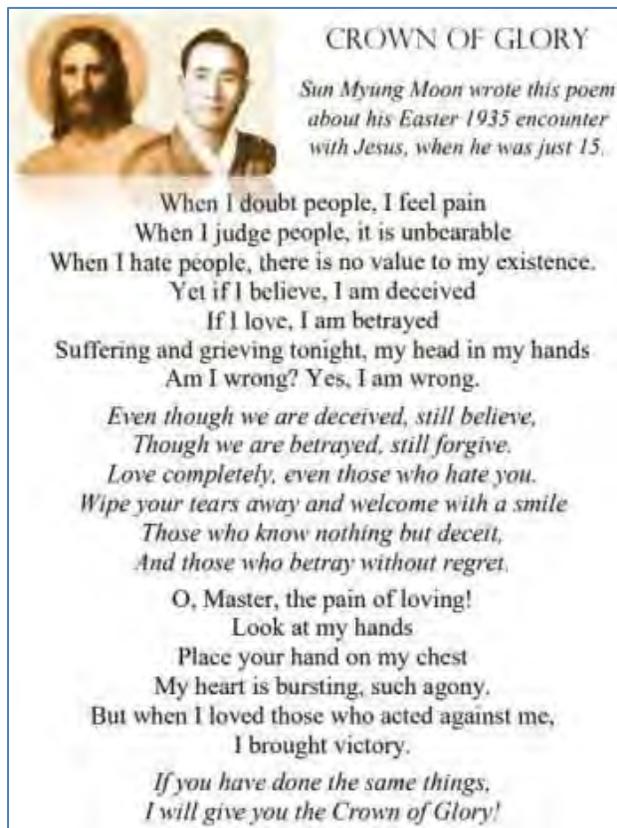


## FFWPU UK: You Must Take On A Special Mission On Earth To Do Heaven's Work

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This week, we join Christians around the world celebrating Easter. From the depths of agony on Good Friday to the stunning revelation of the Risen Lord on Sunday, Easter is the time when the heart of God, our Heavenly Parent, is revealed most clearly. 88 years ago on Easter Sunday, 1935 our Founder, Sun Myung Moon, encountered Jesus after a night of prayer on a chilly mountainside near his home in what is today North Korea. Jesus told him that God was calling him to inherit and complete the work of salvation.

It was not easy to accept such a commission?

Father Moon wrote about that life-changing experience in his autobiography, [As A Peace-Loving Citizen](#):

"It was the night before Easter in the year I turned sixteen. I was on the mountain praying all night and begging God in tears for answers. Early Easter morning Jesus appeared to me suddenly like a gust of wind and said to me "God is great sorrow because of the pain of humankind. You must take on a special mission on earth to do Heaven's work . . .

My encounter with Jesus changed my life completely. His sorrowful expression was etched into my heart as if it had been branded there, and I could not think of anything else. From that day on I immersed myself completely in the Word of God. At times I was surrounded by endless darkness and filled with such pain that it was difficult to breathe. At other times my heart was filled with joy, like watching the morning sun rise."

Not long after, he wrote a poem, Crown of Glory, that captures the intensity of that Easter Morning experience:

[Crown of Glory Easter Poem \(PDF\)](#)

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This Easter, we invite you to one of our [Sunday worship services](#) to celebrate Jesus resurrection and his Second Coming.



## CROWN OF GLORY

*Sun Myung Moon wrote this poem about his Easter 1935 encounter with Jesus, when he was just 15.*

When I doubt people, I feel pain  
When I judge people, it is unbearable  
When I hate people, there is no value to my existence.  
Yet if I believe, I am deceived  
If I love, I am betrayed  
Suffering and grieving tonight, my head in my hands  
Am I wrong? Yes, I am wrong.

*Even though we are deceived, still believe,  
Though we are betrayed, still forgive.  
Love completely, even those who hate you.  
Wipe your tears away and welcome with a smile  
Those who know nothing but deceit,  
And those who betray without regret.*

O, Master, the pain of loving!  
Look at my hands  
Place your hand on my chest  
My heart is bursting, such agony.  
But when I loved those who acted against me,  
I brought victory.

*If you have done the same things,  
I will give you the Crown of Glory!*



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