

This Week in History (February 21-27)

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Coronation for the Authority of the Liberation for God, the King of Kings January 15, 2009, Cheon Jeong Gung, Chung Pyung, Gyeonggi Province

On January 15, 2009, the Coronation for the Authority of the Liberation of God, the King of Kings, occurred at Cheon Jeong Gung, Chung Pyung, Gyeonggi Province. Around 1,800 people, including distinguished guests, FFWPU regional presidents of each region and national messiahs were present for the coronation. On this day, True Parents were crowned as the True Parents of Humanity, the King and Queen of Peace and as the King of Kings and Queen of Queens. Bunbongwangs and peace ambassadors from around the world gave True Parents many items on this occasion including a plaque stating the positions in which they had been enthroned. In his proclamation, True Father said, “On this solemn occasion, hundreds of billions of those living in the spirit world are here with us to congratulate us and celebrate this blessed day” and asked that we render endless glory to God.



430-Couple Blessing Ceremony (February 22, 1968, Seoul Citizens' Hall)

Our church held the 430-Couple Blessing Ceremony in the Seoul Citizens' Hall on February 22, 1968 at 2:00 PM in the presence of around 3,000 guests. This was the first blessing ceremony that included Japanese members and became the basis for future cross-cultural blessing ceremonies. Following the ceremony, the brides and grooms got on twenty-five sightseeing buses and into dozens of cars and held a parade. The media featured the event with headlines calling it a “mammoth wedding.” This year, we celebrate the 48th anniversary of the 430-Couple Blessing Ceremony.



**Fifty-state Speaking Tour in the United States
February 25, 2001, major cities in the United States**

On February 25, 2001, True Parents began a fifty-state speaking tour to major cities in the United States beginning in New York at the Garden of Prayer Cathedral Church. This tour continued until April 17. True Father's speech was titled, "The Path for America and Humanity in the New Millennium." Though True Father was 80 years old at the time True Father did not rest a single day and the leaders who accompanied True Parents on the tour were deeply moved and testified to them.



