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Dear True Mother,

Warm Christmas Greetings from Europe and the Middle East! All of our members, families and leadership team join together in thanking you for an amazing year of grace and miracles and send our best wishes and our strong determination for a completely victorious 2019! Thank you!

Right now our 5 Europe sub-regional leaders, plus the Middle East, are all preparing their end-of-year reports, including an overview of our plans and goals for 2019. UPF, WFWP, YSP and all the affiliated organizations are also preparing reports. These will be combined, and you will receive them very soon. However, there are a few things that I felt I should report to you right away:

1) Request for President Lee Ki Song to launch the Cheongpyeong Branch in Heavenly Europe: Following the successful visit of CP Branch Director Rev. In Pyo Moon to Germany and France last week, we are now ready to inaugurate the European Cheongpyeong Branch in Germany one month from today, on the weekend of January 19th and 20th 2019.

In order to get off to the best possible start, we have invited **President Lee Ki Song** to come to lead the event and would like to **humbly request you for your permission** for President Lee to join us. We remember that you appointed him to represent you at the Mauthausen Concentration Camp liberation ceremony right after the Austria Rally of Hope, and feel that his presence would be very helpful for morale and momentum. With all that we plan to accomplish in Europe in 2019, we absolutely need the help of the heavenly spiritual world!

Meanwhile, our two trainees, **Rev. Tibor Krebz (Hungary)** and **Rev. Mateo Ziko (Albania)** have been working hard at the training workshop in Cheongpyeong and have sent some beautiful testimonies. They are looking forward to beginning this great work in 2019. Thank you!

2. Plans for a European / Middle Eastern Summit in Albania this Spring

We were all very inspired to see True Parents' recent victories in Nepal, South Africa, Zimbabwe and New York and I am sure that Dr. Yun Yong Ho has already mentioned our desire and longing to hold a summit in Europe as well. Our **target is Albania at the end of April**, exactly one year after your great victory in Vienna. However, to confirm this we need the formal support of the Albanian government.

At this point the Albania National Leader **Rev. Gani Roshi** is working with UPF President and Ambassador for Peace **Mr. Gago Apostoli** to secure the agreement of the President (symbolic) and Prime Minister (executive) of Albania for the Summit, along with the dates. I saw for myself from the contrast between South Africa and Nepal just how important it is to have the formal support of the head of state. We hope to have a favorable answer as soon as possible.

3. Great Increase in Blessings and Heavenly Tribal Messiahship in Europe

We humbly acknowledge that **Europe was lagging far behind** in terms of both Blessings and in the number of Heavenly Tribal Messiah victors. However, this is now changing fast. When True Mother came in April **you planted the seeds of blessing** which are now bearing great fruit. From just 1,600 blessings in 2016, we moved to 3,600 in 2017 (almost all of them after October) and in 2018, we are fast approaching 30,000 and will surely pass **40,000 soon**.

On a personal note, I am grateful to report to you that several of our leadership team (Michael bad Fumiko Balcomb, Umberto & Marilyn Angelucci, David & KyungJa Hanna, Martine and Peter Masner) have **now completed our 430 Heavenly Tribal Messiahship**. We still have work to do to bless others, and to make sure that all couples are educated and complete the necessary conditions. In Albania there are new HTM victors every other week. Moreover, the other subregional leadership families (Dieter & Anna Schmidt, Giuseppe & Betty Cali, Jean-Francois & Hisako Moulinet, Jack & Renee Corley) are also well on the way and **we will all have finished by Foundation Day, 2019**.

This didn't seem achievable when you told us we should and must do this back in August, right after the **Special 3 Days Workshop**; but by God's grace and your prayer, miracles are truly possible!

Dear True Mother, we are so grateful for all the spiritual and material support that you have bestowed upon Heavenly Europe in this blessed year of 2018. We appreciate the support of the International Headquarters and the great team you have assembled there. We are ready to support Heavenly Africa, and all the other heavenly regions, to bring victory together in 2019. Even though we have far, far to go to meet Heaven's expectations, we are confident and determined in the coming year of victory! We are truly God's Winning Team under the captaincy of True Parents!

Thank you!

Michael and Fumiko Balcomb,

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and all families of Heavenly Europe