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DEAR Heavenly Father, Now that 1996 is over and 1997 has arrived, we can begin a new day in heaven and on earth. In order to establish on this earth the Heavenly Parents and to clear away all the fallen ages of history, You have walked with True Parents traversing the path of indemnity through the individual, family, tribal, national, country, world and cosmic levels. I cannot but thank You for this. Also, I am grateful that True Parents, born for the sake of this providence, have received the heavenly task and have been guided to live a suffering life in order to clear the path of indemnity on this earth. Through many deep experiences, God and True Parents have re-established the ideal of perfected Adam's family in this world by setting up the victorious foundations on the individual, family, tribal, national, country and worldwide levels, thereby establishing in heaven and on earth the lost worldwide domains of elder sonship, parenthood, and kingship. On these foundations, the national, worldwide, and cosmic kingships of True Parents have been restored on this earth. The path has been opened by which there is no longer any need for indemnity in this world.

EXTENDING THE GRACE OF BLESSING

By extending to the world the lost domain of Adam and Eve, and by bringing to pass the liberated world of elder sonship, parenthood, and kingship, God and True Parents have ushered in this age. The perfect foundation is prepared on which the lost domain of Adam and Eve can be restored and

the grace of Blessing can be given out to all people.

Going beyond the 1996 motto of being proud of (proudly presenting) and loving True Parents, now we are going through the age of attendance, in which we should serve God and True Parents even more than being proud of and loving them. You have made it possible that as we enter into the age of attendance, representing the world, we can expand our God-centered family foundation to the country, world and cosmos. We can establish the lost kingship to form a country through which the age comes when You can rule the entire world. We are grateful for this.

LIBERATION OF ALL THINGS

You have allowed the coming of the age in which liberation is given to all things which have been in lamentation, to all the ancestors in the spiritual world, and to all people on the earth. This is the age in which the principle of the heavenly kingdom is established and all people can praise and love as one family originating from the lineage and love of one parent. This is the heavenly kingdom in which true man and true woman can receive the grace of Blessing through which they can become one centering on absolute love. We are grateful for this.

The 1996 motto, "Let Us Be Proud of True Parents (proudly presenting) and Love True Parents" means that the age has come in which Parents should proudly present and love God. The Unification family should proudly present and love True Parents. All the tribal messiahs and family messiahs centering on the national messiahs should proudly present and love the

parents of the nation. As a tribe which has inherited the proud kingship of the proud Parents, we should establish the authority of the children. After inheriting the family, tribal, national, worldwide and cosmic victories, and with the dignity of a royal family, the children shall go directly to the liberated world where there is no place for satanic accusations.

We understand that we should become the families that can proudly show before heaven, earth and Parents our fulfillment of the ways of the filial child, the patriot, the saint

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True Parents offer the Midnight Prayer at the church headquarters in São Paulo, Brazil.

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True Family, Rev. Kwak and Rev. Heung Tae Kim hold the 1997 Motto. (l. to r.) Kook Jin Nim, Kwon Jin Nim, Hyo Jin Nim, Young Jin Nim, True Parents, Sun Jin Nim, Yeon Jin Nim, Jeung Jin Nim, Hoon Sook Nim, Hwa Yun Nim. Brazil, January 1, 1997.

LET US BE PROUD OF TRUE PARENTS AND LOVE TRUE PARENTS BY ACCOMPLISHING THE 3.6 MILLION COUPLES BLESSING

REVEREND SUN MYUNG MOON
MIDNIGHT, JANUARY 1, 1997
SÃO PAULO, BRAZIL

WHAT is this year's motto? Please recite this year's motto: "Let Us Love True Parents and Be Proud of True Parents by Accomplishing the 3.6 Million Couples Blessing." Last year's motto was, "Let Us Love True Parents and Be Proud of True Parents." This theme will continue until the year 2000. Since this motto expresses our purpose of being proud of True Parents, it should not be changed until the year 2000.

I decided on this year's motto because I want you to keep in mind the 3.6 million couples blessing. If the 3.6 million couples blessing is accomplished this year, it will be a historical event in heaven and on earth. If this goal is completed, the next blessing will be 36 million couples. Do you think 36 million couples and 360 million couples are easier than 3.6 million couples?

Twelve months are twice as many as six months. That indicates two of Satan's numbers, representing the formation stage and growth stage respectively. Thus, if the goal of 3.6 million couples is surpassed this year, the foundation to surpass Satan's number of completion will be established on earth. If the 3.6 million couples blessing is accomplished, the next blessing will

be 36 million couples. How long will it take to extend the blessing to all humankind?

THE UNCHANGING FAMILY FORMULA

Every man and woman, including Adam and Eve, has needed a family. The family formula will never change. It applies to any time and any historical situation. You should know the unchanging truth that man and woman should be united following the ideal of Adam's family.

Adam and Eve are God's substantial, visible body. We can't see our mind, but we can see our body. Likewise, when God dwells within Adam's body, God and Adam become one like mind and body. The marriage of Adam and Eve fulfills God's will because God dwells within them. Adam is the substantial object partner of God's subjective and masculine sung sang, while Eve is the substantial object partner of His hyung sang. Therefore, the marriage of Adam and Eve who are united with God is like God's marriage.

God's ideal of creation is consummated when Adam and Eve make love for the first time after receiving the holy bless-

The four position foundation is like the family seed. A seed is the combined body of the past, present and future. If such a seed is planted, your family - including your grandparents' couple, your parents' couple and your couple - can expand horizontally to the world.

ing. This is the unity of divine love and human love and the beginning of the settlement of the family centering on God. People didn't know about this until now. Our Unificationists have to know the word and practice it.

If Adam and Eve had become one by completing true love without falling, and if they had loved their sons and daughters and raised them to become parents, their love would be the same as God's. People inherit Adam's God-centered family tradition by following the example of Adam's family. Because God is absolute, unique, unchanging and eternal, God's love is also absolute, unique, unchanging and eternal, and God's object of love is to be absolute, unique, unchanging and eternal.

THE NATURE OF LOVE

Only love can make two people become one body. Centering on true love, father and son, husband and wife, and father and mother can make one body. When brothers unite centering on true love, they become one body. Only true love can make unity and oneness. This is not the love of receiving, but the love of giving.

True Parents are in a position to give eternally and then forget; then they give again for the sake of their children. It is the same with true spouses and true brothers. Therefore, true love is the love of continually giving, forgetting and giving again. In the blessed family, all relationships—such as the vertical relationship of father and son, the lateral relationship of husband and wife, and the sequential relationship of brother and sister—can be unified centering on true love that is absolute, unique, unchanging and eternal. The positions of up and down, right and left, and front and back, centered on yourself, all form the number seven, which is the number of completion.

Unless the domain of the number seven is formed, existence has no value and relationships will be destroyed. This is why each of us has to form relationships corresponding to up and down, right and left, and front and back. You will lose the foundation for settlement if grandparents, parents and children are not completely centering on you. This is the four position foundation which the Unification Church teaches, and it needs to be completed.

If you are asked what the completion of God's will is, you should know that it is the completion of the four position foundation. All human beings need parents, an object partner, and children. The family-level four position foundation consists of the three stages of children, parents and grandparents.

THE FAMILY SEED

The four position foundation is like the family seed. A seed is the combined body of the past, present and future. If such a seed is planted, your family - including your grandparents' couple, your parents' couple and your couple - can expand horizontally to the world. If the seed of Adam's family is planted it will produce hundreds or thousands of seeds which can expand the three-generation family horizontally to

the world. A seed is the fruit of the past, the starting point of the present, and the connection to the future. Common sense tells us that the seed contains the past, present and future.

If God and humankind become one and form a family in accordance with true love, it will develop eternally according to the family formula. One seed of a pine tree can produce numerous seeds and multiply into a great number of pine trees all over the world, and every one of those pine seeds will have the same value. Likewise, if Adam's family is the seed of the human family, all families multiplied from that seed have the same value.

Although the blessing of God, Adam and the future family start from the same standard, God's position is that of the past while Adam's position is that of the present and is the starting point of the future family. What is the center of all those positions? Adam and Eve united with God. Grandparents represent the spiritual world, while sons and daughters represent the future.

Then, if all positions are unified centering on Adam and Eve, Adam would be the king of the Kingdom of God on earth. Adam represents God and is in the position of God because he has experienced all these positions. Vertically, God's position is the past, Adam's is the present, and his sons and daughters are the future.

Grandparents dwell within the family as substitutes for God; Adam dwells in the family as a king, and his descendants will become kings of the future. In this sense, the three generations must be inseparable from one another. Thus, your father and mother are in the position of king and queen, representing the kingship of all humankind. However, since the present kingship is connected to the past, the father has to be united with the grandfather, and since kingship is linked to the future, the present family members should work to develop the future.

What is God's desire? Although God loves Adam as a son, it is God's position to love His grandchild more than His son. Three generations should be connected, but because Adam's family fell, God was able to love only the second generation, Adam and Eve, and not their sons and daughters.

As God's grandchildren, the children of Adam and Eve should have received two kinds of love: that of the present king and queen and that of the past king and queen. Because of the fall they became unable to receive two kinds of love. If the three vertical stages of grandfather, father and son are not connected, there will be no place for husband and wife or elder and younger brothers to meet. Since something must pass through three points to be completed, it is logical that if God has never loved the third generation, His grandsons and granddaughters, He cannot complete His love.

The position where the elements of the four position foundation become one is the receiving position, the position of grandson and granddaughter. A living body cannot bear a seed without receiving horizontal and vertical love. The vertical connection with eternal life gives the seed its historical significance.

What is the most necessary requirement for giving birth? It is the parents' vertical love. The relationship between grand-

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father, father and son form the three stages which connect past, present and future. If there is no such axis for three stages to be unified within the family, there is no central point for unifying left and right or front and back.

THE FAMILY AS GOD'S DWELLING

So what is God's ideal for the family? It is the place where grandparents and parents are united centering on true love and the place where parents and their children become one. Adam and Eve were to grow and become husband and wife, relating to each other as left and right. Then they were to expand by having children and developing the relationship of front and back. When a couple is united front and back and vertically and horizontally, they are an ideal family where God can dwell.

How can God dwell in your family? Where is the central line that establishes six unified positions in the family? Within God Himself are grandparents, parents, siblings and children. God has grown from being a brother and sister to being a husband and wife, and parents.

When Adam and Eve grew into adulthood, they needed an object partner, a love partner. Oneness in love is achieved by combining concave and convex. For a man and woman to combine concave and convex means to be one. Without combining concave and convex, man and woman cannot find love or produce a lineage connected with history. When concave and convex are combined, the love of man and woman is completed. Man and woman as individuals cannot accomplish true love, even though they know what it is; therefore, they look for an eternal love.

God is absolute, unique, unchanging and eternal. Concave and convex have to be absolutely united in a unique and eternal bond. Eternal love starts from the joining of sexual organs. Concave and convex combine to complete love, connect with the blood lineage, and create life.

Without a place where concave and convex can be combined, people are ignorant about love and life. The combination of concave and convex forms the base for forming a perfect individual, a family, a nation, an ideal world, and the Kingdom of Heaven on earth. An eternal tradition linked to history starts from there. Parents and grandparents should be completely united in upholding this ideal.

Please do not think that it is strange that I speak a great deal about the sexual organ. When you completely understand about the sexual organ, you know about perfect love, the complete life, the complete blood lineage, the perfect family, the perfect nation, the perfect Kingdom of God, and the perfect God.



Hundreds of Brazilian members attended the True God's Day speech.

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The problem is how to control your sexual organ. Concave exists for convex, while convex exists for concave. Therefore, the woman's concave part belongs to the man's convex part, while the man's convex part belongs to the woman's concave part. You are not the owner of your sexual organ; you are just the manager.

HOW TO FIND FULFILLMENT

These concave and convex parts were created to find love and fit together in love. Since they are related to love, if concave and convex are combined in search of love, they can seize God's love. When they join as subject and object in the lower position, the invisible God as the higher subject unites with them centering on love.

Men and women wish for absolute, unique, unchanging and eternal partners. On finding love, the husband and wife become one and seek God's love. Man and woman can completely unite through joining their sexual organs. This place where concave and convex are combined needs to be completely and vertically united with God, who is the subject of love. Without this unity with each other and with God, man and woman are not whole. If concave and convex are not combined, the existence of man and woman has no value and their lineage will disappear.

Once a true man and a true woman are fulfilled as individuals and as a couple, what should they do next? Marriage means to seize God, who is the subject of love, through loving Him. Men as well as women absolutely need love. They need absolute love. In the highest ideal of love, man and woman

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become eternally, unchangeably, uniquely and absolutely united centering on absolute love. When they get married as subject and object, they form an absolute, unique and unchanging relationship through these attributes of God. There is no second absolute and no second uniqueness in their marriage. Unique means one. Unchangeability does not mean that two elements vary according to circumstances; it is a result of being absolutely one.

When Adam and Eve shake hands, theirs is a unique, unchanging and eternal handshake. No one knew that love is based on these pre-conditions. In the Unification Church, those who get blessed in marriage not only meet their object partner but also exchange an absolute, unique, unchanging and eternal handshake and kiss. Every hug and interaction between such a couple becomes eternal, absolute, unique and unchanging.

In each of the 360 degrees, Adam is the eternal subject partner of Eve and Eve is the eternal object partner of Adam. They are in a 100 percent perfect relationship of subject and object. If another subject tries to unite with Eve before Adam and Eve are absolutely one, Adam will strongly repel it. Therefore, to Eve, Adam is an absolute, unique, unchanging and eternal husband and to Adam, Eve is an absolute, unchanging and eternal wife.

If their marriage becomes absolutely united with God, they complete their purpose of creation. This is how God, Adam, Eve, their children, blood lineage, the eternal nation and the eternal Kingdom of God are completed. This is how the eternal Kingdom of God becomes ours.

THE BEGINNING POINT OF KINGSHIP

When Adam and Eve become parents and then grandparents, the elder sonship and parentship are completed and kingship starts. Thus true parents are the foundation for the true king.

Adam's descendants form many families, and his lineage becomes a tribe, a nation, and the world. This means that Adam's seed contains all the families, tribes and nations. It contains the world, the Kingdom of Heaven and even God's whole ideal for the creation. Moreover, you should know that because Adam's family had the potential to be substantially united with God through love, it represented heaven and earth.

Adam is not only the king of the family, but also the king of the tribe. Moreover, as God becomes the king of the tribe, the nation, the world, and the cosmos, He becomes parents and the owner of this expanded world. If Adam's descendants prosper, they will expand into a family, tribe, nation, and world centering on the family. In other words, Adam is the core of the outward expansion of the world.

Even though by the ten thousandth generation Adam's family is numerous, the seed of your united family has the same value as Adam's family seed. In his position as family-level king, the father has the same value as the national-level king and the world-level king and even the heavenly king. Therefore, we conclude that all families have to advance and occupy the royal palace of the heavenly kingdom. If Adam and Eve had many sons and daughters, their younger children should marry the sons and daughters of their eldest

son. In this way, the ideal of kingship expands to the clan and tribal levels.

FAMILY ETIQUETTE

Now you know how much difference there is between God's ideal family and today's fallen world. You women who live in South America, do you absolutely need your husband? (We need them.) Do you absolutely need them? (Yes!) You have only one husband, not two. Is he unique? (Yes!) Unchanging? (Yes!) Eternal? (Yes!) Once you have made the promise of marriage, it is absolute. You should know that other people cannot interfere with the relationship between husband and wife.

I heard that Brazil has the second highest number of AIDS patients in the world. Will this country be destroyed or will it develop and advance? Where does a nation start to perish? It starts from the individual and the family. If the family is destroyed, the society and the nation perish. The fundamental problem comes from the family.

Because Adam's family was destroyed and his sons and daughters were overturned, the whole world was destroyed. In the same way, today's world has lost absolute love, and the foundation of God's eternal, unchanging ideal family cannot help being destroyed like Adam's family.

You women should absolutely praise your husband! When all women in South America answer, "Sí" (yes), then all created things of South America will say, "That's right." Women should bow to their husband. (Applause.) Which husband do you want to see: one who is welcomed by his wife with a full bow, or one who cannot be trusted and who falls into free sex? Your cells are trembling all over. Love is not to be used freely as you wish. It is heavenly law that the woman's love door should be opened with the key of her real and true husband. Moreover, before you open your love door you should be an absolute woman.

Men, suppose that after you are blessed, the most beautiful woman happens to stand beside you. Do your eyes and five sensory organs turn to her? Do your hands try to hold her hand or body? There are a lot of beautiful women in the world. Don't try to get away from beauty; instead, you should train yourself so that your mind and body can ignore her attraction and you desire to touch your wife instead.

Women, suppose that after you are blessed, you happen to meet a handsome man on the street. Is your mind attracted to him? If so, you are pulling prey to evil.

Like God, love is absolute, unique, unchanging and eternal, and God has been looking for men and women with such qualities. However, there is not any house on earth in which God can dwell because the family standard was not established. There is no house in which God as the subject of sung sang and hyung sang could settle down and find the ideal woman as the object of His love.

THE PALACE OF LIFE AND LOVE

Your sexual organ is an original palace of life and love. You should prepare palace sites extending in all 360 degrees from

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the true and pure original palace. That should be the palace where God can always dwell, centering on your house, and coming and going to your whole clan.

What should be like that palace? My sexual organ is the original palace of love. Please repeat after me. (My sexual organ is the original palace of love.) My sexual organ is the original palace of my blood lineage. (My sexual organ is the original palace of my blood lineage.) Only when it becomes like that, can it be the palace where God can dwell.

Because God is the King of Kings and it is God who has to dwell in the palace, in order to attend God, your sexual organ should be the original palace of life, blood lineage and consciousness. Amen! Please say Amen. (Amen) What is the meaning of amen? It means that we wish that the word will be done.

Your sexual organ is absolute. You have an absolute part, the palace of your sexual organ. Although it may not look that special, if the sexual organ is used wrongly, the world, history, family and everything is destroyed. Man's sexual organ is made to erect vertically. Vertical! Man should remain faithful to his cause rather than to woman. Because Eve did not keep her chastity, she fell and seduced Adam. This is the very problem. You have to deny this.

Then what is marriage? Through marriage, a man and a woman, who are each half, combine their sexual organs and become completed. A man becomes perfect through a woman centering on love, and he makes a woman complete. Through true love, they become complete and fulfill the unity of love. Through the joining of their sexual organs, man's blood and woman's blood unite in one melting pot. From that place sons and daughters are born. You should know that that place is more precious than children, spouse or God.

Because I talk like this, I seem to be a heretic! What is that place? It is more valuable than children, spouse and parents. Without that place, even parents, spouse and children are worthless. Because it is so valuable, you should tightly lock the door of your sexual organ so that no one can see it. It is like a valuable treasure which you should preserve throughout your life. There are only two keys to the door: the wife keeps her husband's key, and the husband keeps his wife's key.

Are you women of South America going to take the key of only one man? Free sex is when you take ten or 100 keys! An opened door through which everyone comes and goes incessantly is a door that has no lord. To act like a bitch is to ruin your house of love.

THE VALUE OF THE BLESSING

In order to remove false love, True Parents come to earth and celebrate a blessing. The blessing is the most valuable thing. The blessed family cannot be exchanged for anything because it has a limitless, unique and eternal value.

Centering on the absolute, unique, unchanging and eternal God, Adam's family has objective value before the subjective God. However, since everyone has a sexual organ and love is practiced through this organ, the sexual organ enables man to share his joy and sorrow together with God centering on love.

As I mentioned before, because the value of each seed is

equal, regardless of whether 1,000 or 10,000 years has passed, in order for ideal families to be established, a family with the same seed as Adam's family should be made. When such a seed is found in a good father and mother, then their ancestors and even God lets them match their seed with the origin. As long as they are connected through the center, each of those seeds has the same value as the seed of Adam's family, even though they lie in different directions. This is the family that God wants to form.

RESTORATION THROUGH INDEMNITY

Because of the fall, the providence of salvation was begun, and the providence of salvation is the providence of restoration. Nothing can be restored without paying indemnity; thus, the providence of restoration is the payment of indemnity.

I have come to remove all historical indemnity. Even though you have met me, you also have to remove the contents of this indemnity. In order to advance, you have to remove all kinds of indemnity in your ancestry. Indemnity is removed through sacrifice.

The Unificationists of South America do not know restoration through indemnity. If you have a debt, you have to pay it. If the parents or ancestors have a debt, the descendants have to pay it. Do you know what I mean? This is restoration through indemnity.

If you fulfill restoration through indemnity as a family and as a nation, I do not need to go through such hard times. Because you don't know the way of indemnity, I have taken care of the indemnity on all eight stages from the individual level to God. Because True Parents have made the expressway of restoration through indemnity by connecting ladders of the individual, family, tribe, nation, and world, you have to follow this pattern in order to advance. Those who dislike going up the ladders of eight stages from the individual level to God and follow the Unification Church without removing indemnity will fall into hell. Even in the spirit world, there are still ladders for advancing.

True Parents are making a bridge to remove all the ladders of the eight stages, and we are climbing them for your sake. Since this is so, are you going to disobey my direction? If you try to do as you like, you will destroy yourself a person.

THE END OF HISTORICAL INDEMNITY

Where are we now in the providential time line? On November 1, 1996, in Uruguay, I declared the settlement of the Family Federation for World Peace and the end of indemnity. Nothing more remains to be indemnified. After receiving persecution for so many years, I have removed every bridge from the individual to the worldwide level and have brought it to the higher level.

The Unification Church was established on a level plain. Therefore, wherever I go, everyone, whether old or young, man or woman, should follow me, saying "Father! Father!" People should not follow me out of dislike. Instead, they should

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follow me with joy and a smile.

I have been persecuted my whole life. No one knows the story behind that persecution. I developed God's providence while receiving persecution from the worst men in the fallen world. Individuals, families, nations, and the world have opposed me, kicking and stepping on me and treating me as an enemy. Because all persecution has passed through these stages over 40 years, and the family of True Parents has been drawn up to the worldwide level, everything is leveled out and there is no more need for ladders. All the historical indemnity from Adam until now has been removed, and you should know that the foundation of hope for this world, which God expected to be formed in Adam's family, has emerged again on the worldwide level.

Who is Adam? Adam is the eldest son of the elder sons. Adam became the eldest parent after growing up as the eldest son. Based on being the royal son, he became the royal parent. Finally, Adam is the King of Kings. I am the son who gained the victory of eldership before all humankind as the worldwide Adam. In God's thinking, there is only one son, not two. There is absolutely one son.

Who is the True Father? He is the Father of Fathers, the Royal Father. There is only one set of True Parents, not two. Adam was the elder King of Kings and True Parents are the coming

King of Kings.

To be a representative eldest son, True Parents should digest the democratic world and the communist world. I destroyed the communist world with the thought of victory over communism. Because I saved America, which had been destined to destruction, I am the eldest son before God. Therefore, the realm of elder sonship was established.

The left wing and the right wing represent Cain and Abel in Adam's family. The right-wing was all Abel-type people and the left-wing was all Cain-type before Jesus. However, due to Jesus' failure in fulfilling the mission of True Parents, the right-side robber and the left-side robber became right-wing and left-wing respectively. This expanded to the worldwide level, and True Parents came to take the responsibility to lead the two realms.

THE BRIDE CULTURE

The world that Jesus did not unify at the national level has to unite and receive a bride on the victorious foundation of establishing the elder sonship. Christianity is the bride religion.

Then where does the worldwide elder sonship go? To the realm of the worldwide Eve nation. The son establishes kingship after receiving a bride. Although Christianity is the bride culture, it is divided because of fighting between Cain and Abel. That is why True Mother has not fulfilled her responsibility yet. Even God cannot go to Christianity when they are fighting one another. Satan's side also claims dominion over them. Our task is to connect the victorious foundation of North America, where most people are Christians, to South America and people of a lower culture and unite them. I cannot go back without establishing the foundation to receive True Parents in the Christian realm of a lower culture. Following that, Europe should be united centering on the unity of South America and North America. Then Judaism, Christianity and Islam should be united centering on Rome.

The terminal of the way of world restoration is the position of parents centering on the brothers who were divided into left and right in Adam's family. The terminal of the way of world restoration goes beyond the family-level fight between the children of Rachel and Leah in Jacob's family and beyond the national-level struggle in Zechariah's family and Jesus' family.

Because the right side is the right-wing and the left side is the left-wing in Satan's fallen world, you have to go to the right side to turn the world around and restore it. Who goes first in the returning



True Parents salute the audience after God's Day entertainment.

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process? Because Cain goes first and Abel follows him, Abel is always hit, and Satan persecutes him until the Last Days. In the Last Days, as Christianity in the bride position becomes united, England as Eve, America as Abel, and France as Cain will all be united centering on the position of Eve. These nations represent the Cain and Abel who were lost in Adam's family.

Christianity had lost Jesus' body, and in spite of getting spiritual salvation, Christianity suffered attack in order to find the body. Thus, World War II was caused by the attack of three nations on Satan's side (Japan, Germany and Italy) on England, America and France. Heavenly fortune allowed the world the opportunity to unite centering on Christian culture and receive the Lord of the Second Advent in the position of the united mind and body of Jesus. If the second Messiah had that foundation of unity, the Unification Church would not have suffered, the democratic world would not have collapsed, and humankind would not have been damaged by communism.

If the world had attended me after World War II, it would have been united within seven years, and there would have been no suffering of the Unification Church and no damage to the democratic world.

After World War II, the Christian bride culture did not receive the True Father's ideal of true love, which is the bride-groom culture. Thus, the Lord of the Second Advent was expelled to the wilderness where there was no foundation. Out in the wilderness, God and I had to rebuild the Christian bride culture that had been prepared for 4000 years. That is why the suffering course took 40 years.

God lost the providential foundation of England, America and France due to their failure. God cannot reuse what has failed, and they could be restored only through the second generation. I re-established the realm of Eve, Archangel and Abel, choosing Japan as the Eve nation, America as the Abel nation, and Germany as the Archangel nation. The process of establishing the realm of bride nations has been miserable and tragic.

The fact that Korea in the position of Israel has opposed me on the national level for 20 years has to be restored. Because Korea and America represent the Old Testament age and the New Testament age respectively, I prepared for 20 years to restore the Christian bride culture centering on America, which is in the position of the second Israel. Since America, Japan and Germany did not receive me at the worldwide level, they became enemy nations in opposition to me.

TRUE MOTHER'S ROLE

However, because the Protestant culture is in the position of the subject to lead the Christian culture to receive the Lord of the Second Advent, Eve has the responsibility to save those enemy nations so that they can receive the Lord of the Second Advent. Therefore, I spent 20 years in America preparing the way to restore heavenly tradition by uniting enemy nations such as America and Japan, Japan and Germany, and Japan and Korea. During those 20 years, there was unimaginable suffering.

America, Japan and Germany have opposed me to the end. Now True Mother stands as the bride embracing Christianity

and uniting these nations. Until 1992, I was alone. True Mother could not stand beside me. She could not appear until the circumstances were created to enable Catholicism and Protestantism to unite as Cain and Abel. Therefore, the Women's Federation for World Peace was established in 1992, centering on True Mother, and the movement to liberate women was proclaimed. The time of women was opened.

This happened 40 years after 1952. The bride's realm should have been completed by 1952, seven years after 1945, but because it failed it took another 40 years, from 1952 to 1992, to restore that lost foundation. After passing over that period of suffering, True Mother could emerge.

One reason why the realm of Christian culture could not receive the Lord of the Second Advent is because it was said that Jesus would come to earth on the clouds. That prediction came about because John the Baptist's failure should be indemnified when the Lord of the Second Advent comes to earth with a substantial physical body and passes through the indemnity course.

RESTORING POST-WAR FAILURES

If the Allied nations had united with me after World War II, Mother and the True Children would not exist today. They are sons and daughters who were not supposed to be. If Korea had unified centering on Christian culture, without any persecution, the Moon clan and the Choi clan would have been the center, establishing the position of parents starting from sons and daughters. A peaceful world centered on one true family and one blood lineage would have been realized. However, I lost every foundation because of Christianity's failure.

Everyone came to Satan's side. I was alone. I went through sorrow and suffering not just because the family of Adam and Eve was, but because I lost the whole foundation that had been prepared from before the creation. The sorrow and suffering could not be recovered by wailing.

Originally, blessings like those that are taking place now should have happened in the 1950's. The purpose of the International Wedding Ceremony of the Unification Church is to establish a heavenly nation based on blessed families. Thus, 14 years before, under the opposition of Christianity, Korean spiritual groups having the name of bride had made organizations knowing that the Lord of the Second Advent would come to earth, and they prepared to receive the Messiah. I have to indemnify all those conditions.

What did I do for 40 years? The realm of conflict between Cain and Abel was mobilized centering on my generation, and the dominion of Cain over the individual, family, tribe, nation, the world and the universe has been controlled by one person for 40 years. Do you know what I mean? I was alone! After my Holy Wedding in 1960, I restored the standard of national messiah in 14 years, something which Jesus had not fulfilled.

Based on the victorious foundation of those 14 years, I moved to America with True Mother to complete the bride realm of the Old Testament and of the New Testament, centering on the worldwide messiah. For the past 21 years, True Parents have fought to complete the bride's realm. The whole world

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was mobilized to kill me, because if the only Lord of the world is killed, the world will be Satan's.

RAISING UP TRUE MOTHER

When the Holy Wedding was held, Mother was 17 years old and I was 40. Why did I marry such a young virgin of 17? Eve fell at the age of 16. Mother's course was to obey me absolutely. True Mother did not know the way of restoration.

The way of True Father is to follow the way of the Divine Principle. Who is True Father to True Mother? Because three generations of grandfather, father and brother were lost due to the fall, Mother has to be able to embrace three generations. Historically, Eve killed three husbands: Eve expelled Adam, killed Jesus and expelled the Lord of the Second Advent to the wilderness for 40 years. Therefore, the bride of the Messiah came from a lineage where for three generations there was only one daughter.

Because the Lord of the Second Advent was coming to Korea, the mission of women spanned three generations and 40 years, in preparation for the bride to meet the Lord of the Second Coming. These three women were Sung Do Kim (Jung, Soo Won's grandmother), Ho Bin Heo, and then True Mother. Those groups knew that the Lord of the Second Advent would come as a man. However, they didn't know who the Lord of the Second Advent was because no one went to teach them. I

met all those spiritual groups and had a spiritual relationship with them. However, they did not recognize me; they betrayed me, just like John the Baptist. Because God's side is hit first and then takes from Satan's side, I was opposed by those groups, but then inherited all their foundation.

Under the rule of Japanese imperialism before the liberation of Korea, I was a leader of the underground movement centering on Christianity. Based on that indemnity condition, I chose True Mother. Even though I blessed Mother, Mother could not be raised in those circumstances. She should have been a representative bride. So what is God's blessing? Because the ideal of the bride is taught to every religious body and order in Christian culture, bride candidates of all ages from 12 to 80 emerged as representatives of their groups before the Lord to come.

Thus, many women received the revelation that they were the bride of the Messiah and believed it absolutely. Those women had sleepless nights because they want-

ed to meet such a man as me. In the providence of restoration, I am the only qualified man.

What kind of bride should be the mother of the universe and True Mother: a virgin or a grandmother? She should be a virgin. Why? Because she should bring the harvest by receiving the bridegroom's seed.

Because the fallen Eve attracted Adam and made him fall, at the time of restoration, does the Lord listen to Eve or does Eve listen to the Lord? The bride has to follow the Lord absolutely. Who chooses the bride? The bridegroom. The bride had to be restored at the age of 17, because Eve fell at the age of 16. Therefore, it is the standard of Divine Principle that a virgin younger than 20 years old has to become the bride.

If I am such a person, are you going to obey absolutely? It took 14 years to choose True Mother. Although the Holy Blessing took place, I could not restore Mother immediately because of jealousy and envy. Therefore, Mother was protected centering on Daemo-nim (great mother). Daemo-nim was accused and persecuted because women thought that she had deprived them of their fortune and had given it to her young daughter. True Mother lived separately from me for three years.

Daemo-nim was so great that she received a revelation of my daily schedule from the spiritual world and talked to Mother every day. Mother's greatness was in obeying my direction absolutely. During the three years of separation, every grandmother, old woman and middle aged-woman opposed Moth-



A joyfull exchange before Mother's speech in Tokyo. (l. to r.) Rev. Chung Hwan Kwak, Dr. Bo Hi Pak, Former Canadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney, Maureen Reagan.

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er out of jealousy. However, owing to the support of the women of the second generation, Mother could be liberated and live with me in three and a half years.

Women who received a revelation that their daughters would be the bride came into Mother's room and put their trinkets in the room, complaining that this room was theirs. There were all kinds of jealousy at that time. Mother had to overcome all those things. Even though I had never given them any sign of love, these women hated Mother without having any special reason. In the midst of such a situation, the blessed couples formed a fence to protect Mother. Through this process, those who felt they deserved some privilege could be put in order. The way of Mother was also expanded through the international blessed couples.

MOTHER CAN STAND AT MY SIDE

By passing through the course of restoration of the individual, family, tribe, nation, country and the world until April of 1992, and proclaiming the liberation of the world centering on WFWP, True Mother was able to stand beside me.

Since coming to America, Mother passed over the standard of the restored realm of Eve and within 20 years she could stand in a position to surpass America. Because every delegation of the bride realm is in America, Mother had to speak to the American Congress and then the United Nations.

After Mother spoke at the United Nations, Parents Day was officially established. The worldwide Christian culture became the base on which True Parents could settle down, centering on the foundation of bride. Thus, Mother restored the lost foundation of Christianity. The UN is like the palace of the liberal world. Thus, it should be occupied to make all 185 countries commemorate Parents Day. Now is the time to unify the kingship of the world.

Such victorious supremacy should be engrafted into Japan. Centering on former U.S. President George Bush and his wife, this victorious supremacy also has to be engrafted into Korea.

THE SETTLEMENT OF THE FAMILY

Mother began her lecture tour of the world, proclaiming the liberation of woman and announcing True Parents and the Completed Testament Age. Then came the settlement of True Parents and the Completed Testament Age. This was to inherit the realm of the victorious foundation of True Parents. In order for the world family to be able to settle based on the family settlement of True Parents, True Parents are teaching the world the idea of family settlement. Through this teaching came the time of international blessing.

Following the appearance of True Mother, there was a 30,000 couples international blessing ceremony. This was the blessing of the formation stage of the worldwide level, because for the first time True Parents could conduct the blessing on an equal level. The 360,000 couples international blessing is the growth stage, and the 3.6 million couples international blessing is the perfection stage. The 30,000 couples blessing opened the way for all religions and all nations to receive the

blessing. At the 3.6 million couples blessing, even people who do not believe can receive the blessing on the same level.

The biggest problem of the world is the breakdown of the family and juvenile delinquency. Children follow the way of their parents. The family at the end of the world commits the same sin as Adam's family. Because God could not interfere in the fall of Adam's family, no economic, political, ideological or religious organization has been able to stop the decline of the family or end juvenile delinquency. Because false love, false life and false blood lineage were produced due to the fall, True Parents have returned to organize Adam's family and restore everything centering on true love and life. We are removing what is false according to the principle of restoration through indemnity. We are uniting the bride's realm centering on the Christian Federation for World Peace and turning it back to follow the direction of Abel.

The family-level elder sonship, parenthood and kingship centered on True Parents have to be connected to the worldwide level. Thus, by removing false lineage and connecting to the blessed family, Adam's family, Jesus, the Lord of the Second Advent, and all humankind will be completed. Therefore, the time has come for all humankind to receive the blessing and enter the Kingdom of Heaven. The ultimate religious movement is to establish the Kingdom of Heaven by means of the blessing.

BE PROUD OF TRUE PARENTS

This is a very important year. What is this year's motto? (Let Us Be Proud of True Parents and Love True Parents by Accomplishing the 3.6 Million Couples Blessing.) To fulfill this motto, you should love and be proud of God centering on True Parents. I love God and am proud of God. Thus, to love True Parents and to be proud of True Parents is to love God and be proud of God. It is a heavenly tradition.

If I am the Messiah of the world, then national messiahship is the only way to be able to be proud of True Parents. To be proud of True Parents as a national messiah, you need tribal messiahship. To be proud of True Parents as a tribal messiah in front of your descendants and before ancestors, you need family messiahship. This is the concept of the messiah and the way of True Parents.

What is the Messiah? It is True Parents. The family should be proud of their parents centering on God, following the tradition of the Messiah. Because such love and pride in the family is in accordance with that love and pride in heaven and on earth, such a family can live in the realm of liberation as a family of the Kingdom of Heaven.

Because the national messiah receives the blessing after fulfilling the family and tribal messiahship that Jesus had desired, the national messiah replaces the realm of Israel with the goal of unifying the whole Roman empire without Satan's accusation. The national messiahs who were sent to 185 nations are in the position to unify the Holy Roman Empire.

The Messiah and True Parents come to the world based on the family. Based on the messianic foundation that I have made, True Parents achieved the victorious family in the place of

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Jesus and can connect to the kingship of the world in the Roman Empire. You have to know that for certain.

LIBERATE JESUS' HEART

Jesus' heart has to be liberated, and his will has to be accomplished. Jesus lost the whole foundation of family and nation that could control the Roman Empire. Jesus failed because Zechariah's family was not united with him. Thus, Jesus' will could not be accomplished. Because there is no way to progress without resolving Jesus' broken heart, we have to reorganize and to make a bridge to go forward.

Centering on Paraguay, 33 people have been sent all over the country, representing the 33 years of Jesus' life. Jesus lived a solitary life because he was rejected by his brothers, his father, his church and his nation. His short life must have been miserable and solitary. Thus, those 33 people represent each year of Jesus' life, and allow him to have a subject each year.

Mother has to connect 16 nations in order to liberate Jesus' heart that had not controlled a nation; this will establish the foundation of Israel, centering on 33 people and John the Baptist's family. And then, based on those 16 nations and the associations that include congressmen and those 33 people in each nation, True Mother has to expand this foundation to Korea by way of America.

Because Jesus did not find the realm of national Eve centered on six government departments, he failed to hold the blessing ceremony centered on 120 followers.

As tribal and national messiahs bless what Jesus could not bless on the national level, I come to bring the blessing on the worldwide level, based on the foundation of fulfilling what Jesus failed to do.

If the members of each national messiah group establish 120 blessed couples on the national level and make 160 or 180 blessed couples in the worldwide period of the Lord of the Second Advent, then the mission of national messiah will be finished. The Adam nation and the Eve nation will be restored if 120 people of the Eve nation each bring 180 blessed couples; then they will be completely liberated. If the worldwide realm of liberation is accomplished, then messiah groups will also come into the realm of liberation. As national barriers are removed, the Lord of the Second Advent and messiah groups can go all over the world. The Kingdom of Heaven on earth begins with the establishment of the realm of God's liberation.

This year, the most important thing is to accomplish the 3.6 million couples blessing. I love God and am proud of God. I have invested all of my heart, mind and energy into indemnifying every historical wrongdoing. On that foundation, the Family Federation for World Peace was established and the ceremony was held to proclaim the end of indemnity. All throughout the world people will come to think of the blessed family of the Unification Church as the ideal family.

3.6 MILLION COUPLE BLESSING

Equalization begins with the unification of God and True Parents and the unification between True Parents and you. This

occurred at the moment of change from 1996 to 1997. Even a few minutes before the end of last year, I had removed indemnity. Because all indemnity was removed from the restoration of indemnity, from now on you need to be proud of True Parents rather than just True Father. If you are doing more than being proud of and loving God, it will be nothing to accomplish the 3.6 million couples blessing.

Therefore our motto is, "Let Us Be Proud of True Parents and Love True Parents by Accomplishing the 3.6 Million Couples Blessing." With the 3.6 million couples blessing will come the new realm of liberation. If all blessed families, including the 3.6 million couples, start to talk about the blessing, there will be no one who does not know of the blessing.

Who made the wall of persecution? It is the spread of distortions from the press and political circles. I established the newspaper of righteousness. Each of you should reach out to 33 people who can lead at least ten others. In other words, 33 people should lead 330, 330 people should lead 3300, 3300 people should lead 33,000, etc. If this continues seven times, the total will be 33,000,000. Then, everything will be completed. Everyone has relationships with at least ten people, including friends, parents, brothers and sisters. Therefore, if we can connect people in a series, the world will be restored automatically.

If the national messiahs in 185 nations bless 185 couples, the Japanese women should bring 150 couples, and other countries 120 couples. If this blessing is carried on through two generations, it will reach 480,000,000 couples. Then, the restoration of the world will be finished. If 3.6 million couples are blessed this year, the 36 million couples blessing will be accomplished easily. Our future goal will be 360 million couples. If such a goal is fulfilled, the blessing ceremony should be held all over the world. Then, the heavenly nation will be established and people will be interested in the national registry.

Today, because national messiahs were especially invited to attend this meeting, I am emphasizing 33 people. Hold lectures centering on them for other important figures and connect them to our organizations. The Women's Federation for World Peace has to work centering on the Youth Federation for World Peace, which is the Cain-type association, and the Student Federation for World Peace, which is the Abel-type association. If women and young people join the Family Federation for World Peace, the men will automatically follow their wives and children because they are in the position of archangel. Western countries will follow this formula.

You must know what is necessary for the national messiah groups to accomplish this. Do you understand? Those who are confident that they can fulfill that mission, raise your hands and say mansei! (Mansei!) May God bless each of you.■

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TRUE GOD'S DAY AND LA

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True God's Day
Entertainment
Celebration with
True Children...

...the unbeatable
Yute Game
Champions!

HYO JIN NIM, KWON JIN NIM, SUN JIN NIM, YEON JIN NIM, JEUNG JIN NIM, HWA YUN NIM AND HOON SOOK NIM SING "COUNTRY ROADS" DURING THE GOD'S DAY ENTERTAINMENT IN BRAZIL. JANUARY 1, 1997.

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WINNERS '96-'97(L. TO R.): YEON JIN NIM, HWA YUN NIM, KWON JIN NIM, IN JIN NIM. HYO JIN NIM AND KWON JIN NIM JOYFULLY CELEBRATE A CONSECUTIVE VICTORY OF THE YUTE GAME.

Congratulations



IN JIN NIM AND JIN SUNG NIM HAVE A NEW SON, SHIN PYUNG NIM, BORN DECEMBER 21, 1996.

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TRUE PARENTS RECEIVE FLOWERS AT THE INAUGURATION OF TIEMPOS DEL MUNDO ON NOVEMBER 23, 1996. (CENTER L.) FATHER DELIVERS HIS SPEECH AT THE 29 AMBULANCES DONATION CEREMONY ON AUGUST 13, JARDIM, BRAZIL. (CENTER R.) THE FIRST EDITION OF TIEMPOS DEL MUNDO. (BOTTOM L. TO R.) THE 29 AMBULANCES

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Let Us Work Together for Good

Dr. David S. C. Kim, Chairman
Inauguration of The Family Federation for Unification and World Peace
October 15, 1996
Glory House Hotel, Netherlands

LADIES and gentlemen, brothers and sisters in True Parents! It is a great honor to be here with you to inaugurate the Netherlands Family Federation for Unification and World Peace. Being appointed chairman of this organization by Heavenly Father and True Parents is truly a special privilege. I am doubly blessed to attend this event at Glory House Hotel with all the leaders, Unification saints, blessed couples, friends and supporters of the Unification community in the Netherlands.

Why I am in the Netherlands

I was appointed as heavenly ambassador to this nation at the April 24, 1996 conference in Korea. As "national messiahs" we have very challenging work ahead of us. This mission is almost impossible for anyone to accomplish. It is especially difficult for someone who is 82 years of age, having retired from the Unification Theological Seminary following twenty years of service. Although I am still active in our work in America, I no longer have the same energy I did before. Health problems come automatically and naturally at my age. My wife, Mrs. Eui Hong Kang Kim, is 78 years old and also has health problems that magnify our difficulties and affect our ability to assume a new assignment at this time.

During the past several months, I have struggled internally, prayed fervently and meditated a lot on this assignment. After serious consideration, I am finally here today with all of you to accept this appointment. We owe this to three members of my beloved family. First, my wife insisted that I assume this new mission, in spite of her health. Then, our eldest son, Michael Sung Soo Kim, president of International Exchange Press in San Francisco, recently encouraged me and promised to escort me to your nation. Without his assistance and wisdom, I would not be able to see all of you on this historic day. Finally, my second son, Harry Hyun Soo Kim, a certified public accountant, gave his complete support.

In the future, in case I have trouble fulfilling my mission, my two sons are ready to help your nation on my behalf.

This appointment to the Netherlands is now the most precious gift for me from Heavenly Father and True Parents. In the past 42 years of service, my wife and I have received many gifts from True Parents but, above all, we have received spiritual guidance and nourishment. Horizontal gifts are important for survival. The gift of national messiahship, however, is a vertical and eternal gift of incomparable value.

How to restore the Netherlands to God and True Parents

Our True Parents have completed their mission in Korea, Japan and America. However, as they have reminded us repeatedly in numerous leaders' meetings, the problem is that we have not fulfilled our portion of responsibility as blessed couples, church leaders, national and international leaders of our church community. True Parents continue to advance with more speaking tours, peace conferences, pioneering work in South America, ministers outreach and inter-faith dialogue with leaders of other major religions. Their goal is to work together to bring about the ideal of peace and prosperity on earth.

Looking back on our life of faith and reflecting on our missions as tribal messiahs, we see lots of problems: financial instability, disharmony between husband and wife, miscommunication between parents and children, lack of positive stimulation and clear motivation to continue as church members, no follow-up or nurturing of members, no clear discernment of good and evil in this secular world, and temptations from everywhere. As you can see, we fall far short of the ideal of true tribal messiahship.

Part of the problem lies in our failure to practice the instructions and guidelines from our True Parents or from the church hierarchy on a national and international level. For example, True Parents

gave the 1-1-1 guideline, instructing each member to bring one person every month to join our movement. The "1-1-1" motto is a spiritual law for the advancement of our church and for recruiting citizens for the Kingdom of Heaven from our hometowns, our neighborhoods, and our work places, whenever and wherever we go. We must try hard to fulfill this commitment while we are living on earth.

Another set of guidelines that we have failed to practice is to pray constantly, study Divine Principle and read True Parents' words daily. Just as our body needs daily physical sustenance, so our spirit body and spirit mind need daily spiritual food to grow to maturity. Furthermore, daily spiritual food enables us to eliminate worldly temptations and maintain spiritual stability. Satan still targets blessed couples who are weak in this area. Many troubled blessed marriages exist all over the world, leading those couples to be inactive in their witnessing life. As tribal messiahs, your "hometown providence" may be in name only. Even your relatives and neighbors may not be in your witnessing plans. Didn't Jesus say, "love thy neighbor"? Without witnessing, how can we build the Kingdom of God in our home, neighborhood, community, town, city, state and the nation? The truth that our True Parents gave to us must be practiced in the contemporary world.

Another problem is that we have become spiritually "burnt out." Jesus proclaimed that the Kingdom of Heaven was at hand 2000 years ago, but it has not been realized yet. True Parents have ushered in the Completed Testament Age, but that ideal has not been embraced. Under these difficult circumstances, we are inclined to criticize church leaders and their directions. Our absolute obedience to church instructions is disappearing. We have lost our exuberant spirit of dedication and sacrifice for others. We have even forgotten the initial experience of "first love" when we met the church. The result is an emptiness in spirit, hunger

for alternatives, and divergence from the mainstream of our Unification faith.

My brief description of these problems will not apply to those who are truly dedicating themselves to building the Kingdom of God on earth. However, we have to seriously assess our individual situation. If these problems are even partially applicable to the situation in the Netherlands, we have to do something about it. We must address these problems and correct them so that we may re-dedicate ourselves, renew ourselves and recover our "first love" for God and True Parents.

I may not be with you in person all the time. My spirit is often willing to go where my physical body cannot follow. However, I can still contribute greatly to leadership training for the church and other programs of the Unification community. My spiritual, intellectual and academic resources, built up over the past 42 years in our church community, can be utilized for this nation as long as I am on this earth. I am still full of energy, zeal and enthusiasm.

In addition, my connection to nearly 800 seminary graduates all over the world can be utilized. Some of them occupy important positions on the national or international level and can help you in your work in this nation. The European alumni association of the seminary, directed in Germany by Secretary General Ann Schaffner, can be an especially valuable resource.

I would like to offer some suggestions on how we may be able to accomplish our mission to restore this nation to God and True Parents:

1) Organize our lives

Let us organize our lives to channel God's power and love. Begin by answer-

ing the question, "What am I and what do I want to become?" This is our Mission Statement, the purpose of our life. Next we need to ask, "Where am I going?" The answers will determine our objectives or goals. These goals may span the individual, family, community, regional and national levels. Then we need to ask, "How and when will I get there?" to develop concrete strategies or plans, both long and short-term, for achieving those objectives. These may consist of annual plans, five-year plans and perhaps even lifetime plans. Finally, we need to assign specific tasks to achieve those plans.

Each successive level of planning is more concrete and specific. For example, your mission statement should embrace the broadest concepts, such as "I will become a child of God and True Parents" or "I will become a person who embodies the words of our Family Pledge." Each concept contained in the Family Pledge then becomes an objective or goal. Next, you develop specific strategies to achieve those objectives such as: "I will bring one person every month to God and True Parents" or "I will learn to lecture Divine Principle effectively in one year." Finally, specific tasks are set to meet each strategy such as: "I will witness to three new people each day" or "I will read the Divine Principle completely once a month for the next twelve months." Review your strategies, plans and tasks regularly. Sometimes an objective may change, a strategy may not be effective or a task may not be achievable. Be flexible. Growth invariably requires change.

2) Work together for good

The Unification organizations should work in harmony together, like the organs

of a body. CARP, Women's Federation, Family Federation and all the church departments and businesses should hold monthly meetings to exchange information and help each other fulfill their goals. Church activities must provide spiritual power and strength to the members. Solidarity is necessary for our survival. I suggest that we establish a national council made up of representatives from each Unification organization in the nation. Meeting at least once a month, the purpose of this council will be to bring the Netherlands to God and True Parents in the shortest time period.

My role will be to maintain harmony and cooperation among the organizations. I will communicate your issues, concerns and problems to the World Mission Headquarters, Rev. Kwak and True Parents.

3) Study Divine Principle and True Parents' speeches daily

Devoted Christians read the 66 books of the Bible systematically and on a daily basis in order to witness to God and spread the gospel of Jesus Christ. We must learn from their example, studying and reading the Divine Principle and True Parents' speeches daily to regain our power and strength. Only in this way can we influence the world and embrace not only Christianity, but all religious people throughout the world.

4) Utilize the trinity system

We need to establish and promote our blessed family trinity system. Three blessed families working and cooperating together will multiply their abilities exponentially. Jesus said, "For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in the midst of them." (Matt. 18:20) In addition, the strengths of some members of the trinity will offset the weaknesses of others in areas such as witnessing, fundraising, and children's education. My motto is: "Let us work together for good to build the Kingdom of God." Let us work together as husband and wife. Let us work together as parents and children. Let us work together as trinity members. And let us work together as church leaders and church members.

5) Practice the "1-1-1" guideline

The "1-1-1" motto should be promoted throughout the nation. Heaven will cooperate with us if we seriously seek to practice this heavenly guideline. We must start accomplishing this goal as soon as possible. If we believe in and work hard for this goal, we can more

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Group picture of Dr. David Kim with Dutch members after the Inaugural Ceremony, October 15, 1996.

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Mother's Visit to Chile

September 21-22, 1996

Ross Grange
Chile

CHILE was very honored by the recent visit of our Mother during her speaking tour of many nations in Latin America and the world to inaugurate the Family Federation for World Peace. Mother arrived in Chile together with her entourage at about midday, September 21. As always, the very bright and Holy Spirit of our Mother could be felt right away by the members. Accompanying Mother were Rev. Chung Hwan Kwak, Mr. Peter Kim and Mrs. Won Ju McDevitt, as well as several others assisting with photography and filming. Mother was greeted at the Santiago International Airport by leaders of the Chilean Unification Church including Rev. Byun Ho Kim and Mr. Sergio Castillo.

The circumstances leading up to Mother's speech in Chile were truly challenging. September 18 and 19 are annually celebrated in Chile as Chilean Independence Day. This is by far the biggest and most important holiday of the year in Chile and is a time when many people travel out of the capital city to visit friends and relatives in other parts of the country.

This year, September 18 and 19 fell on Wednesday and Thursday so most Chileans also took off Friday to make a long holiday weekend. As a result, the Chilean members had a very difficult time to confirm guests for Mother's speech. What a tremendous worry this was!

Considering all these circumstances, the attendance goal for Mother's speech was set for 400 people. We repentfully recognized that this was far short of the attendance that there should be for our Mother, but we determined to fulfill at least this minimum goal and offering.

Final preparations

The final three hours prior to Mother's speech were filled with tremendous activity as the last minute preparations were taken care of. Audio and video were set up, the stage area and seating were prepared. Translator, Alejandro De Souza, prepared for his very demanding mission of simultaneous translation, which was transmitted to the guests by individual wireless earphones.

The event was scheduled to begin at 7:00 p.m. We began to feel rays of hope as the reception area was quickly filling up with guests registering and checking

out their earphones. By the time the event began, most of the seats were occupied, meaning that a total of about 400 people had already arrived, while others were still arriving. What a relief! All together, about 500 people attended the event. At least we could accomplish our minimum goal and basically fill up the ballroom to its capacity.

The program was opened with a prayer from Padre Jose Riberos, a Chilean Catholic Priest. Immediately after, there was a short musical presentation and then some brief comments from Mr. Thomas McHale, a very distinguished Chilean professor and journalist, concerning the importance of the Family Federation for World Peace. At that point, a new and very well produced video concerning our True Parents was shown. This was an excellent backdrop for the introduction of our Mother.

Mother took the stage and immediately captured the attention of the guests with all of her grace, beauty and especially her very holy presence. One doesn't have to be a member or even have any real degree of spiritual sensitivity to recognize that our True Parents are very special and enlightened people. An atmosphere of awe and spiritual captivation among the guests was very apparent during our Mother's speech entitled, "The True Parents and the True Family." As members, we could really feel that the living and substantial Holy Spirit was among us, showering us with her love and wisdom. How we long to reach the day we can truly inherit this heart and presence from our True Parents and give it fully to the world.

A Providential speech

The content of the speech was very profound and provoking, especially in relation to the life of Jesus and the influence of Mary, John the Baptist, Zechariah and Elizabeth. Some points of the speech were very confronting, especially with regard to the more traditional and sacred beliefs of the Catholic Church, which has a very strong influence in Chile. But the guests remained very attentive and virtually no one left. This, in itself, is really a testimony to the spirit of our True Parents. In this Providential time,



Mother signs copies of her speech.

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True Parents are now speaking the plain truth about what really happened in the life of Jesus, even though it may be very painful and difficult for some Catholics and other Christians worldwide to hear. But in Chile, because of True Parents foundation and their incredibly strong, yet very warm and loving spirit, any sort of negative reaction was simply held in check.

Since Mother's visit, the Chilean church has experienced a real breakthrough, especially in terms of witnessing. Based on the guidance that Mother gave to us, we are finding new hope and achievement in our efforts to share the vision of True Parents and Divine Principle in Chile.

Immediately after Mother's speech, she was presented with a beautiful bouquet of flowers by the Chilean church president, Sergio Castillo. Following this, Rev. Kwak, representing our Father, gave the speech "In Search of the Origin of the Universe." This was also quite powerful and very graphic in its descriptions. Even though the guests had already heard over one hour of speeches, they sat very quiet and attentive. Truly, they were impressed by the profound, sincere and bold message of our True Parents.

Mother's love for the members

After the banquet, Mother called the Chilean church leaders and members to her suite. Mother expressed a happy spirit after the speech, which really lifted the hearts of the Chilean leaders and members who had worried so much over the outcome of the attendance. For about one and a half hours, there was a very warm and family-like sharing of songs and give and take which was all communicated via a live telephone hookup between our Mother in Chile and Father who, that night, was in Uruguay. Several Korean leaders sang songs on Father's side. Then on our side in Chile, the Korean leaders shared their favorite songs as well as offerings from Mrs. McDevitt and Mr. Sergio Castillo. To climax the gathering, both Mother and Father sang songs to the delight of all of the members.

Briefly after the song fest, Mother shared with us. Among other points, she spoke of the necessity to witness to young people and university students, in order to really progress the Chilean Providence. She also spoke of Chile as having, in its long and narrow geographical shape, the form of a person with the arms outstretched

embracing all of South America.

The next morning the leaders and a few members had pledged service with Mother, a first time and very meaningful experience for many. Then Mother shared a few more brief words of inspiration and guidance before concluding, posing for photos with members and the signing of several speeches.

We then prepared for the departure of

Mother and her party. It had been less than eighteen hours since Mother had landed in Chile the day before. But already she had to depart from us to continue on with the grueling, yet very important providential tour to many other nations. Our Mother is truly amazing! What other woman in this world could keep up with this incredible schedule and tremendously heavy responsibility, and yet maintain that always giving, warm and embracing motherly heart for all?

Media coverage

The news media coverage of Mother's speech in Chile was generally positive in newspapers and over television. There was just one partially negative article.

This is very encouraging as in years past news media coverage in Chile concerning True Parents and our church has been mostly negative. It is obvious the "times have changed" and that God's Providence centered on True Parents is expanding and gradually winning over this world.

For Chilean members and for the providence in our nation, we know clearly that Mother's visit here has been a great blessing. Through the love and sacrifice of our True Parents during their speaking tour in Chile and the world, we can feel new energy and a new spirit for the providence here. Since Mother's visit, the Chilean church has experienced a real breakthrough, especially in terms of witnessing. Based on the guidance that Mother gave to us, we are finding new hope and achievement in our efforts to share the vision of True Parents and Divine Principle in Chile.

True Parents have shown us once again their incredible standard, always giving, always loving, and always paying indemnity to help hasten the providence. We all feel a new determination to quickly build on this new foundation established by our True Parents' speaking tour. We are determined to charge forward to bring about God's Kingdom in our nation and the world.■

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Mother delivers the keynote speech to the Chilean audience.

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True God's Day 1997 in Brazil

Patrick Kirkbride
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ON December 20, 1996, I received the great news that I could go to Sao Paulo, Brazil to participate in the 30th True God's Day Celebration with our True Parents. This opportunity occurred as a result of my working in the area of Field Operations and General Affairs for the HSA-UWC International office in New York City. I had been in communication with the Brazilian headquarters on a regular basis since 1992 and members often asked when I was going to visit them. I kept saying that I would be going there soon and it only took five years to happen.

From New York City it takes approximately nine hours of flying time to arrive in São Paulo. As we approached this very large city of about 20 million, I was surprised to see many mountains and hills around the city. We were greeted in the arrival area by a brother waving a Unification Church flag and he drove us to the Brazilian headquarters which is about 45 minutes from the airport. I am saying "we" as I was traveling with Mrs. Nancy Makowski, editor of Today's World Magazine. We then had the fortune of meeting many elders at the airport such as Rev. Young Whi Kim and Rev. Jae Suk Lee and rode with them to the church headquarters. We were welcomed by many young Brazilian members.

As you have probably heard, 4,200 Japanese sisters have volunteered to go and support the activities in 35 nations in North, Central, South America and the Caribbean region. In each country, 120 sisters have arrived to help in a variety of ways. At the headquarters in Brazil, these sisters were very visible and valuable as they helped in the reception area,



Rev. Chong Kwan Yoo, National Messiah for Mexico, showing pictures to Father of activities in Mexico.

they cleaned the building, and also cooked and served approximately 200 guests that came from abroad. When they weren't doing these activities, they were busy learning Portuguese. Many Brazilian members also volunteered for a period of two weeks to help in the celebration.

The Brazilian headquarters takes up a major portion of a city block. A six-story building contains many different church offices and living quarters for many members. The fifth and sixth floors have been beautifully remodeled to attend our True Parents, the True Family and other church elders. In the mid-1980s, this building was purchased for an incredibly low price. It had been a factory. After a few years of hard work by our members, the main temple was completed behind the six-story building. I was told that this temple could hold around 2,000 people. Just a few days prior to our arrival, they conducted a pre-blessing ceremony for 200 couples. The floors of this main temple and the smaller temple were both designed with beautifully patterned inlaid

wood of different colors. A lot of blood, sweat, tears and hard work went into the construction and remodeling of this headquarters building, thus, there was a very warm and pleasant atmosphere for this celebration.

Father had initially called only the Korean Adam National Messiahs to attend this 30th True God's Day celebration. This direction then expanded so that if the Korean National Messiah from each nation could not attend then the Japanese Eve National Messiah should attend. If not the Japanese, then the Abel National Messiah should attend. One of my responsibilities was to record how many countries were represented by the national messiahs and how many national messiahs attended. There were representatives of 127 nations and 138 national messiahs; some of the nations had more than one representative present.

Usually Father would meet those attending for a major leaders' meeting after the main ceremony. However, he began speaking to the national messiahs

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in the morning on December 31 and then again in the afternoon. The only translation that was provided was done in small groups in Japanese and English - nothing official.

This became the pattern for our time in Brazil. Just before midnight on December 31, our True Parents entered the room, followed by a number of True Children. At midnight, True Father prayed and gave the motto for this year. The official translation in English is, "Let Us Be Proud of True Parents and Love True Parents By Accomplishing the 3.6 Million Couples Blessing." Father's midnight speech was translated into Portuguese by Alejandro de Souza and lasted for over three

heart. Father told us many anecdotes of him loving the creation through fishing, nature walks with bare feet, and most of all, by loving people. Furthermore, Father emphasized to the leadership that now, with the Proclamation of the End of Indemnity, we all have to be absolutely confident that we can bring results for the 3.6 Million Couples Blessing. There were several inspiring reports from the National Messiahs which corroborate to Father's words. Father again encouraged us to work with the media to reach thousands of people at a time. Father also emphasized again that we should continue reading the two speeches, "True Parents and True Family" and "In Search

maintain. This occasion in Brazil, however, made me painfully aware why Father invited the Korean National Messiahs to this Holy Day. Father does not want translation. He wants to share his heart in his language. In Brazil, I made a serious determination to continue to study Korean. During the conference, Father told us to learn Korean by the year 2000. He told the Korean National Messiahs to teach Korean in their nation. We all know that learning the Korean language should be a priority, however, we don't do it.

Father stressed the importance of the 3.6 Million Couples Blessing and how this is a foundation for victory and a way to indemnify our past failures. Besides focusing on the blessing, I believe that if we begin seriously learning Korean, we will also make a foundation for victory. Father said we should study at least two hours every day. This is not easy to do. Yet, how long can we sit and try to get a translation of Father's words? There must be a way to accomplish this.

I am grateful to the Brazilian headquarters and the staff who helped make this True God's Day Celebration a victory.■

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hours. Father then announced that the True God's Day morning speech would be given by Rev. Kwak. This two-hour speech was also translated into Portuguese. Rev. Kwak said that the Holy Days are occasions for us to give honor to our True Parents. In the future, the True Children or other leaders will be responsible for giving the main address during a Holy Day.

There was a yute game between the eight different continents including Japan, Brazil and the True Children. After a series of challenging games, now late in the evening, True Children claimed the final victory. In 1996, True Children were also the winners of the famous yute game.

On the morning of January 2, we gathered in the small temple for the Day of Victory of Love. Rev. Kwak gave a two-hour testimony about Heung Jin Nim and True Parents. Although we could not understand the contents of the speech, we felt its depth as we observed Mother's silent and solemn tears. Then Father spoke for two more hours. All this was without official translation.

After a breakfast break, Father asked us to meet again for a major conference and he spoke for about 12 hours, with only a short bathroom break. The whole content of his talk was based on his attitude towards God, nature and life itself. He said, "The best condition of indemnity is the one you make from the depths of your heart." He went on explaining how he survived persecution in jail many times because he found gratitude in his

of the Origin of the Universe."

Father met with the national messiahs on January 3rd for five more hours. Then, after lunch we had a final meeting with Rev. Kwak who went over many practical points in preparing for the 3.6 Million Couples Blessing.

I would like to share what hit me the hardest during my stay in Brazil. I had the precious opportunity to live in Korea for almost three years and I know some Korean. I have attempted to keep studying a little, but it has been difficult to



Patrick Kirkbride poses for a picture with Rev. Zin Moon Kim, Continental Director for South America, and Nancy Makowski, Today's World Editor. Day of Victory of Love, January 2, 1997, São Paulo, Brazil.

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A Leap in True Parents' Work in Latin America

Symposium and Inauguration of *Tiempos del Mundo*
November 23, 1996
Buenos Aires, Argentina

TO promote greater integration in the Western hemisphere, True Parents recently unveiled the first inter-American Spanish-language newspaper in the hemisphere, *Tiempos del Mundo*, at the Buenos Aires Sheraton on November 23, 1996.

In his keynote address, former U.S. President George Bush said, "I want to salute Reverend Moon, who is the founder of *The Washington Times* and also of *Tiempos del Mundo*. ... A lot of my friends in South America don't know about *The Washington Times*, but it is an independent voice. The editors of *The Washington Times* tell me that never once has the man with the vision interfered with the running of the paper, a paper that in my view brings sanity to Washington, D.C. I am convinced that *Tiempos del Mundo* is going to do the same thing."

Addressing 300 leaders from 33 Latin American nations plus more than 600 local VIPs, True Father said, "The guidelines of this newspaper will be to provide the most edifying reports in every aspect, as well as an attitude of service in offering constructive information, promoting harmony and reverting the tendency toward disbelief. I am especially interested in emphasizing family ethics and in guiding youth in the right direction."

Wonderful Victory!

Once again True Parents have accomplished the seemingly impossible. It was only a few short months ago that Mr. Dong Moon Joo was directed to initiate one of the most ambitious projects of the providential decade. With characteristic thoroughness and professionalism, a select team was tasked to research, develop and execute a highly-sophisticated newspaper using cutting-edge technology for the 21st Century.

With publication beginning as a weekly in Buenos Aires, plans call for the newspaper to come out on Sundays at first, but to go daily very quickly via satellite transmission to editorial centers

in ten countries.

Tiempos del Mundo intends to concentrate on hemispheric, political and economic news, with a staff of 11 editors based in Buenos Aires, and 44 correspondents in 22 bureaus in American cities from the Argentine capital north through South and Central America to the United States.

Forum on the "Americas in the 21st Century"

In addition to the gala evening inauguration, True Parents wanted to have an afternoon symposium on issues related to hemispheric unity. The co-hosts were News World Communications and AULA, the Association for the Unity of Latin America. This turned out to be a tremendous success because it added an academic atmosphere and afforded a prestigious occasion to invite current and former presidents, heads of state, members of national legislatures, academicians, public-policy opinion leaders, as well as media figures from throughout the Americas.

The first panel, "The Americas in the 21st Century," dealt with issues of free trade. In recent times, countries of this region have been moving toward the removal of economic barriers, presaged by NAFTA and MERCOSUR, to eventually create the largest free market on this planet. The 21st Century will indeed not only be the century of the Asia-Pacific, but the century of the Americas, with a vast market potentially stretching from Alaska to Argentina.

The moderator was the Hon. Jorge A. Telerman, Director of the Department of Public Information at the Organization of American States, and special envoy of Secretary-General Cesar Gaviria in Washington.

The speakers included the Rt. Hon. Brian Mulroney, Prime Minister of Canada (1984-93), and H.E. Rodrigo Escobar Navia, former Minister of Government of Colombia.

The second panel, "Toward Economic Development and Cooperation," called for a new approach to Latin America's traditional enemy of poverty that would circumvent the common problems experienced by developing nations today, such as megacities accompanied by environmental deterioration with consequent abandoned countrysides.

The moderator was the Hon. Pio Oswaldo Cueva, Vice President of the Latin American Parliament, and Chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee of the Ecuadorian Parliament.

The speakers included H.E. Ramiro de Leon Carpio, President of Guatemala (1993-96), and the Hon. Elliot Abrams, U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for Inter-American Affairs (1985-89).

How did it all happen?

In December 1979, True Parents commissioned Dr. Bo Hi Pak (accompanied by Antonio Betancourt and Celia Roomet) to travel to Latin America and initiate relations with the top leaders throughout the continent. Upon that early foundation have come *Noticias del Mundo* in New York, CAUSA International, AULA, and the present programs that have unfolded so successfully.

Noticias del Mundo was actually founded with the mission to foster greater unity between the North and South. The work of integration and the re-awakening of the ideals of Simón Bolívar and the other founding fathers is the mission of AULA. In fact, it would be accurate to say that the vision and efforts behind NAFTA and MERCOSUR were spearheaded by AULA and CAUSA members, alumni and contacts. Credit for these significant hemispheric integrative organizations should be given to our True Parents.

A Pan American Newspaper

As summer was coming to an end, our brother, Larry Moffitt, was given marching orders to relocate to Buenos Aires, along with Rick Perea and Luis

Patiño. Shortly thereafter, Pepe Cardinali, editor-in-chief of *Noticias del Mundo*, also moved from New York to assume his new duties as editor-in-chief of the then un-named publication. Moffitt, Perea and Patiño, working long-distance with a staff in Washington under the able chairmanship of Mr. Dong Moon Joo and several lawyers, were responsible for creating the newspaper's legal structure, and later on, with a team of editors, to form a newspaper out of thin air. Facing incredible obstacles, they had to interview and hire editors, reporters, photographers, telecommunication technicians, secretaries, circulation and distribution experts, writers, all kinds of professionals, as well as to set up a satellite computer system that would hook up all the nations of the Western hemisphere. It was an arduous accomplishment in such a short time that necessitated many long sleepless nights, and countless hours of hard, prayerful work and commitment.

Three weeks before the event, under the stewardship of Mr. Joo, Antonio Betancourt and Tomiko Duggan traveled to Buenos Aires to find an appropriate hotel and organize the logistics. Tomiko remained until the time of the event in order to follow through on the preparations. Meanwhile, Antonio returned to Washington to oversee the invitation process.

William Selig brought together a team including June Maxim, Diane Fernsler, Yoshihiro Ichijo, Sandy Holcomb and Karrin Brady to deal with the nuts and bolts operation. Michael Marshall provided editorial advice. As we got closer to the date, we were further assisted by Dina Pichler, and Pietro and Concha Marchitelli. Travel arrangements were taken care of by Seil Travel. Lisa Zanin helped secure some of the speakers. With the indispensable assistance of the national messiahs and church directors, the most Abel leadership from 33 nations were brought to Argentina.

Miscellaneous observations

The efforts of everyone and the hard work of the people committed to this project gave us the confidence that the evening would be a total success. Mr. George Bush's presence as keynote speaker gave the event invaluable prestige, but still the local press was trying to undermine the program and continued attacking us to the last minute.

The big question was whether Argentine President Menem would attend. Even though Mr. Bush was staying at the President's guest house, in the end,

Menem gave in to local pressure and decided to stay away from the dinner. It was a big disappointment, especially since Mr. Menem had met Father last year.

But once again, heaven turned a disappointment into a victory. Up until that point, our activities were dominating the headlines and the media continued attacking in a mean-spirited fashion. Yet, the day after the speeches by President Bush and Monsignor Balboni, who traveled from Rome to deliver the invocation, the press did a 180-degree about turn once they realized that we did have the support of a U.S. president and even the Vatican through this high-level prelate. Monsignor Balboni is in charge of the Vatican's sacred antiquary collection.

It was so gratifying to hear President Bush's heartfelt words. Father and Mother sat with several of the True Children just a few feet from the podium, while the former U.S. president testified to Father's good works and particularly *The Washington Times*. Everyone was delighted to hear his compliments. We knew he would give an appropriate and "nice" speech, but praise in Father's presence was more than we expected. Mr. Bush held up a copy of *Tiempos del Mundo* and referred to several of the articles, including one about Barbara Bush and other former first ladies. It was a vindication. We could just hear a sigh of relief from Heaven.

The audience was also treated to a video message from the Hon. Cesar Gaviria, Secretary-General of the Organization of American States. Plus, there was an excellent video about Father's long-time involvement with the media leading up to the establishment of *Tiempos del Mundo*, produced by Atlantic Video, under the direction of Michael DeMark and Pier Angelo Beltrami.

The entertainment was first-rate and included the well-known show-stopper Gloria del Paraguay, and a chamber ensemble. The master of ceremonies was our very dear elder brother, Ambassador Phillip V. Sanchez, publisher of *Noticias*



Former President George Bush, Larry Moffitt, General Manager of *Tiempos del Mundo*, and Vice President Luis Patiño, November 23, 1996.

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del Mundo and *Tiempos del Mundo*, who attended with his wife, Juanita.

Divine Principle Workshop in Uruguay

It's hard to believe but all of this occurred in just one day. On top of everything else, True Parents had given instructions to conduct a Divine Principle workshop immediately following the event. Invitations were sent out a week earlier and, amazingly, seventy of our high-level guests accepted.

The next day, Sunday at 6 a.m., we loaded everyone on to a chartered flight and flew to Montevideo. Along the way there were many adventures, particularly dealing with visas, but somehow the spirit world cleared the way.

We arrived at the Victoria Plaza Hotel at 10:30 a.m. just in time for the ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new convention center. This new building, which was in the planning and construction stage for the past ten years, is a remarkable contribution to the Uruguayan economy and tourism industry, and a decisive testimony to True Parents' vision and expectation for the continent. It is a modern hotel and expo center equal in services and quality to any five-star establishment in New York or Paris. Many local prominent guests, government leaders and friends attended the ceremony and reception, including several former presidents and cabinet members.

At 3:00 p.m., we took the guests to the Cilindro indoor arena where the first national Uruguayan-Japanese sisterhood ceremony took place. 4,200 Japanese sisters and about 1,000 Uruguayan ladies heard keynote speaker, the Hon. Walter

Hickle, former U.S. Governor of Alaska, and other speakers including Dr. Bo Hi Pak, Mrs. Motoko Sugiyama, WFWP President of Japan, and several local WFWP representatives.

In the evening, Father addressed the workshop guests by skillfully launching into a profound explanation of the poverty that pervades Latin America, the responsibility of the leadership, and particularly the essential need to avoid the example of the United States which has in many cases squandered its blessings and today faces the consequences of years of immorality and indecisiveness. It was a real, concrete speech that had everyone spellbound.

The next two days, Dr. Thomas Ward and Steve Boyd gave Divine Principle lectures. It was straight, out-of-the-book, no holds-barred Principle. On Tuesday evening, Father returned and once again love-bombed everyone. He spoke for two hours and passionately asked everyone to work with him to save their nations. He encouraged everyone to join together and come to the assistance of the needy brother and sister nations of the world.

At the conclusion, one lady quietly asked him to sign her program. Once Father agreed, within seconds, he was practically engulfed by seventy guests asking him to sign their copies of the

Principle, the program, anything. The security brothers were dumbfounded as they had never seen this behavior before. It was truly adulation and respect.

The next day, Wednesday, all the guests departed to their nations. It was a total victory — *Tiempos del Mundo*, the symposium, and the Principle workshop. With complete love and honor, we offer this up to our True Parents.■

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Let Us Work Together...

than double our membership in this short time period.

6) Support witnessing programs

Witnessing is a full-time activity that requires an investment of heart, will power and constant prayer. One cannot do both fundraising and witnessing and be effective at both. If witnessing members can work full-time without worrying about neglecting their family, they will be more effective.

7) Chung Pyung Lake workshops

I advise you to pay special attention to the 40-day special training taking place at Chung Pyung, Seoul, Korea. Daemo-nim is performing miracles and healing the problems of individuals, broken blessed couples, incurable or unknown illnesses and other spiritual disturbances caused by the possession of evil or ancestral spirits. She drives out these spirits, sending them to 100-day training sessions in the spirit world directed by Heung Jin Nim. After such training, these spirits will not return to possess the people on earth. I suggest that you seriously pray and ask Daemo-nim for special help with your difficulties. Along with constant prayer, sincere confession and deep repentance, she may be able to bring spiritual healing to you.

Conclusion

Let me offer my encouragement and God's assurance to all of you who are struggling for any reason. I would like to quote verses from both the Old Testament and the New Testament, as well as the Completed Testament words of our

True Parents. I hope that they will help inspire you to bring success in your difficult missions as church leaders, blessed couples and tribal messiahs.

In the Old Testament, after Moses' death, God told Joshua and Caleb before entering the land of Canaan: "Be strong and of good courage" (Joshua 1:6-9). Three times God told the second generation under Joshua's leadership to be strong and courageous in the face of dispensational battles still to come. We are experiencing something of a parallel in this Completed Testament Age. The early dedicated members are in their sixties, seventies and eighties, representing the first generation. You younger members represent the second generation preparing to enter the spiritual land of Canaan, but still facing many spiritual battles to come against Satan's system and forces. Therefore, I also encourage you to "be strong and of good courage" so that you will accomplish your mission for God and True Parents.

In the New Testament Age, the Apostle Paul said: "And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are called according to His purpose" (Romans 8:28). Your tribal messiah work, ministers outreach, fulfillment of the "1-1-1" motto and other Unification activities are the substantiation of your love of God and they work according to His purpose. Know then, as this Bible verse says, that "all things will work together for good" to you. Have faith and conviction that you have been called to fulfill this monumental task and that God and True Parents are on your side.

Finally, let me quote our True Parents' message on True Parents' Day, April 18, 1996, at the World Mission Center in New York: "Man and woman are the cen-

ter (of the universe). Only the power of true love can create unity between man and woman. We erase all fallen viewpoints by passing through the zero point and connecting with the ideal of true love. The fallen world does not have the power to re-create this ideal - God cannot clean up this world by Himself. He needs the cooperation of His children (you). The Principle does not allow God to take action on the earth without the appearance of True Parents: true man, true woman, true love and true ideal centered upon God."

Let us carry true love to our enemies and adversaries, teach them the Unification Principle and True Family Values and spread the love of True Parents. This is the gospel for the 21st Century and beyond. Our True Parents practice what they teach about true love, building the Kingdom of God on earth steadily, systematically and successfully. We are their children and shall follow in their footsteps to save the Netherlands and return it to God's ultimate sovereignty. Let us work hard, "working together for good," and we will succeed in eliminating the forces of evil and bringing eternal peace and prosperity to this nation.■

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True Parents Donate 29 Ambulances

Mato Grosso, Brazil

[Editor's note: On August 13, 1996, True Parents, in a unique event in the history of Brazil, made a donation of 29 ambulances to the State of Mato Grosso do Sul, benefiting 29 municipalities with a population of more than 500,000 people. The following are excerpts taken from "Tribuna Popular," a local newspaper which gave full-page coverage of the event.]

At New Hope Farm, located 25 km from the town of Jardim, over 4,000 people gathered to hear speeches by the Reverend Sun Myung Moon and his followers. In attendance were government officials as well as representatives of the municipalities of Nioaque (Sauá), Ponta Porã, and Caarapó.

In his speech, Rev. Moon took the topic of the family as the key point for expressing his views on the potential of Mato Grosso do Sul. He explained that he had chosen Jardim as the central focus for developing a large food-producing granary, pointing out that this project is in its final phase of implementation. This is a far-reaching program of large social import, where large-scale investments will be based on the utilization of local citizens, foreshadowing a great future for Mato Grosso do Sul. Rev. Moon pointed out that the world will soon recognize the importance of what is happening in Jardim, where the light and power of the Holy Spirit are becoming manifested. Rev. Moon's words attracted the

attention of everyone, especially his emphasis on the bonds of Christian families as the means to achieve true happiness.

The large number of people who came to New Hope Farm were pleased by what they heard, which featured the topics of God the Creator, and the coming of Christ as key points of Rev. Moon's sermon.

One must also highlight the work done by Rev. Heung Tae Kim, the president of New Hope Farm, who has been integrated into the community of Jardim and into this region which has received a donation of 29 ambulances.

The speech by Dr. Francisco Helney Marques, representative of the Governor, deserved relevance as he recalled the words of Governor Dr. Wilson Barbosa Martins on the occasion of Rev. Kim's visit to the Governor's office in

Parque dos Poderes during the presentation of the ambulances: "This is the first time I see someone enter the Governor's office to donate something rather than ask for something." Such was spoken by Governor Martins relative to Rev. Moon's offering to the municipalities of Mato Grosso do Sul.

The distribution of the ambulances followed immediately, with the mayors of each municipality receiving the documentation for the vehicles. Undoubtedly, the donation of these vehicles was a great gift from heaven in this time of crisis, a time when the municipalities are not even able to acquire a used vehicle. ■

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True Parents pose in front of one of the 29 ambulances that were donated during the event at New Hope Farm, Jardim, August 13, 1996.

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Going beyond the 1996 motto of being proud of (proudly presenting) and loving True Parents, now we are going through the age of attendance, in which we should serve God and True Parents even more than being proud of and loving them.

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FATHER—MIDNIGHT PRAYER

and the holy son and daughter who can attend You in the family, country, world and cosmos. Please guide us so that through this family we can realize the purpose of creation and the hope of history, which is the building of the Kingdom of Heaven. Through this, we can enter into the age in which all people can communicate with one another, with one heart, as one tribe of God.

We are grateful that You have allowed us to start the family which, freed from shame, can inherit the completed way of filial child, patriot, saint, and holy son and daughter.

THE COUNTRY OF ONE KINGSHIP

Now, in this year, when we are working together to save all people through the Blessing of 3.6 million couples, please allow us to become a model family who can sincerely thank Heavenly Parents and True Parents on earth. Parents have enabled blessed families to see the proud age in which they can become world families who can directly communicate with the original Kingdom of Heaven. There, they can transcend race, country and world, possessing the country of one kingship. We sincerely pray for this.

Blessing is given by Heavenly Parents on the foundation on which Christianity, all other religions and all people are united. The benefit of the Blessing will extend beyond families, countries, world, religions, East and West, and even heaven and earth. Through the Blessing, all people will be liberated and the heavenly gates will be opened.

In 1997, we have to fulfill the responsibility of extending the lineage of liberation to all people. We must embrace the 3.6 million couples who can form families free from shame, as victors who can inherit the grace of Blessing, as individual families of heaven, as public figures who have inherited heavenly blessing, and as heavenly people who have inherited the heavenly environment. In this year, we sincerely request that we may arrive by bringing victory in this goal and even over-achieving the goal, at the one realm of Royal Family as victors who proudly present God, Parents, country and family.

THE ANNULMENT OF INDEMNITY

Heavenly Father, You who has been pursuing the history of the realm of blood, please remove your anger. We have come upon the direct age in which the way is opened through which families can connect with the infinite world of Your heavenly kingdom. They can accomplish this by changing their blood lineage with the settlement of the Family Federation for World Peace and the annulment of indemnity, and by keeping the divine law in heaven and on earth. In this age, we sincerely pray that You allow us to become the sons and daughters and princes and princesses who become free from shame as victors, by working with a sense of responsibility

and by carrying out the holy sense of mission to build the world in which to live with God, going beyond one country, world and cosmos.

Please bless the Unification members of the world so that the first and second generations can become one, that they can receive the lineage of True Children and join the heavenly tribe. Allow them to accomplish the holy responsibility of family, to reveal the great way of heaven and the world of present and future, as those who can match up to the dignity of the seven Family Pledges established in the family of heart and in the cosmos.

Please allow them to be liberated sons and daughters and families of God who, after realizing this, can bring victory no matter what, even one against one hundred. Please allow each one of them to have a family which can love and rule all nations and be loved by them, by inheriting the ways of the filial child, patriot, saint and holy son and daughter, and by inheriting God's blessing. I sincerely pray for this.

THE BELOVED TRIBE OF HEAVEN

We sincerely hope and wish that You may allow us to become masters of the one country and the beloved tribe of heaven, who can return glory to heaven with a liberated self, having established a free realm in which to move between the hills of the individual and of the world. Let this year of 1997 be the year of hope, liberation, blessing and words in which each of us can leave a record that can be highly praised by the world.

Please make 1997 a year in which, as we march forward for the Blessing of 3.6 million couples, the great force that can penetrate into all things can proudly show the completion of heaven and earth. And we sincerely request and desire that from the year 1998 until the year 2000, we can become the heavenly family, tribe, country, nation and world which can sing songs of pride, love and gratitude to heaven.

As True Parents, who have received the shame-free tradition of parents, pass on a new way of husband and wife to their descendants, please do not let them leave shameful conditions in history. Please allow us to be children who can form families to offer the shining seeds of perfected children after sweeping victoriously through our tribes, neighborhoods, world, and cosmos with the movement of the tribe that destroys injustice.

I request again that You, who are the source of all blessings, fully grant Your grace to those who desire the completion of the Blessing. I prayed in this early morning of the new year, before the whole cosmos, in the name of True Parents. Amen. Amen. Amen.■

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Mother in Brazil

Family Federation for World Peace
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"THE Women's Federation for World Peace will establish in the very near future a Family Federation for World Peace, a movement which will have the participation of all humanity. We will establish a world of true love, where the five races will sing glory to eternal life. Our descendants will live for the sake of one another, and will live this way more and more each time."

This is an excerpt from a speech given by Mother in Japan on September 24, 1992, entitled "The Woman Who Will Assume a Principal Role in the Ideal World." Mother is fulfilling her promise four years later as she herself is inaugurating the Family Federation for World

Peace in the Convention Center of Anhembi, one of the most important centers of South America.

Beginning in Japan, speaking through-out Korea and then throughout South America, Mother arrived in Paraguay and went straight to the place where the event was going to take place and where people had been waiting all afternoon for the moment of her speech.

Mother was introduced by a very famous writer and TV journalist, Professor Jorge Boaventura, who has faithfully been studying the teachings of the Divine Principle for a long time. His most recent book, *"The Suffering and Chaos at the End of the Century - the Real Causes and the Possible Restoration for Peace and Justice,"* reinforces and makes references to the Divine Principle in a refined style and with a lot of courage. This is the first reference to the Messianic task of our

True Parents at this kind of level.

Although Mother was exhausted, she looked very elegant. Rev. Heung Tae Kim was worried due to the late arrival of the public. Dozens of buses were leased to bring people from all regions of the country because the auditorium, which held a capacity of 3,500 people, had to be filled. Finally, almost all of the seats were filled and a total of 3,000 people heard Mother's speech as well as Father's speech which was read by Rev. Chung Hwan Kwak.

Alejandro de Souza translated simultaneously so that both could finish at the same time. At the end, Mother received red and white roses while "Halleluia" from Handel's Messiah was sung by the choir under the direction of the African teacher, Mr. Lukota. Mother then went to our church headquarters to prepare for her next pilgrimage stop which was Argentina.

Many people expected Father to be present because they knew that he was in Mato Grosso do Sul. However, Father could not attend.

Now a new foundation for the strengthening of the Brazilian family has been made with the inauguration of the Family Federation for World Peace as a guarantee of a new world of joy and peace.

Our True Parents' wish is that all people, without exception, would have the opportunity to read the content of their speeches several times, because both speeches contain truths which were hidden for thousands of years and which man has searched for in his continuous struggle against the ties of ignorance and misery. ■■■

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Mrs. Hak Ja Han Moon during the Inaugural Ceremony of the Family Federation for World Peace in São Paulo on September 23, 1996.



True Family, Rev. Heung Tae Kim and Mr. Gentaro Kajiguri hold a 30 foot long baby serpent in Miranda, Brazil, August 11, 1996. (Photo: Courtesy of Alejandro de Souza)

This year, the most important thing is to accomplish the 3.6 Million Couples Blessing. I love God and am proud of God. I have invested all of my heart, mind and energy into indemnifying every historical wrongdoing. On that foundation, the Family Federation for World Peace was established and the ceremony was held to proclaim the end of indemnity. All throughout the world, people will come to think of the blessed family of the Unification Church as the ideal family. Equalization begins with the unification of God and True Parents and the unification between True Parents and you. This occurred at the moment of change from 1996 to 1997. Even a few minutes before the end of last year, I had removed indemnity. Because all indemnity was removed from the restoration of indemnity, from now on you need to be proud of True Parents rather than just True Father. If you are doing more than being proud of and loving God, it will be nothing to accomplish the 3.6 million couples blessing. Therefore our motto is, "Let Us Be Proud of True Parents and Love True Parents by Accomplishing the 3.6 Million Couples Blessing."

*Reverend Sun Myung Moon
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