Young Hwi Kim begins national speaking tour

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True Mother selected Rev. Young Hwi Kim, who has been a key disciple of True Parents through so much of the providential course, to give a first-hand account testifying True Parent's life and accomplishments.

More than 1,300 people came together over the weekend to listen to respected elder Rev. Young Hwi Kim convey True Mother's message (in English) during the first two stops of his five-city speaking tour. Rev. Kim spoke in Los Angeles, on Saturday November 9, 2013 and in San Francisco, on Sunday, November 10th.

True Mother chose Rev. Kim, who currently serves as the director of the Cheon Seong Gyeong Project, to represent her on a five-city speaking tour in the United States. Rev. Kim has served more than 58 years as a close disciple of True Father and is one of the most respected elders in the Unification Church in Korea. Rev. Kim was one of earliest lecturers of the Divine Principle in the 1950s and has been a consultant on Divine Principle books and lecture materials for decades. A brief summary of his church career can be read here.

True Father's life and achievements were the subjects of Rev. Kim's talk. He prefaced his talk by introducing True Father's final prayer, which he and his colleagues revered highly and thus included on the final page of the Cheon Seong Gyeong. "We put a lot of emphasis on his last sentence, which he repeated twice, 'I have completed everything,'" said Rev. Kim at the start of his talk. "What did he mean by completing everything? Those are the things that God wanted him to accomplish in his lifetime."



A choir comprised of young Unificationists sings for Rev. Young Hwi Kim prior to his talk in Los Angeles on November 9, 2013.

In his talk, Rev. Kim outlined the timeline of True Father's mission as the Messiah. In True Father's life, he faced many trials and tribulations; yet, Rev. Kim asserted, True Father continued firmly to forge his

path to accomplish God's will and testify about God. Topics Rev. Kim covered in his message about True Father's life included these: his struggles to find disciples when he started his ministry in Korea in the 1940s; his imprisonment in North Korea; how he was tested in spirit world to prove himself as God's chosen Messiah in front of angels and saints; collating his revelations to create the Divine Principle; continuing Jesus's mission to find his bride, True Mother; the beginning of his salvation work to change Satan's blood lineage to God's blood lineage through the Blessing; the importance of ancestor liberation and True Father's work to bring Spirit World to God's side; etc.

Toward the end of his talk Rev. Kim mentioned how he felt hopeful for the future. "In this century, all men and women on earth will see the great day of change come. Everyone will witness with their eyes God's great change – the providence coming to earth and the spirit world.

Rev. Kim concluded, "Our future is bright. I hope everyone does his or her part to share this glory and honor with our True Parents."



More than 500 people attended the Los Angeles event, the first stop of Rev. Young Hwi Kim's five-city speaking tour in the United States.

Rev. Young Hwi Kim's Visit to Los Angeles on November 9, 2013

At the Hilton Hotel in Pasadena, California, 500 family members from Las Vegas, San Diego and Los Angeles came out to Rev. Kim's inaugural visit of his speaking tour. The following are comments from brothers and sisters who attended the first event.

"From today, what hit me is that we have not appreciated what True Parents have done. My understanding was quite shallow. It became incredibly clear to me the reality of what True Father has been doing in the spirit world. I can see that we have been distracted from the Providence by living everyday life. It hit me so clearly that I had to hold back tears the whole time. My appreciation is much greater now. I feel a very clear calling to take steps toward the accomplishment of Tribal Messiahship."

"It was wonderful to hear Rev. Young Hwi Kim talk about how True Parents are saving the spiritual world and setting all the conditions for victory".

"I'm so grateful that True Mother explains very well about spirit world and ancestor liberation because through that we can solve all the problems on earth. I feel so much hope because of the clear explanation of True Father working in the spirit world to affect the physical world".

"We are all aware of the many things True Father has done in the world around us, but I now know about the conditions that he is making in the spiritual world".

"Rev. Kim's speech was very educational and clear. It gave us clear direction, such as doing ancestor liberation as soon as possible".

"I understand how important it is to do *Hoon Dok Hwe* and will read True Parents' speeches deeply again. While Rev. Kim was speaking, I felt that True Father was with him and the words he spoke touched me deeply. I am truly thankful that True Mother sent Rev. Kim, who we, as American members, need in this important providential moment".

"Powerfully hopeful" Thank you, True Mother, for sending Rev. Kim to us so that we can better

understand True Parent's course that God has been guiding. I want to listen again to understand more.

"I heard from Rev. Kim who spoke only about True Parent's heart and True Parent's course. I understood that we have to live on this earth to prepare for our eternal life's sake. I will keep liberating ancestors and do Hoon Dok Hae reading and witnessing".

"Very inspiring! It's really time that we do liberation of ancestors so that we can bring total victory and our church and our families can have incredible blessings".