals present were those from Germany and Japan, countries which were enemies of the United States in World War II, Moon said that he had counseled the young people to love America and it would be to them as their homelands.

"America belongs to those who love America the most," he said. He said that since this is true, he, though a citizen of Korea, can claim America as his own.



To All Who Shall See These Presents, Greeting:

Know Ye, that the Governor of the State of Arkansas, in the name and by the authority of the people of said State, as vested in him by the Constitution and Laws of the State of Arkansas, reposing special recognition for the distinguished accomplishments, do hereby appoint and commission

REV. SUN MYUNG MOON

ARKANSAS TRAVELER

who is hereby authorized and commissioned to serve as an Ambassador of Good Will from Arkansas to the people of other states, the people of nations beyond the borders of the United States or wherever this Ambassador of Arkansas may hereafter travel or reside.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed at Little Rock, this 21st day of March in the Year of Our Lord, One thousand nine hundred and seventy-four.



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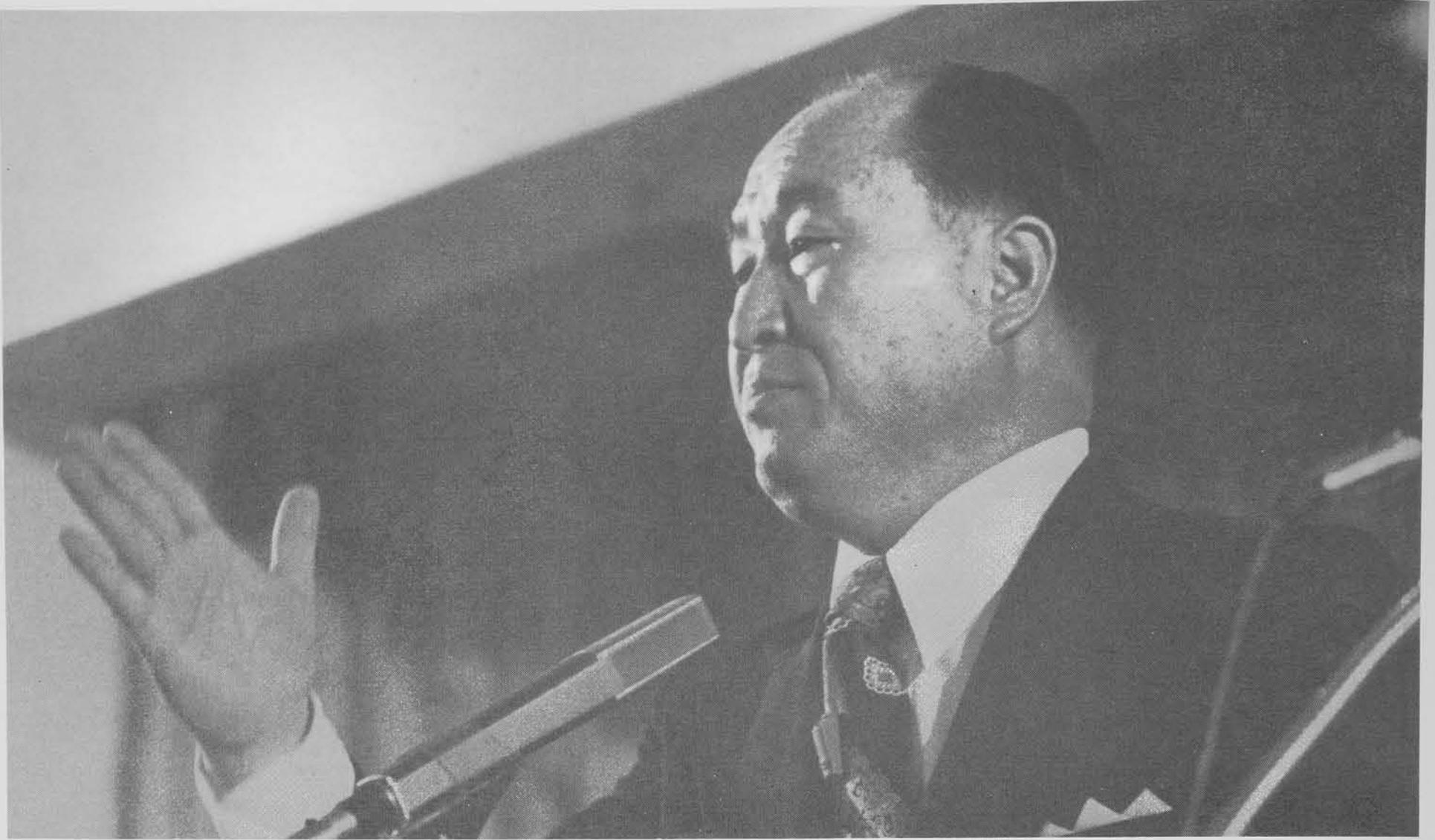
Be It Hereby Known That Reverend Sun Myung Moon has, on this day, been made an Honorary Citizen and under this charter shall hold and enjoy a place of high esteem in the minds and hearts of the people.



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Jesus People picket Moon service Group warns to beware of 'false doctrine'

By ERWIN L. McDONALD
Democrat Religion Editor

A small group of Jesus People ringed the outside of the Convention Center here Friday night to warn people attending the Unification Church of America service to beware of the "false doctrine" of Rev. Sun Myung Moon, founder of the Unification Church movement and featured speaker.

The pickets caused no stir as they assured each one who would listen, "Jesus loves you!" One side of a tract they handed out declared "The Jesus People are not Moonstruck! But we know a real Jesus is coming back to get us one of these days."

The tract cited scriptures dealing with the problem of "false Christs" and "false prophets" and quoted Ephesians 2: 8-9 as "the true, nondenominational means of salvation": "For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast."

With armed guards at three corners of Robinson Auditorium keeping close watch on the congregation of about 200 throughout the two-and-one-half-hour service, Moon gave his sermon on "The New Future of Christianity," speaking through an interpreter.

Making no reference specifically to his Little Rock opposition, the Korean minister alluded to charges that had been made against him as "a false prophet" since he began his Day of Hope tour last fall.

"I do not care what people say about me," he said. "I do care what God says about me. God has called me to carry his message to the Christians of the world, and I want to be faithful in fulfilling my mission."

The fact that the visitor made no greater impact here in the heart of the Bible Belt can probably be attributed to the wide variance between his doctrine and that commonly held by Christians of this area.

A major point of his sermon was that Christ's first coming, 2,000 years ago, ended with victory for Satan and that Christ's resurrection constituted only a partial victory for God and righteousness.

In his second coming, Christ will appear again in a fleshly body and again will face great persecution before he finally achieves his mission of restoring fallen mankind to the likeness of himself, Moon said.

His prediction that someone among natives of Korea now living — will be chosen of God to fill the Messianic role in the second coming is one of his most controversial beliefs.

—Arkansas Democrat
Little Rock, Arkansas
March 23, 1974

Unification Church Center Members Sell Soap, Hold Revival And Forgive Nixon

By LOWELL HINE HUMMER

After making inquiries of everyone from the street corner policeman to the assistant police chief, members of Jackson's Unification Church Center have learned that their carnation selling operations can no longer be carried on "curb to curb."

Center members were trading red, white and pink carnations for 50c to \$1 donations on North Jackson street corners, but Laura Thornton, local coordinator for the international youth group, said the flower vendors will be working out of shopping centers and parking lots, if at all, from now on.

She said the rising wholesale price of carnations might make the Center turn entirely to door-to-door sales of soap and peanuts to help finance a several month long Christian revival the Center has planned.

Thornton said the flower sellers had asked policemen whether their activities were legal but nobody seemed to know. She went to Sgt. Gary McGee, assistant to the police chief, who referred her to the department's legal advisor, who said the ban on curb to curb selling is only six months old so many policemen don't know about it yet.

Thornton described McGee as a "wonderful, gracious man" and said he had pledged to help the Center with their revival.

Thornton said the revival will include a Mar. 24 speech by Rev. Sun Myung Moon of Seoul, South Korea, founder of the Unification Church. A team of 70 young adults from seven countries will be coming to Jackson in mid-March to take part in the Revival.

Thornton said they will be singing and "talking about not being able to work in their own countries because of communist influences."

The revival's purpose, said Thornton, is to "inspire people to come back from moral and spiritual decline."

The purpose of the Unification Church Center, operative in Jackson since November, is apparently similar. It "sees a universal and constructive view of man, found in our Christian Heritage," according to the group's Dec. 1, newsletter.

March 11-15 the Center has plans for noon hour talks at Smith Park from five as yet undesignated local ministers. A brown bag lunch will be available for people to buy said Thornton.

Among the groups past projects was a Rally for America in early January under the auspices of the National Prayer and Fast for the Watergate Crisis. The Feb. 10 Center newsletter says the crux of the Watergate crisis is to "demonstrate a belief in God; that He directs this nation; and that therefore, He works through the President."

Thornton said no when the Reporter asked whether she felt there was any chance that unscrupulous politicians could use the Unification Church Center to further their own ends.

Rally for America was one of a series of nationwide demonstrations to "support the President, in a spirit of Christian love and forgiveness, in hopes of achieving national unity," said the newsletter.

Unification Church Center in Jackson has a staff of five, in-



Soft Soaping The Customer

cluding state coordinator, Mark Erickson. Thornton said there are about 50 young adults who come to the center's nightly discussion and Bible study. She described the people who come to the Center as mostly working people in their 20's, students and people "who don't go to a particular church." Asked about the kind of response Jackson has made to the Church

Center and to the carnation vendors, Thornton replied, "People are so kind and so generous. We are just so grateful."

She said she had worked in New York, Texas and Louisiana but found Mississippi friendlier. She plans "to stay in Jackson for a good time."

—Reporter
Jackson, Mississippi
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FOREIGN VISITORS — Mark Erickson, left, state director of the Unification Church with offices based in Jackson, greets several of the 70-member Christian group now visiting in the city from 11 foreign countries. Promoting the March 24 address scheduled in Jackson by the founder of the interdenominational church, the Rev. Sun Myung Moon of Korea, the group was recently honored with a reception given by the Hotel Heidelberg.

City and state government representatives met and talked with, among others, second from left, Setsnko Yayoshi and Kimiko Tsukamoto, Unification Church members from Japan, the Rev. Martin Porter of Rome, Italy, director of the group visiting in the state, and Odile Domine, who talked about the wonderful people in the United States as a visitor from Vietnam.—Photo by Jimmy Lay. (See story page 2C)

Unification Church Group In Jackson

BY PATRICE EDWARDS
Clarion-Ledger Staff Writer

Many of them spoke in broken English, but the fun and fellowship they shared were easily understood and felt by all attending the reception recently held for Unification Church members visiting from 11 foreign countries.

The 70-member mission team is currently in Jackson promoting the coming of the interdenominational church's founder, the Rev. Sun Myung Moon of Seoul, Korea.

Representing Unification Churches in such countries as France, Japan, Vietnam, Laos, England, Yugoslavia, Germany, Austria and the United States, the group ranges in age from 20-35 and is now on a ten-city tour with Jackson as their third stop.

"The purpose of this 70-member mission team is to show our beliefs in the unifica-

tion of people of different religions and nationalities through the common ideologies of Christianity," related the group's director, the Rev. Martin Porter of Rome, Italy.

"We are also here to let the people of this area know about the coming of our church's founder, the Rev. Sun Myung Moon, who will be here March 24. He will speak on 'The New Future of Christianity' at 8 p. m. on Sunday night, the 24th, at the Jackson Hilton," he said.

Moon is currently on a 32-city tour for the 1974 Day of Hope campaign, Porter added.

"We believe we could eliminate much of the strife of our times if we could have a world of true brotherhood centered on God. And our purpose as representatives of the Unification Church is to be like a catalyst in society to help others," said Porter who

organized the Unification Church in Italy in 1967.

He also explained that this church does not aim to be another denomination, but seeks to deepen the Christian faith among all Christians and to overcome the barriers produced by varying Bible interpretations.

Although the Unification Church is often criticized by more traditional churches for some of its religious teachings, theories and methods, it is now located in 40 countries with over two million members.

The Unification was founded in Korea by Moon in 1954, and many of his present teachings center on the times in which people are now living and the second coming of Christ which he believes is near.

The group travels in eight 15-seater buses, pays its own expenses Porter said.

Unification Church Reactions Divided

The Rev. Sun Myung Moon of Seoul, Korea, will present a sermon entitled "The New Future of Christianity," Sunday, March 24 at 8 p.m. in the Jackson Hilton.

A 55-member choir, "The Day of Hope Singers" also are featured on the program.

The evening event is part of the Rev. Moon's 40-city tour of America. This tour marks his third consecutive year of speaking in this country.

Child care and transportation are available. Admission is free.

For more information call 853-4937.

The Rev. Moon organized the Holy Spirit Association for the Unification of World Christianity commonly known as the Unification Church, during 1954 in Seoul, Korea. Arising not as another denomination, but rather as inspirational insight and service to existing faiths, his church has spread to more than 40 countries with a membership of over two million. He envisions the "kingdom of Heaven on Earth" as a real possibility through the strengthening of the Christian foundation and understanding God's will at this point in history.

Because of her freedom, Christian origin, and many blessings, the Rev. Moon believes the United States is the key nation from which God's kingdom can spread to the rest of the world. He states that God has directed him to carry this urgent message to the American people in the form of three public speaking tours.

— *The Northside Sun*
Jackson, Mississippi
March 21, 1974

The Rev. Sun Myung Moon, founder and spiritual head of the Holy Spirit Association for the Unification of World Christianity, visited Jackson over the weekend amid mixed, largely negative reactions.

More than 300 of the several thousand persons believed to have been contacted in an extensive advance campaign attended Moon's address Sunday night at the Jackson Hilton entitled, "The New Future of Christianity". Planners had said in advance of the program that they expected about 200 to attend.

Moon, in a highly animated address, delivered in his native Korean language, told his listeners he had received a direct revelation from God enabling him to interpret the Bible in a manner which surpassed the efforts of all previous students of the Bible.

His approach was interpreted by at least one clergyman in the audience as a mixture of several systems of asian philosophy which emphasized the importance of the marital union placed within a "skeleton of Christianity."

Moon addressed an estimated 200 persons at a banquet held in his honor Saturday night at the Holiday Inn-Southwest and was presented a gold key to the city by Sgt. Johnny L. Dickson, administrative assistant to the mayor, and made an honorary colonel by a representative of Gov. Bill Waller.

Also announced was a proclamation by Waller making 1974 the "Year of Hope and Unification."

The visit to Jackson was one of 40 such appearances around the United States planned during the year.

Moon is a controversial figure who has drawn adverse media reaction since he founded the Unification movement in his native Korea some 20 years ago.

Articles attacking his movement have appeared during recent months in such diverse U.S. publications as Moody Monthly, the Washington Post, and Time magazine.

Criticisms have centered around reported teachings that "the truth of God is sealed" in Moon's hands and that he has been elevated to the position of the true Son of God; that Christ was crucified before he could accomplish His full mission in coming to the world; that his doctrine is materialistic and militaristic; that through his foundation is the "source of spiritual salvation"; and that he claims to have seen Jesus and to have been a direct medium from God since the age of 16.

Other points of contention are reported sexual immorality within the movement, secretive financial dealings, and unusual political influence in some areas.

A Washington-based foundation organization known as the Korean Cultural Freedom Foundation is headed by his personal translator and is active in anti-Communist broadcasting in Asia.

Another group, the Freedom Leadership Foundation, is dedicated to overcoming communism in this country.

The Rev. Paul Brock was a leading opponent of the group in Jackson and preached on Sunday night to his congregation at Clinton Boulevard Church of Christ on what he views as the false teachings within the Unification movement.

Dr. Joe H. Tuten, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, bluntly criticized the secular and religious press of the city Sunday morning for not making the people aware of the nature of the movement and said in reference to Moon, "Any man who claims he is Christ is an infidel."

On the opposite side of the dispute at present is the Rev. Tom Pace of Capitol Street United Methodist Church.

Pace, who preached at a Smith Park rally sponsored by the Unification movement, admitted he had received a great deal of material critical of the group, but theorized that most of it was sent by "people who are the most threatened" by the evangelistic outreach of the Unification personnel.

No mention of messianic claims have been made by the group in the Jackson area, Pace said, and he heard nothing in Saturday night's address which he considered to be at odds with Christianity.

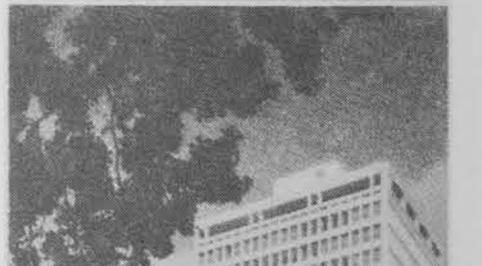
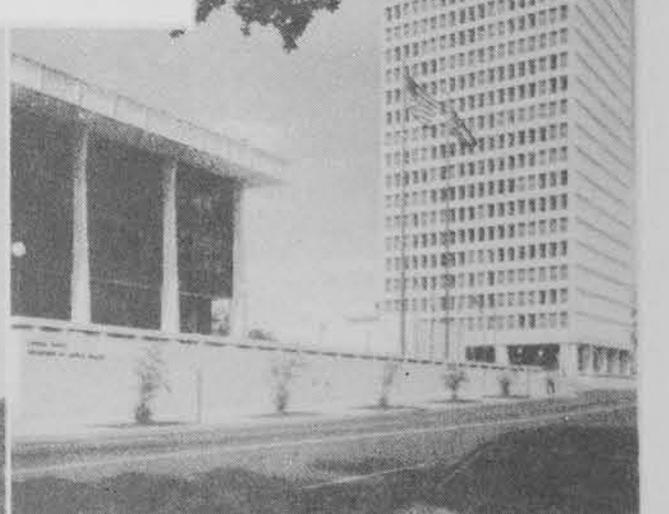
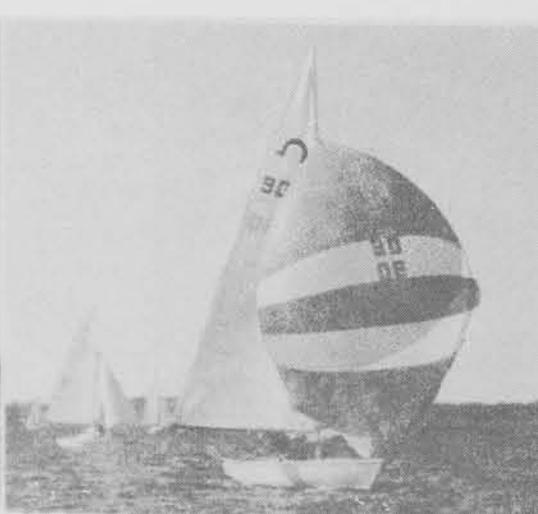
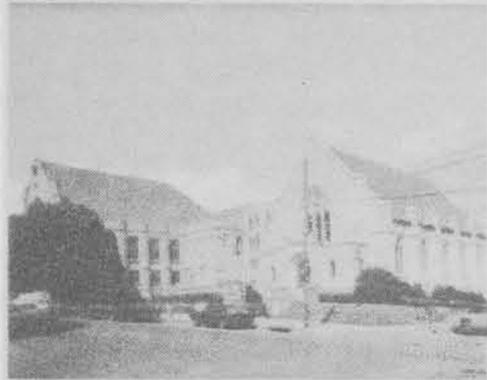
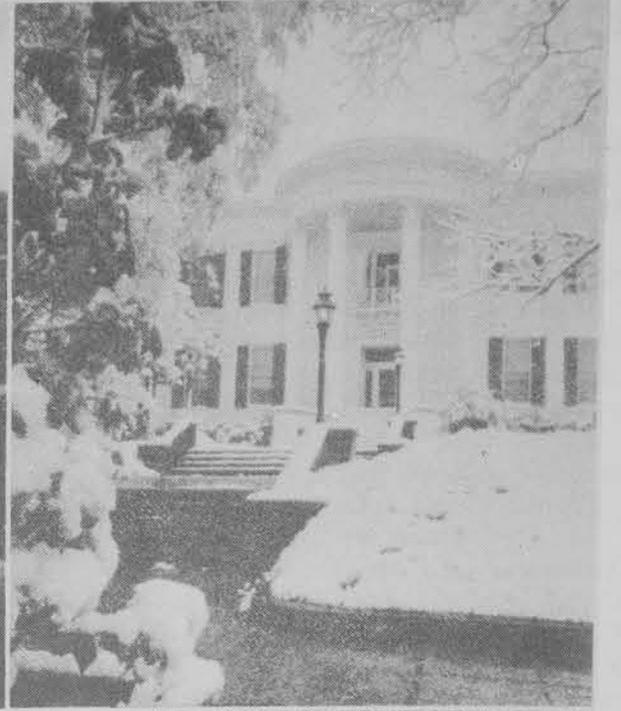
Pace said he has been impressed with the evangelistic fervor of the group and the degree of involvement of young people enthusiastic over the movement.

"My impression of the whole movement is that it is a sort of evangelism which has as its goal unifying the people into a common cause," Pace noted approvingly. "They say they're not interested in starting any church; they're only interested in going into the community and confronting people with their differences."

Pace said that he may get through listening to the claims of the movement and decide they're heretical after evaluating them, but that he felt it necessary to observe for himself before reaching his conclusion.

— *The Clarion-Ledger*
Jackson, Mississippi
March 25, 1974





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Mr. Moon's outward appeal is to love, forgiveness, fight communism, unite behind the president.

BUT DO YOU KNOW THE REAL "THEOLOGY" OF THIS MAN?

He Teaches . . .

- The truth of God is sealed in his hands, and that he has been elevated to position of true Son of God.
- That Christ was crucified before he could accomplish his full mission in coming to the world.
- That God is responsible for the fall of Adam and Eve.
- Eve committed adultery with the devil.
- That through his foundation is the "source of spiritual salvation."
- That he has seen Jesus and that God has spoken directly to him since he was age 16.

The Truth Is . . .

- That his doctrine is *materialistic and militaristic*.
- He is a believer in the "occult"
- His doctrine is *paganistic and anti-Scriptural*.

Would you like to know about such teaching as marriage being essential to salvation? That the "Coming Christ" will have been born in Korea by 1980?

If you would like to know about this paganistic and materialistic doctrine, which is completely anti-scriptural . . .

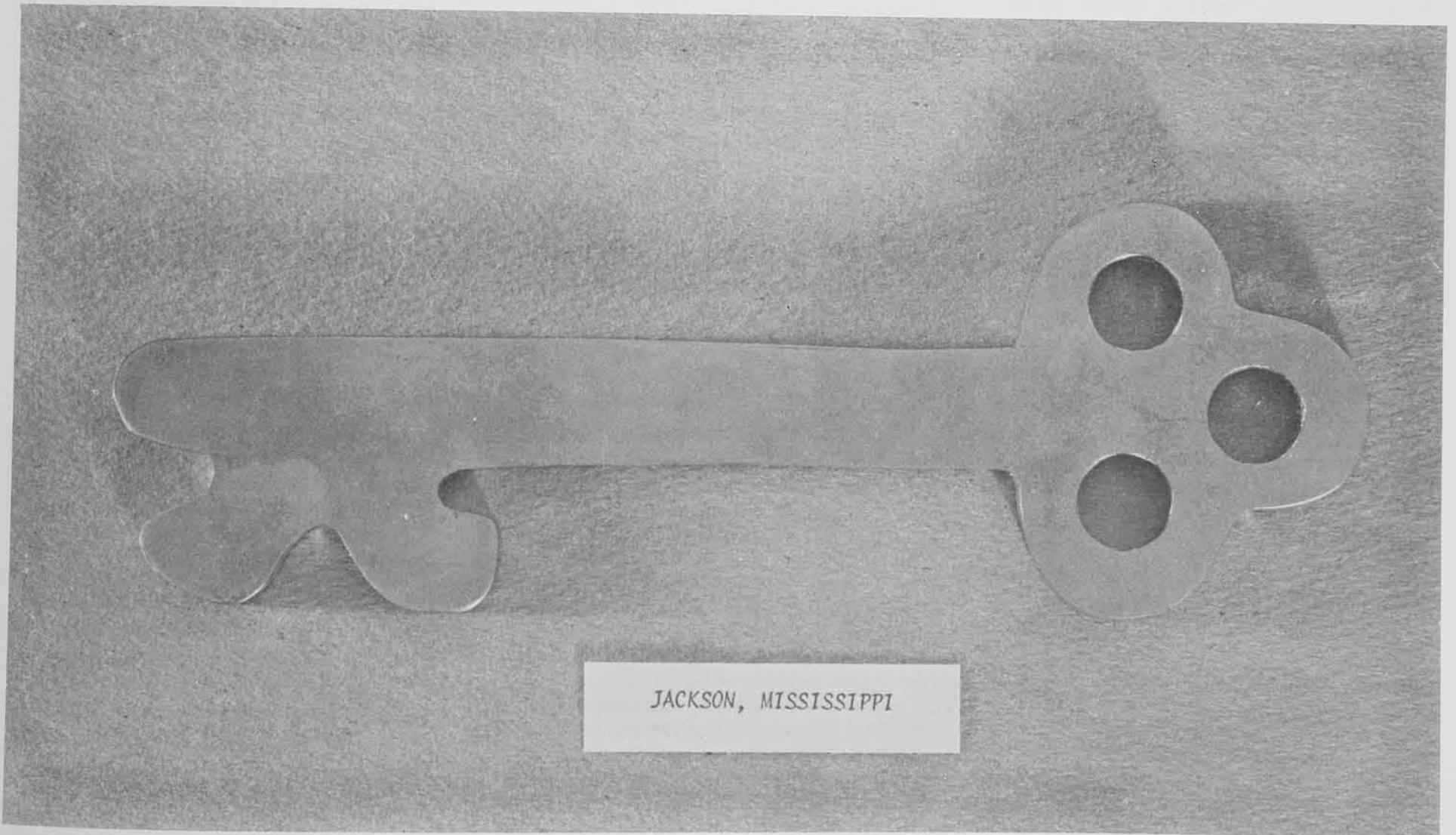
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—*Jackson Daily News*
Jackson, Mississippi
Saturday, March 30, 1974



above: This city key was given to Our Master by the mayor's administrative assistant, Sgt. Johnny L. Dickson. Upon receiving the key Our Master stated:

This key is one of the most special keys I have ever received. Even though I have received quite a few keys, I have never received one shaped like this. This is the kind of key that we can find only in Jackson.

All men need the key to open not the safes, not the bank, not the home; we really need one great key to unlock the heart of the Father. As I am taking this key, symbolically I am trying to unlock the heart of the Father and bring out His overflowing love and joy and bring His kingdom on this earth.

Wichita

Rev. Sun Myung Moon lectured on the Unification Church Tuesday night at the Holiday Inn Plaza.

He spoke in Korean through an interpreter. The 400 persons attending were asked to set aside preconceptions about messianic history before Moon took the podium. They were told his message was different.

It was, to a limited extent.

Moon is an evangelist, 54, and a Korean. He speaks the language of the evangelist, with its vocabulary of arms and hands, grimace and smile, whisper and shout. It is a language not unfamiliar to Christian audiences, even when delivered in Korean.

His version of messianic history, if anything, is more comfortable than some versions elsewhere.

His teachings involve what appears to be Eastern mysticism, numerology and other aspects of unorthodox historical interpretation.

However, his teaching isn't terribly different. It is finding a place for itself in the United States. The teachings of Moon appear far more orthodox than those of a steady stream of Indian yogas which have flooded the nation in recent years.

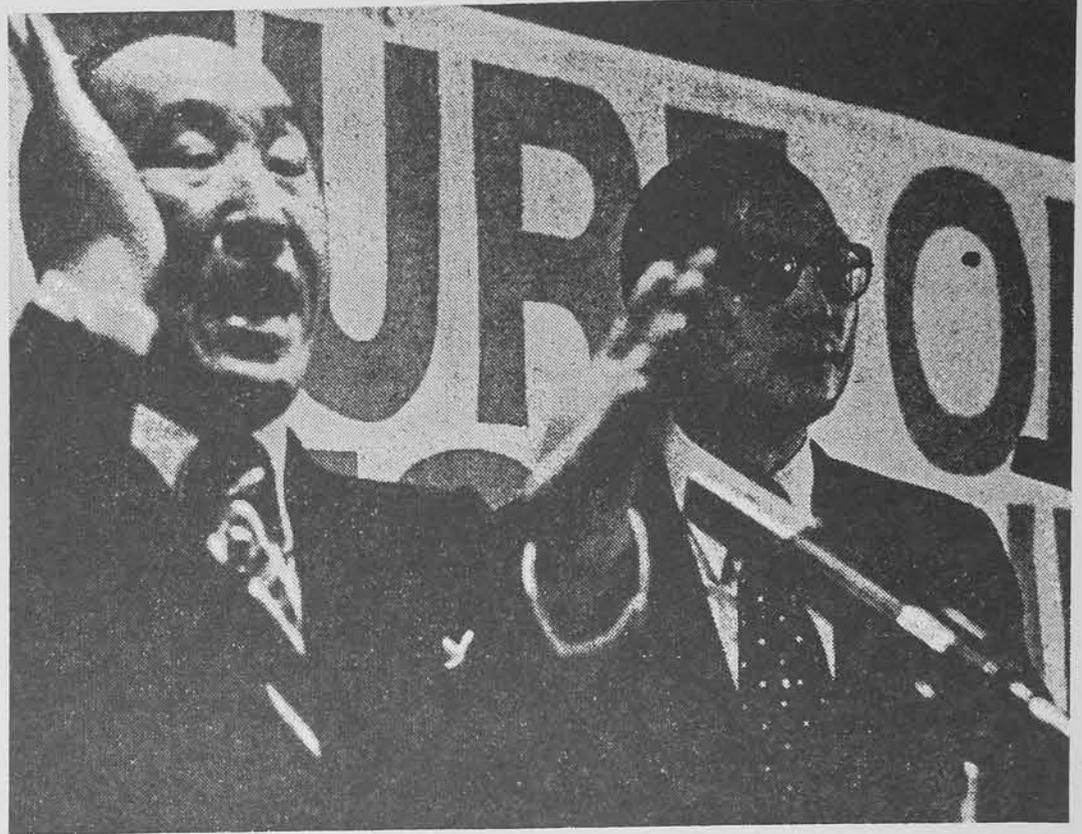
They are certainly more logical than Alan Ginsberg's meditations, which consist of sitting in a fetal position and chanting "om, om, om," for hours on end.

Among other things, his church urges racial interaction and love for all men. His doctrine isn't too different in its content from the more than 400 other interpretations of messianic history which have been proposed.

His teachings are opposed by several organized churches and organizations. He espouses a theory that the Bible is built of allegory and imagery and shouldn't be interpreted literally. He claims literal interpretation of the Bible was a primary cause of Jesus' rejection by the people of Israel. What Moon referred to as "the crime of the Jewish nation" was later amended by followers to be "the crime of the world" — the rejection of Jesus and his crucifixion.

Downtown Wichita Tuesday night was crowded with religious groups. While Moon lectured outside Holiday Inn Plaza, members of an organization called Concerned Christians stood on the sidewalk outside and argued with Unification Church members.

— *The Wichita Beacon*
Wichita, Kansas
Friday, March 29, 1974



REV. SUN MYUNG MOON (LEFT) USES EVANGELIST'S LANGUAGE
... He delivered message with help of interpreter (right) ...

— *The Wichita Beacon*
Wichita, Kansas
March 29, 1974

When I speak, I know that using the microphone I can speak just in a soft tone. But my philosophy is to have sweat when I speak. A stream of perspiration just pours down my back. In speaking, I am pouring out my heart to be planted in the hearts of others. You must weep when you speak. I am using the interpreter, so it bars the way. But if I am speaking in English or Korean, there are many places where I have to weep. I must have the feeling of a man being drowned and asking for help. I am that serious, so before going on the stage to speak, I prepare my heart instead of preparing the manuscript. So you can imagine how grave and serious I am when I talk. I have gone through many speeches by now, so I know the contents by heart. But the most difficult and important problem is how to be one with my words and how to be one with God in heart. And I want to be truthful in uttering the words, and when I do that my spirit goes out to the audience, projecting that spirit to the hearts of the people. Nothing will result or come into being without a cause. You must be enthusiastic, you must be full of heart in giving words to the people, or else your words cannot move their hearts.

When I prepare for a lecture, I hate to have any visitors. I just want to concentrate my whole efforts at preparing for the lecture and praying for the success of the lecture, and I perspire all over. I am that serious, and you must follow that example. You must be ready to give out the best part of what you have to others; and you must prepare in prayer for that. To stand in public and give the lecture without preparation is something like being in the field, in the front line and fighting without a shield, or without armor. You must be that serious.

— "On Leadership"
Sun Myung Moon
November 9, 1973

Followers of Rev. Sun Myung Moon are quick to talk of their beliefs, particularly when an interest is shown by the listener.

A reporter spoke with Margaret, a pretty young girl with eager eyes, from Holland, about joining the Unification Church's missionary program.

First, she said, a workshop in the basics of Rev. Moon's teachings is required. The workshop, sponsored by the local branch of the organization, is without charge.

Asked about how the missionary's life on the road is financed, she said the group sells vases to raise money and solicits donations.

Is it a happy task? "Sometimes I am unhappy. But only for myself. I am happy talking to people, and telling them about God.

"And we are a brotherhood. We love each other."

— *The Wichita Beacon*
Wichita, Kansas
Friday, March 29, 1974

Rev. Sun Myung Moon, founder of the Unification Church, will speak on Christianity in Wichita Tuesday as part of his third speaking tour of the United States.

Moon is on a 32-city tour with Wichita, his 20th stop. The 1974 "Day of Hope" campaign began Feb. 15 in Portland, Me., and will end in Honolulu April 20. In Wichita, he will speak at 8 p.m. in the Holiday Inn Plaza Gold Room. The theme will be, "The New Future of Christianity."

— *The Wichita Beacon*
Wichita, Kansas
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Rev. Moon's Political-Religious Crusade

Using the techniques of a political campaign and the slogans of a religious crusade, the Unification Church stormed into Wichita this week, spreading the teachings of a 54-year-old self-styled John the Baptist.

"God blessed this country (the United States) more than any other country," the Reverend told his 250 invited guests at a free 1974 Day of Hope Dinner in Wichita Monday evening.

Wichita was the 20th city on the Reverend's current 32-city campaign. Last fall, the crusade went on a 21-city tour which was kicked off by a pro-Nixon demonstration in Washington, D.C. In October, Reverend Moon is planning an eight-city crusade.

The "save America" crusade is equally a "Save Nixon" campaign.

The appearance of the crusade in a city usually constitutes what has come to be known as a "media event." The press' access to information about the Reverend or the Unification Church is controlled, and a disciple appointed to conduct the perfunctory press conference usually does not know where the church gets its money or how

much it spends in each city of the tour.

Neil Salonen, president of the Unification Church in America, handled questions from the Wichita media. At a press conference Monday, Mr. Salonen was asked whether, if the Presidency and the President are sacred, it would be considered sacrilegious to criticize the President.

He did not answer the question directly, stressing that the Unification Church is non-partisan.

"Reverend Moon was critical of the President a year ago," Mr. Salonen explained, "because of Nixon's weak policy towards communism."

Reverend Moon, who was imprisoned for three years in North Korea, is understandably and adamantly opposed to communism.

"Because the communistic society, the satanic ideal world, is already in existence," said Reverend Moon, "it has to collapse in order to give way to the heavenly ideal world."

Although it may be difficult for the press to find out about the expenses of Reverend

Moon's crusade, it is easy to see that the tour is beneficial to the economies of the cities visited.

Billed as the kickoff of the Unification Church's campaign in Wichita, the banquet was really the climax to more than two weeks of concentrated work by Reverend Moon's 70-member advance group.

The Unification Church has seven 70-member teams blitzing cities on Reverend Moon's "Day of Hope" tour. They travel by van. One member told the *Journal* that door-to-door selling was the occupation by which members made their living.

Yet during Reverend Moon's stay in Wichita, neither he nor any member of the church mentioned donations. Unlike some tax-exempt, non-profit operations, there were no visible strings attached to the dinner or to Reverend Moon's speech Tuesday night.

Proclamations were received from the mayors of the following cities:

City of Roeland Park
City of Augusta
City of Lenexa
City of Arkansas City
City of Valley Center
City of Douglass
City of S. Hutchinson
City of Haven
City of Junction City
City of Clearwater
City of Cheney
City of Colwich
City of Wellington
City of Winfield
City of El Dorado
City of Rose Hill
City of Hutchinson
City of Prairie Village

Honorary Citizenships were received from the mayors of the following cities:

City of Augusta
City of Cheney
City of Abilene
City of Winfield
City of Wamego
City of S. Hutchinson
City of Valley Center
City of Junction City
City of Rose Hill
City of Colwich
City of Haven
City of Douglass
City of Hutchinson
City of El Dorado
City of Arkansas City
City of Clearwater

A Community Service Award was received from the mayor of:
City of Lenexa



P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, the City of Topeka, has beauty, warmth and hospitality,
and

WHEREAS, it is on the foundation of unity that our City has
been able to flourish, and

WHEREAS, in these times of increasing conflict on every level
of our society, the City of Topeka is aware, that
hope is the element that gives us strength, and

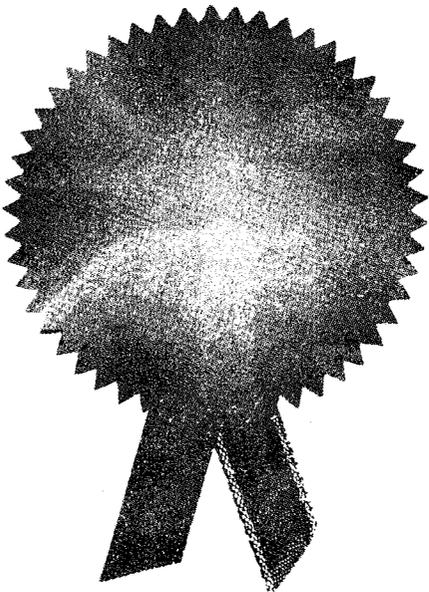
WHEREAS, growth in unity and harmony is beneficial to all our
citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill McCormick, Mayor of Topeka, do hereby
proclaim the day of March 25, 1974, to be

DAY OF HOPE AND UNIFICATION

in Topeka, Kansas.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I,
Bill McCormick, Mayor of
the City of Topeka, Kansas,
do hereby affix my official
signature and the Seal of
the City of Topeka, Kansas,
this 18th day of March, 1974.



Bill McCormick
Bill McCormick, Mayor

HONORARY CITIZENSHIP

TO

REV. SUN MYUNG MOON

In recognition of your distinguished achievements and eminent contributions to the life of our time, I, Bill McCormick, Mayor of Topeka, am pleased to extend to you a most cordial welcome to our City and to issue this Certificate proclaiming you an Honorary Citizen of Topeka, Kansas.


Bill McCormick, Mayor

Done this 18th day of March, 1974.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, THE CITY OF KANSAS CITY, KANSAS HAS BEAUTY, WARMTH AND HOSPITALITY; AND

WHEREAS, IT IS ON THE FOUNDATION OF UNITY THAT OUR CITY HAS BEEN ABLE TO FLOURISH; AND

WHEREAS, IN THESE TIMES OF INCREASING CONFLICT ON EVERY LEVEL OF OUR SOCIETY, THE CITY OF KANSAS CITY, KANSAS IS AWARE THAT HOPE IS THE ELEMENT THAT GIVES US STRENGTH; AND

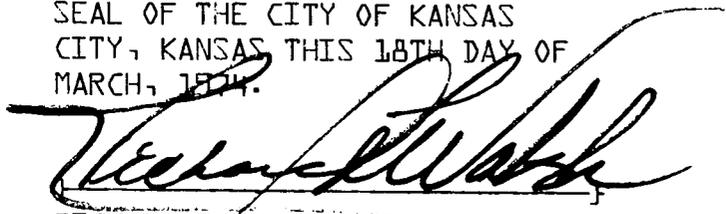
WHEREAS, GROWTH IN UNITY AND HARMONY IS BENEFICIAL TO ALL OUR CITIZENS.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD F. WALSH, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF KANSAS CITY, KANSAS, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE DAY OF MARCH 25, 1974 AS

"DAY OF HOPE AND UNIFICATION"

IN KANSAS CITY, KANSAS AND URGE ALL OF OUR CITIZENS TO BE AWARE OF THE TEACHINGS OF THE UNIFICATION CHURCH.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I HAVE
HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND THE
SEAL OF THE CITY OF KANSAS
CITY, KANSAS THIS 18TH DAY OF
MARCH, 1974.


RICHARD F. WALSH, MAYOR



Albuquerque

A Korean minister and founder of the Unification Church will speak on "The New Future of Christianity" at 8 p.m. March 28 at the Hilton Inn.

The Rev. Sun Myung Moon is on a speaking tour of the United States. He will arrive from Wichita, Kan., for a banquet March 27 at the Hilton and leave March 29 for Phoenix, Ariz., for another rally.

His Albuquerque appearance is sponsored by the newly-opened Unification Church, 3201 Central, former site of a fire station.

An advance group of 70 European members of the Unification Church will arrive March 16 headed by Reiner Vincenz, president of the Unification Church in France.

The group will spend a week here telling about the church, according to Michael Roth, administrator of the Albuquerque church.

The Unification Church is an interdenominational Christian movement dedicated to church unity, Mr. Roth said. There will be no charge for Rev. Moon's talk.

—*Albuquerque Journal*
Albuquerque, New Mexico
March 20, 1974

The importance of unselfishness in attaining joy and unity was stressed by the founder of the Unification Church Wednesday night.

The Rev. Sun Myung Moon, who will speak on The Future of Christianity tonight at 8 at the Hilton Inn, addressed a "day of hope" dinner of nearly 200 persons, including local government and church representatives.

"THE TRUE JOY comes from unselfish giving," he said in Korean, as an English translator repeated his words, "We were not created for ourselves, but for others."

He stressed the importance of the family, saying that men and women were created by God for each other.

"All women throughout the world have one thing in common — to make themselves beautiful for the delight of men," he said laughing.

THE REV. Mr. Moon repeatedly praised America and its role in Christianity, saying, "God blessed America . . . 200 years ago God brought about one of the greatest miracles on the face of the earth — America."

Noting New Mexico's variety of terrain, he called the state "the Disneyland of America," as the audience laughed.

—*Albuquerque Journal*
Albuquerque, New Mexico
Thursday, March 28, 1974



(Staff photo by Norm Bergamo)

Streetcorner rally

Student members of the International One World Crusade stage a rally at Fourth and Central SW on behalf of the Rev. Sun Myung

Moon, and who will speak here Thursday at the Hilton Inn. The Korean evangelist founded the Unification Church International.

Crusade members in downtown rally

Singing hymns to the accompaniment of guitars, about 40 members of the International One World Crusade staged a rally at Fourth and Central SW on behalf of the Korean evangelist, the Rev. Sun Myung Moon.

The student evangelists are accompanying Rev.

Moon on his "Day of Hope" tour of 32 cities in the United States.

PEDESTRIANS AND motorists at the busy intersection Monday at noon were handed leaflets inviting them to hear Rev. Moon speak Thursday at 8 p.m. at the Hilton Inn.

Theme of the 30-minute street corner rally was that America is a great country and that Americans should regain their ideas of patriotism.

"Christianity is in crisis," students told onlookers, "and the fate of the country depends upon you and your attitudes."

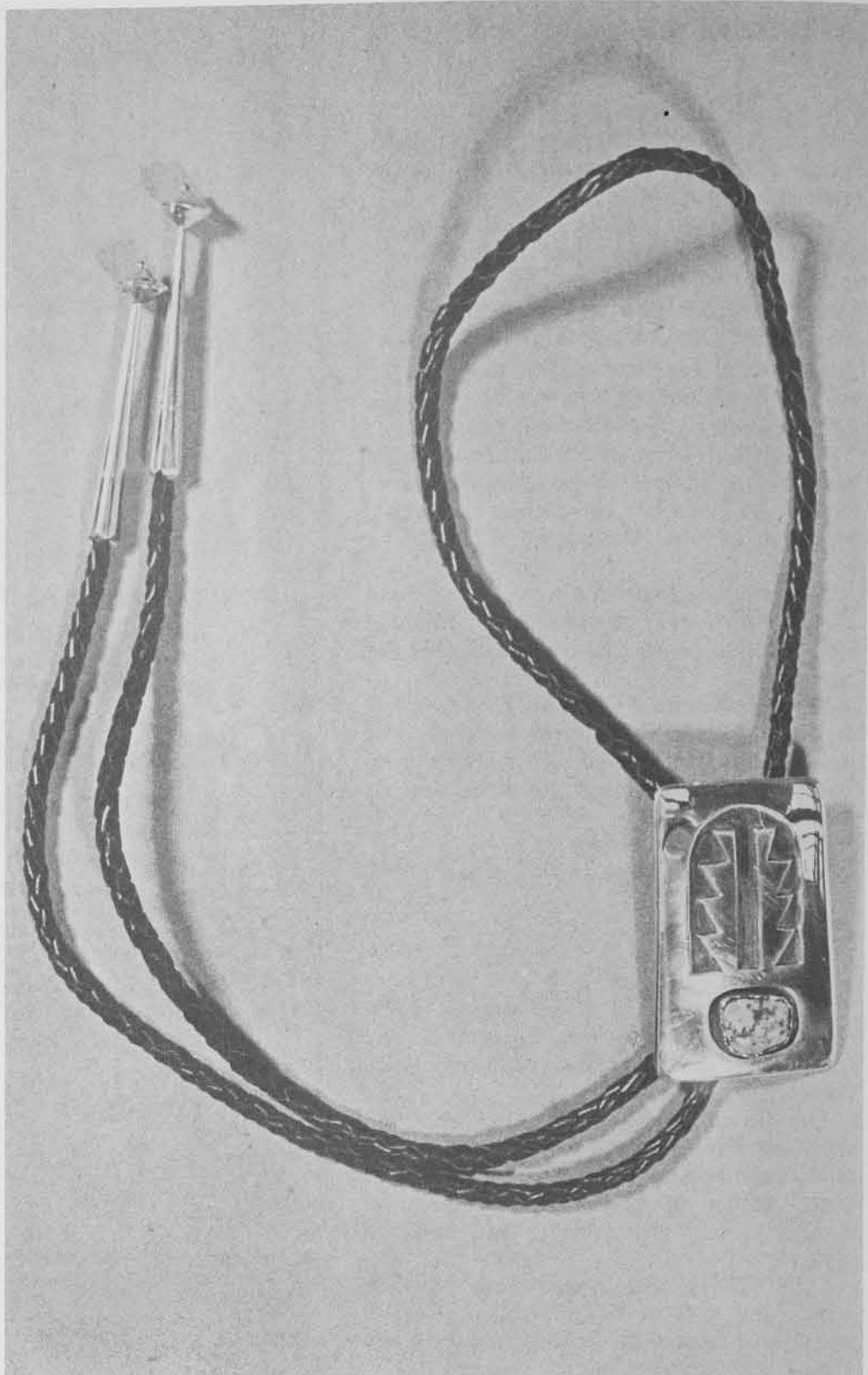
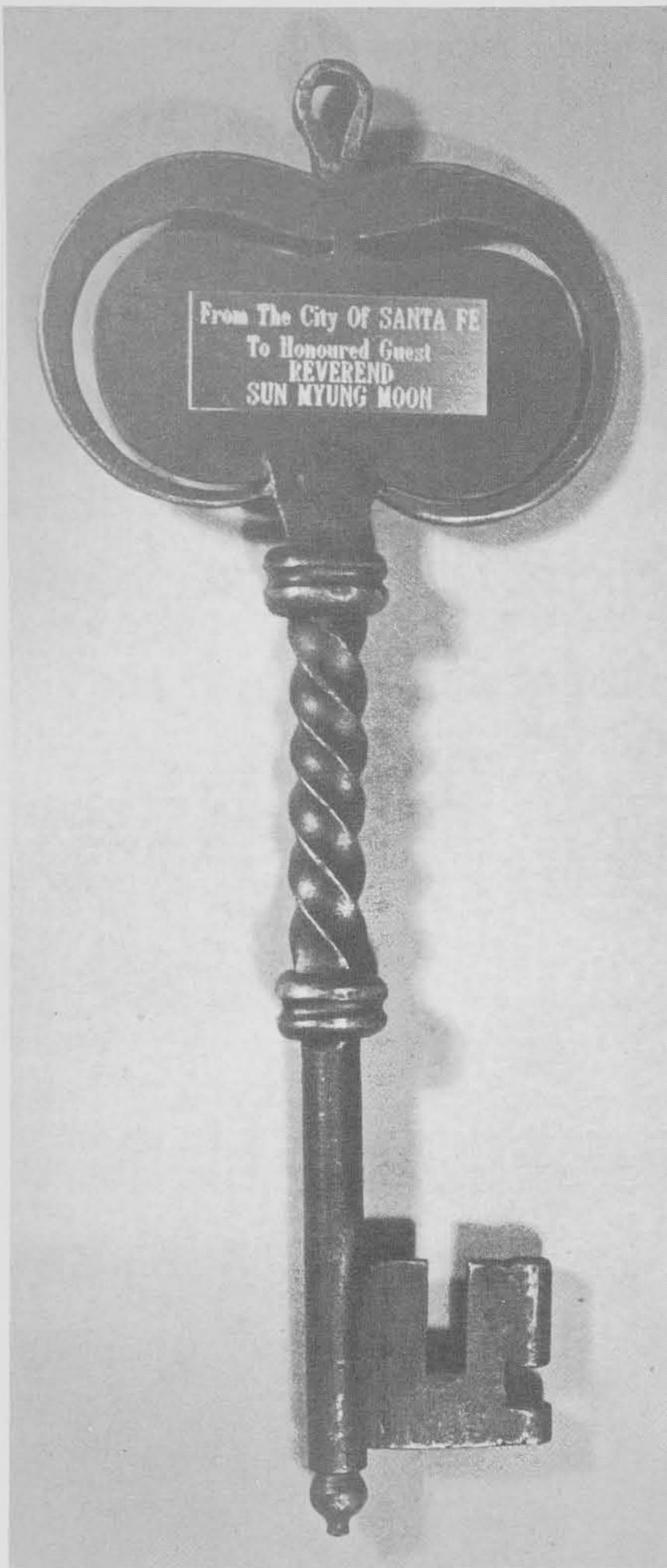
The students carried "Day of Hope" placards and wore "New Hope for America" sashes.

THE REV. Mr. Moon, founder of the Unification Church International, will speak Thursday on the subject "The New Future of Christianity." Admission is free.

—*Albuquerque Tribune*
Albuquerque, New Mexico
Tuesday, March 26, 1974

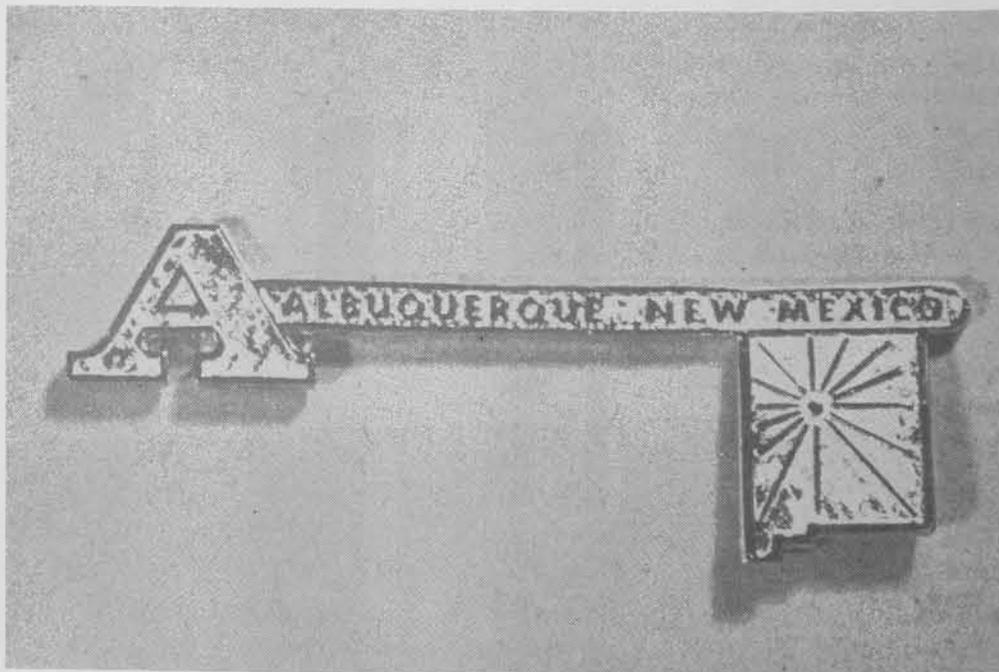
below: Family members prevent a heckler from disturbing Our Master's talk. In His talk here, Our Master gave a general statement concerning those who attacked Him: "Those people who criticize me don't know even this much (holding up His fingers to demonstrate) of my life. They don't know anything of what I have been through or the experiences I have had with God. I don't care what they think of me; I only care what God thinks of me."





above: Our Master was presented with a hand-made leather string tie with a silver and turquoise clasp by Tse-Pe, Acting Governor of the Pueblo de San Ildefonso, Santa Fe, a pueblo of American Indians noted for their outstanding contribution to American Indian art.

While in Albuquerque, Our Master received keys to four cities. Albuquerque (below) and Santa Fe (left) are pictured here. The keys to Belen and Corrales are not shown. Mother also received the City Keys to Albuquerque and Santa Fe.



Proclamations were received from the mayors of:
 City of Alamogordo
 City of Albuquerque
 City of Belen
 City of Bernalillo
 City of Corrales
 City of Sante Fe

Honorary Citizenship was received from the city of:
 Albuquerque

Certificate of Appreciation was received from the Mayor of the City of Sante Fe.

State of New Mexico
Executive Office
Santa Fe New Mexico



Proclamation

WHEREAS, THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO IS NOTED FOR ITS GREAT HOSPITALITY AND WARM HEARTED WELCOME TO CITIZENS OF ALL NATIONALITIES, RACES, AND RELIGIONS; AND

WHEREAS, THE REVEREND SUN MYUNG MOON STANDS ON THE HIGHEST PRINCIPLES OF RELIGION AND UNITY CENTERED ON GOD FOR BUILDING A BETTER FUTURE FOR MANKIND;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRUCE KING, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE WEEK OF MARCH 24-30, 1974, AS:

"HOPE AND UNIFICATION WEEK"

IN THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO.

ATTEST:

Betty Zuercher
SECRETARY OF STATE

DONE AT THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE
THIS 25TH DAY OF MARCH, 1974

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE GREAT
SEAL OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

Bruce King
GOVERNOR



Bruce King



Governor of New Mexico

To all to whom these Presents shall come,
Greetings: I hereby confer the Honor of

Colonel, Aide-de-Camp,
on the Staff of the Governor of the State of New Mexico
To

Reverend & Mrs. Sun Myung Moon

Who is therefore to discharge carefully and diligently the duties of said office, by doing and performing all manner of things thereunto belonging in compliance with law, the orders of his superior officers and the usage and discipline of the United States Army.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of New Mexico.

Done at Santa Fe, this *25th* day of *March* in the year of Our Lord, One Thousand, Nine Hundred and Seventy-*Four*

Bruce King

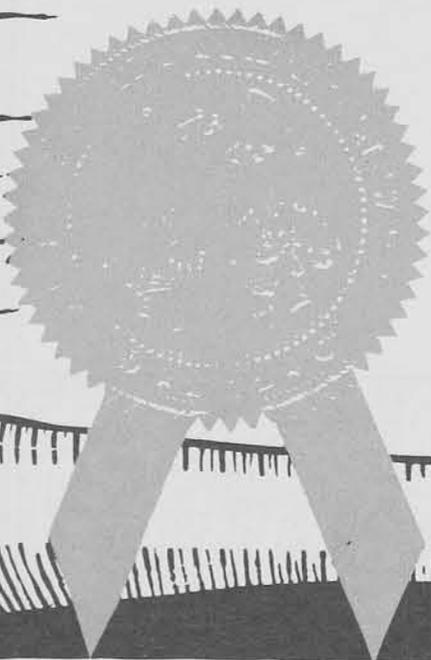
GOVERNOR AND COMMANDER IN CHIEF

Dolly Fournier

SECRETARY OF STATE

Franklin E. Miles

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL





THE REVEREND SUN MYUNG MOON
... will speak on "The New Future of Christianity"

Tempe Daily News

TEMPE (Ariz.) DAILY NEWS, Saturday, March 23, 1974

Plans Speech In Phoenix Saturday

Korean Minister Defends President

A man from Korea who is trying to tell the American public they are slowly killing the President of the United States will be a guest in the Valley next Friday.

The Reverend Sun Myung Moon declared nation-wide last November that "We were all eye-witnesses to America's assassination of her president, John F. Kennedy, in 1963. But today, without many realizing it, America is in the process of slowly killing her President once again."

Guest of the Unification Church of Arizona, headquartered in Tempe, which he founded on a world-wide basis, the Rev. Moon will be honored at a "Day of Hope" dinner at 8 p.m. Friday in the Grand Ballroom of the Arizona Biltmore Hotel, and will talk on "The New Future of Christianity" at 8 p.m. Saturday at Phoenix Civic Plaza.

Full-page advertisements in metropolitan newspapers across the country and "pray for the President" rallies in major cities including Phoenix, have won for the Rev. Moon nation-wide recognition.

Governor Williams, Phoenix Mayor Tim Barrow and a host of Valley citizens have officially welcomed him to the Valley with proclamations and titles. Many notable Arizonans will be in attendance at the Friday banquet.

The Unification Church stresses that religion and politics can work together. They base this on the fact that the only way to overcome Communism is through Christ's "superior understanding," according to a young New Zealander in Tempe this week with the church's "One World Crusade."

"While America looks inward at America," says Grant

Bracefield of Wellington, New Zealand, "Communism is getting stronger."

Unification church followers believe the only way to make a better world is to bring together the top politicians, citizens and community leaders, noted Bracefield, who arrived with a group from Germany this week to make contacts with the public before the Rev. Moon arrives.

The Friday banquet will include entertainment by the International New Hope Singers, a 50-member group of young vocalists from all over the world which accompanies the minister on his tours, plus a film on the Little Angels, the national folk ballet of Korea.

Prominent Arizonans who will be in attendance at the banquet include Secretary of State Wesley Bolin; Robert Corbin, chairman of the County Board of Supervisors; Weldon P. Shoftstall, State superintendent of public instruction, and numerous state legislators and Valley businessmen and women.

Thirteen student members of the church in Tempe were among an estimated 10,000 who rallied support for the President in front of the White House during the annual Christmas lighting service December 12.

"Today we hear so much about America's troubles — what is wrong and who is to blame, what should be done and what cannot be done," the reverend has said. "Vicious accusation is becoming a staple in the American diet. Hatred and bitterness are killing the human soul."

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Arizona State University

Tempe, Arizona

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state press

From out of the East— new Moon rises

Charlatan or prophet? Superman or mild mannered reporter for a great metropolitan newspaper?

From the inscrutable East comes a smiling, gladhanding man with a message. Or so he says. David Jensen, a public relations official, gives us the following story.

The message, being spread across campus this week by the Unified Family of ASU and 10 other members from the Unified Family of West Germany, is the same message being brought to town on a larger scale by the group's founder, the Rev. Sun Myung Moon of South Korea.

Moon will speak at 8 p.m. Saturday in the Phoenix Civic Plaza. Admission is free.

"We know now that Christianity cannot progress if it keeps its people divided and continues to label them into the hundreds of denominations we have today," Andrew Compton, state representative of the Unified Family, said.

Compton: "If there is one God and one Christ, why can't there be harmony in the world?"

"If there is one God and one Christ, why can't there be harmony in the world? Christians today have to unite with a common understanding of the Bible which can be shared by all and used to grow

collectively, not just individually," he said.

Gerhard Wiesinger, Austrian-born director of a touring crusade team that visits college campuses in the state said people today are in great anticipation of change. "They want to progress. They want something they can grasp and latch onto, something that they know in their heart is true and also which can be understood by their minds," he said.

Wiesinger said members of his "One World Crusade" team includes two members from England and several from Tempe. They are currently stationed at ASU doing campaign work for Moon's talk here.

The United Family was started in September to work with students of all religious backgrounds and help them get involved in joint activities, such as last semester's interdenominational worship services in Danforth Chapel. A local minister or priest from a different church was brought in each week to give the sermon. Students provided various readings and special music.

The major activity of the group has been the "New Life" lecture series which has been presented on campus from time to time and is taught each evening at the Unification Center, 508 E. Broadway Lane, Tempe.

Moon: It is not the objective of my followers to support the President but

rather to pray for the country, whether Nixon is to blame for Watergate, or not.

In connection with the lecture series, the Unified Family sponsors weekend workshops (often in the mountains) and recreational outings to different places in the state.

An unplanned outing to Washington, D.C. in December brought together an estimated 10,000 members of the group in the United States, including ASU members, to rally support for President Nixon.

But Moon has made it clear on several occasions since his 1973 speaking tour began in Carnegie Hall that it is not the objective of his followers to support the President but rather for them to invite people to pray for the country, whether Nixon is to blame for Watergate or not.

Several runners of the ASU track team also are associated with the Unified Family, but in a different way. Raymond Manning and Maurice Peoples, are both members of the D.C. Striders, a track club out of Washington, D.C. that is affiliated with the Unified Family. The Striders give scholarships to promising track athletes. Both the striders and the Unified Family are extensions of the Unification Church International.

Unification Church International was founded by Moon 20 years ago in South Korea.



Governor Jack Williams signs proclamation making the coming March 23-30 the "Week of Hope and Unification" in honor of the presence of Reverend Sun Myung Moon who is coming to the Valley next Friday. Sponsoring the minister's talk is the Tempe Unification Church of Arizona, represented here by Gerhard Wiesinger and Kathy Winnings, both of Tempe.

— *Tempe Daily News*
Tempe, Arizona
March 23, 1974

Proclamations were received from the mayors of the following cities:

City of Avondale
City of Youngstown
City of El Mirage
City of Scottsdale
City of Peoria
City of Glendale
City of Chandler
Town of Goodyear
Town of Gilbert
Town of Paradise Valley

PROCLAMATION

* WEEK OF HOPE AND UNIFICATION *

WHEREAS, in recognition of the fact that unity and understanding strengthen our state and nation, and that growth in unity and harmony is beneficial to all citizens; and

WHEREAS, all responsible citizens are called upon to unite in their affirmation of our country's birthright, and of our national dedication and hope, guaranteeing freedom for all men; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Arizona have for more than 62 years upheld these ideals and have made for themselves a state of international prominence, known for its warmth and hospitality, its resources in beauty, and natural wealth, trade and culture, and for its service to all people; and

WHEREAS, in these times of increasing conflict on every level of our society, the State of Arizona serves as an example to other states in meeting the challenge of these times, by working to bridge the gap of separation; and

WHEREAS, visiting in our midst is one whose life, message and challenge are dedicated to all our citizens who possess these ideals and, in general, to all men of every political, social and religious persuasion, that person being the Reverend Sun Myung Moon;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jack Williams, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim March 23 to March 30, 1974, as a

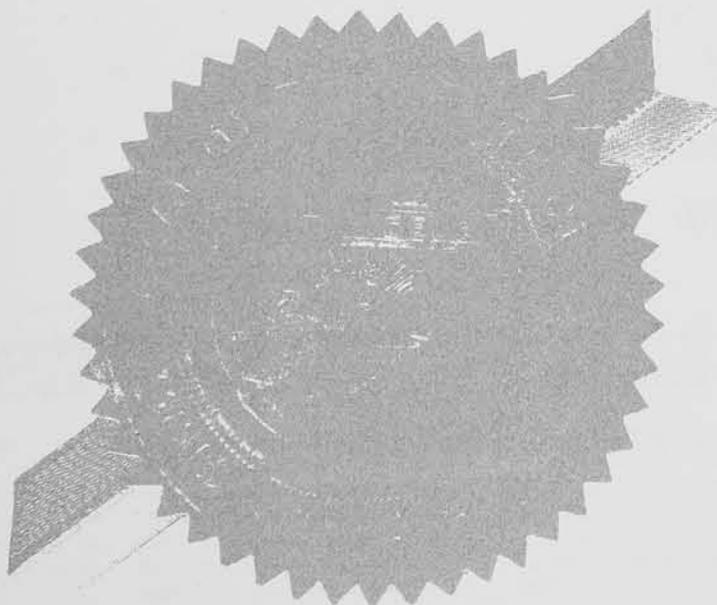
* WEEK OF HOPE AND UNIFICATION *

in Arizona, in recognition of the above, and do urge all citizens to welcome cordially the Reverend Sun Myung Moon to our state.

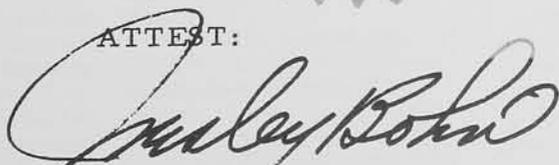
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona.

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix this 26th day of February in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-four and of the Independence of the United States the One Hundred and Ninety-eighth.


GOVERNOR



ATTEST:


Secretary of State



The City of Phoenix

is Pleased to Award to

SUN MYUNG MOON

The Title of

V. O. P.

(Very Outstanding Phoenician)

*In recognition of your outstanding contributions
to the City of Phoenix.*

*This is presented to you in recognition of the
accomplishments of your followers in Phoenix.*

Phoenix, Arizona

Date March 29, 1974

Timothy P. Beran
Mayor

