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## True Parents Meet with Korean Women Leaders in America



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ON Sunday, March 7, Mother invited one hundred fifty women leaders from the Korean community in America to attend a special banquet at East Garden. While two-thirds of the guests came from the New York area, another third came from New Jersey and Washington, D.C., as well as a few from other parts of the country.

Many of the guests had attended Mother's speech late last year and came to receive further guidance from her and to know her better. Also, most of them came because they knew of Father and respected him as a worldwide leader despite their religious differences with our church.

The event began at 4:00 p.m. with Mother greeting all of them and explaining a little of the background of the Women's Federation for World Peace. In her greeting, she explained how women are central to bringing world peace in our modern age through nurturing true love within their families.

Mother then introduced Father, who delivered a four and a half hour address on the Divine Principle and the Proclamation of the Messiah and the Completed Testament Age. He began by describing the many problems in America, including drugs, free sex, homosexuality and dysfunctional families, and how these can be solved only by true families centered on true love. He pointed out that, in order to solve this problem, one needs to know the truth about God's original ideal and the origin of the problem.

In his usual style, Father spoke directly

and strongly to the audience, but always with eloquence and with the heart of a parent desperately reaching out to his lost children. As Father spoke about the creation, fall, restoration and Second Coming, the audience could feel his seriousness and immense effort and love, even though it was often difficult for them to understand and digest the content.

Because of the stature of some of the women, a couple of women expressed their concern about the late hour. However, Father firmly and lovingly calmed the atmosphere and reminded them of the seriousness of the hour for their families, America and, most of all, Korea. The beauty of it all was that at the end of the banquet, those same women were the first to rush to grab Father's arm and stand at his side for a photo opportunity—even apologizing for their impatience. To see this was a testimony to the power of True Parents' heart and position with regard to the world.

The banquet and entertainment was held after the speech in a style of elegance and celebration which typifies True Parents' traditional heart of giving. Korean songs were performed by various Japanese and American members. A particularly moving part of the program was when one Japanese sister publicly apologized to the audience for the past history of Japan's abuse of the Korean people. Some of the guests were moved to tears.

Afterwards, Father and Mother went with the guests to their buses waiting outside, and even entered the bus with them to bid farewell. As they said goodbye to each

other, I could see the endearing feelings of warmth, gratitude and reverence on the faces of the guests towards True Parents. It was certainly an evening they would never forget!

I felt personally that this meeting was very significant for a couple of reasons. First, many had come to listen to Mother's speech last year, and now heard Divine Principle from Father. Second, this was Father's opportunity to begin his public proclamation of messiahship, not only to the Korean women leaders in America, but as a first step in proclaiming it to the nation and the world. While they may not have understood everything, it was a significant moment for launching the Completed Testament Age into the public domain.

Reflecting upon the fact that many left with a less than complete understanding of the importance and content of Father's speech, I feel that the next step is for members of the WFWP to continue the process of teaching them based on Father's initiative, so that they can come to a clearer understanding of Divine Principle and the role of True Parents. This event was simply another of True Parents' initial efforts to start the process of salvation of America and the world through the WFWP, which we, as their children, must have the same vision and determination to carry on and complete. ■■

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# Resurrection and Liberation



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*Father began this talk as a Sunday sermon and then at the end left the title on the blackboard and said, "Tomorrow, the men can stay home and all the women can come," for the first of the month sermon. We include both parts here.*



*True Family pause for a portrait: Back row (l.-r.) Jeung Jin Nim, Father, Mother, Yeon Jin Nim. Grandchildren (l.-r.), boys: Shin Won Nim, Shin Myung Nim, Shin Gil Nim, Shin Kwon Nim; girls: Shin Yeon Nim, Shin Eh Nim, Shin Sun Nim, Shin Ok Nim, Shin Young Nim, and Shin Jeung Nim.*

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# of the Women of the World

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**T**HE resurrection of the women of the world will bring liberation to all humankind. To resurrect means to be born again. We cannot be born again until we deny the old life. Then we can give birth to new women.

Look at the world which Satan has invaded. All his connections and elements must be denied before God can move in. If there had been no fall, relationships would not be so changeable: what is up would stay up and what is down would stay down and must be down. The head would be up and the feet down; the right-hand side would always be to the right, never to the left.

The essence of the fall was the reversal of order: what was down went up. History has been moving to bring it down. What was wrongfully down has been coming up, and what was wrongfully up has been coming down. There must be a transition point for this reversal process on all levels: individual, family, tribe, nation, world and cosmos.

## LIQUIDATE BAD HABITS

History has been a succession of denials. To deny things leads to war. That is the reason for the many wars in history. Until we reach the crossing point on the world level, war will continue. We who are living at this time are the result, the fruit, of historical development. All of us, all individuals, families and nations, must focus our attention on the world level at this time. Therefore, for each of us, our mind and body must work to achieve this transition. Our body has many strings attached to it. Many of you have undesirable habits. The mind, centering on religion, brings us a greater awareness of ourselves. We have to harmonize ourselves, bringing out the good things and throwing away the bad. In a similar way, nations have many habits. We have to nurture what is good and throw away what is bad. Likewise, we have to evaluate religions and choose the good aspects. There is a lot of work to be done.

Individuals need to evaluate their life and decide to move to a higher way of life. The family has to look at how it has been living, throw away bad habits and form good, new ones. Eventually the world needs to liquidate these bad habits [*chong sang*] and adopt good ones. When the universal day of liquidation comes, the whole world will try to solve its problems. Much work is necessary on all levels and throughout the world.

These are the last days of fallen human history. This ideology, which is the essence of all religious teachings, is trying to capture individuals and influence them in good ways. All individuals and all the families throughout the world must go through the crossing point according to the historical time period. The individual age will allow the individual to change; the family age will allow the family to change. Even though the time and level are different, they all cross the same transition point.

The direction history takes is a straight line, due to the workings of the conscience. The conscience has taught filial piety and parental love. Only love working with the conscience can harmonize all the vertical and horizontal relationships.

The fall resulted in the emergence of two directions, based

upon two loves. When we see opposing directions and powers, we should recognize that it is the result of the fall. It is extremely complicated. People are always changing direction, due to the influence of these two powers.

Although there were many possibilities, if God exists, He must have one idea for a perfect man and for a perfect family. In order better to understand God's formula we must know whether the individual should adapt to the world or the world to the individual. God had the world in mind first, and the individual must adapt to the world. He had in mind one perfect individual who would represent the perfect standard.

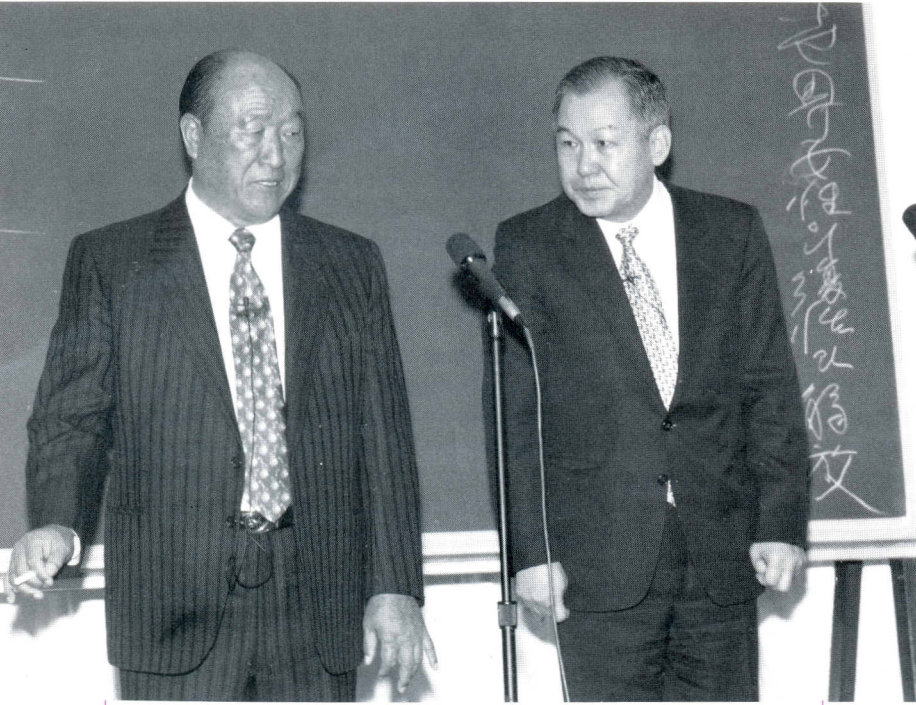
## KEEP IN MIND YOUR COMPLEMENT

The woman's individualistic thinking and the man's individualistic thinking caused the fall. One must follow the other, but today both men and women want to lead, never yielding to each other. Neither your mind nor your body wants to yield to the other. Individuals are like that, families are like that, and nations operate that way. When a nation makes an exclusive claim to dominance, it leads inevitably to war. At this time of world transition, the communist and democratic sides have been fighting. Now that the communist world has fallen, should everyone follow America? That is the question.

All things exist in a relationship of subject and object. How do we re-establish a correct order on all levels around one central point? The world is made up of men and women. Women should be on one side and men on the other. Once everything is in the proper position it should turn around. But which is the center of rotation, men or women? In order to maintain order, an individual cannot insist on turning around himself; he has to turn around a center. You have to find the individual who takes that central position. I represent all the men in the world and the cosmos. I also think of myself as representing all the women of the world. Each of you women represent all the women of the world.

The pair system is very important. Those who are in the upper position must keep the lower position in mind. Those who are on the right side must consider the left side. Whatever position you have, you must keep the other in mind in order to create harmony. All creation lives for the sake of its complement. When you say right, think of left first and then right. When you say up, think about down first and then up. The down-person moves for the up-person. If one individual does not have the other in mind, destruction will follow.

Everything we do should express our desire to serve the other. The greater our range of movement, the greater the service we contribute. Here we see the principle of God's creation. Satan calls us: "Live for the sake of me." Are women born for the sake of women? (No.) To speak of women implies men. Women are born absolutely for men and men absolutely need women. If a grandfather says, "Live for the sake of me," there will be no harmony in the family, only separation and destruction. However, if we live for the sake of others, the more we move, the greater the other becomes. This principle applies not only in human life but to everything in the whole universe; without this principle the universe cannot develop.



## THE PRINCIPLE OF PROSPERITY

Who is the real Unification Church member? If I am the subject, who is the perfect object? If the object and the subject each demand to be treated best, there will be fighting and decline. However, the more each resolves to live for the other, the more the church will benefit and grow.

In this individualistic kingdom of America no one thinks anything is wrong; they all think individualism is fine. However, the universe spits at it, because it defies the principle [of living for others]. Those who demand that others live for their benefit will perish.

In contrast, those who live for others are protected by the universe, and their destiny is connected to the entire cosmos. When your mind and body unite and live for the other, you will expand and connect to all the universe. You will feel good because universal fate will support you.

This principle of living for the sake of others is cardinal. What a wonderful concept this is! Everywhere I go, people will come to like me more and more, because I live for others. On the other hand, if someone tries to destroy me, they will be destroyed by universal fate.

When you pray to God, does He try to take advantage of you? (No.) God does not try to take advantage of others. If Americans live for others, God will love them. If Americans live for themselves, universal fate will crush them, no matter how much they would like to prosper. Individualism is the worst disease.

Women, what do you consider most important about a man: his appearance or his mind? (Mind.) How can we distinguish a good mind from a bad mind? The man with a mind that lives for the sake of others is a good man. If you find such a man and marry him, no matter what he looks like, your future will be good. Isn't that right? (Yes.) Likewise, the champion of the world's women would want to live for the sake of the world. Such a champion doesn't need makeup on her face. There is no way to deny that living for the world is the best policy.

What is the characteristic of a truthful person? When a man loves a woman so much and she tries to pay him back even more, she is a truthful woman, and vice versa. What happens in

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a couple when both partners seek to outdo each other in showing love? True love will grow and grow.

True love has the potential to bring infinite prosperity. My pocket is always empty, but whenever I come to America I always want to give. Do you want to give help or receive help? According to worldly standards, the one who gives help seems to be the loser. However, Americans must realize that they have to give to others or perish. If America wants to prosper, it must give more to the world. God says to all who want to serve Him, "Don't serve Me, serve the world." This is the principle of true prosperity. Everyone wants a peaceful world, but no one will get it without living by this principle.

I have spoken one hour and I haven't even gotten to the topic of women. We have to meet tomorrow. If I stop now, more people will come tomorrow. I haven't even removed the underbrush, which needs to be done before I can till the soil. Tomorrow the men can stay home and all the women can come.

## YOU REPRESENT THE UNIVERSE

To be in the correct position we must always be responsible to represent the entire universe. Then God will praise you. No one except God lives like that. If a small child appears who thinks like that, God would treasure him. History has never seen such a person. God looks at America, which is going against Him and ignoring its responsibility, and says, "I must save and re-educate these people." On this foundation, Americans can love God and can go and love other countries.

Each person who wants to become the best person must think, "I represent the entire world and live for the sake of the world." If you men think of yourself as a representative of the past, present, and future, all women will want to marry you. In order for you women to have that kind of husband, you must be that kind of woman. You can say to God, "I will do not only that but better." If you are anxious to do better than God, you can climb on top of God and God will say, "That feels good." Frankly, none of you wants to be outdone by me, do you? (No.)

If I say, "Go and save all women," and one small woman works like crazy to gather many women and educate them, will I stop her? No, I will tell her she is better than I. If one small member of the family says, "I have to bring God here," and goes out and does that, then everyone will bow down to her. If they ask her how she did it, she will say, "I learned from Father to live for the sake of the world." God will be astonished and will follow her anywhere, even to hell. If you do more than what I am encouraging you to do, I will fall in love with you. You are all capable of being like that. Do you understand that you must become the center, focal point of the universe? (Yes.)

So let us finish here and continue tomorrow. Leave the title on the board. ■■

**T**ODAY'S sermon is a continuation of yesterday's. Men represent heaven and women represent earth. Together they form the ideal purpose of God in creation. Earth is horizontal, and heaven is vertical. In the Western world there is little understanding of the concept of vertical and horizontal, heaven and earth. But this concept is daily fare for Orientals.

We have mind and body, analogous to heaven and earth. Your mind and body must become one, whether you are a man or woman. The mind is vertical and the body is horizontal. The mind is the vertical self, and the body is the horizontal self. When we achieve unity, we connect to the whole world. People dream of owning the whole horizontal world, but an even greater dream would be to encompass the vertical world. Keep both dimensions in mind, because the world includes both. When everyone thinks this way, it will create a stairway connecting both worlds.

In order to have three dimensions you need right and left, up and down, and front and back. Always keep these three relationships in harmony. When you move, the direction changes but not the axis. The vertical is always vertical and is thus the center of the universe.

Our mind occupies that vertical position. Western civilization is a material civilization. They take things apart in order to study and analyze them, expanding their knowledge. But the East puts all things in perspective; it arranges everything in its own place.

If there had been no fall, the more materially prosperous a person becomes, the more prosperous he would be spiritually. However, because of the fall, the reverse is true.

Here in America, where abundant blessing has been given, the spiritual quality has declined. The fall created the greatest irony. The former Soviet Union, which boasted of being the most materialistic nation, actually has nothing materially, but instead their spiritual strength is greater. The countries which boast of having a strong spirit actually have little spirit, but they do have much material blessing. This is an expected phenomenon of the last days. The problem is how to balance these two extremes. Who will balance the spiritual and material?

For the vertical and horizontal, heaven and earth, to become one, man and woman must become one. A man's mind represents God and his body represents True Parents. The same is true for his spouse. Two such united people can form a perfect vertical and horizontal relationship. When they internally unite their mind and body, they can unite with each other perfectly.

## HARMONY OF MAN AND WOMAN

The fallen world has never seen true love. The owner of true love is God and Father. Therefore, when a person achieves unity with God and then unity with a spouse, the whole universe can unite with them.

Whom did God create first, man or woman? (Man.) Man represents heaven. The Bible says that God took the rib of Adam and created Eve. This did not happen literally; it only means that Eve was created in the image of Adam. The universe is like intersecting spheres: the upper, the right and the front represent

heaven; while the lower, left and rear represent earth.

All our objectives can be realized through love. When a child is born, it is protected and loved by its mother, who is on the horizontal level. Then the mother and all the children are protected by the father. Day and night, the mother must connect with this vertical love of the father. The mother and children must together turn around the vertical love.

The mother must receive ample love from the father to give to the children. If the father does not give her enough love, she cannot love the children. In this way the vertical love is deployed horizontally, and in this way all three hundred sixty degrees are encompassed.

What brings people together is not the man or woman, but the power of love. Families who know this will not break up. In the West, there is an erroneous concept that man and woman are equal. If men turn one way and women another, how can we have two axes? When you watch boy and girl babies develop, the girl grows horizontally and the boy grows vertically. As a result boys are taller than girls. Women have to be stabilized so

they can give birth; therefore, they have an abundant bosom, big hips and a soft touch. These attributes are not for the woman herself but for her children. Women can boast of their bosom and hips. Men have no hips, but instead have broad shoulders. This is the way God built us.

When we enter the family, we can immediately identify the center: it is the woman who takes care of all things in the house, loves the earth and the universe, and absolutely loves her husband. You must become like this before you can expect to go with your family to God's warehouse, the kingdom of heaven.

Man's mind represents heaven and woman's mind represents earth. Their growth process is similar. However, when they are mature, man represents heaven and woman earth. Women must try hard to gain spirituality. Men must also work to gain harmony. Women make friends very easily, but not men. Men should not bow down so much, while women are expected to bow down to make peace and to promote religion and godly qualities.

Christian men do not work as hard at evangelizing as women do, but there are few great women religious leaders. Women worship, love and follow the men. What is the significance of this? There is none, except that man is subject and woman object.

Satan replaced God in the subject position. Man became one with Satan (the evil father). This evil father has a very changeable center, because Satan moves him around. The original good man should settle in one place. That evil father will not bring unity, but division.

## HARMONY AMONG THE RACES

If you have a choice, you would like to live in a moderate climate. The north is too cold, the equator too hot. White people come from the north, like polar bears, while black people come from a hot place. If all people had lived in the temperate zone, their skin color would not be different. However, there was division and one was pushed out to the extreme cold, the



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other to the hot. The ancestor of the white people must have done something wrong and fled. When they fled to a cold-climate zone, they began a pirate civilization. The early history of Scandinavian countries was a history of piracy and killing. The white civilization has caused a lot of bloodshed. Those who were pushed south, where it was hot and food was plentiful, rested under trees and became lazy. They danced well because they danced a lot. However, there was not much discipline between men and women. Pirates plundered them, killed all the men and took all the women.

Is a pirate a man or a woman? (Man.) Is he good or bad? (Bad.) Bad men carried off good women. How can such a pirate race get God's blessing? The women who were kidnapped must have prayed and put a lot of heart into the race. The women brought to England must have prayed and put a lot of heart into the nation, thinking that even though they received the seed of a pirate they would raise their sons to be better. Although this is not orthodox history, we can speculate that this happened.

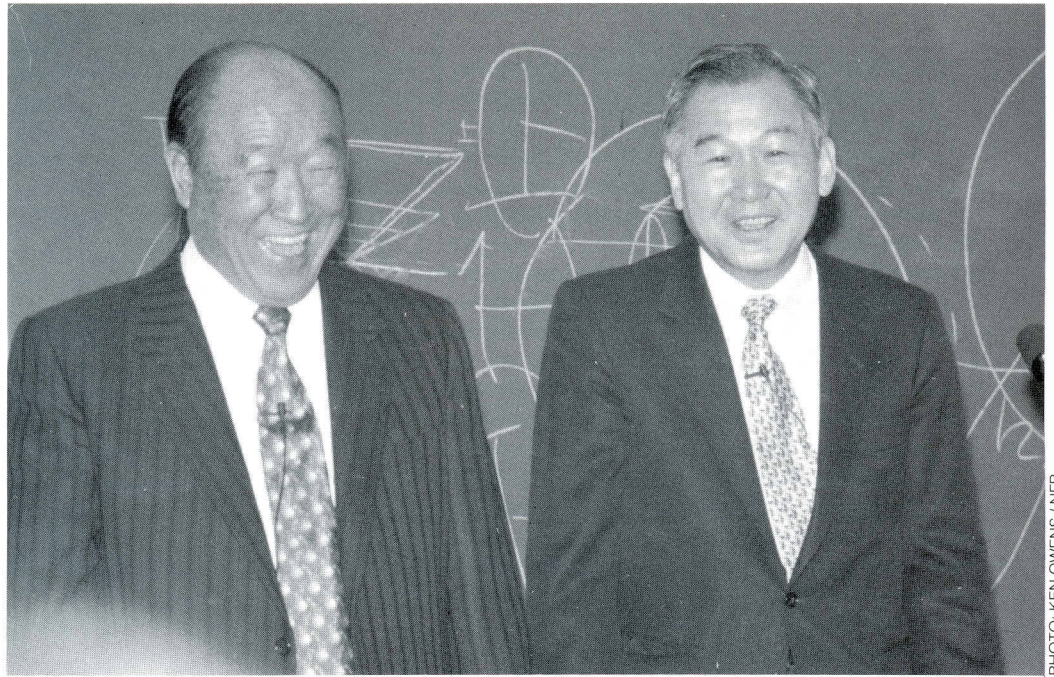
Colonial powers, such as Germany, England and France, tried to control the African countries through dominating the women. Chinese women became westernized, but the men didn't want to follow the Western ways. Therefore, the English wanted to get rid of the men. To do this, they fed them opium. According to the law of cause and effect, their own descendants are now plagued by opium. Look back at history: which race did more evil things—white people, black people or Oriental people? Whites. They always attacked and caused bloodshed. They killed blacks, Orientals and other whites.

The very soil in America belongs to Orientals. Orientals were living here before the white people took the land from them. More and more this will be revealed. This racial problem is very formidable; it may escalate into religious wars, with one religion fighting the other. Without God we have no chance.

## ABUSES OF LOVE

How did white people, with this background, come to accept Christianity? It was not because they were good, but because the women accepted God's religion and invested much heart into it. The women became good and influenced the men to be good, and thus they came into God's realm. Because the fall took place through a woman, God has been fostering religion through women. Who prays more, men or women? (Women.) Why? The women are helpless and have been incredibly hurt by men, so really they have only God to help. In terms of love, who has been mutilated and hurt the most? (Women.)

Is a woman complicated and wants many men or does she



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only want one man and his love? (One.) In contrast, men move around and, wherever they go, start a new family. Sometimes women look and see men who are better than their husbands and entice them, but men never want their wives to have another man.

Fighting within the family is caused by the men wandering afar. Women ask, "Which woman did you see this time?" She nags because of this. Women tend to stay at home because their hips are heavy. In contrast, even if a man tries to sit still he cannot, because his shoulders are too heavy. You may laugh, but this is important. Love makes good people bad and bad people good. There are many trains in history, but the love train carries the most blood and tears. Everything is the most miserable on the train of past love. Can you find a train with more misery? (No.) Overnight, a man and woman who are deeply in love can be shattered apart and lose everything. Can a human being experience more misery than that?

Through broken love, one generation can destroy the work of many generations of ancestors and also ruin the future for the descendants. Where is a pure heart of love? Where is the lineage of the one pure woman? Where is purity? Where is chastity? You may have a burglar or a killer in your ancestry. Have you ever stopped to think how to start a pure lineage and keep it? In this world, it is not possible. The only way to keep the purity of your descendants is to build a cage and isolate them from the world. But that is impossible. None of us can start a new lineage. How can God make a pure blood lineage when everything is so bad and desolate? Do you think your ancestors are as good as you or as bad as you? People generally behave as though they are better than anyone else.

Satan caused this enormous complication of love. A man does something bad and a woman retaliates and makes it worse. Ethics, with a very weak muscle, tried to slow down the decline. But then along came free sex. Who made that happen? (Man.) Man has been involved in free sex all along. Wherever American soldiers went, they lived with other women. This arouses animosity, so in order to justify themselves, they say, "Let's have free sex." Now that this has been going on for a few decades, is

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anyone satisfied with it? Can any woman or man say that it's a good idea? Free sex has even evolved into incest. Of course, the perpetrators feel guilty, but they push those feelings down. When different colors of water come together, it becomes dirty.

Who is comfortable with free sex? Those who practice free sex tend to cross age groups. It is the grandparents' responsibility to see to the welfare of their offspring, but even the infant is not safe from sexual attack. Those who practice free sex choose someone who is pure as their target, and they often look for someone younger. This is worse than the animals. Teachers look lustfully at their students.

Who sobs more because of love, men or women? (Women.) Can the president of the country do anything? This American president does not look to be strong in that regard. Religious leaders in America make the same mistake. Who will repair this? Is this normal or sick? It's sick, sick, sick. Everyone is affected by this.

This is the situation of the women of the world. Should we repair men or women first? Who suffers more from the bad results of love? Women are about to die because of it. Who will mend them? All the world is worrying about that. In this desperate situation, what if we wipe all the men out? That is not good for the women. Even a really hurt woman would say, "Please don't kill him. Just send him away for ten years and beat him and educate him." At any cost we must try to repair such situations.

God has been working throughout history to repair this fallen world through religion. God has been developing the bride through Christianity, centering on women. Now the world

is ready and the bride is prepared. From where will the bridegroom come? If he comes from the earth all people will oppose him, so he must come from heaven.

## WOMEN LONG FOR A TRUE MAN

Women have prayed throughout history for the one true eternal man, the one who brings the true thought and ideal, so they can receive the truthful seed from him. That is every woman's deep prayer. You all want to meet a pure man. Even though this was the desire of all women, none of them received a pure man's seed. It is their highest and deepest desire, but they have never seen it in the satanic world. Nevertheless, they still pray for it. Millions and millions of women throughout history have prayed for the one pure man, the one pure seed, and God cannot help but answer that prayer.

Throughout history men have trampled upon love and mutilated it. Therefore, in the last days there should be a women's movement to totally deny fallen man's value. There should be a religion where all women come together to deny the tyranny of men. God, who knows the situation, cannot blame women for that.

We all want true love, a true father, true parents, and true family. All Americans want this. Of course we want this, but do we have it? (No.) Before He erases the bad, God prepares the good. Who brings this to earth? The savior, the Lord of the Second Advent, the True Parents.

Now the environment is prepared, because the evil ways have been denied. Individualism has only one good aspect: it denies all the bad things. An individualist doesn't need parents, God or anyone else, only himself or herself.

History has advanced from the feudal ages to two blocs and now to one huge bloc. The Unification Church is sitting on top of that, understanding it all. All racial, economic and national problems can be transcended with the almighty power of love. Our holy weddings are the direct implementation of this. No other religion does this. Interracial marriage goes beyond all cultural, racial and national problems. Are there many white people who would like a black spouse? No, but in the Unification Church, even though the bride and groom have never seen each other and cannot even talk to each other, they are happy with Father's choice. The world looks at that and fiercely opposes it at the beginning. As time goes on they will not oppose so much. It is a shock



PHOTO: KEN OWENS / NFP

**Second generation Belvedere Sunday school sisters pose with some of their parents after performing a joyful dance for True Parents at Parents' Day entertainment at the Manhattan Center.**

*You can go back to your family and make peace within it. A person who achieves family unity is welcomed in both heaven and hell.*

they have to get over. How complicated it is to solve the world's problems! If you take them one by one, they are overwhelming. But the real solution is true love and the true individual and family.

Did I make up this system? No; this is how God created it. All creatures together want this. Satan is opposed to everything that God does. The fight between God and Satan has never been more visible. Everything that God wants to accomplish, Satan wants to stop. Starting from the individual and going up to the cosmos, no one can solve this. No one but God can work this out. But through this gospel which has come down, we can save the world.

### RAISE YOUR STANDARD

What happens when we mix all the colors of the world? Will it be black, white or yellow? (Yellow.) Among the 5.5 billion people in the world, 3.2 are yellow, 1.2 are white and 1.1 are black. The Pacific era is coming. Asian culture and Asian people will become more dominant.

In the future three out of four people in a holy wedding will be yellow. This is not because I want to promote them, but objectively this is likely to happen. People in the West look to the East and long to get closer to Oriental people. When two want to marry, who is the one to propose? (Man.) What happens if all men propose only to Orientals, and Western women do not get proposed to? Western women will have to become more humble, more like Oriental women. If Western women can become humble to Oriental women, and become like them, there is hope.

If you had to make such drastic changes by yourself, it would take many years. But here in America you look around. There are many Japanese women. Do you despise them or do you wish that you could become like them? I am looking at only one thing, and you should too: the standard of faith. Fifty years ago Americans gained victory over the Japanese, but there's nothing that American women at present have to be proud of over the Japanese. Who has the higher standard of faith? Generally, the standard of Japanese women is higher. You hate to admit it, but we have to admit it.

I am raising American men to the highest standard. Do you think that American men considered me to be good? I used to be the symbol of evil. As they understand more, they become lower and I become higher. In a very objective view, who is higher, the president of the United States or Reverend Moon? Will Americans listen more to me or to President Clinton? I oppose evil and explain why. Praise rather than complaint is due.

Holy weddings are very good because the way of life for those who participated in a holy wedding is far superior to anything else. Wife and husband may be married for ten years and yet live separately; still the wife doesn't worry about her husband. They are so worry-free that they gain weight. It's an Oriental expression that people who are worry-free gain weight. Is that bad or good? Man and woman both deserve credit for this, but women are the center of religious life.

Now is the time of transition. In the history of evil, men led the way and women had to follow. Now we have to change, because women are more religious and religion is the right direction. The whole Christian realm is the bride's realm. However, there is only one bridegroom, and there are so many brides. How can we balance this?

First, there was Adam, the second Adam was Jesus, and the third Adam is Sun Myung Moon. The people who opposed me are beginning to feel shaky; they are not so confident in their



*Father gives Mother a ring (l.) and Mother gives Father a watch (r.)*

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*Who will best exemplify the tradition of blessed couples?  
Your goal should be to live the best tradition.*

opposition.

Restoration is so difficult, and its course has been going up and down. Satan coupled with Adam made the fallen civilization, but now God and Reverend Moon are starting a new generation—a new seed.

## **CONFIGURATION AFTER WORLD WAR II**

England was in Eve's position and America and France were in Abel and Cain's position. Abel is the small messiah. At the end of World War II, America became the center—the Abel. Abel is the child of the savior, planted as an individual but harvested on a worldwide level at the end of World War II. Eve, Cain and Abel were pitted against one another after the fall. God has worked tirelessly and is finally coming back and settling into the original position. Cain and Abel must exchange positions and Eve must reverse the fall. This pattern was planted thousands of years ago on an individual level, and God is now restoring it, not on the family level, but on the worldwide level.

Historians now agree that 1960 was the historical transition time. After World War II many small nations gained independence. The victors in World War II gave independence to those small countries. Because in 1960 Parents were installed on the

earth, the children began to prepare themselves. Until then brother tribes and brother nations had always been fighting, but the victorious Allies gave independence to many countries. Satan invaded the first Adam, and the second Adam came from God. After restoring all the different Abel, Cain and Eve positions on every level, the Second Advent can come.

Eve and the women of the second generation, representing all the women, must gather together and become one with the groom and then embrace all the world. History began with Adam and Eve, Cain and Abel. Therefore, nations in the positions of members of the first family must restore the fall. This is what was to have been achieved on the national level at Jesus' time. The same pattern is repeated on the worldwide level centering on the Mother. In Jesus' time, when the father ascended, the Holy Spirit, which is the mother spirit, descended. Men are vertical and women are horizontal. Woman as the Holy Spirit came down on earth.

## **FORTY YEARS TO REINDEMNIFY EVERYTHING**

The Messiah was supposed to come at the end of World War II, in 1945. The kingdom of heaven should have taken only seven years to build, which would have been 1952. However, because Christianity opposed the Second Coming, a forty-year

indemnity period was necessary. I indemnified the failure in 1945 centering on the Unification Church. I was cast out into the wilderness with the whole world mobilized to oppose me. What I did in this forty years was to pick Japan and Germany and America to replace the countries (England, America and France) which had failed.

America had failed so God could not take it again; but I as the second generation could. I had to take America again, because it is the only country that inherits the foundation of the Old and New Testaments. The Completed Testament could not begin without this foundation.

During the last forty years I have gone over all eight stages. Twenty of those years represented the Old Testament and twenty years represented the New Testament. The forty years represent the four thousand years of history. I crossed over all eight barriers to reach God.

I reindemnified the lost



*in a special ceremony at East Garden on their wedding anniversary, April 7, 1993.*

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*Women play the key role in establishing unity within the family and on all levels.*

foundation during the last forty years. I have cleaned up and resettled everything. I have reindemnified all eight walls in order to come back to the beginning. Wherever I walk, God will follow me. God could not follow fallen Adam, but God can now follow me. Adam's perfection was to have been achieved in one generation, and I have accomplished restoration in one generation. God began with an individual, and as each level perfects itself God can dwell within it. I have established this, so God can come back and forth freely.

### THE BRIDE'S FOUNDATION

In 1968 the completion level of the formation stage took place. For seven years I built the foundation and restored the family level. I then went on to restore the nation and world levels. Recently Mother has restored the foundation of the bride who is waiting for the groom. She visited seven countries: Korea, Japan, America and four countries in Europe (Germany, England, France and Italy). She also went to Russia, Australia (the land of fugitives and jailbirds), and New Zealand. Mother has liberated this Christian realm. Centering upon the Women's Federation for World Peace, Mother is accomplishing the

restoration and reconnecting to the Christian foundation. Now she is coming to meet me and I am standing right here to greet Mother. The way is open for the liberation of all women.

This should have happened in Jesus' time. I have restored all this and restored the conditions in the Middle East that resulted from the crucifixion as well. However, the Messiah cannot do everything. Therefore, I am sending out the tribal messiahs who, by restoring their tribe and clan, can bring this world to me.

### CAIN AND ABEL MUST BE UNITED

[Father draws the Chinese characters for "mother."]

The character for "mother" has Cain and Abel in it. Eve conceived two sons as the result of the fall. Now Mother has to bring Abel and Cain, who are close to Satan, back to God. Abel and Cain must become one in Mother's bosom. The restored Eve must then come into the mother's position. Until the Second Advent, history was filled with wars between Cain and Abel. Each pair of plus and minus must become one before they can unite with a larger plus. At Jesus' time, Judaism and the nation of Israel were in the positions of Abel and Cain. Today Christianity and the nation of America occupy those positions. Cain

and Abel have to become one, then unite with the mother, and finally all three must unite with the father. It takes three stages for recreation to happen. We have to do all the steps.

In the Garden of Eden, God should have become one with Adam and Eve. However, that didn't happen, so we need to be re-created in the mother's womb. Cain and Abel must be reborn. Today the democratic and communist worlds must both go back into the mother's womb. This is similar to the twins of Rebekah and the twins fighting in the womb of Tamar. However, this time they should not fight.

Japan is the Eve nation because it fulfilled the condition attached to the mother's position. In Japan there are two Korean associations fighting in the womb of the world mother: one free and one communist. The same principle applies to the free and communist world; however, they should not fight but become one. It is up to Japan to unite these two Ko-

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*Nan Sook Nim (l.), Hoon Sook Nim (center), and Jun Sook Nim (r.), reminding one of the three Graces, sing at a birthday celebration.*

rean associations.

There is only one Mother and Father; there cannot be two. What you did last year was to become one with Mother. Centering on true love, all must become one. The two children must go through Mother to the bone marrow of the Father. Then they can be born again through Mother. All the women of the world must be born again to gain revival.

## BE REBORN THROUGH MOTHER

When Ye Jin Nim and Hyo Jin Nim were born, Mother ate seaweed soup after their birth. I allowed all the members to eat the same food as Mother, to represent being born again. To be born again is easy for Christians to talk about, but it is difficult and involves many aspects. You, representing the whole world, must return through Mother's womb to the bone marrow of Father and be born again at the same time as Father's own children. Originally Adam, Eve, Cain and Abel were to inherit the life of their father and mother in order to go to heaven. To regain this, you must go through Father and Mother, who have won victory over Satan's world, to be born again. This is the meaning of rebirth.

The process you go through in order to be born again is simple compared to the agony and tears that God has invested to bring it about. You must not think that because you have been in the church ten years you can easily get blessed. Think about the background of the blessing.

The major religions advocate celibacy. Why? Because the True Parents of mankind had not been married. If parents are not married, how could children get married? The Unification Church happens to be the first church in history which encourages marriage. Buddhist monks never get married; in a new faction of Buddhism the monks do get married, but with a lot of guilt. Catholicism does not encourage marriage for people who devote themselves to a religious life. The satanic world, which encourages free sex and homosexuality, basically also denies marriage.

The marriage that you enter into is different from any throughout history. Therefore, blessed couples cannot live as other couples in the world. It should be your goal for your descendants to get blessed to True Parents' descendants. That will be the goal of all people.

For three generations my children will marry only Koreans, but after that it will expand. There are now forty-three members in my family. That is a number of liberation. My children will give birth to many more children. You should, too; this is the hope of the Unification Church families.

## EXEMPLIFY HEAVENLY TRADITION

Who will best exemplify the tradition of blessed couples? Your goal should be to live the best tradition. My family will be the highest but there will be order throughout. From now on the



***This racial problem is very formidable; it may escalate into religious wars, with one religion fighting the other. Without God we have no chance.***

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blessed couples should lead a good, wealthy, prosperous life. The children of the blessed couples cannot marry with the satanic world.

You should be given birth twice. You must go through two mothers, your physical mother, and True Mother who gives you rebirth. The holy wine ceremony signifies rebirth. All the fruits of the earth are in the wine. All the contents of the Divine Principle are in it. Even though you have your own parents, you need True Parents in order to gain rebirth and be able to go to God.

If the Lord comes again on the clouds, these things cannot happen. He must come in the flesh as a human being. You must experience the love of two fathers and two mothers. God cannot deny the love of the first father and mother. It is incredibly painful for God to recognize the fallen parents who gave you birth. However, He cannot help but recognize them. If He did not, the True Parents would have no foundation on which to stand. Satan and Adam are father and son. Satan and Eve became one and gave birth to Adam. God has to restore the fall through the mother-son relationship.

## LOVE THE ENEMY

In God's world there is no enemy. If there were, we would have to accept the philosophy of dualism. God cannot have an

*The mother must receive ample love from the father to give to the children. If the father does not give her enough love, she cannot love the children.*



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enemy. If an enemy remains, no restoration is possible.

When Cain and Abel, because of their mother's love, unite and love each other, there is no enemy. These two must love each other so they can bring the archangel with them when they go to heaven. Satan has always asserted that the qualification for recognition as true father and true mother is loving the archangel. We demonstrate our love for the archangel by loving the enemy. You must love Satan in order to go to heaven. The archangel is the enemy, but you must not think of him as the enemy. Even though you may be free from the satanic lineage, there are many around who will continue to oppose you. You must pull them to God, loving them as your elder brother.

The crucifixion showed us the deep love of God. God gives us His only begotten son on the cross. God went through incredible pain. Jesus had to love the enemy soldiers who were killing him. If he had cursed them, the entire dispensation would have failed. Through this love, Satan was separated from Jesus and God could bring the resurrection. Jesus endured all the pain of the cross and prayed for his enemies. Because of that love, Christianity flourished. When Jesus' disciples died in similar circumstances, they had to pray to God in the same way.

When I was imprisoned unjustly and almost killed by the

Japanese, I did not curse the Japanese but continued to pray for them. At the end of World War II, I did not want to kill the Japanese in my village. Today Japanese members are coming back to pay their debt. I have opposed communism very staunchly, not to kill people but to save them. I attack all the unrighteousness in America. Instead of burning with revenge while in prison, I established important organizations to save America. Have you praised and thanked me for this? I have been a true son, husband, and father to America.

### **DISUNITY IN JACOB'S FAMILY**

Sung Jin Nim's mother and True Mother must not fight; they must love each other. Jacob's desire was Rachel, but he was given Leah. Laban, who was on Satan's side, gave him Leah. Jacob thought he was married to Rachel, but in the morning he found out his wife was Leah. He then had to work another seven years for Rachel. How can you call this justice? Rachel and Leah fought each other. In order for them to be on God's side, they should have loved each other from God's point of view. If I had been there, I could have taught Jacob, and he would not have made this mistake.

Leah was the first daughter and Rachel the second. Centering on Laban's wife they should have become one, but

Laban's wife did not take care of this. Jacob had two sons with Rachel; the other ten were connected to Leah. If the two mothers had made harmony, the children would have united, too. They all had the same father; they should all have united. But because these two women fought each other, the family divided into ten children and two children, and later on the twelve tribes divided into groups of ten and two. The sons could not unite because of the women. The mothers failed to bring unity among their sons.

### **DISUNITY IN JESUS' FAMILY**

In Jesus' time, John the Baptist and Jesus should have united, and Mary and Elizabeth should have become one. Similar to the situation centering on Jacob, everyone should have united with Zachariah. John the Baptist was Jesus' elder brother. All they had to do was unite, then everybody would automatically have become one. If this had happened, would John the Baptist have betrayed Jesus? (No.)

The most important thing for Jesus was to get married. Who would have been the likely candidate? John the Baptist had a sister; she or someone else very close to Jesus would have been

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a good candidate. This would have resulted in an automatic realm of unification on a world level. That's what God intended.

If Mary and Elizabeth had become one and Jesus and John had become one, they would have protected Jesus, and he would not have been killed. They could have embraced the East and the Roman Empire. The world would have been restored. When this victory was established, restoration would have happened easily. India and China would have followed. Jesus and Christianity could have easily restored the Orient and then gone to the West.

### BRING UNITY AMONG IN-LAWS

God works the restoration through a formula, and so will we. We all have grandmothers, aunts and cousins. If these women work together to bring unity, restoration will progress easily. It is so difficult for a daughter-in-law to attain unity with her mother-in-law. But if women know such a principle, they can play a crucial role in bringing unity. It is also difficult for a brother-in-law to love his sister-in-law, but once we know this and are trained, we do not want to fight; we will bring peace.

Until now we never had a reason to tolerate hell, but now we do. God has tolerated it. You can tolerate it. Your agony compared to God's agony is small. You have a small enemy in your family, and you must learn to love them. So understand that the reason the twelve tribes fought and the reason Jesus had to die stems from the failure to love each other.

We refer to the God of sorrow, the God of pain. Why? Satan is the illegitimate husband, where God is the legitimate husband. Satan is the love enemy. Suppose somebody stole your wife and is living with her, yet you are in the position to love both of them. That's God's position. You didn't know this before, so you didn't feel it deeply. You must understand.

If you understood my point clearly this morning, you can go back to your family and make peace within it. A person who achieves family unity is welcomed in both heaven and hell. If you go to hell, millions of people will crowd around you and say, "Here comes our savior." Even the textbook, *How to Manage a Family*, has been completed.

### WOMEN WILL LEAD THE RESTORATION

Now is the time for the liberation of women. In the history of restoration, when women raised their voice, there were always complications. This is a result of the fall. Therefore, during restoration history, women have to be obedient and act reserved. This is a virtue. The fall took place because Eve asserted herself; therefore, to go backwards, women have to be unusually obedient.

If there is any group who hates this course the most, you guessed it, it's American women. But you must follow this one hundred percent and more. American women have a tremendous edge. If American women decide to follow this direction, everybody will follow. That's true. I am not criticizing these American women here today. You are the ones who can show the first example in history. You American women here have an internal content that is completely different from outside

American women's. You must be the standard-bearers. A woman who is reborn and resurrected leads on all levels of liberation. Actually, Eve was the key to the fall. Therefore, restoration is dependent largely upon women.

Women generally initiate a divorce, because they are less tolerant and express their complaints faster than men. About seventy-five percent of divorces are the women's fault, because they pack up faster. That's true. They don't like things and they pack up. They thought divorce would bring them freedom, but the results were staggering. They not only destroyed their family, but destroyed the entire world because everyone followed their pattern.

Women play the key role in establishing unity within the family and on all levels. The Divine Principle agrees: because women failed, they must now restore. Everything checks.

Women fell and they lost God and True Parents, too. Now it is up to them to restore God and True Parents. Women must love even the people of the satanic world as if they were their husband or father or mother. The movement to accomplish that is the Women's Federation for World Peace. When a woman



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*Should we repair men or women first? Who suffers more from the bad results of love? Women are about to die because of it.*



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becomes one with her children and her husband, the family is restored. Mothers play the key role. Become one with the True Parents' family and inherit our tradition. In outside families, the mother and children must get together and save the father. After you are blessed, you must become completely one with Mother and connect with the True Family. When this happens, liberation takes place and heaven comes down.

The resurrection of the world's women will lead to the liberation of the whole world—not only of women, but also of men and children. To make this happen is the responsibility of women who brought death to men and children. Men represent God's side, and children represent the whole world, the horizontal development. This is the main task of the Completed Testament era. Now you know clearly what you must do in the Completed Testament era.

For the Unification Church blessed couples, the pattern of salvation is clear. Outside people don't have a Messiah, so I am sending out the tribal messiahs whose main role is to educate them the same way I have been educating you.

No one will oppose this movement of Women's Federation for World Peace. Until now, men ran the world and brought the world into such misery. Now it's time for women to restore that with the coming Messiah. There is one Messiah and 2.5 billion

women in the world.

The movement's task is to teach women in such a way that they will harmonize their children and husband. The Women's Federation has half the task of restoration: to bring the children together on a world level. The tribal messiahs have the other half: to connect them to the Messiah. This is beginning on a small scale, but it will become a worldwide movement. Each family is working for re-creation.

Liberation affects all the family, but women will lead the way. The Messiah has established the typical family which you need to copy.

How, then, can the women of the world resurrect? They have to go back to Mother's womb and Father's bone marrow. The ones who were born after 1960 will be on God's side. That was the year when the True Parents' marriage took place. After that all humankind needs to go back to the mother's womb, pretending that they are not born, even though they may be thirty or forty years of age. What is taking place today should have taken place in 1945, but it didn't happen. I had to go through forty years of indemnity.

Who plays the key role? Women. All that men have to do is follow, once women successfully complete their role. The world's women must absolutely obey me,

and all men should follow you.

How can you enter heaven? Ignorance can never lead to heaven. First, you must know clearly what happened. Now that you understand it, you are much closer to heaven. All that remains is to do it.

This is the time for revival and liberation. Be born again, restore the family and bring liberation to everyone. This is the women's era. Now the men must win salvation through the hands of women. There will be more and more good women in politics. The president of our country should be a woman. That day must come soon. Women must accomplish the victory and bring the results to men. Actually, the president should not be an individual but a family. The criteria for eligibility to be president will be a high level of family unity and faithful adherence to heavenly tradition. Everybody will know who has the best tradition, so elections will become automatic. The family which exemplifies the ultimate tradition will become the president. The pinnacle of democracy is past; it is a transient system.

My recent speech on True Parents' birthday is a summary of my history. [See April issue of Today's World.] You must familiarize yourselves with this speech thoroughly and teach it not only to each other but to all the people with whom you come into contact. ■■■

# Speech to Japanese Members

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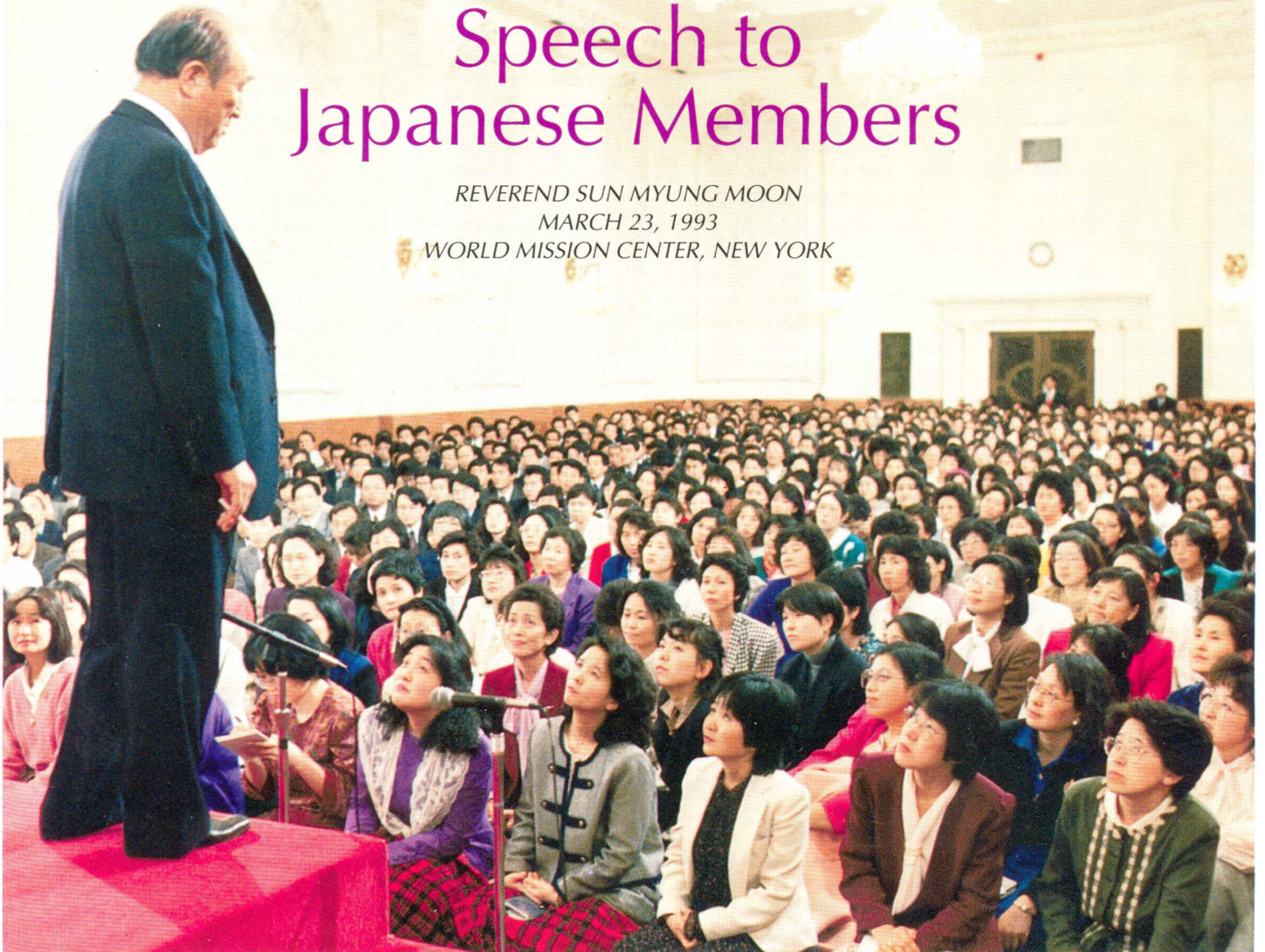


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**A**LL those who are blessed with Americans, please raise your hand. [Mostly women and a handful of men raised their hands.] Did you find the international blessing wonderful? You have now found out that the international marriage is not so easy. Because Japan is the Eve nation in the world, it is providential to have many Japanese women blessed with men from many different nations throughout the world.

How many of you have three or more children? Not so many. The United States is blessed with abundant food. Why not have more children? You are finding out that children with blue eyes do not shed blue tears; the color of your children's urine is not different from yours. You can experience a deeper mother's heart by raising children of an international blessing.

As I told you earlier, twenty million people are starving to death each year throughout the world. In other words, about sixty thousand people per day are starving to death throughout the world. By feeding them, we can easily make them Unification Church members. If we can feed twenty million people in a year, we can make them Unification Church members. Now that the vertical heavenly tradition is established [by True Parents], our main concern from now on is how to multiply, how to increase the membership, in numbers, horizontally.

Korea was chosen as the Adam nation. Korean people's names consist of three characters, and the number three symbolizes heaven. On the other hand, Japan was chosen as the Eve nation and Japanese people's names consist of four characters; the number four symbolizes earth. It is exactly fitting with the Principle.

From now on, I will give you advice. Are you happy as a result of your international blessing? Your parents are watching you and waiting in Japan. They are worried about you and your marriage. If your marriage ends in divorce or if you live as an unhappy and miserable couple, they will surely say, "I told you so!" "Rev. Moon is no good!" "You shouldn't have followed him!"

## TESTIFY ABOUT INTERNATIONAL MARRIAGE

Can you return to your hometown after divorce? Look at those who were internationally married outside the Unification Church. More than half of them have ended in divorce in the United States. How about our international blessings? We have to wait and see the result of our international marriages.

Visiting your hometown in Japan, you must be able to testify that "the international marriage is very wonderful!" Visit Japan

## Always look for the position to be sympathized with by God and steadfastly hold that position.

and give exciting testimonies of your international marriage. If Japanese people hear that the wives of American, German, English, French and Italian men will present testimonies about their international marriage, they will be eager to come and listen. If you announce that you will give them the special secrets of life in an international marriage, Japanese people, especially single people, will be eager to listen to your speeches. The auditorium will be packed to capacity by the people who are eager to listen to your testimonies.

How many Japanese members are gathered here today? Over nine hundred? It looks like well over one thousand from this stage, because the color of your hair is black.

Is your international marriage a success or a failure? Those who believe that your international marriage is a success, raise your hands. [Almost all raised their hands.] Thank you. I feel very good. If you regard it as a failure, I cannot change it; from now on, you must make extra efforts and make up for the past mistakes. If you have any resentment or a complaining attitude about your international blessing, your resentment will deeply hurt your children. You must have patience and make your international marriage successful.

Many Americans have blamed the Japanese for overworking. Some American journalists noticed and complained that there are many bright rooms with lights on late at night in many office buildings in Japan because the Japanese are working hard till late at night like ants. However, it is the Americans who must work hard like ants. The Japanese should not be blamed for overworking.

You are grateful for the international blessings. I am happy to hear that. As you know, the United States is in crisis. We must save people in this nation by all means. How many people live in the United States? About two hundred seventy million people? That is, about ninety million families in the United States. We must save them.

Is your international blessing a success or a failure? That is an important question. Are you an ideal model of daughter [-in-law], wife, and mother, respected and admired in spite of your skin color by your relatives and neighbors in your community? Try to become an ideal model of daughter, wife, and mother in your town.

Are you always demanding and commanding your husband to do this and that for you? Or, are you serving your husband and your parents-in-law as gracefully as Japanese women in Japan do? What had I told you before you came to the United States? Did I tell you to become Americanized in the United States? The word "Japanesinize" does not appear in the dictionary, but I am now coining it. If I use it, it will eventually appear in the dictionary. Are you getting Americanized? Or are you "Japanesinizing" America? Don't get Americanized! Japanesinize America! You must reflect on your daily life and on what you have done for the sake of America. You must leave the fruits of accomplishment here in the United States before you depart for the spirit world.

### WHAT WOULD GOD THINK?

Our original mind is controlled by God and the spirit

world. Always think about what God and the spirit world think. Ask a question: How would God and the spirit world view this? Those who disobey God, even if they are famous or powerful, will sooner or later perish. Always look for the position to be sympathized with by God and steadfastly hold that position.

Place yourself in the third position. Find out two elder ideal blessed couples around you. Regard yourself as the third ideal couple and learn from the two elder ideal couples. Learn and follow their successful patterns and establish yourself as the third ideal couple. Father has always taken the third position, that is, the position of completion after formation and growth. Father appealed to God from that position. It is wise to occupy the third position and to learn from the precedents to attempt to reach perfection.

A famous Japanese sumo wrestler was recently engaged to a famous movie star, and the mass media wrote that they are an ideal couple deeply in love. Their love relationship, however, very quickly dissolved. On the other hand, the mass media used to depict our Junko-san's couple as an unhappy couple, not in love. However, look! Junko-san's couple is now happy and in love.

### TESTIFY, FUNDRAISE AND HOLD REVIVALS

Father is asking you to walk the path that will "oppress" you—the path that will "crush" you. Is it the path to lead you to happiness or to unhappiness? I hope that you will reach not mere happiness but royal happiness (*ohfuku*)—king-sized happiness. I am now asking you to act more and to speak more. Father's time is limited. Father will not live on earth forever. Father's life on earth will come to an end. I know that you have suffered a lot in the United States, but you must work harder to establish a real tradition as ancestors of a new family of heavenly lineage.

In Japan, Japanese members are working very hard day and night. In Japan, seven thousand Japanese women members are mobilized and working hard by leaving their children in nurseries or in the care of their husbands. Yoko Kobayashi, you as a top leader of Japanese Women's Federation for World Peace in America must lead Japanese members in the United States and push them to work as hard as Japanese members in Japan. Fundraise during the day and hold a revival rally during the evening. Here in this room are many members. How many members have you witnessed to until now? The Unification Church's truth has limitless power; the Unification Church's Divine Principle is more powerful than any atomic bomb or H-bomb. It can completely transform people and nations.

[Speaking to Mr. Kobayashi:] Kobayashi [meaning: small forest] is not good. Change the name to Obayashi [meaning: large forest].

Mother is now calling me; sorry I must be going now. [Entertainment was to begin at the Manhattan Center.] Those who agree with what I said today, please shout "Banzai!" Banzai! Banzai! Banzai! May God bless you and your family. ■■

(Translated and summarized by Dr. Yoshihiko Masuda)

# Vision for Fishing

REVEREND SUN MYUNG MOON  
KODIAK, ALASKA

*The following are some of the key points from a talk by Father to the Korean elders and their American protégés on September 21, 1992, at the beginning of the first of four workshops Father organized in Kodiak last fall.*

I have spent twenty years developing oceanic enterprises. I wanted to develop three hundred fishing grounds, with ten good-sized boats in each fishing port, and use them as a springboard for developing sightseeing, fishing, and business ventures.

I am also interested in recreational hunting. In Canada we have the largest deer farm in North America, with about five hundred deer. There is another one in New Zealand with over a thousand head. We have another one in England. Once we are ready we can ship the animals to hunting preserves around the world, set them free, and charge people to come and hunt them. We can invite rich people and charge them a lot.

Fishing and hunting expeditions will be among the most exciting sports. We can build big hotels in port cities and have tackle shops. Our ocean activities can handle all the arrangements for sport fishing.

You need to become a master in terms of dealing with boats, fishing, and training young people. Then witnessing will be easy.

## PREDICTED YEARS AGO

Originally I planned to sell a boat to an interested young person in a port city—the son of the mayor or police chief, for instance, someone with good character and credit references. We could set him up with a fishing boat and encourage him to develop the sightseeing and fishing business, selling fresh fish locally. Once he masters that, he can make a living in the city and pay off the boat in several years. If we give five boats to five promising young people, you will have a group of committed people. With that kind of foundation, after five years you can buy a fifty-foot boat, even a hundred-foot commercial trawler, just by coming up with a twenty-percent down payment. I was thinking of making some kind of association of fishermen all over the country and have them contribute a certain amount each month to help young people buy boats.

If fishermen can't make a living on the fish they catch, they may have to combine fishing with sightseeing. I predicted this twenty years ago, and that is why I encouraged one hundred twenty young people to launch this project. I went to Germany for six months and when I returned, many of them had disappeared, because they didn't pay

enough attention.

Now you have some experience dealing with Good Go boats and fishing. If you are really well trained and determined to multiply people like you, then we still have hope. That is why I called you here for training.

The fishing and sightseeing business is ideal, because America is surrounded on three sides by ocean, and seventy-five percent of the world's fishing grounds are within American territorial waters. Out of this, about eighty percent of the fish are around Kodiak. That is why I established this fishing area in Alaska.

Other fishermen went bankrupt and left town. Yet I started taking over one by one. We have been losing money up until now, but I never gave up. Even this year, many businesses have been shutting down to save money, but I pumped another five million dollars into it, building *surimi* and fish-powder factories. I spent over ten million dollars to establish factory boats. To be successful in the fishing business, you need to cover every aspect.

Wherever we establish this kind of project, we become controversial.

I want to establish ocean church projects and centers again. That is why I developed many kinds of things here, where International Seafood Association (ISA) and our factory are located.



*Father says, "Just like people, fish like to be around scenic areas, cool shady spots. Those of you that are here for the first time and are strangers to fishing, I think the fish may try to catch you!"*

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*Sixty thousand people are dying every day of starvation. Shouldn't we worry about that? We have to prepare to solve that situation.*

Couples from the Blessing of the 30,000 can come here and then publicize our activities in their countries.

We should be able to develop fish farms everywhere, even in the desert or on the top of a mountain. We can channel ocean water anywhere, with advanced technology.

### SELECT THEM LIVE

Ten years ago I could see that people would be interested in eating live fish, if they could see them live and select the one they want. People will pay five times more for a fish caught in the ocean than for one raised in a fish farm. That is why I made many Japanese restaurants all around the country, so people could go fishing in the night and bring their live catch to the restaurant to sell them the next day.

You should establish four teams in each state, making two hundred teams around the country. Take people out to the ocean and fish. While fishing, teach them Divine Principle. Do you think you would be wasting your time talking about Divine Principle every day?

I have been planning this for twenty years, but nobody could follow me. You didn't know back then the consequences coming in the future. I have been striving all alone for twenty years but nobody really followed. Now you see the reality.

I began tuna fishing in the Boston area. I made innovations here with salmon fishing. You are young people. You have so much hope for the future. Work hard. Mobilize young people. Educate them and train them to follow your footsteps. Otherwise you will be accused when you go to the spirit world.

You may not know about it, but I have sent fishing fleets around the world. For example, Japanese brothers are in Spain. They set out a three-mile-long net in the ocean around Spain to catch tuna. Other companies trying the same tactic caught only two to three hundred, but our net caught 1,664 giant blue-finned tunas. We keep them alive in the net and feed them, fattening them to sell in Japan when the price is highest, around Christmas and January. This is a natural fish farm.

Fish lay millions and millions of eggs at a time, but they become part of the food chain, in which big sea creatures eat the smaller ones. So over ninety-nine percent are usually eaten and only a very small percentage get hatched. If we can control that system, the resources will be unlimited.

We have to realize that sixty thousand people are dying every day of starvation. Think about the position of True Parents. Shouldn't we worry about that? I am very concerned about it. We have to prepare to solve that situation. If we develop a strong foundation of fishing and sightseeing and people come to know what we are doing and why, rich people around the world will support my project and go to Africa for fishing, sightseeing and farming. Then the African people will be able



*If we develop a strong foundation of fishing and sightseeing and people come to know why, the world will support my project and go to Africa for fishing, sightseeing, and farming. Then the African people will be able to survive.*

to survive.

Look at all the high-level people following me through the Professors World Peace Academy. Once the project is going well, they will follow me and bring everybody else.

Prepare yourself to receive me any time I give a call from Korea. I may have the photo album of you and go through it and choose certain states and call you up. You should be prepared to receive me at any time. I may not show up myself but send someone else. If you are not fully ready, you are a failure.

We catch fish here in Kodiak and have many trawlers. You should be able to sell them in your region and earn your living expenses.

I will put you through special training, not just how to catch fish but how to cut them, gut them, and all the necessary steps. It is serious training. You can develop fish farms.

Interracial couples have some advantages. For example, an American husband and Japanese wife: in Japan, the wife can represent the project, because you have to have a Japanese president, and in America the husband can be the president. So you can do business both there and in America. You can borrow money from both Japanese banks and American banks, if you utilize your connections. That way you can make a successful international foundation.

### I WILL TEACH YOU TO CATCH FISH

The Korean regional directors are in my position and will be responsible to push this project. The Korean regional leader will be like the elder brother and the state leader the younger brother. You must follow the elder brother. You need to multiply people like you, because the Korean regional directors are get-

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## Comments by Father about Fishing from Other Kodiak Workshop Speeches

Fish like me. They like to follow the Messiah. They may escape the first time, but not the second.

October 20, 1992

The fish product we are developing in Kodiak is to help solve the starvation problem. Every year twenty million people die of starvation. Who is thinking about how to solve this? Not the United States president. Only me. If you die trying to solve the starvation problem you'll have dignity in the spirit world. Starvation is more dangerous than war.

Starvation is the biggest problem that I want to solve. I will invite people to Kodiak for forty days of fish-farm training. If you can't assign a member I will call you.

October 22, 1992

The ocean is like the fallen world. Fish are like people being restored. The blood of the fish should remind us that they are an offering, sacrificing themselves to help offset world starvation.

Female salmon are desperately trying to get one male salmon. They lay eggs and the male deposits sperm. The female covers them with her tail and lets no one else get near. How many blessed couples are that serious to protect their descendants? Small fish follow the salmon and try to eat their eggs. The female salmon protects the eggs. The ideal couple must be like male and female salmon spawning. Salmon even change their shape and color to spawn, but they keep trying. We have to be like that, investing all our heart and effort to go the heavenly course. Salmon represent that heart.

I love salmon the most. The salmon couple love each other very much and love their offspring at the cost of their life. If we follow that tradition in human society, what wonderful children we will have! If you love True Parents and love your spouse in the same way, you can make an ideal family. Even if you love your spouse more than True Parents, it's okay. Without such a tradition of love the spirit world will accuse you.

October 25, 1992

I want you to have many experiences fishing. You can easily catch many black bass here. In Japan it takes an entire day to catch one. Japanese love it here; they want to come every year.

If you explain fishing and hunting to young people, they will come to us. In fishing, the fish come to us. In hunting, we run after game. When people hunt, bang, it's over. When they fish, bang, it begins. The finer the line, the more time is spent fighting the fish. It's exciting.

Fishing is one kind of heavenly way. Sincerely try. You need to be patient, and sincerely try. I pray while fishing. As I pull the fish up I pray, "Please, Heavenly Father, elevate me to another dimension." If you have that kind of attitude in prayer, fish will strike. In the rain or in the dark, I want to continue fishing. When I land a fish, the fish thrashes in an intense effort to get back to the water. I feel I must live that intensely, doing my best in this world for God before I die.

Fish die with no accusation or grudge. They follow natural law and die for the sake of a higher being. They leave no poison for the creature eating them. However, if a person dies with resentment and anger in their heart, their body will contain some poison after their death.

October 28, 1992

ting old, and we need younger blood. You have to educate other people.

During this workshop, each team will have a tent. If you don't fulfill your responsibility you have to stay out, even overnight, until you reach your goal. You did not come here to have a good time. Tomorrow I will teach you how to catch fish on a boat, how to navigate the boat. In the future you will be trained to repair boat engines, too.

People will be assigned as team captains according to age, and will rotate by turn.

Even though our Good Go boats are safe and do not sink, we want to avoid accidents. Those of you who are here for the first time and are strangers to fishing, I think the fish may try to catch you! Listen carefully to what I will teach you. I cannot be on your boat, so every day I will teach you what to do. I will talk to the first team that meets their goal and gets back. If I went out, it would be too easy. I would be able to finish before noon.

Just like people, fish like to be around scenic areas. They like

cool, shady spots. If you see nice mountains and rocks, you will find fish in those areas.

You do not have to use a lot of energy to cast your line. Keep the angle of your line at about thirty degrees. If the angle is perpendicular, the fish are more likely to notice it. Usually fish stay about a foot above the bottom. Wind your lure slowly. Adjust the weight of your lure and sinker to keep the bait floating at about a thirty-degree angle. You will learn the rest by experience on the boat.

Once you go back, you will repeat this kind of session. Send people out to two hundred fifty cities, and then twenty-five hundred cities. Blessed couples must participate. This is the way we will save America. Who will save this country? You will.

You have to be trained to be a lecturer wherever you go. Whomever you meet, you should be able to give lectures to. We should be able to mobilize campus ministers so that they can give lectures every day, just like you. This way we can multiply our membership and also the people who can lecture. ■■■

# The Ocean is God's Wonderful Gift

by Koo Bae Park

*At the beginning of the workshop for foreign missionaries October 20-29, 1992, Father asked Mr. Koo Bae Park, president of various seafood enterprises in Kodiak, to tell the missionaries about Alaska and give some background on Father's vision for fishing.*

**A**LASKA is the forty-ninth state. It has the largest area of all the states of the United States, but its population is only about four hundred thousand. The Eskimos called this land the "great land." Father says Alaska sounds very similar to the Korean expression "alassumnikka," which means "Do you understand?" It is a very big land, but not so many people understand it. It looks like a big hen about to lay a small egg—Kodiak Island.

Alaska has about ten thousand lakes. The glaciers and ice-capped mountains contain a great amount of pure mineral water. There is an incredible amount of resources in timber, petroleum and minerals.

Here is one of the three largest fishing grounds in the world. A warm current passing through here brings lots of plankton, so fish gather here to feed. Because Americans don't like fish so much, these fish resources still remain here.

Americans eat white fish. They aren't able to discern one kind from another, so they just say white fish. We call them "bottom" fish, because they clean the dirt from the bottom of the ocean, eating everything. Fish which eat everything are more delicious.

Many Orientals have engaged in joint ventures to get fish here. By law, fish can be caught only by boats made in America and by American companies. Because of the rapidly increasing fish consumption, the supplies diminish every year and costs increase.

In Alaska, we are concerned about salmon. Salmon lay eggs in fresh water, and the eggs hatch and go to the ocean. Two, three or five years later they return. This looks like a natural salmon fishpond. It's very possible for there to be enough salmon to feed the world. King salmon tastes good. It has the same kind of protein as bluefin tuna. Last year Father caught many king salmon. Even

though the numbers are diminishing, if we take care of them carefully, we can keep fishing without a problem.

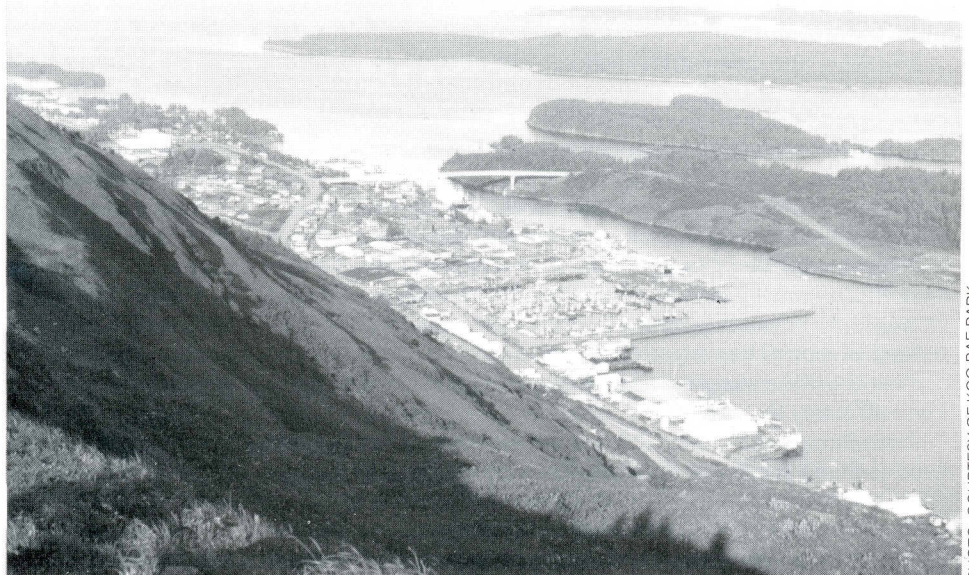
## Tunnel from Alaska to Siberia

Alaska, northern Canada and Siberia have broad land areas inhabited by few people. The Bering Strait that separates Alaska and Siberia is about sixty miles wide. We could make a tunnel to connect them. In the future, Orientals will come to pioneer and develop this land.

In Alaska, everything except the fish we eat comes from California and is very expensive. Agriculture is difficult because of the permafrost. Korean winters are very cold, but even in the winter we continue agriculture using plastic structures. We could also use electricity to warm the ground so plants can survive. Everywhere there is water, so we can

produce electricity, for example, using the power of tides.

We know that Father is concerned about every field of human life: politics, economics, arts, natural science, religion. He is also very concerned about the ocean. He is very practically involved in the ocean business. To conquer the whole world we must first conquer the water. There is far more water area than land area on the globe. When we were in our mother's womb we were in water. Landing on land, we forgot the water. Soon the land will be entirely occupied. Under the sea there is everything. So far people have thought it would be very difficult to live under water. However, historically the countries which took good care of the ocean were great countries. They only used the surface of the water; now we need to use the water under the surface. Is



*Father is always trying to think how to solve the problem of starvation. Father's idea is to use fish to do it. Fish lay many eggs. Now we have begun doing something practical to solve this problem. Kodiak City.*

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**Father, Mother, and Mr. Koo Bae Park (r.) king salmon fishing at Chignik Bay, Alaska.**



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one True Parents: One Hope, Go Hope, New Hope, Ocean Hope, Ocean Peace. Ocean Peace is a big boat, two hundred twenty feet long. It is a factory boat, used for both catching and processing fish. Once parked someplace, it will usually remain there a year or more. It is operating now in the Bering Sea. We have three companies, one for catching, one for processing, and one (in Seattle) for selling fish.

We are here for a workshop centering mainly on Father's speeches, but this is a place of business. If we can connect each of your countries to this business, it will be helpful for your future financial foundation.

Our sales department is organizing to sell our products throughout the world. People buy fish by fax. They don't even smell the fish. We have wonderful computers, which we can use to catch information. We have many kinds of media

anyone experienced in scuba diving? In the twenty-first century, many techniques will be invented for living under water. Once Father said that the ocean is God's wonderful gift to the Unification Church.

We have five one-hundred-foot boats. Last year, we made a joint venture between Japan, America and Korea called Ocean Peace, Inc. Also one of our boats is named Ocean Peace. All our boats are connected by name, because we have



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**Fish powder is cheap, \$1,000 per ton. You can add the powder to water and drink it, or you can combine it with vegetables. This way people can survive. International Seafoods of Alaska, Inc.**

organizations as well as several technical companies, such as WACOM or WRIST. If we can exchange information with each other, we can make a big process—(because you both import and export products), we will have our own broker to connect you to one another and facilitate exports.

Because of advanced technology, this world has become smaller and smaller. You drink McCool imported from Korea. Twenty years ago, we could not imagine drinking a Korean-made product here. Now any kind of product we can get quickly, even products produced in Africa. Before there were many pressures because of external conditions, but in the present atmosphere of freedom we can do things quickly.

In 1974, Father started ocean businesses. At that time he said he would prepare this business for twenty years. We have two more years to go. We know that even today there are many people dying from starvation. Father is always trying to think how to solve the problem of starvation. Father's idea is to use fish to solve it. Fish lay many eggs. Until now we have just been thinking about what to do. Now we have begun doing something practical to solve this problem.

**Incredible fish powder!**

We have begun one project using fish powder, which we produce by grinding up dried fish. This is eighty percent protein. But Father's idea is a little different. The raw material is fish, but we put in some enzymes. We make the fish powder out of the parts of fish left over from processing. In the Orient we eat the whole fish, including head and intestines. It gives it a special taste. But here only the white part of the meat is eaten and the remaining seventy percent is thrown away. Around eight hundred tons of waste is produced per day by fish processors in Kodiak. If it is thrown away, this amount of waste will create a serious pollution problem in the ocean. So this idea of fish powder solves two problems: starvation and ocean pollution.

Natural scientists claim that each person needs around six ounces [of protein] per day. Fish powder is a thousand dollars per ton. It is cheap because it is made from leftovers. You can add the powder to water and drink it, or you can combine it with vegetables. This way people can survive.

You can visit the factory. The leftovers are ugly to look at, but every part of the fish can be eaten. The product is very compact; therefore, transportation is very

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# The Abundant Way to India

by Frank Kaufmann



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A Sufi mystic once explained to me a theory in his tradition about God's promise to Abraham. It was interesting, and confirmed my experience that Sufism tends to resonate with what we learn from Father. This spiritual seer said that almost all saints come to God via a single route. (Something like one of the spokes on our twelve-gate flag.) They perfect God-centeredness by excelling in a single characteristic. Prophets on the other hand perfect several lines of excellence. They open up more than one route

to God. This is why so many people can come to God through their teachings. Along these lines, we may think of Father's teaching us to love in three hundred sixty directions, surround our blessed couple with at least twelve spiritual children's families, have at least four physical children. Much of Father's recent diagrammatic teaching shows us that the very center (True Parents' position) is the point through which all beings and God Himself can experience true love.

Back to Abraham. God could promise

Abraham that his descendants would become a nation because a full nation was already "in Abraham." Whereas great prophets of God could perfect as many as two or three approaches to God, Abraham contained (*in potentia*) such diversity that an entire nation of descendants, including all personality types, could approach God based on his teaching and foundation.

One reason this notion appealed to me relates to the Divine Principle understanding of Abraham's family as the ori-

*In the religious site visit to local Sikh gurudwara, covered objects are the Guru Granth Sahib, the holy scriptures of the Sikhs.*

gin point for the national-level foundation to receive the messiah. Also it speaks in an interesting way to my experience of Father's desperate efforts to transform us (through the blessing and through tribal messiahship) into people whose love is a gate to all personality types. Most of all, however, the Sufi notion described above is most enjoyable to ponder in light of the fact that while Abraham was the original ancestor of God's nation, Father is the original ancestor of God's cosmos. Thus, if Abraham's "seed" and way to God was abundant enough to enable every type of person in a nation to come to God, Father's abundance is sufficient to spawn perfect God-centered love in every type of person who has ever lived, lives, or will ever live. In him is the cosmos (just as in Abraham was a nation).

Although there must be more profound, and more poetic, ways of appropriating what I have just described, one rather pedestrian description of what it implies is that "Father will never cease to amaze you." When understood not as an expression but as fact, this is mind-boggling. It means that every time you see Father he will be something that you have never seen before, and in fact something that you could never have imagined. Furthermore, he is capable of doing this



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**Father receives Dr. Frank Kaufmann's conference report.**

Delhi Congress was all the more highlighted by the fact that Father was not expected to attend, making the prospect of such a major financial outlay most unwelcome. The people who decide about funds of this size are (thank God) extremely "Father-oriented," and also occasionally tempted to regard large conferences as wasteful

extravaganzas for people who are arrogant, ungrateful, and unhelpful. It was now just weeks before the congress' starting date and the funds to make it

happen were literally NOWHERE in sight. Furthermore, no one was in the mood (given our reality) to burden Father with requests for significant funding. There was an unspoken sense that yet another major inter-religious conference could hardly be necessary in these difficult times when just weeks earlier, the best and most powerful religious leaders in the world were guests at the blessing and heard Father proclaim himself the Messiah. Although commitments to the best in our network were hanging in the balance, there remained a very real question if this congress could indeed happen. Under such circumstances, who on earth would push to make this white elephant come to life? Who on earth? In case you haven't guessed: Father.

It would be only a slight exaggeration to say that Father pulled the money out of

thin air. Late one night at East Garden, with the simple and barely audible words "this conference is important," Father set in motion a narrative of high drama which would last weeks (and ulcers) on end. The congress teetered on the brink of not happening dozens of times, and miracles (especially miracles of heart) occurred so often that if you saw it in a movie you'd say, "Come on, this plot is going just a little too far." Of course, it did happen, and it turned out to be an event of global significance, already recognized as pivotal in the history of inter-religious relations.

This congress was the first international project to be funded by the American community, and it is also the first major conference in the Completed Testament era. The pattern of America serving the world, established by Father for the New Delhi Congress, now continues as the foundation for creating the land of all nations emerging in Texas. [See Parents' Day speech in a forthcoming issue of Today's World.]

As I managed the New Delhi Congress and witnessed unimaginable victories occur before my eyes, I could only recall how close it seemed to failing. I could only recall Father's simple knowledge that it should and would happen. And I could only repeat to myself again and again, "How did he know? How did Father know?" ■■■

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FOREVER. Safer not to try to think about that for too long.

### **The New Delhi elephant/rabbit**

This fact about Father occurred to me again recently, this time in the context of being responsible for the New Delhi Congress of the IRFWP. As you know, the New Delhi Congress took place barely five months after the expensive IRFWP-sponsored Assembly of the World's Religions in Seoul (part of the World Culture and Sports Festival). There hundreds of religious leaders witnessed the Blessing of the 30,000 Couples and heard Father proclaim himself the Messiah. For this reason, the New Delhi Congress seemed like a redundant expenditure, very close on the heels of the assembly. Furthermore it was coming at a time of unprecedented financial strain. The costliness of the New

# Address to the Participants of the New Delhi Congress

by Reverend Chung Hwan Kwak

**Y**OUR excellencies, honored religious leaders, and distinguished scholars and guests of this great congress of the Inter-Religious Federation for World Peace:

It gives me great joy to be here with you today. So far, we have completed over four days of working very hard together, striving to create an offering before God and striving to produce substantial foundations for ending human suffering. I pray that heaven may be consoled by our growing love for one another and that the coming of the ideal world may have been hastened by our investment, sacrifice, and celebration together here this week.

I thank our host nation of India for your constant support for this congress, and for participating in our preparations to welcome this august community of world leaders. I also wish to thank our international guests for the investment of time and heart to make this congress possible. I am sure we are seeing only the first fruits of the benefit for all that will be derived from this inter-religious and

cultural exchange.

At least one part of our congress is related to the matter of commemorating the centenary of the Chicago Parliament of World Religions. Surely no one at that parliament could have imagined the century that lay ahead. Those fortunate religionists had the chance to dream of a better world. They shared in the start of a quiet but momentous event in the history of inter-religious relations. For a few passing years before the tragic outbreak of World War I, leaders could look at events such as the Chicago Parliament and believe that, indeed, the world was getting better. This was the viewpoint in 1893.

Now we gather one hundred years later. Of course, we have a different viewpoint from our brothers and sisters a century ago. If we are honest as we look back upon the century that held so much promise, we must feel some fear and

trembling. Did we let down those who dreamt of a better world a century ago? Perhaps so, but as people of faith, let us not shy away from the difficult and unpleasant aspects of commemoration. We know the principles of spiritual growth, principles which allow us to begin anew through the heavenly power of reflection, repentance, forgiveness, and new life. Devoted people of religion never try to hide from their struggles and shortcom-

*It is up to each religion to go to its point of origin and with tearful prayer seek to discover the purpose for which it was created.*

ings. It is our habit at the end of each day to take stock of what we have done, to see where we have done well, and where we have fallen down. At the end of each week, month, and year, we do the same. In this way we can make a fresh start and greet each new dawn under God's love. This is how religious people become powerful and unfettered, and because this spiritual pattern corresponds to the cycles of nature, spiritual people are also natural people. So now, as we prepare for the "next" hundred years, as brothers and sisters before the same source of grace and love, let us not be afraid to reflect honestly on the last century of interfaith.

## Religion: yes or no

Also, we must not limit our reflection to the narrow issue of interfaith relations. Our real question must be, "Has religion fulfilled its mission in the twentieth century?" We are not a private club, free to proclaim this or that to each other with no accountability to reality. The jury on the success of religion lies with God and the people of the world, not with ourselves. We cannot deny that our contemporary world reveals many instances that bring great shame to the cause of religion. There is not a single place on the globe which



Reverend Kwak visits IRFWP presiding council member Baba Virsa Singh at his residence.

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*The opening plenary's head table participants pose for a portrait. Back row (l.-r.): Dr. Thomas Walsh, Ms. Govindarajan, Prof. Ursula King, Dr. Francis Xavier D'sa S.J., Hon. Voyce Durling-Jones, Dr. William Cenker O.P., Dr. M. Darrol Bryant. Front row (l.-r.): Dr. Ninian Smart, Dr. Raimundo Panikkar, Mrs. V. Mohini Giri, Metropolitan Dr. Paulos Mar Gregorios, Smt. Sheila Kaul, Bishop Boutros Mouallem, H.H. Swami Chidananda, Dr. H. Francis Clark, Shri Bhai Manjit Singh, Dr. Frank Kaufmann.*

does not reflect unspeakable human suffering linked in some way to a breakdown in inter-religious relations. We have to include this in our reflection on the interfaith century. Let us look around the world and ask, "Do leaders of government, the arts, and other human affairs respect religion? Does the average honest, hard-working person respect religion? Are young people inspired and devoting themselves in steady numbers to the religious way of life? Do religious values guide the affairs of culture and society?" If we cannot answer "yes" to these questions, then the only reasonable course of action is to find out why not, make a plan together to change the current situation, and then set out with deep seriousness before God and humanity to implement that plan. This will require the ability to get down on our knees in prayer together, the humility of planning to listen to one another and learn from each other, and the courage and solidarity to venture into difficult labor together. Religions are responsible to establish a global culture that is pleasing to God, one that reflects the absolute ideal.

I would like to submit, then, that the purpose of interfaith relations is to enable people of different religions to feel close to each other and to be able to work together in an open and honest way, for the common good of all. Eventually, we must be able to agree on a unified course of action in which all religions can participate with integrity and without compromise. We need an inter-religious movement in which people of different religions confi-

dently say, "This is my movement. Although I am a Christian, or a Muslim, or a Jain, I belong to this movement; it is true to all I hold dear, and it is bringing health, morality, stability and happiness to families in all parts of the world." If we somehow have failed so far to do this, and instead have been thinking and acting selfishly for the benefit only of my religion even at the expense of others, let us simply repent together, and determine to do much better in the century ahead.

Let us for a moment think of all religions on earth as a family of religions. If God or the Absolute is the object of love and desire for each religion, then this single object of longing may be thought of as the head of the family. It is obvious that the only hope for unity among this family of strong-willed and strong-minded individuals (known as the religions of the world) is if each one is ready to surrender to the will of the head of the family. It is the head of the family which makes unity possible. We simply cannot hope for any interfaith progress centering only on our own individual religious idea.

If we extend this analogy of family to think about our contemporary inter-religious situation, we can also ask ourselves if family unity is only possible when there is only one child in a family. If God or the Absolute has a big collection of religions all wanting to please and reflect the di-

vine ideal, would such a loving center secretly plan to destroy all different types of believers except for one type? OR would it be far grander if each religion, with its unique nature, could flourish and become the pride and joy of all the other family members? Such a family is far more beautiful than one with an only child.

At last I will take this image into one final consideration. Say we are children of a family with a parent of whom we are completely proud and for whom we have endless love

and gratitude. The only thing we long to do is make our parent proud and peaceful, full of hope and confidence for our bright future and happiness. In such a situation, there are two things that bring great burden to the parent. One is if the children fight, and are full of irreconcilable disdain for each other. Those of you who are parents know how painful it is to see your own children fight. The second thing that children can do to burden the family is to do something scandalous that brings shame to the entire family. If one family member were exposed for

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some public immorality, sexual scandal, or corruption, he or she must deeply apologize to the rest of the family, and promise to clear the family name. Especially, that one must offer deep bows of sorrow before the parents. At last when all the members of the family are upright, prosperous, and joyfully loving each other, that family becomes the pride of the clan and the society. The whole world wants to claim that family as their own. To me, this is the goal of interfaith. We must know (not just believe) that our fighting, as well as any kind of impure behavior, brings untold sadness and frustration to the very One Whom we

long to please. For the sake of God we must unite.

This way to unity requires that we grasp with great clarity the exact mission for which each religion was created. We as religions did not create ourselves. We were created by God, or the Ultimate Ideal. Therefore, it is not up to us to try to decide our own purpose. Perhaps God has a different purpose for each religion. It is up to each religion to go to its point of origin and with tearful prayer seek to discover the purpose for which it was created. If after we discover that purpose we see that we have failed to live up to the ideal for which we were created, let us repent and set ourselves anew on that path with the promise to do better. Each religion should want to help its brother or sister religion succeed. As a Jew I should help Muslims succeed; as a Buddhist I should help Hindus succeed. In this process it will become clear, just as it is in any family, that the one who serves his or her brothers and sisters the most, naturally, becomes the center and the most beloved one of the family. This is also simply true with regard to the family of religions.

With this dream of such a loving family of all religious believers, Reverend and Mrs. Moon have devoted their entire lives. From the earliest days of their public ministry, they have spent night after night in tearful prayer for all the world religions and have then invested in conferences such as the wonderful gathering we experience here in Delhi. If one looks at the record of these decades of interfaith commitment, one finds without exception the unconditional affirmation of all world religions. This is consistently manifest in the commitment of human and material resources, as well as in the vast body of interfaith literature that has been spawned by those conferences. Without exception, each word, each structure, each project, affirms and upholds the indispensable mission of each of the world's religions which have been created by God.

### Parental principle

In the course of his efforts to fulfill the mission for which Reverend Moon was called, it became clear that parental love is the primary ordering principle by which the absolute God will bring everlasting peace and happiness to His creation. Furthermore, the substantial presence of divine parental love is destined to enter human affairs. In August 1992, on the eve of a great Holy Marriage ceremony, Reverend Moon proclaimed before an international community of world leaders that he and Mrs. Moon are the True Parents and promised avatar which all the

religious community awaits. Because Reverend Moon has served his mission so faithfully, his claim should be given fair consideration. If the ideal love of a parent is, indeed, among us, then we can only benefit from, and look forward to, ever-growing unity and peace. His is a serious claim, which came only after decades of dedicated effort. Even the possibility of its verity presents the world with great hope.

Let us pause to look at the situation in our present world. The mind boggles at the rate of social and moral breakdown at our present time. We stand before an array of tragedies each more unspeakable, more unthinkable than the last. The problems are no longer simply wars between armies and states; rather, it is that which is atrocious, frightful, perverse and inhuman which has become commonplace.

Look at our hearts. Which of all the world's problems gives us fear? Is it not the AIDS plague? A killer for which the cause is perfectly well known, for which prevention is perfectly possible, yet one which towers like a wave of destruction over every civilization on earth.

Which problem strikes the most horror in our hearts? Is it not the systematic mass rape of our defenseless sisters in Bosnia? Within earshot of their shrieks of terror, men and women of any land can barely look one another in the eye.

At this level of breakdown, we must simply acknowledge that business as usual, solutions as usual, are no longer possible.

These fears, these horrors, are related to the core of life in this world, the possibility of true love between man and woman. For this reason, the beginning of solutions lies in the ideal of eternal, divine love in marriage and the formation of ideal families. This is the issue to which religious leaders must address themselves. Those who are able to help their followers build stable families through everlasting love are the ones who make hope possible in this hour of darkness. In marriage, we learn the sacredness of love, the reverence of man for woman, of woman for man. From true families, that which is horrifying, perverse and inhuman is not possible.

### True, everlasting, sacrificial love

The religious leaders today who will attract throngs of followers, more than they can manage, will be those who can

show by their own example the hope of true, everlasting, sacrificial love, man for woman, woman for man, parents for children, and children for parents. The creation of true families standing on the altar of God is the beginning of hope for this world. This is the mission of contemporary religious leadership.

I will leave this matter for you to consider quietly in a time when you can reflect without disturbance and without others trying to impose their opinions on you. Now, let us re-direct our attention to the urgent need for inter-religious harmony in our time. On certain essential matters we can all agree. We want to make the next century of interfaith relations better than the one since 1893. We want to improve the behavior and record of our particular religion, and not be responsible for causing fights with our brothers and sisters from other beliefs. In addition, we do not want our religion to bring embar-

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arrassment to the general cause of spirituality by letting the world see impure or ungodly behavior. If we do well in these small things, I am sure that we will naturally desire to help our brothers and sisters in other faiths. If secular citizens, and young people of the world, see the world's religions acting in this humble and loving way toward one another, people will become naturally attracted to religion. We can become proud of ourselves, and God will make us His close allies to lead the world to peace and happiness in the coming millennium.

Now we have spoken. We have heard each other's words. These words will soon sound a sweet chord in heaven and earth. For this we need not be impatient but leave the achievement of this task appropriately to the choir master, God, the Ultimate, Who withholds the fullness of love from no creature. However, we do not simply wait patiently for some magical *eschaton* [final event] that does not involve our profound responsibility. Tomorrow we take action. We march hand in hand speaking to the world in silence, in peace, calling for peace.

Thank you for your kind and careful attention.

May God bless each one of you. ■■

# New Delhi Declaration

New Delhi, India, February 1-7, 1993

**W**E have come together from many nations and peoples, from the great family of religious traditions on this planet, for the Congress of the Inter-Religious Federation of World Peace, New Delhi, India, February 1-7, 1993, in the first centenary year of the Parliament of the World's Religions. We have been welcomed with that warmth of hospitality and spirit characteristic of India, a land where many religions have for millennia lived together in harmony, concord and mutual respect.

We have gathered in our various conferences, committees, workshops and discussion groups, listening to each other, seeking mutual understanding, and exploring together the ways that make for peace among peoples of varying religious traditions. We have no panaceas to offer, no easy solutions to propose. We have gained some insights, which we want to share with all.

We are painfully aware of the complex conflicts that proliferate on our planet, and imperil the integrity of person, family, society, and nation, as well as the biosphere. We see the greed for power, the desire for domination, the lust for money behind these conflicts, but we also observe how vested interests distort history and exploit people's insecurity. We see with pain that some politicians and some religious leaders distort and deform the religious traditions themselves, so that religion, instead of functioning as the healer of humanity, serves to promote hatred and discord, thus denying its very essence.

We affirm that the traditions of religious and spiritual life heal the human heart, encourage the practice of spiritual disciplines, promote life-enhancing values, and serve that which is deepest and most profound in humanity and in the Ultimate.

We believe that the religious traditions are essential to creating the spiritual foundations which can sustain the quest for peace. We therefore urge one and all to manifest those aspects of their sacred traditions that enhance the quest for peace.

We affirm that peace is multidimen-

sional and involves: peace within the human heart and between persons; peace with one another and within societies; peace between diverse communities and within nations; peace within and between different religious traditions; peace with the earth and all living things—peace with God, with the Ultimate.

We affirm that peace is both a gift and a task essential to human fulfillment, to the well-being of our species and our planet, to the harmony of all life and cosmic harmony.

We participants in this New Delhi Congress dedicate ourselves, and call upon others of good will:

a) to seek peace within, through the disciplines and means of our own traditions, so that we might become peacemakers at home, in our relations with others, in our societies, and with our earth, as well as with the source and ground of all Being;

b) to seek peace between traditions, in this centennial interfaith year, by working to overcome ignorance and hostility and to promote understanding and harmony between traditions;

c) to seek peace within society and with the earth through cooperation among believers of all traditions which promotes inter-religious harmony, the well-being of the human family, justice in society, and peace with the earth.

In the light of these shared convictions and noble purposes, we want to note with special sadness the suffering of all people in the context of inter-religious conflict, especially the suffering of the Muslim women in former Yugoslavia, the suffering of the Buddhist people of Tibet, the conflicts that have temporarily dimmed the light of India as a beacon of spiritual wisdom and religious toleration, and the continuing conflicts in the Middle East, in Sri Lanka, in Europe and in the Americas. In the hope that these situations and many others might be healed:

a) we call upon believers everywhere to refuse to allow their faith to be involved with acts that violate the clear principles of their sacred traditions;

b) we call for the healing of memories that can arise as we collectively ask for-

givenness for wrongs of the past so that we may together move towards a more promising future;

c) we call upon the religious traditions to support the empowerment of women in religion and society and the protection of children, which are crucial to peace in the human family;

d) we call on the religious traditions to pledge themselves to cooperate to transform those social structures and conditions that create conflict, and to commit themselves to social justice.

We have been asked by the prime minister of India to suggest what could be done in this land and the world. We claim no superior wisdom, but would humbly respond by suggesting:

a) that communal hatred is a poison which, if left unchecked, can do deep damage to the soul of a nation, and erupt again from time to time;

b) that inter-religious conflict arises where religious communities perceive great socioeconomic injustice inflicted upon them for which they fail to see effective democratic remedies;

c) that religion cannot be separated from life; and therefore it is important to urge the religious communities to affirm and teach the more positive and humane aspects of their religion in a politically, socially and economically—as well as culturally relevant—context;

d) that no one religion should dominate other religions in any country; religious people should see that majority/minority situations do not justify domination in any country; that domination by one religion in one country has consequences in other countries;

e) that, while we are all called to act, and if need be to suffer, for peace and justice in one human family, we affirm the deeper spiritual efficacy of dedicated and devout prayer and meditation by religions, by multi-religious groups, and by individual believers, in bringing about peace and harmony;

f) that no religious group should do violence to the places of worship of other religions, but treat them with respect as places of worship. ■■■

# The IRFWP New Delhi Congress

by Robert Kittel

*There was an additional women's plenary on "Women, Religion and World Peace."*

**S**ELDOM do we have the privilege to see history being fulfilled before our very own eyes.

The IRFWP New Delhi Congress was an external success not only in terms of the important inter-religious leaders and scholars who attended, not only in terms of the recognition it gained from Indian political figures, not only in terms of its far-reaching and totally positive media

launching the interfaith community into its second century.

## Background and purpose

The Inter-Religious Federation for World Peace (IRFWP) was founded in 1990, and the New Delhi Congress is its most significant project to date. This congress was designed to be IRFWP's contribution to the worldwide celebra-

tions marking the centenary of the World Parliament of Religions held in Chicago in 1893, which is considered the first major interfaith conference in mod-

ern history. One of the central figures at the Chicago conference was the Indian sage Vivekananda, the main disciple of Ramakrishna. Vivekananda electrified the international gathering, and in a

sense stole the spotlight, with his eloquent, near-prophetic statements one hundred years ago. He challenged participants to go beyond mere tolerance of other faiths in order to "accept all religions as true." In another address at the Chicago Parliament he shared his vision of what a universal religion would be:

"... If there is ever to be a universal religion, it must be one which will have no location in place or time; which will be infinite like the God it will preach, and whose sun will shine upon the followers of Krishna and of Christ, on saints and sinners alike; which will not be Brahminic or Buddhist, Christian or Mohammedan, but the sum total of all these, and still have infinite space for development; which in its catholicity will embrace in its infinite arms, and find a place for, every human being, from the lowest groveling savage not far removed from the brute, to the highest man towering by the virtues of his head and heart almost above humanity, making society stand in awe of him and doubt his human nature. It will be a religion which will have no place for persecution or intolerance in its polity, which will recognize divinity in every man and woman, and whose whole scope, whose whole force, will be created in aiding humanity to realize its own true, divine nature. Offer such a religion, and all the nations will follow you."

IRFWP wanted to work with other like-minded organizations to fulfill this vision of Vivekananda. The New Delhi Congress, therefore, would not only acknowledge the past century of inter-religious experience and understanding, but along with other interfaith groups begin a second century of harmony and cooperation.

## The New Delhi Congress

The Indian organizing committee was headed by H. G. Dr. Paulos Mar Gregorios and Mrs. Mohini Giri. Dr. Gregorios is the Metropolitan Bishop of Delhi in the Syrian Orthodox Church of the East, the current chairperson of the IRFWP presid-

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coverage; it was also internally successful in terms of restoration, in terms of healing between warring religious communities in India, in terms of reviving the essence of Indian nationhood, and in terms of

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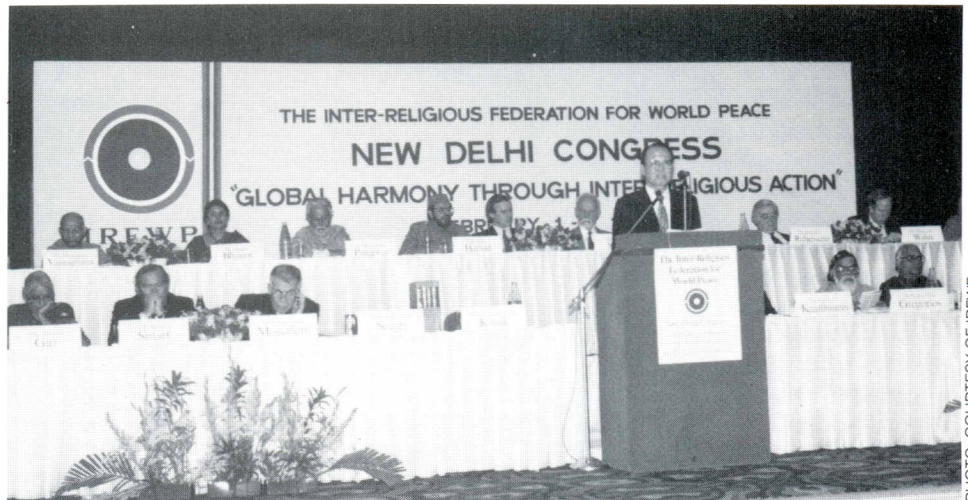


**Participants visit the site of the New Delhi temple of IRFWP President Swami Chidananda.**

ing council, and a former president of the World Council of Churches. Mrs. Mohini Giri is vice president of the Guild of Service and daughter-in-law of the former president of India, Mr. V.V. Giri. She is actively involved in many social service projects, including conducting mini mass weddings for some of the poorest in the Indian capital.

In December, at the height of planning the congress, Mrs. Giri's husband had a heart attack and a lung collapse, and was taken to the intensive care unit of a local hospital. In spite of this, Mrs. Giri fulfilled her commitments to the IRFWP congress faithfully. Such was the type of commitment which made this great event possible.

The congress had four component parts: the IRFWP Colloquium, the New ERA conference, the Council for the World's Religions (CWR) conference, and the Religious Youth Service (RYS) Global Youth Forum. Each component held its program concurrently from February 2 to February 5. February 1 was for arrivals and orientation, and on February 6 the peace march was held. The two hundred participants of the IRFWP Colloquium, the New ERA conference, and the CWR conference, stayed at the Ashok Hotel in New Delhi. The RYS constituents joined the participants at the Ashok Hotel for the opening and closing plenary sessions as well as the Women's Plenary on February 4; otherwise, these two hundred fifty young people had their own program at the YMCA (about fifteen minutes from the Ashok Hotel).



*Reverend Kwak delivers the keynote speech at the conference plenary session.*

During these four program days, the congress was honored with no less than eight different representatives from the Indian government. Included among the special guests were Mr. Mukul Wasnik, the minister for Youth Affairs, who visited the RYS project, and Mr. Arjun Singh, the minister of Human Resource Development. Mr. Singh, considered one of the most likely candidates to become the next prime minister of India, spoke on February 5 at the plenary on "Mutual Respect Between Religions." He stressed that people can be true to their own faith only when they seek to live in harmony with others. "I am proud to be born a Hindu," he said. "I will give everything to keep my faith. However, I am fully aware that as a Hindu I can be true to my faith and beliefs only if I honor every other religion

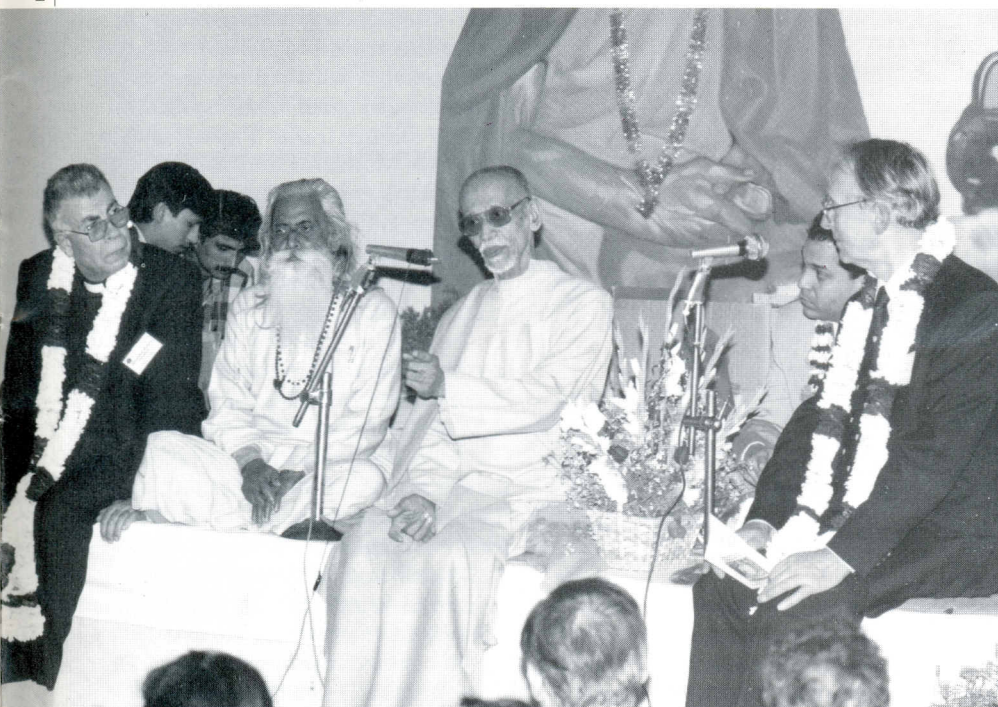
as much as I honor Hinduism."

Other honored guests included Giani Zail Singh, the former president of India, and Dr. Kapila Vatsayan, secretary for the Indira Gandhi National Center for the Arts.

Traditionally in India, if public figures are unable to attend a function because of their extremely busy schedule, they send messages to be read on their behalf. The congress received messages from H. E. Shri P.V. Narasimha Rao, the incumbent prime minister of India; the information advisor to the prime minister; Mrs. Vimala Sharma, the first lady of India; H. E. Dr. K. R. Narayanan, the vice president of India; and from Mrs. Sonia Gandhi, the widow of Rajiv Gandhi, former prime minister of India.

Recent Hindu-Muslim violence, in which over three thousand people died, brought a real sense of urgency to the conference. Sparked by the destruction of the Babri Mosque in the northern Indian town of Ayodhya on December 6, 1992, a day referred to as "Black Sunday" by the Indian media, the world's largest democracy has witnessed a resurgence in religious fundamentalism, which had long been anathema to Indian secularism. Against this background, Prime Minister Rao asked the congress to give "constructive suggestions for promoting peace in the country and the rest of the world."

The messages from both Mrs. Sharma and Mrs. Gandhi were read at the February 4 plenary on "Women, Religion and World Peace." The first lady of India urged women to take on the task of creating religious harmony. "Women have a vital role to play," she said. "The influence they exert in the family, through their own conduct and character, can play a crucial role in molding the all-important virtues of tolerance, acceptance, and mutual respect, which enable people to



*Peace pervaded the pilgrims in the temple.*

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interact with each other with love, sympathy, and understanding.”

### Visiting places of worship

Religious site visits, which occurred every afternoon from February 2 to 5, were optional events. Nevertheless, these pilgrimages were a crucial part of the congress because they provided authentic inter-religious experiences. Participants tended to take advantage of one or more of these pilgrimages because in Delhi it is possible to visit places of worship representative of every world religion. Among the places visited were Christian churches, Hindu temples, a Buddhist vihara, a Sikh gurudwara, Muslim mosques, a Jewish temple, a Gandhian memorial, a Jain temple, and a Baha'i house of worship.

During these visits we asked the hosts to share with the IRFWP delegates about their history and their teaching, especially focusing on insights which their tradition offered as far as inter-religious harmony was concerned.

We concluded each religious site visit by planting a tree alongside which we placed a brass plate which had the IRFWP logo and read, “Planted by delegates of the First IRFWP Congress, New Delhi, India, February 1-7, 1993.”

### The closing plenary

At the closing plenary Reverend Chung Hwan Kwak, one of the co-presidents of IRFWP, raised serious questions

about the role of religion in the twentieth century. He asked the five hundred fifty congress participants whether people today respect religion and whether religious values guide our cultures and societies. Reverend Kwak challenged the religious leaders, scholars and youth to find out why not, to make plans to change this desperate situation, and—with total seriousness before God—implement the solutions.

Finally Reverend Kwak reiterated Reverend Moon's proclamation made last year at the World Culture and Sports Festival in Seoul, Korea, that Reverend and Mrs. Moon are the True Parents and saviors of humankind. [See Rev. Kwak's speech in this issue.] Although many of the same people attending the New Delhi Congress were in Korea, the reaction was resoundingly different. There was total silence. Participants took in earnest his suggestion to consider this matter quietly. The issue was not even discussed and no one raised any objection from the dais or from the floor.

The New Delhi Declaration was read in-house at this closing plenary and read publicly by Mrs. Giri at the Red Fort the following day. This document, approved by the congress, called upon believers everywhere to refuse to allow their faiths to be misused for violent ends, to heal an-

cient animosities by seeking collective forgiveness for wrongs of the past, to empower women as full partners in religion and in society, and for religions to pledge themselves to work for social justice.

### Peace march for religious harmony

In order to hold this congress, especially the peace march, we needed to obtain permission from no less than fourteen various governmental institutions. This took more than three months of relentless bureaucratic follow-up. Letters were acquired or permissions obtained

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from: the Ministry of Human Resource Development (twice), the Ministry of External Affairs (twice), the Rajghat Samadhi Committee, the Ministry of Home Affairs, the Municipal Corporation of Delhi, a letter received from the lieutenant governor of Delhi, the Army Delhi Area (HQ Delhi Cantonment), the Civil Lines Police, the Dayraganj Police Station, the Delhi Traffic Police, the commissioner of police, the Delhi Nagar Nigam (Delhi Municipal Corporation). We actually paid the security deposit to use the Red Fort grounds on February 5. Our peace march was the next day.

The theme of the congress was “Global Harmony Through Inter-Religious Action.” The last day of the conference was the day for action—a public peace march.

To march is very Indian. Traditionally, marches in India are noisy and frequently disrupt traffic. Participants in our Peace March for Religious Harmony, however, were asked to take a vow of silence, called *maun vrat* in Hindi. In addition, local organizers selected a path which would minimize disruption to local traffic.

The RYS lead the way in planning and setting in motion the first-ever IRFWP Peace March for Religious Harmony. It began at the historic Red Fort in old Delhi and concluded two kilometers away at the cremation site of Mahatma Gandhi. Both of these places are very important Indian national monuments.

Decades ago Mahatma Gandhi's famous four-hundred-kilometer salt march focused the international media on India and her quest for independence from Great Britain. His march ended not only at the shores of the Indian Ocean, but in a



**Conference organizing manager Robert Kittel joins the presiding council meeting. Back row (l.-r.): Mr. Robert Kittel, Dr. Thomas Walsh, Dr. M. Darrol Bryant, Dr. Richard L. Rubenstein, Dr. Ninian Smart, Dr. H. Francis Clark, Dr. Frank Kaufmann. Seated (l.-r.) are: Mrs. V. Mohini Giri, H.G. Dr. Paulos Mar Gregorios, Reverend Kwak, Bishop Boutros Mouallem, Hon. Voyce Durling-Jones.**

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**The entire congress concluded with silent prayer at the samadhi of Mahatma Gandhi. Front row (l-r): Reverend Kwak, Mrs. Inderjeet Gopal Singh, Dr. H. Francis Clark. Second row left: Rev. Marcus Braybrooke.**

sense it also ended at the Red Fort when India declared her independence two years after World War II. However, Gandhi wanted more than political independence; he hoped for, dreamed for and ultimately died for spiritual freedom. He knew this spiritual liberation would be established only when Hindus, Muslims, and people of all religions lived in harmony. Gandhi wanted the various religious communities to live together as one family under God's love. This is what he

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died for, forty-five years ago.

By having the peace march embark from the Red Fort, we commemorated the accomplishments of Gandhi's life. It was here at the massive red sandstone ramparts of the Red Fort that Indian independence was declared on August 15, 1947. By culminating the march at Gandhi-ji's *samadhi*, we could resurrect his spirit, by reviving his hope that the various religious communities in India and ultimately the world can co-exist peacefully.

The Red Fort, built by Mogul Emperor

Shah Jahan, represents the height of Islamic influence in India, the zenith of Mogul rule. It is located in the heart of old Delhi, an area full of the hustle-and-bustle of crowded Indian bazaars. Areas surrounding the Red Fort were still under night curfew because of communal tensions between Hindus and Muslims.

The Rajghat is where Mahatma Gandhi, affectionately called Gandhi-ji the father of modern India, was cremated. Some of his ashes still remain at this *samadhi*. This memorial is surrounded by beautiful lawns where all the trees have been planted by visiting heads of state. By choosing this path, our peace march literally connected the Muslim and Hindu communities.

### Speaking to the march

Reverend Chung Hwan Kwak, who was sent to represent Reverend Moon and was the only speaker at the Red Fort ceremony on February 6, noted that no nation on earth has given birth to more religions than India, nor is there any nation in our present day where we can find a greater diversity of faiths. He hoped this would provide India with the opportunity to become a true beacon to light the next century of global religious harmony, but warned that any failure in this area would yield potential tragedies far greater than

to India's own eight hundred fifty million people.

In his appeal for religious harmony Reverend Kwak then declared that "this peace march will mark the rebirth of Indian nationhood, [as well as] the beginning of a new century of interfaith harmony."

On the dais were religious leaders representing over forty faiths. They also represented well over thirty different nations. Mr. P. K. Dave, lieutenant governor of Delhi, was on hand to flag-off the peace march. He did this by handing the IRFWP Peace Flag, a white flag trimmed in gold with the IRFWP logo, to the former

film actress Mrs. Sharmila Tagore Ali Khan. Mrs. Tagore had a personal interest in leading the march; she is a Hindu married to a Muslim. Her life is a testimony that people from different religious traditions can live in one family. Religious harmony, for her, was not only a national issue; it was a very personal family matter.

Mrs. Tagore is the granddaughter of Rabindranath Tagore, the famous Bengali poet and writer who was the first Asian Nobel Laureate. Old-time Unificationists will know Rabindranath Tagore's words which are printed on the back cover of *The Way of the World*, an HSA-UWC publication in the 1970s. Mrs. Tagore's grandfather wrote:

*In the golden age of Asia  
Korea was one of its lamp bearers,  
And that lamp is waiting  
To be Lighted once again  
For the illumination of the East.*

The religious leaders were the first to arrive at the Rajghat. They entered the *samadhi* while the choir of Madan Bala Sindhu, a group comprising musicians of various faiths, sang "Ram Dhun," which was one of Gandhi's favorite songs. As a symbol of respect for the ideal of inter-religious harmony, for which the father of modern India lived and ultimately died, each person offered rose

petals at his black granite memorial.

All the participants were then seated on the lawns surrounding the *samadhi* as the choir continued singing for about forty minutes. Bishop Gregorios then rang a bell signaling the beginning of three minutes of silence. The second toll of the bell marked the conclusion of the prayer/meditation, the conclusion of the peace march, the conclusion of the IRFWP New Delhi Congress itself and the beginning of a new century of inter-religious harmony.

It was appropriate to conclude the first IRFWP event at the Rajghat because the inscription carved in stone on the eastern gate of the memorial was Gandhi-ji's prescription for building an ideal world:

"I would like to see India free and strong so that she may offer herself as a willing and pure sacrifice for the betterment of the world. The individual, being pure, sacrifices himself for the family. The latter for the village, the village for the district, the district for the province, the province for the nation, the nation for all. I want *Khudai Raj*, which is the same thing as the Kingdom of God on Earth. The establishment of such a *Rajya* would not only mean welfare of the whole of the Indian people but of the whole world."

### Accomplishments

In addition to the peace march, there were other unique firsts which this

IRFWP New Delhi Congress accomplished:

—This was the first of several international, interfaith activities being held this year to commemorate the 1893 Parliament of World's Religions. The New Delhi

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Congress is one of half a dozen inter-religious conferences planned for this year.

—This was the first time American blessed couples were asked to financially support a major inter-religious conference, and did.

—We had excellent media coverage throughout the conference. Photographs of the peace march made the front pages of several national newspapers. The BBC Asia Report, a television satellite news service, as well as Doordarshan, the only television station in India, provided excellent coverage of the peace march. Not a single negative word appeared in either the print or video media!

—It was the first time large numbers of

non-Unificationists helped as staff during the congress. Because of the extremely tight budget, limited staff could be flown in from New York. Participation from the local organizing committee was not only helpful, it was essential!

—In 1975 Father sent missionaries from Japan, America and Germany to one hundred twenty countries throughout the world. Three missionaries to India—a Japanese (Michinori Hasegawa), an American (Robert Kittel), and a German (Ursula McLackland)—united in heart and mission to lay an internal condition to fulfill Father's vision of eighteen years ago.

—Students and graduates of the Unification Theological Seminary (UTS) played an indispensable part in the congress. Since Father has recently emphasized the importance of UTS, it is appropriate to mention them here. Dr. Frank Kaufmann is the executive director for the IRFWP as well as CWR. Dr. Thomas Walsh is the executive director of the International Religious Foundation, Dr. Franz Feige is the executive director of New ERA, and Rev. John Gehring is education director for RYS. All four are UTS graduates. Robert Kittel, a divinity senior, worked as managing director, taking off the winter term at UTS to live in New Delhi to prepare for the congress. Frank LaGrotteria, Eric

Holt and Jerry Chestnut took ten days off from the winter trimester to be in India. Dirk Anthonis didn't travel to India, but worked weekends for several months in New York City preparing the general program and assisting Dr. Kaufmann.

—Unificationists can appreciate the most significant fact, that this was the first major event in the first year of the Completed Testament Age. This, of course, is the most precious internal meaning of the congress. It comes on the foundation of the forty years of Father's wilderness course. This was the single most essential element allowing God's spirit to permeate all dimensions of the congress, especially the peace march. ■■

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**Dr. Frank Kaufmann, Reverend Kwak, Mrs. Inderjeet Gopal Singh, Mrs. and Mr. Baljit Singh (RYS members, blessed in August 1992) express the warmth of their fellowship.**



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## The Ocean is God's Wonderful Gift

easy. Because it is made from leftovers, it is inexpensive to produce and therefore can be bought for a low price. It is really a wonderful idea. Father is so happy. By about this time next year, we will be producing it, and some of you will be able to import it. We have two years to prepare this product for the good of the providence. If our members worldwide have give and take, share information, and sell the product, we can quickly realize the ideal world.

Whenever I look at native people, many ideas come to me. Even until now, the Native Americans here live a very isolated and suffering life. We know the story of the prodigal son. If one of your fingers is in pain, you are all the time thinking only of that one finger. Likewise, I have so much concern for the Native Americans here who lead such a miserable life. Father has told us to contact the Native Americans, witness to them, and help them somehow. We are collecting materials now and have made a slide presentation. We have held three sessions. People filled out a reflection form after the presentation, saying this is their spiritual home.

We have many resources here, including Father's speeches, Father's fishing,

and many other activities. We celebrate holy days here, too. We need to prepare materials to educate people with.

I'm sure this land will soon be a very good place for tours, sports, hunting, fishing, education. This is heaven! We are preparing to connect tourism and business.

Of course, we want to produce fish powder, but also we want to connect the fish business internationally. This year we have had good give and take with the fish business in Spain. Already we have connections with many rich Europeans. Regarding tourism, at this point they don't have so much desire or expectation in this area, but already we have begun give and take.

Trade between America and Spain is better than between America and other European countries because of the money system. Also, we can exchange raw material.

If you supply us with good information regarding your area, based on that information, business can happen. Then, through the business, you can gain some profit.

Forty-three sisters worked here for seven years. Then by Father's order they were assigned to many countries. You must contact and help them. They look like business pioneers. It is not so important how much money is made in the be-

ginning. Please protect them and help their business prosper in your country. They know what is going on here very well.

## Filipinos make it possible

About three or four thousand [people] live in this area. We employ many Filipinos in our companies. After World War II, General MacArthur moved many poor Filipinos here. Without the Filipinos the fish business would be almost impossible. White people usually don't like this kind of job.

Usually fish is caught far out in the ocean, brought back to shore, and kept a long time in a refrigerated room. Then it is warmed up and processed. The original taste is already gone. Through our processing we can make a very high-quality product. As people's taste be-

comes more developed they like fresh fish more than refrigerated fish. Someday soon they will prefer to eat fish chosen live from the tank. From here we can fly live fish anywhere in the world within twelve to twenty hours. We send carp to Korea.

Japanese wives wrote letters to their parents-in-law, who objected to a Unifica-

**Historically the countries which took good care of the ocean were great countries. They only used the surface of the water; now we need to use the water under the surface.**

tion Church marriage, and didn't receive any response. They asked Mr. Hideo Oyamada what to do and he said to send them gifts of salmon roe (eggs). Later they can come and participate in a fishing tour and he will personally serve them.

So this is a good place for hiking, hunting, sports, fish business, education. You need to do something to connect your country to this place. ■■

*Mr. Koo Bae Park is president of International Seafoods of Alaska, Inc. and was in the Blessing of the 1800 Couples in 1975.*

# I Testified About True Parents

by Pier Angelo Beltrami  
 Interviewed by Angelika Selle for Today's World

*Pier Angelo Beltrami won a silver medal in the ninth Paralympics (a division of the Olympics for disabled athletes) held in Barcelona, Spain in September 1992. Wearing an artificial limb to replace the leg he lost after a motorcycle accident in 1969, Pier Angelo began riding the bicycle in 1985 on roads in and around Belvedere, in Tarrytown, New York. Here he describes the physical and spiritual challenges he overcame in order to win a medal in the fifty-five kilometer race and bring the victory to his hometown, Darzo, Italy. In this time of creative finances an interesting thread runs through this story of how this trip to the race and hometown was paid for. Pier Angelo's ethnic church involvement has led him to regularly attend the Catholic-Italian church near him and belong to the Italian club there.*

**I**N 1988 I went to Korea to compete in the eighth Paralympics; I got a bronze medal in my first international bicycle race. Ever since then I have tried to maintain a training routine. Every year I go to the national races but rarely get better than third place. However, in 1991 I came in second and in 1992 I took first place.

I didn't really think I would be able to go to Spain for the Paralympics. My wife, Mary, had given me the okay to go to Korea in 1988, but I had promised her I would never do that again. In May 1992, I entered the nationals in Ohio, leaving it

up to God that if I was meant to go to Barcelona, the qualifying would take place in Ohio.

### Does God want me to do this?

Surprisingly, the competition was stronger than in other years. The races for handicapped people are divided into classes according to the severity of the disability. In my class this year, there were five new people, including one strong competitor from Colorado.

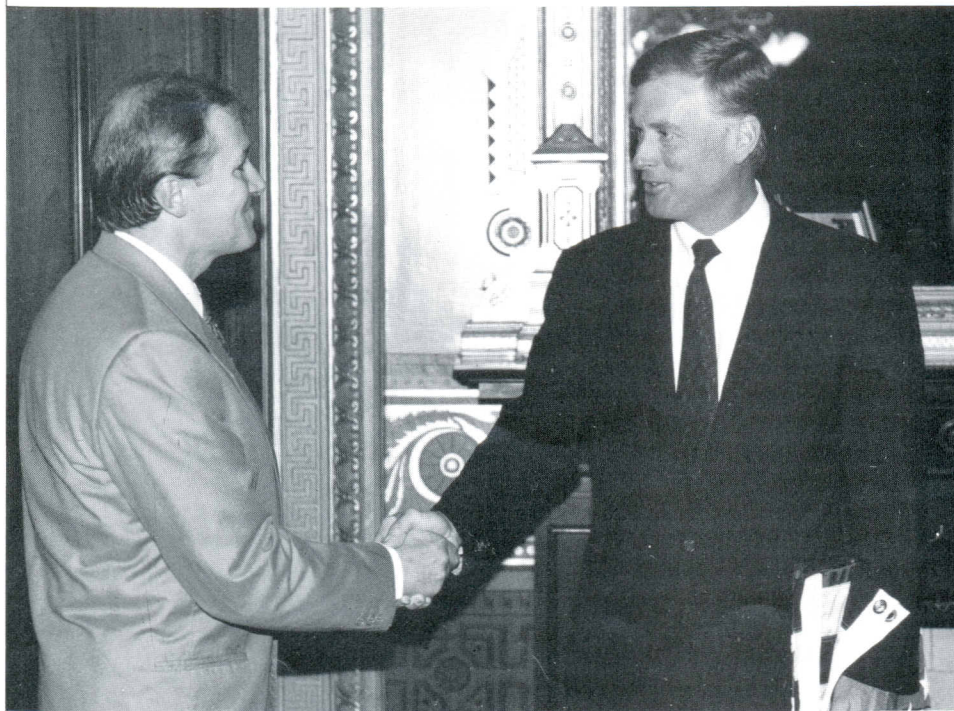
In 1988 I had entered the competition without sponsorship, but 1992 was a very

difficult year for me financially, so I sought sponsorship. A bicycle distributor built a special bike for the time trials, and I came in first in that category. On the road race, however, I came in third, because my equipment was pretty old and heavy.

I saw Kyle, a good friend from four years ago, and testified to him about Father and my way of life. I told him a little secret of racing: to pray not for your own victory, but for the safety of everybody and for God's will to be done. If we are meant to win, we will win. Certainly we are going to try our best, but we don't have to be disappointed or blame somebody if we don't make it. Do your best and just respect others.

There are three races in the national competition. I won the first race, and Kyle won the second. Because I won the first time trial, everybody was looking at me and thinking, "This guy is stronger than anybody else, so let's let him do the hard work." In the second race, about thirty miles long, the others let me stay in front and cut the air, which is a lot more exhausting than being behind somebody. The other riders never let me rest. They let me keep the lead until the final lap, and then they overtook me.

Before the third race, two friends of mine said, "You weren't treated fairly; therefore, we are going to help you." It had been raining and the course was wet. The race was scheduled for eight o'clock Sunday morning. I said the pledge and then stayed up, praying for the race. I had serious doubts and asked Mary, "Do you really want me to do this? If I win this race, I qualify to go to Barcelona. That means a sacrifice for you." Telling myself that I should drop out because I



**When Pier Angelo met Vice President Quayle to receive the American flag and blessing for the team to take to Barcelona, P.A. (as he's known) expressed that there were people out there that support the values of family, God, and love within the family.**

PHOTO: PIER ANGELO BELTRAMI

was no longer young and I might be endangering myself and my family, I went back to bed.

The other riders came by thirty minutes before the race and said, "What are you doing?" I replied, "Oh, I don't feel good. I'm not going. You guys go ahead." They all said, "Wait a minute. If you don't go to this race you are not going to be able to qualify for Barcelona." "That's okay," I responded. "You go."

Then Mary told me, "Wait a minute. Ask God which way He wants you to go. Why have you been praying all this time? You may not feel good, but you have to overcome it. Yes, there has been rain, but you have to trust God. If He doesn't want you to go to Barcelona, you won't win the race. So what do you have to lose? Go." Since she put me on the spot, I took my bike and went down to the starting line.

During the race, it started to rain and everybody was very cautious. The competitors were concerned about one another because the course had become very slippery and very dangerous. My friend fell down on the next to the last lap. During the last lap, I hit the curb, went on the grass and came in fourth. I thought I was disqualified, not knowing that the point count is based on the total times for all three races. I came in third overall and qualified to go to Barcelona.

Somewhat reluctantly but also happily, I accepted the position on the team. That was May, and I had to quickly prepare myself for the trip to Barcelona and the international competition on September 12.

### Intensive physical training

I had had some fears because of my age, my lack of intensive training, and lack of advanced equipment. I prayed to be able to find sponsors. Even if I qualified, unless I could find sponsors to pay for my trip and the equipment, I could have never gone. Amazingly enough, all these things came together.

As we were closing down our office, I had less and less time to train. I was working very late every night, sometimes until midnight or even overnight, to finish up the jobs; then I still had to find time to train and to pray. This time I could not go to Colorado for forty days to train, as I did four years ago. I could only go for a week. For me to gain a medal in this race would be a major miracle, because I did not have the consistent preparation of riding thirty to fifty miles a day. However, a sponsor came through and a friend invited me to stay at his house in Colorado, so I didn't have to spend money for a hotel. Furthermore, he offered to train me for the week I was there.

When I was in Colorado, another teammate, Rex, came out for the Celestial Seasonings Tea Race in Vail, Colorado. It was a time trial, about fifteen miles, all uphill. That was the hardest race I ever raced. I had been in the mountains for only four days, and my cardiovascular system was not quite in shape for that kind of effort. However, I tried my best. Rex started after me, but he passed me and beat me by about two minutes. That alone told me I was not going to do well in Barcelona.

### Spiritual preparation

I knew that in 1988 my forty-day prayer condition and training before going to Korea were instrumental in getting a good result. This time I did a forty-day prayer condition at 5:30 a.m. to find sponsors and for God to use me.

Nicholas Buscovitch had told me that Hyun Jin Nim said his reason for going to the Olympics was to testify about Father. Therefore, I wrote a letter to Hyun Jin Nim explaining that I was going to go to the Paralympics and wanted to testify about Father and the Principle to my team members. In one situation after another I realized that if you put yourself in a situation as an offering, God will use it the best way that He can and put you in touch with many people.

A week before going to Barcelona, I was invited to the White House at the vice president's office to receive the American flag to bring to Barcelona. The national handicapped office official said, "Would you mind going to the White House to receive the flag as a rep-

resentative of the team?" This was also the year of the quinqucentennial of Christopher Columbus' voyage to America. He was Italian, of course, but he traveled to America from Spain. I was an Italian going to receive the American flag to bring to the Paralympics in Spain.

*It was the first time in my life that I could stand in front of the people in my village and tell my story.*

I felt great responsibility for testifying to people. I told Vice President Dan Quayle, "No matter what the media says, there are many people out there who feel the same way as you do about the need for supporting the traditional American values of family, God, and love within the family." He looked at me and he was glad to hear that.

I gained confidence during the forty-



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day prayer condition. When you are training for a race, you prepare to give a hundred percent, or even a hundred ten percent, of yourself; it's like facing judgment day. Sometimes I couldn't sleep because I was so nervous. However, as the days progressed I became more confident and less nervous. I really felt God and the spirit world telling me, "That's okay; don't worry about it. You will do fine."

### Building team spirit

When we gathered in New York on August 29, I only knew two people on our team. Something developed in my consciousness, and I realized that being a veteran of this kind of event put me in the position to teach the other guys. Another teammate was more experienced than myself in cycling. However, when we landed in Barcelona everybody looked to me, because I speak Italian, which is very close to Spanish, and I could converse with the Spanish people. Therefore, I became the spokesman for the team. If somebody needed something they came to me.

The team that I found myself in charge of included nine people from all over America. After a while we started to share very deep things. At night we didn't watch television or go to a movie. We stayed together and created a very good feeling of unity. Even those who had taken advantage of me during the race in Ohio became very good friends. At first there was a feeling of competition and mistrust, as people were thinking, "I don't want to get too close to this guy, because I am going to beat him." At the end we were all helping one another. I went out of my way to try to get them the official U.S. Cycling Federation team jerseys from the manufacturer in New Jersey. They saw that effort and they appreciated it. They asked, "Why are you doing all this?" Because of our training, it is natural for us to take care of people.

We met every night, and I would share about myself and some of the spiritual experiences I had had in my life and how I got into cycling. Some of the people were amazed; others could not understand what I was saying.

Some started to ask me questions about prayer. I told them that prayer is my daily bread and that we should not just pray to win but pray for everyone to have a safe race.

### Support from spiritual children

During that time my spiritual children came to see me from Germany and Switzerland. When the team members saw



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Enjoying the moment with the volunteers he witnessed to.

Luciano Fenoli and Franco Bolandini so full of concern for my preparation and so devoted to praying for everybody's safety, they were very impressed.

One of the American team members planned to go on a bike tour from Spain to France, Switzerland, Germany and down to Italy. Luciano and Franco offered to house him and take care of him when he came through their country. They did that, and they showed him tapes of the Principle. When he came back to America he called me two times and couldn't stop talking about how great an experience it was for him.

In preparation for the race, my two spiritual children, together with their own spiritual child, did an *Il Jeung* prayer on the course and holy salted it. The police stopped to ask them what was going on. The course was more difficult than in Korea and even more difficult than the Olympic course for able-bodied contenders, because it contained many hills and tight curves.

### The day of the race

In the Olympic village there were about five thousand disabled athletes from all over the world. Some of them were very impressive. They were very strong athletes. One guy ran the hundred-meter dash in 10.2 seconds, even though he is missing a foot and wears a prosthesis. The record for that distance is some-

thing like 9.9 seconds. The other five competitors came in half a second behind him. It was very competitive and very good to see. People take these Paralympics very seriously, and the athletes train very hard. It is a world-class athletic competition. Some of the athletes are very principled, disciplined, good people.

That day, I did pledge at five o'clock and took some ginseng. That's my formula for success: Pledge, ginseng at 5:30

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a.m., 7:00 a.m. and again just before the race. The ginseng was provided for me by the Spanish family. Their support was another form of sponsorship.

When we got to Barcelona, Rex, my teammate who had beaten me in the Vail competition, felt very cocky and I felt rather unsure of myself. However, on the day of the race I wasn't nervous at all, while Rex was extremely tense.

Three times during the race I almost went down. Once I tangled my handlebars with the Austrian rider's, just before a curve. The second time, someone in front of me put on the brake and I slammed into his back wheel. The third time, a Korean rider in front of me slipped on the wet pavement and crashed.

Rex had told me, "I am going to try to go solo about the fifth lap." I said, "Fine, if I can help you, I will." When the gun sounded, the French team made a strong start. Rex and I took turns chasing them. Then the Spanish guy took the lead and we chased him down. On the seventh lap Rex took the lead and I stayed behind trying to keep other riders back, but going all out by himself was hard; he couldn't sustain the pace, and we caught up with him.

During the last lap, I was exhausted. I thought I would not make it, because I was so tired. I drank two bottles of water during the race and I was still thirsty. I drink while racing because I need to replenish all the water lost through sweat. Then as we came to the last lap, I felt, "Well, Heavenly Father, what shall I do?" Everybody was watching each other very closely. I was at the back of the pack. Everybody was waiting for somebody to make a move.

About a kilometer from the finish line, I felt a voice say, "Go, now, go." So I did. I pushed like crazy. There was a steep hill before the finish line. Everybody was going very strong. I realized that we were all going up that hill very fast. After reaching the top, there was another three or four hundred meters to go before the finish line. I pushed as much as I could when I saw a way open in front of me, and I could get through. There was one guy beside me and one behind me. When we got to the finish line I realized that I had come in second.

The guy who came in first was an Austrian, twenty-six years old. They were

all in their late twenties or early thirties. I was forty-two years old, a grandpa. However, once I finished I felt an incredible, overwhelming joy. I felt so happy. I started to cry for joy. I didn't get the gold, but it was so close. I never had a finish like this.

At that moment I felt God smiling at me. During the race I told my spiritual

**An avid witnesser he reaches out to other Italians in America through ethnic activities.**

children to pray for safety. They were having a prayer condition for everybody to be okay while I was racing. Every time I finished a lap, they went, "Go! Go!" On the final stretch you don't see anything but what is in front of you. I realized somebody was beside me, but I only saw the finish line, the goal. After crossing the finish line I crashed on the sidewalk. I was in pain physically, but so happy inside that I felt this overwhelming emotion flood over me. My spiritual children came and they were crying; we were all crying together. The ginseng representative in Barcelona was so happy. I really felt it was a total surprise.

Every time that I do something like this I have so many doubts and have to overcome so many conflicts. Mary had to sacrifice a lot for me to go and train. I would come home, see the kids, put them to bed, and go out and train, sometimes

late into the night. I didn't have the luxury of special time for training.

In spite of all this, I learned that when we are sincere and offer whatever we do for God, He can do it. God can use anything and maximize it to His advantage. I keep reminding myself of that when I see obstacles and face difficult situations. We have to feel that God and True Parents really want a victory for us. All we have to do is make the initial effort. Everything else will be taken care of.

After I lost my job, I wondered how I was going to feed the family and what I was going to do. I learned that I should just be calm and trust God. When God closes one door, He opens another. In November, God opened another door, so I was able to take care of my family.

Even though I didn't get the gold medal, I felt God was smiling upon me. For some reason, even something as small as this, God can use it for purposes I cannot yet see.

### Connecting the victory to hometown

Immediately after this I went to my hometown in Darzo, Italy. I left my village twenty years ago. People in my village paid my way back from Barcelona to Italy. My spiritual children organized a reception and I got to talk in front of the people in my hometown. It was the first time in my life that I could stand in front of the people in my village and tell my story. I testified about True Parents. I talked about how God helped me in this endeavor. It is just amazing how God used a situation like this.

My experiences in Spain put me in touch with many people. All my team members are keeping in touch with each other. I testified to some of them and I plan to continue to do so to others. When people come to me and ask about my way of life and my motivation for what I do, I will tell them about True Parents.

In 1996, I would like to train an Olympic team, both physically and spiritually. That's my greatest hope—to do it either with an American team or an Italian team. Whatever God wants me to do at that particular time I will do. ■■■

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**A Beltrami family portrait: Pier Angelo and Mary, (l.-r.) Michelangelo, David, Angelia, and Giancarlo.**

**When Cain and Abel, because of their mother's love, unite and love each other, there is no enemy. These two must love each other so they can bring the archangel with them when they go to heaven. Satan has always asserted that the qualification for recognition as true father and true mother is loving the archangel. We demonstrate our love for the archangel by loving the enemy. You must love Satan in order to go to heaven. The archangel is the enemy, but you must not think of him as the enemy. Even though you may be free from the satanic lineage, there are many around who will continue to oppose you. You must pull them to God, loving them as your elder brother.**

*Reverend Sun Myung Moon*

*February 1, 1993*