

Ki Hoon Kim visits the Washington, DC Family Church with love and guidance

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At the Sunday Service in the Washington Family Church, my family was surprised and so grateful that, immediately upon being introduced for the sermon, Dr. Kim walked over to where my wife and daughter, Caroline, were sitting. Many gathered around as he laid his hand upon my daughter's head and asked everyone to pray with him for Caroline's good health and quick recovery from debilitating Rheumatoid Arthritis. Such sincere investment in local lives dramatically prepared us to fully receive his sermon message about receiving the Messiah and uniting with the providential lifestyle.

In his sermon, he emphasized that our unity with True Parents is the root of every solution. To exemplify the confident proclamation of True Parents' significance, he said the sign of the church building should be changed to "Church of the Messiah and the Second Coming." At the end of the service, from the pulpit, he again included a public prayer for Caroline. Not only my family, but everyone in the audience felt that we really are one family and that our Continental Chairman so powerfully shares True Parents' loving heart.

Dr. Kim spent over two hours at lunch with the Washington Family Church leadership and addressed questions on perceived racism within our organization, the attitude of victimhood, and the possibility of replacing the aging church in the Washington, D.C. area in order to more effectively care for our next generations. All his responses were with love and a confidence that uniting with True Mother will bring greater success into our lives. Dr. Kim was honest without being offensive, principled without being judgmental, and sympathetic, but always focused on "living for the sake of others". He never let the atmosphere get heated or antagonistic; his sensitivity and clarity was masterful.

We are extremely fortunate that he chose to visit District 1 promptly after returning from Korea. He shared with us an impressive heart of love and parental guidance that uplifted and nourished everyone. Our membership, and especially our leadership is empowered to move forward victoriously by loving others and uniting with True Parents.