WestRock Family News

Andrew Compton November 2, 2014

Motto of the year:

Let us become true owners of Cheon il Guk who practice true love in resemblance to our Creator, the Heavenly Parent!

Important Happenings Around the World

 Be sure to visit (click on this link) <u>FFWPU USA</u> to check on the most recent recording of True Mother and the latest messages from Dr Kim and Dr Balcomb (the WEEKLY UPDATE)

SPECIAL DAYS FOR THE FAMILY FEDERATION WORLDWIDE:

This month – we will celebrate 2 Holy Days; 55th True Children's Day on Nov. 22 and Foundation Day for the Unified Nation of Heaven and Earth on Nov. 24.

Next Ahn Shi II is on Sunday, November 9

HERE IN AMERICA:

- True Mother is hosting 2 special events in Las Vegas this December: a conference for young professionals on the weekend of Dec. 20-21 and an exciting 2 week witnessing/tour program for college age youth beginning Dec 20.
- Please make an offering towards building the International Peace Education Center in Las Vegas. This facility, once completed, will be the central location for Divine Principle education in America. It will also house conferences and meetings to promote peace globally. Our support for this precious educational resource will demonstrate our sincere desire to fulfill the 2020 Motto as 'true owners of Cheon II Guk'.

AND IN WESTROCK:

Divine Principle 1-Day workshop: Saturday, November 15, at the White House, 9:30 am – 4:30 pm

The Sermon this Week

This week, at Belvedere, Justin Okamoto gave an excellent sermon on "bold leadership." If you missed the sermon you can watch it at this link: http://vimeo.com/110902189

Pastor's Weekly Greeting

Dear Brothers & Sisters,

Happy November! I pray that you are enjoying the incredible colors that God has painted for us. It is amazing!

Please take a look at Justin's sermon on leadership (the link is posted above), and consider, if you have kids who don't go to church (who are in high school, or college age, or young adults), to send them a link and invite them to take a look.

We can all be leaders in our own lives, because every day we have the opportunity to be bold. We can be bold in our prayer (do something different such as – get up extra early and go pray on the beach for an hour), we can be bold in our relationships (write your spouse a love letter or a letter of appreciation), we can be bold in our faith community (visit a brother and sister you have not spent time with or approach your pastor and ask what you can do to make a difference), and we can be bold in the greater community (tell your neighbor about the most precious relationship of all – our

relationship with God who is our Heavenly Parent).

Here is a quote from True Mother that I found inspiring:

We must confidently testify to the world that True Parents have come. You must help people become aware of True Parents' achievements and of how great they are. Do not be afraid. Whatever you do In the name of True Parents the entire physical and spiritual realm will be with you.

Let's make this week special!

God Bless You and your Family, Andrew Compton

Blessing & Family Ministry Corner

Marriage Blessing: March 3, 2015!

Cheon ll Guk Information Webinar: The date of the Cheon Il Guk Matching has yet to be announced. However, all those who have some level of interest in participating in the CIG Matching, as well as parents of potential CIG Matching candidates, are encouraged to join the CIG Matching Orientation Webinar on Saturday, November 8th from 12~7pm (EST).

Parenting Series: The 3rd program in our local parenting series will focus on Understanding the Matching Process and will be held at White House on Monday, November 17, at 7pm. This is open to all parents of teenagers 16 years and up. Bring your questions and concerns and if you have a Family Matching Handbook, bring that too. We'll have both the English and Japanese versions for sale as well.

Unification Family Matching Support Webinar • Nov. 19 • 9pm (EST) If you prefer the comfort of your living room, this webinar series will offer support to Unificationist families and individuals interested in the Matching Process, and is designed to give you a place to ask questions about the Matching Process. The webinars will take place on the third Wednesday of every other month.

Blessing Travel Grant: True Mother has encouraged couples to make every effort to attend the main Blessing Ceremony in Korea. To make the trip more affordable the National BFM will be offering a special Korea Travel Grant. Check the national BFM website for more information at bfm@familyfed.org.

Developing a Local Blessing Committee: WestRock is planning to have a local celebration for our couples who are getting Blessed. We are looking for volunteers to help make it festive and meaningful. If you are interested in helping with decorations, music, or any aspect of the preparation, contact Debby.

Level 3 Blessing Workshops: Two will be held in January; one in San Leandro on Jan. 10 - 11, and one at UTS on Jan 24-25th. These are mandatory! And awesome!

Prayer Requests

- Laura Nabetani is home! She now has a much needed wheelchair ramp! Thank you for your continuing prayers for her and her family.
- Jiau-Lan Weinstein is in Taiwan for medical assistance. Her situation has grown worse. Please pray for her and her family at this serious time.
- Moses Kiely 3 years old, grandson of Michael and Maria Kiely, was diagnosed with leukemia and continues his treatment. ALSO their daughter Inmay is dealing with a serious heart condition. She was just released from a hospital in Boston and is doing better. Thank you for your prayers..

Testimonies/Reports

If you have a testimony or report to share please send it to me (comptonfamily@yahoo.com).

Light Thought for the Day:

Yosemite

A married couple was vacationing in Yosemite. The wife expressed her concern about camping because of bears and said she would feel more comfortable in the hotel. The husband said that he'd like to camp.

To calm her concerns, he suggested they talk to the park ranger to see what the likelihood of a bear encounter would be.

The ranger told them, "Well, we haven't seen any grizzlies in this area so far this year, or black bears, for that matter.

"The wife shrieked, "There are TWO types of bears out here? How can you tell the difference? Which one is more dangerous?"

The ranger replied, "Well, that's easy -- see, if the bear chases you up a tree and it comes up after you, it's a Black Bear. If it shakes the tree until you fall out, it's a Grizzly."

The hotel room was quite nice.

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Outreach

Small Group Experience for new guests: We will use the world scripture as our text. **Meeting place is in** downtown White Plains, at the Panera Bread Restaurant (just to the right of Walmart on Maine St.) **Time:** 4:00 pm

ACLC Prayer Breakfast: Saturday, Nov. 15, Location: Queens. For more information contact Julia Okamoto

Please mark your calendars: WFWP Benefit for the Schools of Africa Project, Saturday, December 6th.2014 from 2:00 to 5:00pm, the annual Benefit will take place at the Eileen Fisher – Hudson River Event Hall in Irvington NY 10533. Silent Auction, Food, Entertainment and distinguished Speakers will make up this year's event. Prices: \$ 50.- Individual , \$ 35.- Students. Invite your guests now; they will love it! For information contact Renate

1-Day Divine Principle Introductory Seminar: Saturday Nov. 15, 9:30 am – 4:30 pm. Location: White House. Fee: \$20

DP Monday night study at the White House: 7:30 pm

Community

Cheon Seong Gyeong and Pyeong Hwa Gyeong sets are now available. What a great blessing to have these words from True Father in our homes! You can send your orders to Pastor Compton.

Final Chance to Make Offering for the Peace Conference Center Building Fund: True Mother will be coming to USA for the opening ceremony on Dec. 20th. Please make your donations before that time!

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<u>Prayer</u>

Members are invited to come for prayer –On **Tuesdays**, 7 am, at the Central Park Holy Ground (call Rev Compton if you want a ride)

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Jiau-Lan Weinstein – is in Taiwan, her cancer has grown worse

Michael and Maria's grandson, Moses Kiely, is fighting leukemia and Inmay, their eldest daughter, has a serious heart condition.

Other Looking for a tenant for the bottom floor of our house. It has one bedroom, a living space, a kitchen, full bathroom, laundry, front door. If interested, please contact Kanae Holt
Hannah Alexander is looking for a quiet place to write and study on the weekends from mid November until the end of January or, if possible, March of next year. Is willing to offer a monthly donation for the use of the room or space.
Make it a Great Week!